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**SUBSCRIPTIONS
ARE DUE**

Subs are due on 1st July
If you have forgotten to pay
NOW IS THE TIME TO DO IT.
Subs are \$10 per year
contact our Treasurer/Membership Member
CPL Bob Matthew (m) **0409 962 208**

**HAVE YOU CONSIDERED
JOINING OUR ASSOCIATION?**
Contact CPL Bob Matthew (m) **0409 962 208**

Full details on page 8

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



*Our President WO1 John Prince
and his wife Ellen*

Dear Members,

Welcome to our latest newsletter.

2025 has been another outstanding year for RAEME across Australia. We continue to receive and share news from interstate RAEME groups and the local REME crew. It's always great to read about the fellowship expressed in these notifications. Many groups held well supported activities and shared some great moments with RAEME network. ACT and QLD in particular.

We are now starting to look towards this year's nominations for RAEME-SA ARes Soldier of the Year award. The RAEME Head of Corps and RSL-SA CEO presented the ARA award last year at RAAF Edinburgh. We hope to again capture and share photos of the presentations with the RAEME senior leadership group and other state associations.

We look forward to building strong new relationships with the next batch of skilled tradies as they form the new maintenance teams in the Adelaide region. We hope to read more about the build-up of the 10 Brigade elements and the planning execution of RAEME activities in SA.

RAEME Birthday plans are well under way. The planning conferences are planned to be held at 14 REGT WKSP conference room. The initial dates are: IPC – 22 August, MPC – 30 October, FPC – TBC – 2 weeks before the event. The primary Coord Officer is WO2 Ronald Crumley, <ronald.crumley@defence.gov.au>. Please notify Ronnie when you have identified your unit key POC for updates and event scheduling.

The Combined Logistics and Health Services Dinner will be another great event that you should not miss. When: Friday 31st October 2025. Time: 1830 for 1900. Where: Caledonian Hotel (Barton Room), 215 O'Connell St, North Adelaide.

Come On! Get Involved!!

Take pride in everything you do along your journey. Keep your eyes on the upcoming RAEME activities planned for this year and we hope to observe maximum participation at every level. Contributions from members are always valued and given unbiased consideration. If you have suggestions that you feel will benefit and enhance the role and impact of the RAEME Association of SA and the greater RAEME National Network, please submit your ideas through any of the committee members and rest assured they will be heard. Please encourage your RAEME mates to join RAEME-SA and support the continuation of Esprit de Corps in the SA region. Any members, who would like to join us in implementing change to make the association more relevant for the new and emerging RAEME soldiers and build on a contemporary focus, are welcome to make suggestions for us all to act on. Be prepared to actively be part of those changes. Remember to invite and bring along your families and workmates to all our gatherings. Afterall we are a stronger family when we all stand together to reflect on our great achievements each year. Keep us informed of the milestones that you celebrate so that we can congratulate you along the way. Birthdays, weddings, anniversaries and promotions all need to be acknowledged as they occur, as families often do.

Thank you for your support throughout the past few months. It has been a very busy start to the new year and details of the new calendar will follow. If you need to get in touch with RAEME-SA, the full list of the committee members is on page 1 of this newsletter. Thank you to all committee members and support staff both past and present. Thanks still go to MAJ Richard Moyses, watching over us from afar and his lovely wife Judy for her continuing local support as assistant secretary.

Arte et Marte
WO1 John Prince
President
RAEME Association of South Australia



RAEME Association of SA **DIARY DATES 2025**



Activity/Function

Date

- RAEME Luncheon (West Adelaide FC)
- Committee of Management Meeting
- RAEME and other Log Association's Combined Function (TBC)
- SA RAEME Corps Birthday Activity (Edinburgh)
- 2025 RAEME-SA Annual General Meeting (West Adelaide FC)
- 2025 Corps Birthday Family Function (West Adelaide FC)

Tuesday 2nd September
Wednesday 3rd September
Friday 31st October
Friday 28th November
Saturday 29th November (10.30am)
Saturday 29th November (noon)

Allied Military Association Functions

- REME-SA Birthday Meeting (Coopers Ale House – Gepps Cross)
- REME-SA Christmas Meeting (Coopers Ale House – Gepps Cross)

Sunday 28th September
Sunday 30th November

To view all functions happening around Australia by
the various **RAEME Associations**
[Hold down the Control button and Click on this link](#)

VALE – Lest We Forget



CFN Graham Terry

1 Jun 1946 - 17 May 2025 (Age 78)
Born in Adelaide and was NS tradesman
Served with 1 Armd Regt in Vietnam

See Report on page 4

Lest We Forget



Online lists of recent RAEME members Deaths and Illnesses are always available at:

- <http://www.raeme.org.au/index.php/notices/vale-alt>
- <http://www.sa.raeme.org.au/index.php/notices/vale-report>

VALE CFN Howard 'Graham' TERRY

Name: Terry, Howard Graham

Rank: CFN

Regimental No: 4720021

Trade: Instrument Fitter

Year Joined: 02 May 68

Years Served: 2 Year

Date Deceased: 17 May 25



The 1st Armoured Regiment Association regrets to advise the passing of Howard Graham Terry on 17 May 2025, aged 78 years, following a courageous battle with cancer.

Howard was called up for National Service and served with distinction. He deployed to South Vietnam in 1969, initially with C Squadron, 1st Armoured Regiment LAD from 14 January to 10 February, before transferring to B Squadron LAD, where he served from 11 February 1969 to 14 January 1970.

His funeral was held on Thurs 29th May at Alfred James Funeral Home, Morphett Vale SA at 10.30am. This was followed by a wake at the Marion Sports Club.

Arte et Marte

Rest in Peace

Information supplied via Facebook

Veteran Details

Name: TERRY, Howard Graham

Service: Australian Army

Service Number: 4720021

Date of Birth: 01 June 1946

Place of Birth: Adelaide, SA, Australia

Rank: Craftsman

National Service: Yes

Corps: Royal Corps of Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers

Unit History

C Squadron, 1st Armoured Regiment: 14 Jan 1969 to 10 Feb 1969

B Squadron Section, 1st Armoured Regiment Light Aid Detachment: 11 Feb 1969 to 14 Jan 1970

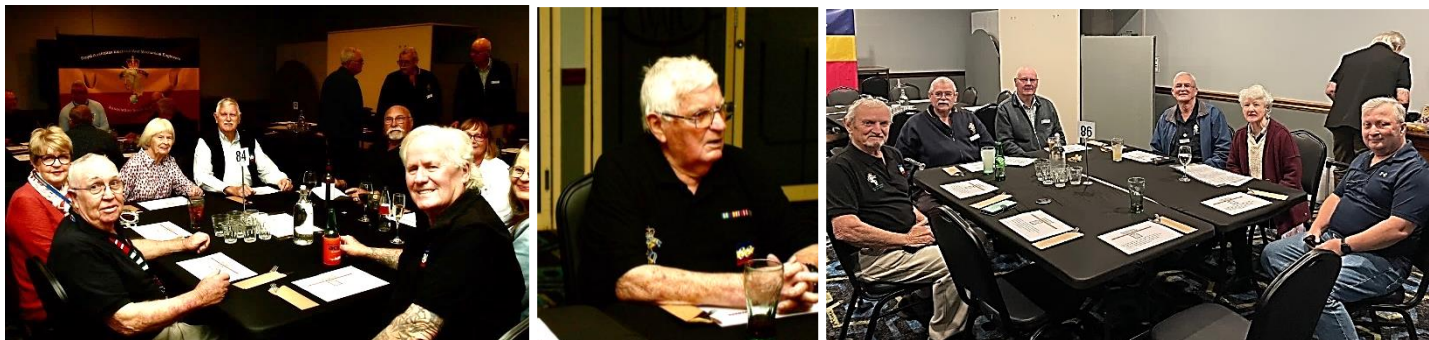
Copy of Information as detailed on RAEME NATIONAL NETWORK



RAEME 'HARRY THE HORSE' LUNCHEON

The next "HARRY THE HORSE" Luncheon will be held on Tuesday 2nd September at the West Adelaide Football Clubrooms, 57 Milner Road, Richmond. It promises to be another great activity and is available to all ex RAEME members and their families.

At last September's Luncheon we welcomed a contingent of C Sqn 1 Armd Reg LAD and 106 Fd Wksp (68-69) members (and partners) from interstate who had individually decided to come visiting. and it resulted in friends seeing other for the first time in 30+ years. We hope that they (or others) will take the opportunity to visit us in Adelaide this year



Last Years Visitors



Above - The coordinator Bob Killoran. Left - Part of the Local Crew last year and Below - some of Don's display of RAEME Memorabilia.



The Luncheons are annual events and are held on the first Tuesday in March and the first Tuesday in September at 12noon each year.

If you can't make the September 2025 lunch, put the dates in your diary and we hope to see you sometime in the future.

WHY NOT JOIN US AND BRING SOME FRIENDS

COMBINED LOGISTICS AND HEALTH SERVICES DINNER 2025

Date: Friday, October 31
Time: 6:30 - 11pm
Location: Caledonian Hotel

Barton Room - 215 O'Connell Street North Adelaide, SA 5006
(Note: On corner of O'Connell & Barton Terrace West)



Guest Speaker: Dr Craig Jurisevic Surgeon, Soldier, Author

Due to cost constraints and to make the Dinner more affordable for Other Ranks members and in a more central location the Dinner has been moved to the Caledonian Hotel in O'Connell Street, North Adelaide.

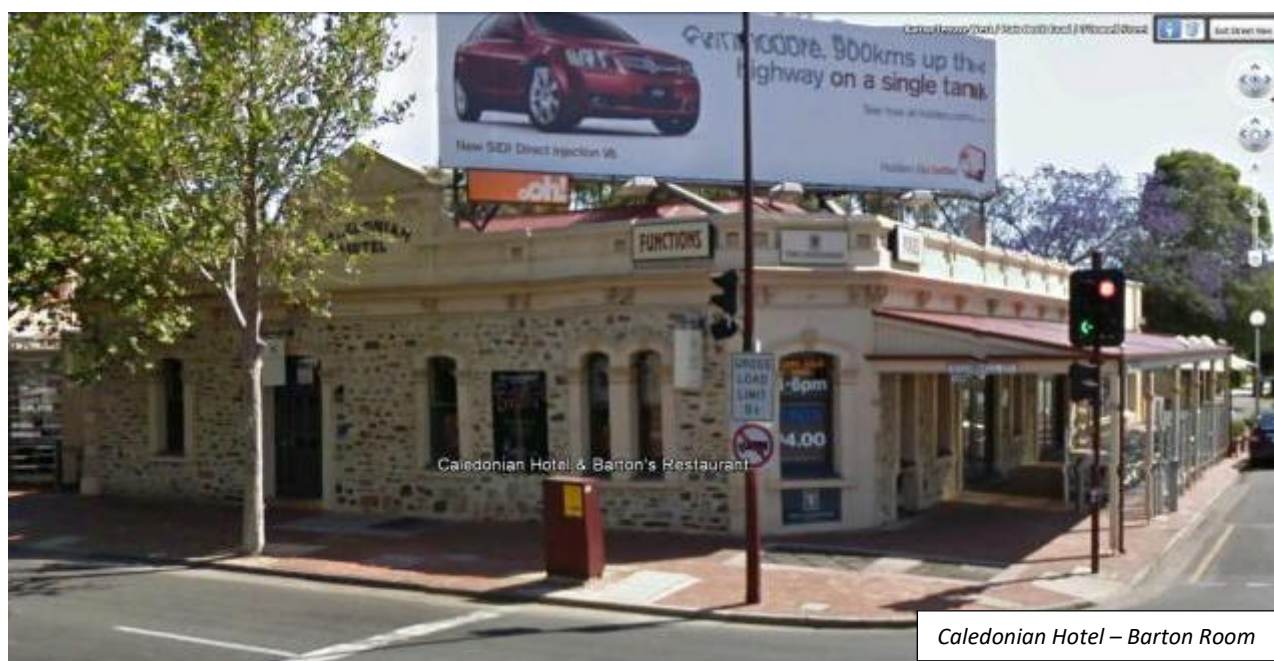
Rather than a fixed menu, attendees will be able to choose from the standard hotel menu and drinks will be at bar prices.

This is a member and friend activity so invite your partner/friend as it promises to be a great evening and we look forward to a good RAEME presence.

Numbers are limited and tickets are available on Eventbrite now so get in early and book your seat(s).

For bookings please use the link below:

[The Combined Logistics and Health Services Dinner 2025 Tickets, Fri, Oct 31, 2025 at 6:30 AM | Eventbrite](#)



Event being organised by **RAAMC & Health Services Association of SA**

2025 SA RAEME Corps Birthday

28 Nov - @ Edinburgh

Email to All (particularly those that want to be involved)

From: Crumley, WO2 <@defence.gov.au>

Sent:

Subject: Save the Date - RAEME Birthday - 28 Nov 25

Good morning Sir, Gents,

Firstly, please disseminate this to anyone I have missed or who wants to be kept in the loop.

RAEME birthday 2025 will most likely not be as extravagant as last year but still a key event in the calendar year.

The planning conferences will be held at 14 REGT WKSP conference room – only if Fletch can organise coffee and Tim Tams, otherwise they will most likely be at the MRC within the 1 ARMD compound. A calendar invite will be sent out closer to the time, however, dates I'm looking at are:

IPC – 22 August

MPC – 30 October

FPC – TBC – 2 weeks before?

Timings of the meetings are TBC but most likely in the morning around 0930/1000.

If anyone is unable to attend then could I ask that you please send a representative from your units.

Prior to the IPC can I ask that you come with the following:

1. Rough numbers for catering purposes.
2. If anyone has a specific event they want included or to run then please let me know.

The event will be run in horseshoe lines on Friday 28 Nov 25 from 1000 – 1400 centred around the 'Iron Keep', (the Pig Pen for those who have been in the SA region for a while).

Proposed events:

Volleyball

Tug of War

Spanner throw

Anything else then please let me know.

We will just look at organising a BBQ rather than inviting food vendors in unless the number of attendees say otherwise, maybe just an ice cream truck or similar.

Displays:

1 ARMD – would there be the possibility of an OCCV display/other emerging technologies/any items of interest as the Combat Experimentation Group would be greatly received.

Military Museum

Trade vendors – Milwaukee, Redarc, welfare displays, the list goes on.

AOB – I've probably missed something but if you know me then that would not come as a surprise.

Regards,

Ronnie

EMEWO

16 Regt RAA

Membership Renewal

Is your Membership up for Renewal????

Subs are due on 1st July in the year your membership expires. Reminders have been sent out so if you have forgotten to pay **NOW IS THE TIME TO DO IT.**

Subs are \$10 per year with a maximum forward payment of 5 years eg \$50 for five years.

If in doubt please contact our Treasurer/Membership Member

CPL Bob Matthew (mobile) **0409 962 208**

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) facilities are available.

BSB 065-127

Account No. **00900324**

Account Name **RAEME ASSOCIATION of SA INC**

Please send an email to our Membership Member advising him of the payment.

robert.m1@bigpond.com

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED JOINING OUR ASSOCIATION?

You can join by applying on the website <https://sa.raeme.org.au/>

or contacting our Membership Member - Bob Matthew

Email: robert.m1@bigpond.com Mobile: 0409 962 208

Different View on Aging

Do you realize that the only time in our lives when we like to get old is when we're kids? If you're less than 10 years old, you're so excited about aging that you think in fractions. "How old are you?" "I'm four and a half!" You're never thirty-six and a half. You're four and a half, going on five!

That's the key, You get into your teens, now they can't hold you back. You jump to the next number, or even a few ahead. "How old are you?" "I'm gonna be 16!" You could be 13, but hey, you're gonna be 16!

And then the greatest day of your life - you become 21. Even the words sound like a ceremony. YOU BECOME 21. YESSSS!!!

But then you turn 30. Oooohh, what happened there? Makes you sound like bad milk! He TURNED; we had to throw him out. There's no fun now, you're just a sour-dumpling.

What's wrong? What's changed?

You BECOME 21, you TURN 30, then you're PUSHING 40. Whoa! Put on the brakes, it's all slipping away. Before you know it, you REACH 50 and your dreams are gone. But wait!!! You MAKE it to 60. You didn't think you would!

So you BECOME 21, TURN 30, PUSH 40, REACH 50 and MAKE it to 60 .

You've built up so much speed that you HIT 70!

After that it's a day-by-day thing; you HIT Wednesday! You get into your 80's and every day is a complete cycle; you HIT lunch; you TURN 4:30; you REACH bedtime. And it doesn't end there. Into the 90s, you start going backwards; "I Was JUST 92" Then a strange thing happens. If you make it over 100, you become a little kid again. "I'm 100 and a half!" May you all make it to a healthy 100 and a half!!

AND ALWAYS REMEMBER: Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.

Our President is STEPPING OUT AGAIN IN 2025

**National
Breast Cancer
Foundation**



John Prince

MY FUNDRAISING LEVEL
SHINING STAR

I am stepping up to walk 58km for my wife, Ellen Prince



MY CHALLENGE



FUNDRAISING

I've Raised: **\$210** My Goal: **\$1,500**



KILOMETRES

I've Walked: **0.0km** My Goal: **58km**

Please Help Me Reach My Goal

Raised **\$210** My Goal **\$1,500**



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Select amount to donate



Could support researchers to uncover new drug targets for chemo-resistant breast cancer, to provide better treatments for those who need it most.

\$58

\$100

\$250

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Or surprise me

Donate

Support my challenge to step up to breast cancer!

Right now, 58 people in Australia are diagnosed with breast cancer every day.

This August, I am taking part in Step Up to Breast Cancer for the mothers, sisters, daughters, friends and loves ones who are impacted by this devastating disease.

I am doing this to raise funds for National Breast Cancer Foundation (NBCF) to support vital breast cancer research to help save lives.

Please make a donation to support my challenge and let's step up to breast cancer together!

Thank you for your support.

TO DONATE visit their website using the link below

[National Breast Cancer Foundation - John Prince](#)

RAEME in ACTION

The Newsletter of the RAEME Association of the
Australian Capital Territory (ACT)

If you are looking for a great summary of “What is Happening in RAEME” around Australia and the world this is a worthwhile newsletter for you to check out.

The latest edition of the ACT RAEME Association Newsletter, *RAEME in ACTION*, has been uploaded to their website! It can also be downloaded by [clicking here](#).

You can also view it online as a flip-book by [clicking here](#).

If you are in the Canberra region and didn't receive this email directly from the Secretary, please visit this site to [register as a member](#). RAEME members nationwide can also [visit this site to subscribe](#) to any or all of our three email lists: Corps Newsletters, Local Events, and Significant Corps Matters.

In this edition, we have included:

- A Summary of Honours and Awards from the King's Birthday and WO1 Russ Cliffe's Federation Star
- A farewell to recently deceased Pete Shefford (co-author of RAEME Humour Books)
- Tips from the ATO re tax time for Defence members
- A list of planned RAEME gatherings nation-wide
- Details of what RAEME members have been up to around the nation
- Our Soldier's Five Quiz. Are you smart enough to answer five military/trade questions correctly?
- and lots more

For more information contact Secretary@act.raeme.org.au

RAEME in ACTION
The Newsletter of the RAEME Association of the
Australian Capital Territory (ACT)

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
Greetings All,

The last months have provided many opportunities for reflection, from a service, global and personal perspective. I have had the chance to attend two reunions (AAS and OCS), the presentation of a 40-year medal (unfortunately I missed Russ Cliffe's presentation, a true legend), a farewell from Army for a 45-year service legend from RASigs (Lew Coyle) and a memorial for my father.

Current conflicts around the globe suggest that whatever previous and/or currently serving personnel, particularly Spanners, trained and subsequently deployed to support, they are unlikely to be the last to do so. Given my recent experience of spending time with those I grew up and served with over many years, now more than ever, I hope that those in training for the current and next fights are able to enjoy the same level of camaraderie that I have and continue to do. As captured by Cookie in his article on his great mate, Peter Shefford, "dream as if you'll live forever, but live today as if there is no tomorrow".

Say safe and well. I look forward to catching up in the near future.

Cheers APA

THE NEXT THREE MONTHS
Legend

Spanner Club Mixed Lunch Informal Drinks Significant Event

CFN Naylor Symons in action with support from PTE Aaron Moses at the ADF Touch Association inter-service competition
Army News, 12 Jun 25

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My congratulations go to **Ian Cook**, the Secretary of ACT RAEME Association and his team in the ACT who must spend a significant amount of time researching and compiling the information and putting together a monthly Newsletter of this quality and technical prowess.

As a part time editor of the RAEME-SA Newsletter I know how much time and effort is involved in producing, checking, proof reading and then getting the tick of approval by other before it can be shared with members.

LTCOL Greg Rosser RFD (Retd) - Editor

Other RAEME Network websites you might like to checkout

The best starting point is to go to the [RAEME - National](https://raeme.org.au) (or enter <https://raeme.org.au> in your browser).



By clicking on any of the state names (Eg SA) in the area as shown to the right you will be automatically redirected to the appropriate RAEME state Association Website. From there you can check out what they have happening. The Newsletters are usually a good place to start.

You might like to check out some of these sites:

Recent Death Reports

Vale Report

(<https://raeme.org.au/index.php/notices/vale-alt>)

ACT Association

[RAEME - ACT](https://act.raeme.org.au) - See previous page for more details
<https://act.raeme.org.au>

Queensland Association

<https://qld.raeme.org.au/index.php>

They are also a very active Association



RAQ Friday Files