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As Vietnam Veterans Day nears for another year, it is timely to reflect on some statistics from the war as our numbers decline approaching our twilight years.

It is estimated that there are about 35,000 surviving Vietnam War veterans in Australia of about 60,000 who served. "While that number inevitably dwindles with the passing of time, the nation's determination to remember and honour them remains resolute," then Governor-General William Hurley said last year.

More than 3000 were wounded and 523 lost their lives, with casualties (in-country) listed by the Australian War Memorial as 500 – 426 battle casualties and 74 non-battle with 478 from Army, eight from RAN and 14 RAAF. A total 3629 were listed as wounded – 3505 from Army, 48 RAN and 56 RAAF.

Killed directly in action were 172 Regular Army and 143 National Servicemen. The worst year for battle casualties was 1968 with 102 Australians killed, then 1969 with 95, 1970 with 54, according to the Australian War Memorial.



## ***'... as we that are left grow old ...'***

On the 50th anniversary of the end of Australia's involvement in the Vietnam War, The Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide recognised and pay our respects to the 60,000 men and women who served in Vietnam, and their families.

"Since the war, we know many Vietnam veterans have sadly died by suicide; however, we cannot be sure of the true extent of this tragedy," the commission said.

"According to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, at least 1600 Australian servicemen and women died by suicide between 1997 and 2020. But this data does not include veterans who served before 1985, including our Vietnam veterans.

"We acknowledge that the polarising nature of the Vietnam conflict – and the hostile reception our troops faced upon their return home to Australia – negatively impacted the mental health and well-being of many Vietnam veterans.

"Some have told us they've felt abandoned by the Government and a sense of shame because their service has never been appropriately recognised.

"It is not enough to support and reflect on the sacrifice of our veterans on days of commemoration and remembrance. We must all play a part in holding Government to account when it comes to ensuring the mental health and wellbeing of those who risk their lives each day in the service of our country."



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## OFFICE NEWS .....

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**MEETINGS: Third Tuesday of the month: Comm Meeting and General Meeting — times, check office for details.**

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# HIT AND MYTH ON VIETNAM WAR

Everybody knows that Vietnam veterans are desperate, damaged men, haunted by memories of wartime atrocities and demonstrations against their homecoming at Sydney Airport, where they were spat upon by women and branded “baby killers”. Like many things that everybody knows, this is not true.

I first became interested in military mythology while writing *The Nashos' War*, a history of the national service scheme during the -Vietnam era. I had read about attacks on veterans by protesters and I wondered how they might have been organised.

The story that interested me most of all – because it was the most dramatic and violent, and would have required the highest level of planning and commitment – was published first in a collection of veterans' writings to mark the National Reunion and Welcome Home Parade in 1987, and more widely showcased in Paul Ham's bestselling *Vietnam: The Australian War* in 2007.

The account is credited to “Mike” from Perth, a national serviceman who served in the Royal Australian Artillery and flew home, relieved, in January 1970.

“At Mascot [airport], the relief turned to anger,” wrote Mike. “We were pelted with tomatoes and spat on. But we got our satisfaction afterward: 150 toey, angry lads from Vietnam versus 400 demonstrators – they didn't stand a chance. The cops were very good about it. They seemed to be otherwise occupied for a while. It's impossible to describe what it feels like to have been away at war for your country and come home to that

kind of treatment. It's something you never forget. Feeling as I do now about the whole thing, I guess I could have been on the opposite side of the fence. But to be spat on and treated like shit, that's something else.”

As well as never forgetting this incident, Mike never remembered it – because it did not happen.



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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Mike's essay came out of a veterans' creative-writing class, whose participants were invited to create either fiction or memoir. Mike's story is clearly fiction....

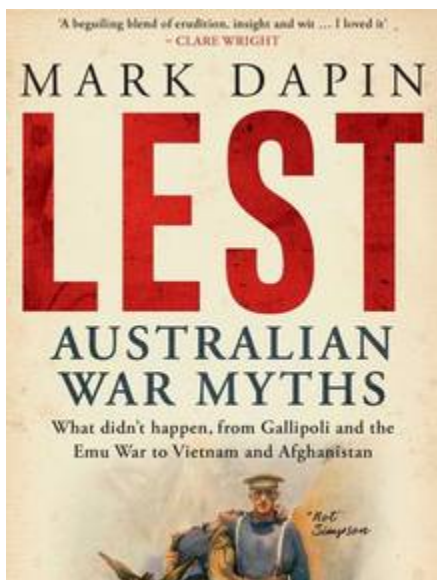
.... But by the Sydney welcome-home march in 1987, 15 years after Australia's withdrawal from Vietnam, the veterans were widely accepted as misunderstood, brave, honest men.

This is a tribute to the strength of the narrative they have collectively evolved. They have become a victim group: their claims need not be verified, their truth should not be questioned.

And this is a tragedy, because myths exist in part to give flesh to feelings – and the feelings of persecution are real, albeit heightened by being validated by folklorists, mythologists and journalists.

Many veterans feel that the antiwar demonstrations were directed against them. Some returned men feel that their service was spat upon. When they say they had no welcome home, they mean they did not feel welcome at home. They are not lying. But we cannot accept their truth as history.

**- Abridged version of an article in *The Australian's* 60th Anniversary special, 13-14 August 2024, by Mark Dapin, author of recently published *Lest: Australian War Myths* (Scribner Australia) and previously published *The Nashos' War: Australia's national servicemen and Vietnam* and *Australia's Vietnam: Myth vs History*. PICTURED: Dapin's new book (left) and Welcome Home parade in Sydney in 1987 (above) – AWM photo.**



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Everyone,  
Hope you are all safe and healthy. It's getting closer; Vietnam Veterans Day is nearly upon us and the tickets are selling fast.

I would strongly suggest that those of you wishing to attend the function purchase your tickets as soon as possible. We only have a limited number and it's first in first served.

My thanks goes out, once again, to Councillor Ted Hungerford for his on-going support of our Association.

Ted assists us through his discretionary funding of the event including bus and chair hire for the day (which is no small amount) and other associated expenditures, as does the Maroochy RSL Club who generously donate services, goods, equipment and certain liquor on the day.

Thank you Peter Tsakissiris (Board Chairman), and Jason Scanes (CEO), for your much valued assistance.

Your committee has been actively involved over the past month in moving furniture due to new car-

pet installed within the Drop-In Centre, and getting rid of old and obsolete equipment. The place now looks great!

Thursday morning breakfast at the Mooloolaba Surf Club is going very well indeed. We seem to be attracting a bigger crowd of veterans at the venue and who could blame them; eggs, bacon, hash-browns, baked beans, tomatoes tea/coffee and toast all for \$5. I think we might have to review the cost at some stage in the future.

Well that's about it for now but before I go, once again I remind you all to make contact with the Drop-In Centre and order your tickets for the 18<sup>th</sup> August. Hope to see you all there on the day.

**Best Regards,  
Mick Howe,  
President.**



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## From the Secretary

It is only a few weeks until Vietnam Veterans Day. This is the Association's major event of the year. Lunch ticket sales have been sound, but there is a cut-off date for the luncheon numbers.

The Maroochy RSL Function Centre Staff require final numbers for catering purposes. If you are intending to attend the luncheon, please organize your tickets as soon as possible.

Details of the day can be accessed via the advertisement (Page 6) in this edition of Ricochet.

For the third year in succession The 1<sup>st</sup> Australian Civil Affairs Unit Association is holding its reunion in Maroochydore, and 55 members and partners will be attending the Ceremony and Luncheon.

The salute this year will be taken by Lt Col. Don Limn OAM (Rtd). I am always fascinated by the interesting lives that people have led and Don certainly falls into this category.

Don joined the army aged 17. He served in Vietnam from November 1965 to June 1966 with 1 RAR (D Coy and BHQ).

In 1967 he completed a Vietnamese language course and from March 1968 and March 1969 did a second tour in Vietnam as a linguist with: Civil Affairs Unit, HQ 1 ALSG and Det 1 Dev Int Unit.

In 1970 he attended Officer Cadet School, had infantry postings between 1971 and 1992 including two exchanges with the British Army in Germany and three years in Indonesia (one year at their staff college and two years at the Australian Embassy).

Don retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1992 (to become a librarian). He is currently the Secretary/Treasurer of the 1<sup>st</sup> Australian Civil Affairs Association, and in 2014 was awarded an OAM for his service to the Association.

Don is a real personable bloke, so please don't hesitate to have a chat with him or any other member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Affairs Association at the luncheon.

That's it for this month. See you on 18 August.

*Stay safe and always take the high ground.*

Regards

John Cunnington



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## **ATTENTION MEMBERS**

### **VIETNAM VETERANS DAY SUNDAY 18 AUGUST 2024**

The day will commence at around 0600 hours with the “Toast to the War Dogs” at the War Dog’s Memorial, Alexandra Headland. Breakfast, tea and coffee will be supplied.

### **COTTON TREE CENOTAPH**

#### **Main Commemoration Ceremony**

**Assembly: 1045 hours near the swimming pool complex, The Esplanade, Cotton Tree. The short march to the Cotton Tree RSL Cenotaph, commences at 1045 hours.**

**Service: 1100 hours—1200 hours.**

**Luncheon: Maroochy RSL following the service. Welcome to guests at 1215 hours. Lunch tickets are available at the Drop-In Centre from 1 June.**

**Cost: \$45 for members and partners. Non-member’s price is \$55 per head. *Lunch includes a sumptuous three course meal, subsidised beer and wine, entertainment, lucky door prizes, raffle draws and surprises!!!***

**IMPORTANT: At the luncheon there will be free seating available. However, If you would like to pre-book a table (groups of 10 are preferable), please notify John Cunnington on 54933513 (0415375968) or email [secretaryvvaasc@gmail.com](mailto:secretaryvvaasc@gmail.com) and arrange the bookings with him after you have purchased your tickets. Names are required for each person.**

**Transport: A bus will be provided to transport guests to and from the Caloundra RSL. Pick-up time will be 0945 hours. The bus will leave the Maroochy RSL at 1630 hours. Guests in the Maroochydhore area can avail themselves of the Maroochydhore RSL courtesy bus.**

**Special dietary requirements: leave a message with the duty officer at the Drop-In-Centre or contact John Cunnington on 54933513, (0415375968) or send an email to the [secretaryvvaasc@gmail.com](mailto:secretaryvvaasc@gmail.com)**

*Photo above:: familiar scene in Vietnam rom Australian War Memorial.*

# STEINBECK'S SHEER JOY ON A CHOPPER FLIGHT

"I wish I could tell you about these pilots. They make me sick with envy. They ride their vehicles the way a man controls a fine, well-trained quarter horse. They weave along stream beds, rise like swallows to clear trees, they turn and twist and dip like swifts in the evening. I watch their hands and feet on the controls, the delicacy of the coordination reminds me of the sure and seeming slow hands of (Pablo) Casals on the cello. They are truly musicians' hands and they play their controls like music and they dance them like ballerinas and they make me jealous because I want so much to do it. Remember your child night dream of perfect flight free and wonderful? It's like that, and sadly I know I never can. My hands are too old and forgetful to take orders from the command centre, which speaks of updrafts and side winds, of drift and shift, or ground fire indicated by a tiny puff or flash, or a hit and all these commands must be obeyed by the musician's hands instantly and automatically. I must take my longing out in admiration and the joy of seeing it. Sorry about that leak of ecstasy, Alicia, but I had to get it out or burst."

— author John Steinbeck at Pleiku on 7 January 1967, when he flew aboard a UH-1 Huey helicopter with D Troop, 1st Squadron, 10th Cavalry and wrote the piece above.



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# POLAND'S RICH HISTORY ASTOUNDS

*- Association member Danny O'Kearney reflects on a trip to Poland he and Tricia did recently.*

Sometime a trip to a new place astounds you. In May my wife and I decided to visit Poland, yes Poland. We travelled to five cities and stayed between three and six days in both apartments and hotels.

Poland has a rich history, but we concentrated on three periods: 1939 to 1945, 1945 to 1989 and 89 to present day. We started our journey in Warsaw and from there to Krakow, Wroclaw, Poznan and finally Gdansk.

Warsaw's Old Town is just a number 4 tram ride away from the centre of town. By the way, tram, bus and metro in Poland are free for over-70s, even tourists. During World War II, the Old Town was totally destroyed and subsequently reconstructed as was most of the towns we visited. The first museum we strolled into strangely enough was about the Poland's military as part of the Soviet Union.

Their role was to attack north Germany and Denmark after a Russian nuclear strike on NATO bases. The original tactical map and sets of orders for various divisions are on display. Scattered around Warsaw, but easy to find are the 1944 Uprising, Holocaust, Army and Katyn forest massacre museums.



**OLD town and military barracks in Warsaw.**

Fast train from Warsaw to Krakow, a short two-and-a-half-hour trip: Krakow has so much history to offer the tourist. WW2 saw the Jewish quarter levelled and all Jews transported to Auschwitz.

We toured a synagogue that was spared as it was used as a German Army clothing store.—continued next page.

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On another tram out to "Nowa Huta", one of the largest planned socialist districts ever built. Small museum, but more interesting were the underground nuclear fallout shelters for each building, over 250 in all. A day travelling to the mountain town Zakopane and ended at a hot spring and was well worth the trip. Next stop Wroclaw.

Train travel is easy but I would recommend first class and you have to book a seat in advance. Wroclaw was originally German territory and called Breslau.

In WW2 the Battle of Breslau, was a three-month-long siege by the Russians.



**WORLD Congress of Intellectuals for Peace Building in Warsaw.**

## Locals use symbols in subtle protests

The German garrison surrendered on 6 May 1945.

The town was destroyed and has been rebuilt in pre-WW2 style. Breslau was transferred to Poland in the aftermath of the WW2 and renamed Wroclaw. Germans who lived there were moved to the west.

During the Russian occupation 1945-89 protests could end in arrest so the Poles took to using symbols as subtle protests. In Wroclaw it was banana skins left on the corner of the footpath to protest food shortages.

When the Russians banned bananas, the people took to using gnomes. The gnomes are still there around the main old town and can be seen in the doorways of many buildings. A two-hour cruise on the river takes you past both old and new buildings and is well worth the few pennies. In August 1948 a "World Congress of Intellectuals for Peace" was held in Wroclaw, a visit to the site is a must. The huge round structure is situated in a beautiful park and houses a small museum and you can just wander around at your leisure.

**- More in next issue.**

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A SELECTION of photos from “Impressions: “Australians in Vietnam: Overview of Australian military involvement in the Vietnam War, 1962 – 1975”, from The Australian War Memorial, by Ashley Ekins, Official History Unit. Available online at <https://www.awm.gov.au/visit/exhibitions/impressions/impressions> . 50th anniversary commemorations last August did not end the memories of the war as we continue to Remember: Lest We Forget.



**TOP LEFT:** Loading a shell into a 105mm pack howitzer, September 1965 (AWM Accession Number: SHA/65/0012/VN).

**TOP RIGHT:** Singer Lorrae Desmond performing at a concert for troops, Nui Dat, 1967 (P01592.015).

**ABOVE LEFT:** Chaplain attached to 6RAR/NZ (ANZAC Battalion) administering Last Rites to an Australian soldier killed in action, Phuoc Tuy province (EKN/69/0183/VN).

**ABOVE:** Special Air Service patrol aboard an Iroquois helicopter, 1967 (SHA/65/0012/VN).

**LEFT:** Troops disembarking from a QANTAS aircraft, Saigon, 28 April 1966 (CUN/66/0357/VN).



# When you're laughing, the whole world laughs with you

**Me: "I am surprised at how winded I am by this exercise"**

**Personal Trainer: "This was the tour of the gym"**

## Six great confusions Still unresolved

1. At a movie theatre, which arm rest is yours?
2. In the word scent, is "S" silent or "C"?
3. If people evolve from monkeys, why are monkeys still around?
4. Why is there a 'D' in fridge, but not in refrigerator?
5. Who knew what time it was when the first clock was made.

**Nurse came in and said Doc, there's a man in the waiting room who thinks he's invisible, what should i tell him? The doctor said Tell him I can't see him today.**

**Sometimes I like to mess with my husband and hide his stuff where he can't find it. Like I put his shoes in the shoe closet, his jacket on the hanger and his keys on the key hook.**

An elderly man rear-ended a guy driving an expensive European sports car. Enraged, the guy hops out and confronts the old man. He yells,

"Look what you did to my car! You're going to give me \$10,000 right now or I'm going to beat you to a pulp!"

"Oh my..." the old man said nervously. "I don't have that kind of money. Let me call my son." he said with hope. "He trains dolphins and he will know what to do."

"Dolphins!" the other driver huffed, while rolling his eyes.

The old man pulled out his phone, dialled his son, and just as his son answered, the irate man snatched the phone away from the old man.

"So, YOU'RE a dolphin trainer, huh?" The irate man yelled, "Well, your old man here just rear-ended my car and I need TEN GRAND right now, or I'm going to beat you AND your old man to a pulp!"

"I'll be there in 10 minutes." says the voice calmly on the other end.

Exactly 10 minutes later, a Jeep pulls up and a guy hops out and proceeds to pulverize the bully, leaving him in a heap on the side of the road. When he finished, he walked over to his father and said,

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**One big difference between men and women is that if a woman says "Smell this", it usually smells nice.**

**When a man says he'll do anything for a woman, he means fight bad guys and kill dragons, not vacuum or wash dishes**

I came home to Australia, 53 years ago from my second tour of Vietnam, and I let my mind wander to think about the best and the worst experiences of my time there.

I am sure that many of you would have difficulty in bringing forward your best thoughts of Vietnam, but I do have one special thought. When I left Australia, I left a six-month pregnant wife behind. We had a United States service member in our church who was at Amberley, who arranged to send me a message through the United States AFPO 5 system, for I was seconded to the United States famous 'Red Horse', the 554 Civil Engineering Squadron of the USAF. This he did, and within an hour of our son's birth, I knew he was in the world.

As I stood at the door of my office overlooking the airfield at Phan Rang, I saw the only RAAF Hercules for the week, taking off. Although I could receive messages coming in through AFPO 5, I was unable to send messages back through that system, so I immediately wrote a letter, and sent it to Annette through the AFPO 5 system which took it via San Francisco, rather than wait for the following week's RAAF Hercules to take my acknowledgement of our son's birth.

Then my saddest memory was being bricked by an angry crowd of Vietnamese in my role as head of the Civilian Labour Office. We had hired a feisty little lady to work as a server in the three Messes. Her Sergeant had come to me and asked me to sack her as she was causing a lot of trouble among the other Vietnamese workers.

This I did, and when we went to hire more people in our downtown

office, another ex-employee arrived at the downtown office in Phan Rang and caused a scene. All the people who were gathered around the office, moved discreetly back from the office, and all the ones who had gripes with the Australian and American former employees moved in.

Among the crowd of hecklers was my ex-employee, Van, who I had the task to dismiss. As two service police officers, one Australian and the other an American walked out to our jeep with me in the middle, I felt a sharp pain in my back, followed by a noise as the brick hit our jeep. I froze thinking I would hear an explosion. But none came.

Several National Police swooped in and arrested Van. I returned to the base and was confined to bed rest for several days. In my absence, Van faced the court and was sentenced to a month in jail.

Yes, Vietnam holds good and bad memories for me. May God bless you as you cope with your good and bad memories.

**Arthur Fry**  
**Honorary Chaplain**



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## TIMELINE AUGUST

**4 August 1845:** Australia's largest civilian maritime disaster took place when the emigrant ship *Cataraqui* wrecked off King Island in Bass Strait, killing 400 people.

**5 August 1944:** Mass breakout of Japanese prisoners at Cowra prisoner-of-war camp, NSW, in the largest ever mass escape from a POW camp. About 378 Japanese prisoners succeeded in escaping the camp; 234 were killed and 108 wounded. Four Australian guards died.

**6 August 1699:** William Dampier became the first Englishman to chart part of the Australian coastline. Though he intended to circumnavigate the entire continent, he was prevented by the unseaworthiness of his ship.

**7 August 1858:** Students from Scotch College and Melbourne Grammar competed against each other in several games of football – credited as the first organised games of Australian Rules football.

**8 August 1907:** The New South Wales Rugby League was formed at a meeting at the Bateman's Hotel in Sydney, New South Wales as rugby league split from rugby union over disagreements about whether to pay players.

**9 August 1945:** Nagasaki became the second Japanese city to suffer an atomic attack. Japan surrendered shortly afterwards.

**13 August 1914:** Establishment of the Australian Red Cross to raise funds to purchase comfort supplies for Australian service personnel overseas.

**13 August 1940:** A plane crash in Canberra killed three United Australia Party ministers and the Chief of General Staff.

**18 August 1966:** Amid a tropical downpour, 108 men of D Company, 6 RAR supported by artillery and a timely re-supply by the RAAF, fought off an attack by an enemy force of more than 2000 in a rubber plantation near the abandoned village of Long Tan. Seventeen Australians were killed, one died of wounds, and 24 wounded. More than 245 enemy bodies were later counted, but many more had been taken away. **BELOW: With a prisoner after the battle (Photo courtesy of AWM FOR/66/0661/VN)**

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## TIMELINE AUGUST

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**22 August 1770:** Lieutenant James Cook, captain of HMB Endeavour, claimed the eastern portion of the Australian continent for the British Crown in 1770, naming it New South Wales. Eighteen years later, the First Fleet arrived to establish a penal colony in New South Wales.

**25 August 1942:** The Battle of Milne Bay in New Guinea begins, resulting in the first defeat of the Japanese on land in the Second World War.

**26 August 2001:** In August 2001 Australian troops boarded the Norwegian freighter MV Tampa off Christmas Island. Vessel commander Captain Arne Rinnan had rescued hundreds of asylum-seekers from a stranded Indonesian fishing boat in the Indian Ocean and was attempting to bring them to Australia.

**31 August 1963:** Australian armed forces fight Indonesian troops during 'Konfrontasi'. It was the last time Australia provided military assistance to a largely British conflict. Twenty-three Australian soldiers were killed during the Confrontation, seven of them on operations, and eight were wounded.

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### August 1966

Aldersea, Richard Alfred (551206), 20, 6 RAR, Pte, Karrakatta Cemetery, Perth.  
 Checkley, Thomas William (311534), 28, 131 DLB, Gnr, Buxton Cemetery, Derbyshire, England.  
 Clements, Peter Edward (54570), 21, 1 APC Sqdn, Trp (Temp.Cpl), Moora Cemetery, WA.  
 Drabble, Glenn Alfred (1730929), 21, 6 RAR, Pte, Pinnaroo Cemetery and Crematorium, Brisbane.  
 Gant, Kenneth Howard (1730941), 21, 6 RAR, Pte, Mount Gravatt Cemetery, Brisbane.  
 Grant, Ernest Francis (3411673), 20, 6 RAR, Pte, Albury Cemetery, Albury, NSW.  
 Grice, Victor Roy (1730947), 21, 6 RAR, Pte, Pinnaroo Cemetery and Crematorium, Brisbane.  
 Houston, James Michael (43893), 22, 6RAR, Pte, Pinnaroo Cemetery and Crematorium, Brisbane.  
 Jewry, Jack (2781847), 21, 6 RAR, LCpl, Garden of Remembrance, Rookwood, Sydney.  
 Kennedy, Raymond John (16196), 26, 5 RAR, Pte, Redcliffe Cemetery, Qld.  
 Large, Paul Andrew (2781704), 21, 6 RAR, Pte, Garden of Remembrance, Rookwood, Sydney.  
 McCormack, Albert Frederick (1730993), 21, 6 RAR, Pte, Carr Villa Cemetery, Launceston, Tas.  
 McCormack, Dennis James (1730994), 21, 6 RAR, Pte, Pinnaroo Cemetery and Crematorium, Brisbane.  
 Mitchell, Warren David (1731013), 21, 6 RAR, Pte, Pinnaroo Cemetery and Crematorium, Brisbane.  
 Salveron, Douglas Javing (1731040), 21, 6 RAR, Pte, Pinnaroo Cemetery and Crematorium, Brisbane.  
 Sharp, Gordon Cameron (2781465), 21, 6 RAR, 2Lt, Memorial Gardens and Crematorium, Tamworth, NSW.  
 Thomas, David John (38712), 21, 6 RAR, Pte, Kangaroo Flat Cemetery, Bendigo, Vic.  
 Topp, Francis Brett (1200265), 19, 6 RAR, Pte, Helidon Cemetery, Queensland.  
 Wales, Maxwell Ray (216559), 22, 6 RAR, Pte, Moree Cemetery, NSW.  
 Whiston, Colin Joseph (3787607), 21, 6 RAR, Pte, Crib Point Cemetery, Vic.

### August 1967

Aylett, Donald Raymond (38110), 22, 7 RAR, Pte (Temp-Cpl), Tatura Cemetery, Vic.  
 Baudistel, Karl William (17073), 28, AATTv (attached RAI), Cpt, Albany Creek Crematorium, Qld.  
 Brophy, Edward Francis (2412450), 21, 7 RAR, Pte, Gulgong Cemetery, NSW.  
 Cutcliffe, Timothy Joseph (2785238), 21, 2 RAR, Pte, Orange Cemetery, NSW.  
 Donnelly, Denis John (216445), 21, 104 SigSqdn, Sig (TempCpl), Garden of Rem., Rookwood, Sydney.  
 Harstad, Barleif Alfred (38939), 21, 7 RAR, Pte, Garden of Remembrance, Springvale, Melbourne.

Hayes, James Francis (213834), 27, 7 RAR, Cpl, Kenmore Roman Catholic Cemetery, Goulburn NSW.

McGarry, Peter Shaun (2412362), 19, 2 RAR, Pte, Northern Suburbs Crematorium, Chatswood, Sydney.

Milford, David Geoffrey (3411862), 22, 7 RAR, Pte, Harcourt Cemetery, Vic.

O'Connor, John Martin (16327), 25, 7 RAR, Pte, Redcliffe Cemetery, Qld.

Siggers, Anthony Peter (216455), 35, AATTv, Sgt (TempWO2), Northern Suburbs Crematorium, Chatswood, Sydney.

Woolford, Richard Mervyn (4718082), 21, 2 RAR, LCpl, Wirrabara Cemetery, SA.

### August 1968

Campbell, John Alexander (2787278), 21, 3 RAR, Pte, Rookwood Military Cemetery, Sydney.

Carroll, Ronald Thomas (14208), 31, 3 RAR, Sgt, Perth War Cemetery and Annex, WA.

Casadio, Anthony Austin (O2361), 22, RAN HeliFlt, Lt (SL), Centennial Park Cemetery, Adelaide.

Gillard, Robert James (3790395), 22, 3 CavRegt, Trp, Garden of Remembrance, Springvale, Melbourne.

Grist, Robert Maxwell (39426), 19, 1 RAR, Pte, Traralgon Cemetery, Vic.

McGoldrick, William (217762), 26, 1 ARU, Pte, Rookwood Military Cemetery, Sydney.

Moss, Graeme John (1200817), 22, 1 RAR, Pte, Garden of Remembrance, Rookwood, Sydney.

Phillips, O'Brian Cedric Ignatious (R56859), 32, RAN HeliFlt, POACM, Karrakatta Cemetery, Perth.

### August 1969

Banfield, David John (6709107), 21, 5 RAR, Pte, Carr Villa General Cemetery, Launceston, Tas.

Hards, Edward William George (515835), 20, UL W Comd ex 1 ARU (RA INF), Pte, Karrakatta Cemetery, Perth.

Hoare, Frederick William (15705), 29, 6 RAR, Cpl, Pinnaroo Cemetery and Crematorium, Brisbane.

Smith, Baron Fredrick (3793566), 21, 5 RAR, Pte, Woden Cemetery, Phillip, Canberra.

### August 1970

Moore, Sydney Thomas (3175954), 20, 110 Sig Sqn, Sig, Garden of Remembrance, Springvale, Melbourne.

Penneyston, Peter Lawrence (6709611), 1 FldSqn, Spr, Mersey Vale Memorial Park Cemetery, Devonport, Tas.

Raffen, Francis Lindsay (4186), AATTv (att. RAI), Sgt (Temp WO2), Garden of Remembrance, Centennial Park Cemetery, Adelaide.

Richardson, Neil Thomas (218697), 22, 7 RAR, LCpl, Garden of Remembrance, Rookwood, Sydney.

Thompson, Donald Leslie (1202729), 20, 2 RAR, Pte, Mount Basset Cemetery, Qld.

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