

Half Circle



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This informal publication is for the members of C Coy 5 RAR (2nd tour), South Vietnam, 1969/70, and for the families of those who are no longer with us. It is non-political and is designed for us to have a laugh at ourselves, re-live our memories, and maintain camaraderie. Formal advice, when needed, should be sourced from Veterans' Organisations.



AT THE RAP: Peter Commerford, Barrie Taylor, Roger Lambert. We send our best wishes to our mates who are not as well as they would like to be.

THE FINAL 5RAR (Vietnam era) REUNION, held on the Gold Coast has concluded. Feedback was received from David Wilkins, Bryan Schafer, Bill Hartley, Barry Baker, Kiwi Hill, Andy MacDougal, Paul McQueen and all commenting on how successful and how well organised it was. We all take this opportunity to place on record our sincere thanks to all those involved in its conduct. Your efforts were outstanding. Thank you.



Ed's note: Some photographs of the C Company (2nd tour of Vietnam) group appear on the next page. For a comprehensive display, please refer to the 5RAR Association website - www.5rar.asn.au

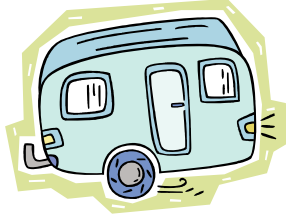
NEW 5RAR ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT: Colonel Roger Wainwright, the first Tour Commander of 8PL, has retired as President of our Association after an outstanding 15-year presidency. Roger has passed the baton to Lieutenant Colonel (Ret'd) David French, a former OC of C Company and Commander of Combat Team Charlie in Afghanistan (see Half Circle number 52 – April 2011. Congratulations David, we offer you our full support.



The C Company (2nd tour Vietnam) group



The 5RAR Colours at the Memorial Service



TRAVELLING ABOUT:

Many of our C Company colleagues travelled from as far away as the Philippines (Jock Phillips) to attend the final 5RAR (Vietnam era) reunion.

Bryan and Arleen Schafer travelled north to the Tin Can Bay area to visit relatives and called through Coonabarabran to visit your editor and Roslyn on their way home to Sydney.

FROM BARRY BAKER: For some time I have been working on compiling a full nominal roll of all those who served in C Coy in Vietnam in 1969/70. The final product is below. I have included Regimental Numbers, initials and Surnames, as these are already readily available on the internet or indeed in our Battalion Book, the Year of the Tigers. Please let me know if there are any changes or additions to be made. My email is barry.p.baker@gmail.com

C Coy 5 RAR 1969-70

OFFICERS

335075 MAJ CH Ducker
27231 MAJ DD Graham
17092 CAPT EW Titley
235241 CAPT DS Wilkins
235326 LT IR Hosie
218203 LT CE Stamp
1200748 LT SJ Stinson
215832 LT B Thripp
2791171 2LT PW Commerford
1201506. 2LT JF Hood
2784009 2LT RA Lambert
1201164 2LT DJ Mead

SOLDIERS

6709249 PTE MA Aitken
44584 CPL GH Ansell
217998 LCPL MC Appleby
11836 SGT SR Arnold
218061 LCPL AD Austin
217989 CPL BP Baker
3793308 PTE DE Baker
2789384 PTE WA Baker
5715802 PTE TP Bates
2791712 PTE D Baxter
3175767 PTE RL Biele
2791611 PTE KT Black
2787753 CPL GS Blair
1733392 CPL MG Bolton
2790456 PTE RV Bourke
38785 CPL DJ Bowman

215548 CPL WH Bradd
217890 PTE RJ Brooks
5715815 LCPL MG Browne
3789671 PTE RF Bryant
1201346 CPL C Buchmaier
55438 PTE RJ Bucknar
1201683 PTE TH Burchell
3793197 PTE LD Burman
217984 PTE RM Byrnes
210875 SGT FB Cahill
2791659 PTE D Cakoliris
215608 CPL VM Cameron
2184228 LCPL BJ Cannons
215509 CPL TW Cheeseman
218554 PTE RF Connors (KIA)
39577 CPL NP Conroy
12943 SGT CW Cooper
16379 CPL ID Cooper
219358 PTE NW Cooper
3794330 PTE IH Crothers
2789441 PTE RJ Cunningham
3793953 PTE EK Davies
44412 PTE KC Davis
5715828 PTE NR Davis
61857 PTE GC Dick
134360 LCPL MG Dobbs
5411654 PTE WT Douglas
4719676 LCPL RPT Dwyer
38797 CPL E Evans
6709239 PTE GM Everett
2166889 LCPL JA Faint
215114 CPL DR Fazackerley
313320 PTE WJ Feenstra
5715646 PTE TPM Fitzgerald
5716484 PTE MJP Fitzpatrick
2789731 PTE RD Fitzpatrick
2789124 CPL GM Ford
3795285 PTE RJ Fowler
3792745 PTE F Frasca
2790456 PTE DH Frohmuller
3792254 LCPL JW Gardiner
55695 LCPL AG Geernaert
54811 CPL HA Gloede
39691 PTE PJ Greenhalgh
5715663 LCPL PD Guyatt
3793190 PTE HW Hall
54389 SGT J Halliday
218032 PTE EA Hamlin
55533 CPL DA Harrod
2790377 PTE WJ Hartley
5715267 PTE ML Haug

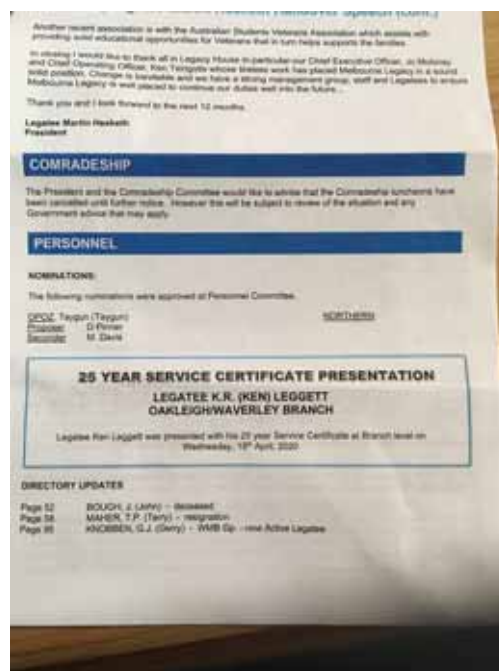
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218622 PTE NP Hayne
44571 PTE MC Hedley
3793544 LCPL RE Heinz
215732 LCPL JA Hellyer
217971 PTE WR Herbert
254936 PTE RA Hicks
3793451 PTE BL Hill
5715857 PTE GTM Hill
1200795 SGT RE Hill
217915 PTE JH Hockham
2791765 PTE RJ Hooper
55955 PTE JP Howard
2789419 LCPL RL Humphries
3794269 PTE AJ Hunter
218345 CPL E Hyde
3791778 PTE A Ilyin
213914 SGT RW Inglis
3792343 CPL DL Jackson
3794085 PTE HB Jackson
2790351 PTE IJ Jackson
1734583 PTE CR Jenkins
3793927 PTE WJ Johnston
5715868 PTE CE Jones
3793810 PTE E Kakafikas
3794208 PTE H Kallergis
3793852 PTE EA Keygan
29669 SGT AJ Kilby
134368 CPL EL Kime
3411359 SGT PJ Knight
5715880 PTE AM Koppen
218347 PTE M Kostiuk
213825 WO2 JW Lake
3794263 PTE KR Leggett
1201671 LCPL IF Leis
2788029 PTE AF Leslie
1735373 PTE DP Lethem
2412541 PTE RG Ling
216528 CPL JD Loader
5715691 PTE KW Locke
217501 PTE JF Lowry
2788974 PTE JR Luxton
44587 CPL BD MacDonald
3794262 LCPL AB MacDougal
3795679 PTE W Magalas
5715708 PTE TA Major
5715704 PTE AS Mallard
3792897 PTE LG Malley
167125 CPL WB Maltby
2790814 PTE WV Mangan
4720169 PTE DC Manhood

2790815 PTE J Marine
2791989 PTE PA Marshall
54790 CPL RF Marshall
3794130 PTE RAJ Martini
3795750 PTE SW Masowita
860527 PTE GF Mateer
3411944 PTE FA Matthews
219152 PTE JA Maxwell
1733479 PTE PJ McCarthy
42989 CPL PC McCauley
2792664 PTE RG McGregor
2788047 PTE PR McHugh
1732896 PTE IC McKinlay
3793336 PTE S McKinnon
215372 CPL A McLean
29534 SSGT CS McLeod
3794377 PTE JC McMillan (KIA)
3793060 PTE RA McNab
61162 SGT LJ McNamara
3793627 CPL JP McNiven
5716533 PTE JL McQuat
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217966 LCPL A Miles
2789674 PTE PJ Molloy
2790946 PTE PJ Monaghan
2790819 LCPL EJ Moon
312654 PTE FL Moore
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2788085 PTE HL Muller (KIA)
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2792265 PTE GR Mulready
5715715 PTE KJ Murphy
3793617 PTE WG Murphy
2790823 PTE RA Musgrave
3792746 PTE N Natale
1733840 PTE WP Nethercote
1201632 PTE DB Nevins
39679 LCPL RL Newberry
2791197 PTE DF Nicholls
2789919 PTE RG Nicol
61606 PTE KW O'Donnell
5715729 PTE DJ O'Neill
1201670 PTE BJ Oram
212602 SSGT E O'Reilly
2789750 PTE GC Parish
2788000 PTE G Pearson
3792175 PTE JE Perkins
55245 PTE JD Perry
3792966 PTE RL Petrie
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5716115 PTE JW Phillips

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3794714 PTE IS Pope
1202146 PTE JE Porter
218013 PTE SM Porter
1202316 PTE MJ Postle
2789635 PTE R Prater
255067 PTE RJ Pratt
218005 PTE MJ Radwell
218698 PTE GJ Randall
6709011 LCPL E Rayner
2789649 PTE RC Reed
2787864 LCPL AC Reeks
44566 PTE L Reeves
5716343 PTE JA Reid
2790872 LCPL A Riley
38749 PTE JS Roberts
313245 PTE DJ Ross
2790040 CPL WJ Ross
2790200 PTE AW Samuel
2108778 CPL BJ Schafer
1733389 PTE RV Schinkel
1735286 PTE OH Schmidt
2788133 LCPL MD Shields
3109590 PTE LF Smith
44558 PTE MK Smith
135494 LCPL PL Smith (KIA)
218012 LCPL RW Smith
2790860 PTE TP Smith
2788160 PTE WK Stevens
2790064 PTE AF Steptoe
44546 PTE RC Stewart
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3794706 PTE GA Storm
219120 PTE GK Strickland
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2789546 PTE WJ Sturgess
2790202 PTE CR Summerfield
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2789638 PTE ES Swan
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2791060 PTE SJ Vidler
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365108 PTE RJ Weston
45037 PTE AC White

2789641 PTE BR Williams
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 2789760 PTE PJ Winney
 2790951 PTE JRD Winter
 3795806 PTE JC Wogan-Browne
 3795760 PTE KG Wood
 44553 PTE RJ Wyatt
 5715786 PTE CG Wynne
 61918 PTE MF Youd
 39648 PTE RE Young
 3794483 PTE RJ Zunneberg

Ed's note: Thanks Barry, a great job.



Congratulations to Ken Leggett on receiving a Certificate recognising his 25 years service to Legaty in the Melbourne region. Well done Ken, and thanks.

ALSO FROM BARRY BAKER: Whilst I was at the reunion I was speaking to Tony Speelman, and he asked if I knew if anyone had photos of Paul Smith, Ted Suttor, and John Faint. Tony is putting together a montage and would appreciate same. Tony's email is t.speelman5@gmail.com Thanks.

WHO STOLE CAESAR?

Stolen from its position outside Edmondson Park railway station precinct The Monument of Tracker Dog Caesar reflecting the 11 Tracker Dogs who served in Vietnam. Dedicated in November 2016 & stolen in January this year.

The precinct has a number of artefacts that signify the presence of the Military in the Ingleburn Camp including Bardia Barracks where Infantry Centre Tracker Wing was initially established in 1965.

