



To: All OCS Alumni Members via Class Orderlies' Network and OCS Website at:
<https://www.ocsportsea.org/>

PROPOSED STATUE – PROGRESS REPORT No 8

References:

- A. Statue Proposal sent to Class Orderlies for Distribution on 1 Feb 2019.
- B. Proposed Statue Project ~ Progress Report No 7 dated 2 Oct 2019.

Organising Committee Members:

Since Reference A was distributed the Organising Committee now consists of:

- Ossie Kleinig ~ OCS Class of Dec '57 and Co-ordinator of OCS Project 2013 [still on-going].
- Paul Asbury ~ OCS Class of Dec '67. Co-founder with Bob de Haas [dec'd] of OCS Alumni and Administrator of the Alumni.
- Terry Dinneen ~ OCS Class of Jun '63.
- Kevin Lunny ~ OCS Class of Dec '64.
- John Wilson ~ OCS Class of Dec '66. President of the Rye RSL and Local Parks Victoria Liaison Team Member.
- Robin McBride ~ OCS Class of Jun '68. With John a Local Parks Victoria Liaison Team Member.

Specialist Volunteers:

- Hilton Lenard ~ OCS Class of Jun '68. Grants' Team.
- Kevin Dreyer ~ OCS Class of Jun '67. NZ Grant's Team.
- Bob Elworthy ~ OCS Class of Dec '73. Grants' Team. [Welcome aboard, Bob!](#)
- Rob Murray ~ OCS Class of Dec '72 replaces Ray Trevisan as the new Web Designer and Webmaster. Ray has offered to continue helping when work commitments allow.

Report Updates:

Andrew Kelly, Parks Victoria, has now advised our Portsea Local Liaison Team [via John Wilson] of the following:

"I am pleased to advise that Parks Victoria is supportive of the proposal for the OCS Statue and Memorial Plaque to be located at Point Nepean National Park and I will now commence the process to obtain formal approval. At this time I anticipate that the approval process will take approximately 2 weeks.

Once approval is obtained I will contact you to arrange a site meeting to discuss the next steps.

I look forward to meeting you in a few weeks' time".

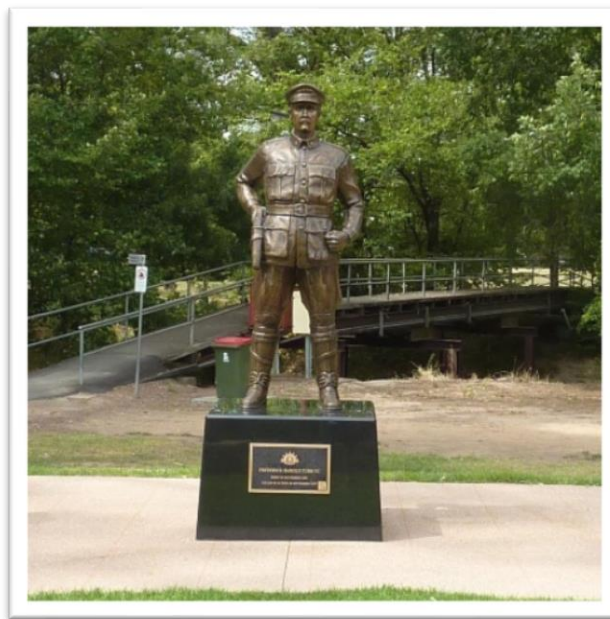
Andrew Kelly

Business Development & Activation Manager Point Nepean

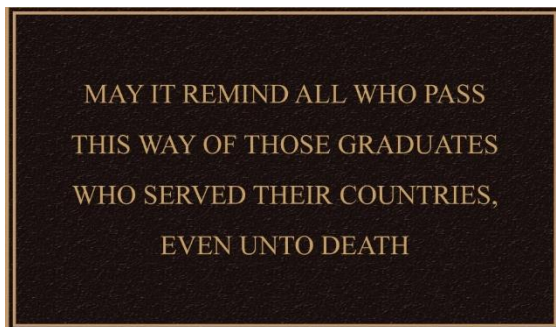
Comments: [Please Note ~ NO formal approval at this stage, BUT!!!]

- 1) John Wilson and Robin McBride will represent the OCS Alumni at the proposed meeting once final approval is given. Discussion points will probably cover specifications of the statue and landscaping details *[in hand, but a check has been made to the preferred contractors to ensure no change of details already provided by their firms. See revised quotes at **Annex A**]*.
- 2) Other matters raised, if these can't be answered by our Liaison Team, will be referred back to the Organising Committee for resolution with respective parties.
- 3) The contractors have now specified price increases. The previous quotes were valid until 30 Jun 2019, but new ones extend through to 30 Jun 2020. See **Annex A** for updated quotes.
- 4) A quote was also requested for one additional plinth [The Headstone Company] and one additional plaque with a brief historical outline of OCS [Everlon Bronze] similar to the Honour Roll. See plaque illustration below. This additional plinth and its associated plaque will depend on available funds.

**STATUE PLAQUES AND PLINTHS
[EUROA VC STATUE EXAMPLE]**



OCS STATUE PLAQUES



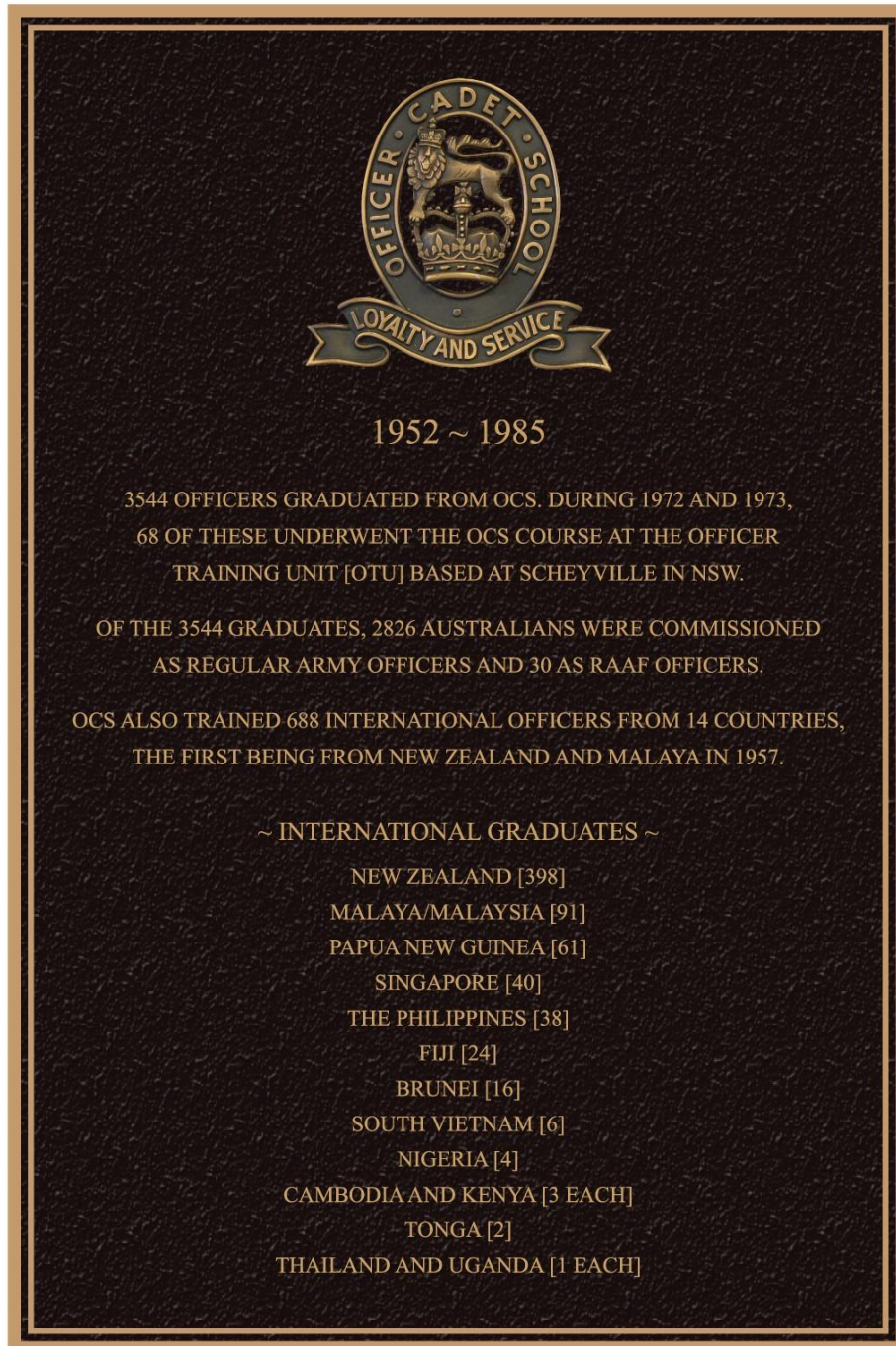
Mounted on front of Statue similar to Euroa Statue Plinth above.



Inlaid in Foundation Base in front of Statue. Proposed Plaque.

PROPOSED ADDITIONAL PLINTH/PLAQUE

The Plaque below is proposed [but with an amendment in wording to first paragraph to be finalised by Everlon Bronze ~ see below]. It's planned to be mounted on a slanted plinth and placed in line with the statue on the Shepherd's Hut side. The Headstone Company's Plinth cost is \$4620:00 with the Everlon Bronze's Plaque cost included within its total cost of \$56644:00. See Annex A summary at the top of Page 7.



AMENDED VERSION.

HONOUR ROLL

The Honour Roll will be mounted on a slanted plinth for ease of reading from above. It will be in line with the statue similar to the additional plinth/plaque above. Its proposed location is towards the road passing the Memorial leading to the previous cadet lines.

OFFICER CADET SCHOOL ~ PORTSEA		
HONOUR ROLL		
"GRADUATES WHO PAID THE SUPREME SACRIFICE ON ACTIVE SERVICE"		
AUSTRALIAN GRADUATES		
LIEUTENANT D.J. BRIAN	5 MAR 1964	MALAYSIA
CAPTAIN G.R. BELLEVILLE	12 FEB 1966	SOUTH VIETNAM
MAJOR D.M. BOURNE	14 FEB 1967	SOUTH VIETNAM
CAPTAIN R.B. MILLIGAN	14 FEB 1967	SOUTH VIETNAM
LIEUTENANT J. CARRUTHERS	24 FEB 1967	SOUTH VIETNAM
MAJOR P.J. BADCOE VC	7 APR 1967	SOUTH VIETNAM
LIEUTENANT R.G. BIRSE	10 DEC 1967	SOUTH VIETNAM
2ND LIEUTENANT B.G. WALKER	9 MAR 1969	SOUTH VIETNAM
2ND LIEUTENANT G.R. LOCKE	9 MAY 1969	SOUTH VIETNAM
LIEUTENANT P.A. HINES	21 JUL 1969	SOUTH VIETNAM
LIEUTENANT R.T. CONVERY	23 NOV 1969	SOUTH VIETNAM
CAPTAIN B.C. DONALD DSM	3 DEC 1969	SOUTH VIETNAM
LIEUTENANT P.R. MARKS-CHAPMAN	19 DEC 1969	SOUTH VIETNAM
2ND LIEUTENANT B.R.A. JONES	10 APR 1971	SOUTH VIETNAM
MALAYSIAN GRADUATE		
CAPTAIN V.M. CHANDRAN SP	13 JUN 1971	PERAK
NEW ZEALAND GRADUATES		
CAPTAIN P. WILLIAMS	14 FEB 1967	SOUTH VIETNAM
LIEUTENANT J.R. WINTON	10 MAR 1971	SOUTH VIETNAM
PHILIPPINES GRADUATES		
2ND LIEUTENANT EUSTAQUIO GRANADILLOS	21 SEP 1975	MINDANAO
2ND LIEUTENANT OSCAR G. HULAR	5 MAR 1977	LUZON
CAPTAIN ALMARIO VILLASENOR	10 OCT 1977	ZAMBOANGA
MAJOR EFREN F. SALIDO	1 OCT 1987	LUZON
THAILAND GRADUATE		
CAPTAIN SURAJIT SHINAWATRA	26 APR 1973	THAI-LAOS BORDER

Honour Roll mounted on Slanted Plinth.

Conclusion

The process since inception [Feb 2019] has been a long one, but a definitive approval answer should be forthcoming shortly. The rationale for this project is re-iterated in the previously published article and is re-produced below:

Proposal Rationale: [with minor updates]

The reasoning behind this Portsea proposal can be summarised as follows:

- Portsea WAS the site for this officer training establishment and over 3544 cadets were trained there. From 1957 onwards this included international officer trainees as well.
- The OCS Alumni not only consists of these cadets who successfully graduated but ALL instructors both commissioned and non-commissioned who trained graduates for their service careers, whether it be army or air force. It is also important to recognise the civilian support staff who fulfilled a vital role in this training of young men and, in the final year, young women for their subsequent military careers. Again, this happened at Portsea except for three overflow OCS Courses that undertook training at Scheyville in NSW.
- The Portsea OCS Memorial Wall was relocated sometime after 2000 to RMC, Duntroon and after the amalgamation of the two institutions in 1986. This is fitting as future cadets will be cognisant of Portsea's history. This is further enhanced by OCS's Colours being laid up in Anzac Chapel at Duntroon as well as its Honour Roll located next to RMC's Parade Ground. Furthermore, OCS cadet records are held by the Military History Unit at Duntroon.
- It therefore can be seen clearly that the OCS Portsea footprint and history is well catered for at RMC. This is less apparent at Portsea where it all happened.

Now Why Portsea?

It almost requires a visit to Portsea in order to understand the limited "footprint" that now exists. The co-founder of the OCS Alumni and its website in Lieutenant Colonel Bob de Haas [deceased] worked extremely hard including at his personal financial cost to keep OCS's profile "front and centre" with initially the Point Nepean Community Trust followed by the current custodians in Parks Victoria, since the Federal Government handed over to the Victorian State Government. This limited "footprint" consists in the main of the following:

- Badcoe VC Hall. Bob and his co-founder in Lieutenant Colonel Paul Asbury [Retired] presented two important sets of memorabilia at a function to the Point Nepean Community Trust that had been set up to oversee Point Nepean. The first being a framed picture of Peter Badcoe VC with his memorabilia [re-production medals, battledress jacket and peaked cap].
- Bob and Paul with other Alumni Members presented a framed photo of "The Spirit of Portsea". This is hung in the foyer of The Peter Badcoe, VC Hall.
- Parks Victoria [the current custodians since 2009 of the National Park] has erected signs outside of the Peter Badcoe VC Hall, the Administration Building [OCS's Headquarters], the Shepherd's Hut [initially used for gas training for the early courses then as a staff office before becoming the RSM's Office]. Also signposted are certain topographical features, e.g., Wilson's Folly and certain range locations.
- Bob de Haas and Paul Asbury also presented Parks Victoria with an OCS Flag. This is flown when the organisation is aware of ex-Portsea groups visiting the area.
- Both Bob and Paul since 2002, have maintained the OCS Alumni Records and Bob set-up the OCS Website. Since Bob's passing the website has frozen due to lack of maintenance. Rob Murray [Class of Dec 1972], in conjunction with Paul Asbury providing administrative support, is working on resurrecting the website [or what may be the modern replacement]. Rob's efforts are now on the link <https://www.ocsportsea.org/>
- Up until now it has been almost a lone effort by both Bob and Paul to maintain OCS's Profile. Others have helped but the main thrust has been mainly due to these two dedicated Alumni members.

[First published in Feb 2019 and updated 31 Oct 2019].

Further Progress Reports will be promulgated once additional details come to hand.

Ossie Kleinig

For and on behalf of the Statue Organising Committee

27 November 2019

Annexure:

- A. Updated Quotes from Everlon Bronze and The Headstone Company.



REVISED STATUE QUOTATIONS
[As at 20 Nov 2019]

SUMMARY

Options	Everlon Bronze Quote	Headstone Coy Quote	Subtotals	Plus Addn Plinth	Totals
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
1	\$56644:06	\$33550:00	\$90194:06	\$4620:00	\$94814:06
2	\$56644:06	\$26675:00	\$83319:06	\$4620:00	\$87939:06
3	\$56644:06	\$29590:00	\$86234:06	\$4620:00	\$90854:06

STEWART THOMAS EVERLON BRONZE ~ REVISED QUOTE 20 NOV 2019

Hi Ossie,

As requested I have updated the honour roll and also created a new proof for the additional plaque with OCS badge. The image you provided for the OCS badge is brilliant and will work perfectly thank you. For your convenience I have also attached all the latest proofs of plaques for this project, please double check thoroughly as I've attempted to follow all your changes the best I can. Please note each individual plaque order can have a total of 3 plaque proofs created before an additional charge of \$19+GST is charged per proof. I have outlined in the quote below how many free proofs you have remaining per plaque. I have also spoken to Leah and Jonathan from The Headstone company and they have advised me that they will supply you with the granite and notified me that they are yet to determine if the statue and plaques should be delivered to Portsea or to The headstone Company in Geelong. I have therefore quoted your shipping to accommodate for either option (Portsea or Geelong). You will notice a large reduction on your shipping fees, this is due to us no longer supplying the granite. Please note the previous quotes for this project have now expired, please find below a new quotation for your project below:

Quote:-

The quotation is valid until **30th June 2020**, after which time it will automatically expire. **Please note: This quotation does not include granite, installation, site refurbishment, foundation work or crane hire and pedestrian access works – if required. {TO BE PROVIDED BY HEADSTONE COMPANY ~OEK 21 Nov 2019}**

OCS Portsea Statue - \$46,750+GST Custom 6 foot (1.8m) tall bronze statue Proof: V-PCS-G190220A-2 Details: V-PCS-G190220A-2 Number of free proofs remaining: **1**

Graduate Plaque - \$386+GST Proof: V-PCS-B190220A-1 Number of free proofs remaining: **2**

Member Contribution Plaque - \$386+GST Proof: V-PCS-B190301A-1 Number of free proofs remaining: **2**

Honour Roll Plaque Proof: V-PCS-B190301B-1 (Single - Large) - \$1,552+GST Number of free proofs remaining: **0**

Additional Plaque Proof: V-PCS-B191118E-1- **\$2,170.60+GST** Number of free proofs remaining: **1**

Combined Freight - to The Headstone Company (Geelong) or Portsea- **\$250+GST**

Important information:

Please check that the specifications of the order are correct e.g. size, shape, orientation, inscription, colour, fixing etc. Once a proof has been accepted, change requests and/or cancellations may incur a fee. If changes to the proof are required, please outline the changes by reply email. Please note that for standard orders, we provide the first 3 proofs free of charge, **thereafter each additional proof will incur a \$19+GST fee**. Inscription Warning Whilst all care has been taken to ensure that the inscription on the generated proof is free of any spelling mistakes, no liability can be accepted for errors. Therefore, please check spelling is correct before confirming your order.

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JONATHON RAMONDO ~ THE HEADSTONE COMPANY REVISED QUOTES ~ 20 NOV 2019
[Valid until 30 Jun 2020. Now to link in with Everlon Bronze Quote. Agreed by Jonathon Ramondo on 21 Nov 2019 in 'phone call with OEK].

THE HEADSTONE COY QUOTE

6 November 2019

Dear Ossie,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this memorial proposal for the Officer Cadet overlooking the previous Parade Ground at Portsea as discussed.

Option 1 – Full Removal & Rebuild to new site

- Demolition and removal of brickwork and concreting.
- Remove existing memorial wall, fill with dirt and re-turf 40sqm. (Kikuyu).
- Prep work and pour an exposed aggregate concrete slab in the new position for the Officer Cadet Statue (Approx size 6 meters X 4.5 Meters).
- Provide/Install two granite blocks onto the concrete slab. (all polished).
- Chem-set the statue in place on top of the 980mm X 980mm X 650mm granite block.
- Install bronze plaques to front and back of statue block.
- Install honour roll bronze plaque to second block – 980mm X 500mm X 700mm granite block (This block will be shaped and slanted on an angle in order to have the bronze plaque readable from above).

[Note: Jonathon advised that REAR PLAQUE on Statue Base (Donor's Plaque) may be hidden from view because of tree growth. It may be better placed/inlaid flat into the new foundation in Centre Front of Statue ~ OEK 27 Nov 2019].

\$30,500 + GST

Total \$33,550

Option 2 – Refurbish Existing Site and Install Statue

- Clean and re grout existing bricks.
- Remove bricks around old memorial wall – install new bricks.
- Install grey Harcourt granite to cap top of old memorial wall – curved to current shape.
- Granite step up to new statue – cover up old imperfections of old bricks and create a feature of new statue.
- Install granite block 980mm X 980mm X 650mm into centre of old memorial wall. (Please note. We cannot guarantee against sinkage as we are unaware of the existing foundation underneath).
- Install honour roll granite block to left. **[Note: Will be to the RIGHT of the statue if funds available for additional plinth/plaque ~ OEK 27 Nov 2019].**
- Chem-set the statue in place on top of the 980mm X 980mm X 650mm granite.

- Install bronze plaques to front and back of statue block.
- Install honour roll bronze plaque to second block – 980mm X 500mm X 700mm granite block (This block will be shaped and slanted on an angle in order to have the bronze plaque readable from above)

\$24,250 + GST

Total \$26,675

Option 3 – Full Removal & Rebuild to new site

- Demolition and removal of brickwork and concreting.
- Remove existing memorial wall, fill with dirt and re-turf 40sqm. (Kikuyu).
- Prep work and pour two concrete foundations the size of the new blocks.
- Provide/Install two granite blocks onto each individual foundation. (no concrete path around granite blocks).
- Chem-set the statue in place on top of the 980mm X 980mm X 650mm granite block.
- Install bronze plaques to front and back of statue block.
- Install honour roll bronze plaque to second block – 980mm X 500mm X 700mm granite block (This block will be shaped and slanted on an angle in order to have the bronze plaque readable from above).

\$26,900 + GST

Total \$29,590

Install Additional Plinth

Install third block to the right of the Cadet Statue – 980mm X 500mm X 700mm Install honour additional bronze plaque to a third block (This block will be shaped and slanted on an angle in order to have the bronze plaque readable from above)

\$4,200 + GST

Total \$4,620

Our normal trading terms are a 50% deposit with the balance to be paid within seven days of the completed work.

This quote is firm until 30th June 2020.

**Kind Regards,
Jonathan Ramondo
General Manager
The Headstone Company**

Notes:

NO action will be taken on these quotes until the following occurs:

1. Approvals for the Statue and associated works are given.
2. Sufficient funds to cover this Memorial Project are in hand.
3. Preferred Options:
 - Option 1 ~ Full Removal/Rebuild [see details above] = \$94814:06.
 - Option 3 ~ Full Removal/Rebuild [see details above] = \$90854:06].
 - Option 2 ~ Refurbish Site/Install Statue [see details above] = \$87939:06.

The above Options include the Additional Plinth and Plaque costs. The Organising Committee will monitor fund availability closely to ensure best value for money.

O.E.K

27 Nov 2019