



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

PROPOSED STATUE – PROGRESS REPORT No 10

References:

- A. Statue Proposal sent to Class Orderlies for Distribution on 1 Feb 2019.
- B. Proposed Statue Project ~ Progress Report No 9 dated 18th February 2020.

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.

We welcome new Members to the Team to form a Seymour locally based Finance Sub Committee and an Internal Auditor in:

- ❖ John Matthews ~ OCS Class of Jun '78 ~ Finance Sub Committee Member.
- ❖ Geoff Robinson ~ OCS Class of Jun '85 ~ Finance Sub Committee Member.
- ❖ Graham Cobb ~ OCS Class of Dec '65 ~ Internal Auditor. Graham holds an Advanced Diploma in Accounting.

Note: Ossie Kleinig will be the third member of the Finance Sub Committee. Any expenditure from the OCS Alumni NAB Account, now set up BUT not as yet published, will require two members of the three to authorise.

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.
- 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:

John Wilson and Robin McBride are now waiting for the return of the signed Licence Agreement from the responsible Victorian Government Minister's office that seals the final approval for the construction of the proposed Statue at Portsea. Parks Victoria staff are facilitating the receipt of this written approval.

Once the approval in writing is in our hands, the Organising Committee will be able to set in motion its Action Plan as follows:

- Notify Alumni Bank Account details for promulgation initially through the Class Orderly [C/O] Network and then followed up on the Website at www.ocsportsea.org.
- Initiate the call-in of Alumni Pledges. The Committee asks for quick responses to this as **NO contract will be signed until all costs are covered**. We would also request Classes that held off on the pledge request due to the possible target being achieved, to again go out to members. This is due to unfortunate natural attrition, extra costs for the Portsea planned launch and unfinished work now becoming Phase Two of the Project. Pledge amounts will be monitored closely by a small Finance Sub-Committee to make sure ALL financial conditions are met.

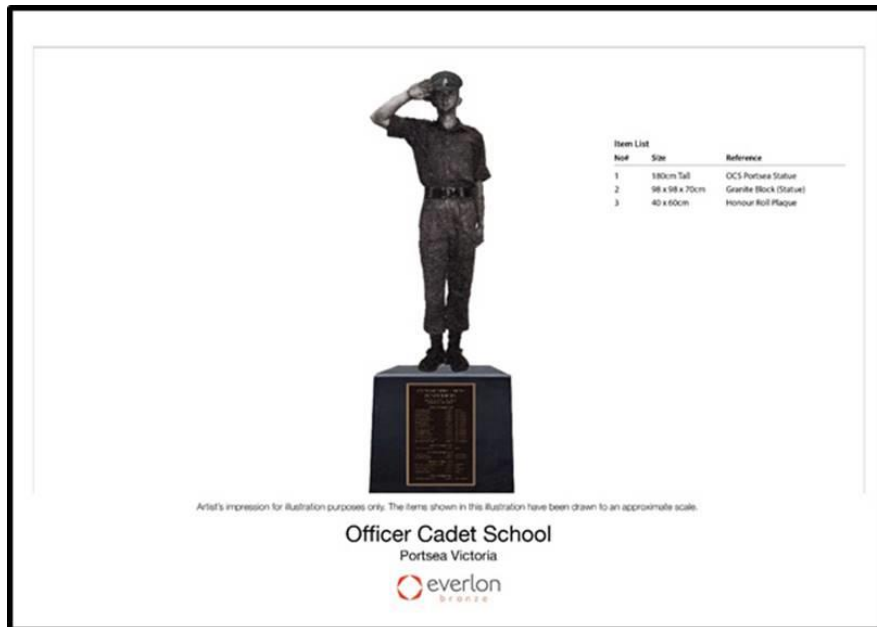
- Sign contracts before 30th June 2020, the expiry date for the current proposal.

Corona Virus:

This pandemic will affect some of the planned future activities. Details are not known at this time. The Organising Committee through both the C/O Network and the website will keep Alumni Members informed.

The proposed Statue is illustrated below:

**PROPOSED EXAMPLE OF STATUE MEMORIAL WITH HONOUR ROLL – FINAL APPROVAL PENDING –
SITWORKS NOT INCLUDED IN DIAGRAM**



Statue Proposal ~ History to Date:

As reported in Progress Report No 9, the planning stage that commenced on 1 Feb 2019 with the Feasibility Study has been long, and in some cases, labour intensive. All partners in this proposal, including Parks Victoria, have been extraordinary in their efforts in supporting this proposal. The two selected Contractors have also shown great flexibility and have worked in well, fulfilling all of the Organising Committee's requests.

Future Actions:

Also as previously reported, both John and Robin McBride will be meeting with the local Point Nepean Parks Vic Managers and James Taravillo, General Manager of The Headstone Company, to discuss both the proposed installation and siteworks program.

Further Progress Reports with required future actions, e.g., publishing details of the Alumni Bank Account, calling in of pledges, future activities, etc, will be promulgated once the written approval is received and future Covid 19 limitations are known.

It is opportune to re-iterate that our deadline date to sign off contracts is 30th June 2020.

Ossie Kleinig

For and on behalf of the Statue Organising Committee

31st March 2020