

THE COMPANY OF OFFICER CADETS OFFICER CADET SCHOOL

Graduation Ceremony

FRIDAY, 12th DECEMBER, 1975

OFFICER CADET SCHOOL

HISTORICAL NOTES

School Motto: Loyalty and Service School Marches: Ouick March: 'Portsea'

Slow March: 'By Land and Sea'

The Officer Cadet School was established at Portsea in 1951 when, with the Army's rapid growth, more officers were required than the Royal Military College and other sources could provide. The first Commandant was Colonel J. W. Harrison, OBE, who later became Major-General Sir James Harrison, KCMG, CB, CBE, Governor of South Australia.

The School opened on 5th January 1952 with a class of 71 cadets; 61 cadets were commissioned as second lieutenants at the first graduation parade on 6th June 1952. Since the School's establishment, 2,278 officers have graduated. Australian graduates include 1,798 officers to the Australian Regular Army and 18 officers who have been commissioned into the Royal Australian Air Force. In addition, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, Thailand, The Khmer Republic, The Republic of Vietnam, The Philippines, Fiji, Kenya, Nigeria, Uganda and Jamaica have sent young men to the School.

The course is designed primarily to produce career officers for all arms and services of the Australian Army. Initially the course was of six months duration, however in 1955 the present twelve month course with two intakes per year commenced and cadets now enter the School, both from service and civilian sources, in January and July each year.

Many graduates of the Officer Cadet School have distinguished themselves in later service by acts of outstanding courage and heroism. Major Peter Badcoe's VC, awarded posthumously after an engagement with the enemy in Vietnam, heads an impressive list of awards bestowed on graduates of the School. At present the list includes one Distinguished Service Order, eight Members of the British Empire, twenty-five Military Crosses and two Distinguished Flying Crosses.

In the twenty-three years since its foundation, the Officer Cadet School has proved itself as a source of distinguished officers for the Australian Army and the Australian nation, capably meeting the challenge of its motto 'Loyalty and Service'. Since 1957, 469 overseas cadets have graduated from OCS representing fourteen different countries. Today over 19% of the cadet strength at OCS is comprised of overseas students and OCS is firmly established as an international institution.

THE REVIEWING OFFICER



Major-General J. Whitelaw, CBE

Born in 1921, Major-General J. Whitelaw was appointed to a commission in March 1940. He joined the AIF in September 1941 and saw active service as an Artillery Officer in the Pacific theatre.

Major-General Whitelaw left the Army at the end of World War II and after two years with the Reserve of Officers, resumed full time duty in 1948.

Throughout his career his field and staff experience has been extensive. His senior appointments include Deputy Commander Australian Army Force, Far East Land Force; Chief of Staff, Australian Force Vietnam; Director, Operations and Plans; and most recently Chief of Operations. Major-General Whitelaw assumed his present appointment as Chief of Personnel in August of this year.

COMMANDANT



Colonel P. G. Cole

Colonel P. G. Cole was born in Sydney, New South Wales and educated at Sydney High School and the Royal Military College, Duntroon. He graduated into the Royal Australian Infantry Corps in 1953 and served with the First and Third Battalions of the Royal Australian Regiment in Korea. He subsequently held a staff appointment on the Headquarters of the British Commonwealth Forces, Korea.

On return to Australia he served as Adjutant of the Second Infantry Battalion (CMF) and then as an instructor at the Royal Military College, Duntroon. In 1965, after three years of regimental postings with the Pacific Islands Regiment in Papua New Guinea, he attended the Australian Staff College, Queenscliff. An appointment at Army Headquarters, Canberra, was followed by service in South Vietnam as a Company Commander with the Fifth Battalion The Royal Australian Regiment and then a staff appointment on Headquarters 1st Australian Task Force.

In 1968 Colonel Cole attended the United States Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas and returned to Army Headquarters, Canberra as Director of Army Recruiting in 1969. In 1971 he was appointed Commander Lae Area and Commanding Officer of the Papua New Guinea Volunteer Rifles in Papua New Guinea. During 1973 he was involved in the planning for the Joint Services College of Papua New Guinea and became its first Commandant, when it was raised in December, 1973.

He was appointed the Commandant of the Officer Cadet School, Portsea, in January 1975.

SEQUENCE OF PARADE

The Company of Officer Cadets marches on to the parade ground to the music of the Third Military District Band.

The Colours are marched on to the parade.

The Commanding Officer, The Company of Officer Cadets, Lieutenant-Colonel G. K. Chapman arrives and is received on parade.

The Commandant. Officer Cadet School, Colonel P. G. Cole arrives and is received on parade.

The Reviewing Officer, The Chief of Personnel, Major-General J. Whitelaw, CBE, arrives and is received on parade.

The Reviewing Officer inspects the Company of Officer Cadets and the Third Military District Band.

The Company of Officer Cadets marches past in slow and quick time.

The Company of Officer Cadets advances in review order.

The Reviewing Officer leaves the parade.

The Commandant and the Commanding Officer leave the parade.

The Colours are marched off the parade.

The Graduating Class is farewelled by the parade.

The Company of Officer Cadets marches off.

The Graduating Class returns for the presentation of graduation certificates and prizes.

The Commandant and Commanding Officer return to the parade ground.

The Chief of Personnel arrives and is met by the Commandant and Commanding Officer.

The Commandant welcomes the Chief of Personnel and guests to the Officer Cadet School and presents his Graduation Report.

The Chief of Personnel presents graduation certificates and prizes and delivers the Graduation Address.

The Chief of Personnel and the Commandant move to afternoon tea.

Guests and Officer Cadets move to afternoon tea.

NOTES FOR VISITORS

It is customary for all to stand on the arrival and departure of the Reviewing Officer.

It is customary for spectators to stand, and if applicable salute, when the Colours are marched on or off the parade ground or pass immediately in front of them, and on their side of the parade ground.

PROGRAMME OF MUSIC

by

THE THIRD MILITARY DISTRICT BAND

Bandmaster: Captain D. J. Jarrett Drum Major: Warrant Officer Class II E. A. Trotter

The Company of Officer Cadets

Marches On

"Blaze Away"

March on The Colours

"Portsea"

Salute to The Colours

"Point of War"

General Salute

"Scipio"

Inspection

"The Queen's Colour"

"Toledo"

March Past -

Slow Time

"By Land and Sea"

"Dover Castle"

Quick Time

"Portsea"

Advance in Review Order

"British Grenadiers"

General Salute

"Scipio"

Salute to The Colours

"Point of War"

March off The Colours

"Portsea"

Farewell to Graduation Class

"Auld Lang Syne"

"Haere Ra"

The Company of Officer Cadets

"The Vedette"

Marches Off

OFFICER CADET SCHOOL

STAFF

Commandant

Colonel P. G. Cole, Australian Staff Corps

SCHOOL HEADQUARTERS

Lieutenant-Colonel B. Wade, Deputy Commandant

Royal Australian Infantry Corps

Captain B. D. Clark, MM Major-in-Charge of Administration

Royal Australian Infantry Corps

Chaplain 4th Class J. D. Moody, Chaplain

Royal Australian Army Chaplains

Department

Major G. D. Payne, **Psychologist**

Australian Army Psychology Corps

Captain P. Simpson, Quartermaster

Royal Australian Armoured Corps

Lieutenant P. Young, Assistant Quartermaster

Royal Australian Army Ordnance Corps

Captain P. B. Cornell, Administrative Officer

Royal Australian Army Ordnance Corps

Regimental Sergeant-Major Warrant Officer Class 1

B. T. Waters, MBE

Royal Australian Infantry Corps

THE COMPANY OF OFFICER CADETS

Commanding Officer and

Chief Instructor

Lieutenant-Colonel G. K. Chapman, Royal Australian Infantry Corps

Major Training Co-ordination and Second-in-Command of The Company of Officer Cadets Major R. A. Ducie,

Royal Australian Infantry Corps

Senior Instructor Education

Major F. Lamb,

Royal Australian Army Educational

Corps

OC Training Development Cell

Major B. E. Franklin,

Royal Australian Army Educational Corps

Captain S. V. L. Willis, Adjutant

Royal Australian Infantry Corps

Staff Officer Grade 3 - Training

Captain P. J. Vial,

Royal Australian Infantry Corps

A COMPANY

Senior Instructor and Company Commander Major M. T. R. Wilkinson, Royal Australian Artillery

Second in Command Captain A. J. Daniels,
Royal Australian Infantry Corps

Instructor Captain R. K. Storey,
Royal New Zealand Armoured Corps

Instructor Captain W. J. Foxall,

Royal Australian Artillery

Instructor Captain A. P. Thorp,
Royal Australian Engineers

Instructor Captain C. J. Clarke,
Royal Australian Infantry Corps

Instructor Captain R. L. Nevile,
Australian Army Aviation Corps

Instructor Captain B. W. Smith,
Royal Australian Army Educational

Corps

Lustructor Captain B. Turner,

Royal Australian Army Educational
Corps

Instructor

Lieutenant W. W. Rudland,
Royal Australian Electrical
and Mechanical Engineers

B COMPANY

Senior Instructor and Company Commander Major J. D. McAloney, MC Royal Australian Infantry Corps

Second in Command Captain J. D. Mills,
Royal Australian Armoured Corps

Instructor Captain K. E. Boyle,
Royal Australian Artillery

Instructor Captain G. L. Taylor,
Royal Australian Corps of Signals

Instructor Captain M. J. Edwards,
Royal Australian Infantry Corps

Instructor Captain J. R. Ison,
Royal Australian Infantry Corps

Instructor Captain J. B. Langler,
Royal Australian Infantry Corps

Instructor Captain G. R. Donoghue,

Royal Australian Corps of Transport

Instructor Captain P. G. Badcock,

Royal Australian Army Ordnance Corps

Instructor Captain H. M. Wilkinson,
Royal Australian Army Educational
Corps

PRIZE LIST

- Sword of Honour. Awarded for exemplary conduct and outstanding performance of duty.
- Governor General's Medal. Awarded to the cadet graduating first in his class.
- Peter Mitchell Trust Competition. A travelling scholarship in South East Asian countries awarded to the cadet who best displays the qualities of leadership, initiative, physical fitness, integrity, motivation, academic ability and the potential to become a senior commander in the Australian Army.
- New Zealand Chief of the General Staff's Prize. Awarded to the cadet gaining the highest marks in Leadership.
- The Arts Prize. Awarded to the cadet gaining the highest aggregate of marks for the following subjects: Communication Skills, Military History, Military Law, Logic and Government.
- The Staff Prize. Awarded to the cadet gaining the highest aggregate of marks for the following subjects: Administration Peace, Administration War, Staff Duties and Intelligence, Training and Methods of Instruction.
- The Tactics Prize. Awarded to the cadet gaining the highest aggregate of marks in Tactics.
- The Everard Baillieu Prize. Awarded to the cadet who makes the best written submission on the developing, understanding and co-operation and the essential human relationship between Australia and her neighbours.
- The Arms Prize. Awarded to the cadet gaining the highest aggregate of marks for the All Arms examination.
- The Basic Skills Prize. Awarded to the cadet gaining the highest aggregate of marks for the following subjects: Battlecraft and Weapon Training, Navigation, Physical and Recreational Training, Drill and Ceremonial and Radio Telephone Procedure.
- The Skill at Arms Prize. Awarded to the cadet gaining the highest aggregate score in range practices with the following weapons: Rifle, Sub-Machine Gun and Pistol.
- The Kiel Shield. Awarded to the company gaining the highest marks in Minor Tactics.
- The Harrison Cup. Awarded to the platoon gaining the highest aggregate of points in sporting events.
- The Rowell Shield. Awarded to the platoon gaining the highest aggregate in military and sporting competitions.

PRIZE WINNERS

The Sword of Honour SUO P. G. FUNNELL

The Governor General's Medal UO L. E. HOME

The Peter Mitchell Trust Competition SUO P. G. FUNNELL

The New Zealand Chief of The General Staff's Prize SUO P. G. FUNNELL

The Arts Prize
Cpl G. R. BRADLEY

The Staff Prize
Cpl A. M. MELLIER

The Tactics Prize
Sgt T. J. MALONE

The Everard Baillieu Prize

Cpl G. R. BRADLEY

The Arms Prize Sgt G. W. WHITBY

The Basic Skills Prize Sgt G. W. WHITBY

The Skill at Arms Prize
UO L. E. HOME

Inter-Company Trophy — The Kiel Shield
A Company

Inter-Platoon Trophies

The Harrison Cup 4 Platoon The Rowell Shield 4 Platoon

GOLD SPORTS MEDALLIONS

Cricket
Athletics
Physical and Recreational Training
Rugby Union
Rifle Shooting
Hockey
Soccer

LCpl K. W. Christiansen Sgt J. N. Gillam Cpl H. F. McArdle Sgt T. J. Malone Col Sgt B. A. R. Scott Cpl Rahmat Sgt G. H. Evans

THE GRADUATES

M. B. AVERAY

A. J. BAMFORD

T. F. BLACK

G. R. BRADLEY

S. D. BROWN

G. D. CAIN

R. CARO

K. W. CHRISTIANSEN

R. H. A. COATES

K. S. CORRIE

A. J. CRAIG

R. B. DAVIS

Γ. J. DΟΝΟΥΛΝ

G. H. EVANS

B. T. FERRIS

P. G. FUNNELL

R. GARCIA

J. N. GILLAM

GOH HOON POH

N. F. GRILL

A. I. GUMBLEY

P. GUSTAFSEN

S. HARVEY

G. M. HAWKE

L. E. HOME

S. D. HULL

JAMALUDDIN BIN OMAR

G. L. JAMES

D. M. JEFFERS

C. O. JOHNSON

B. A. KEELEY

T. A. G. KEMP

I. A. K. KEYS

R. KOOK

M. D. LANE

J. R. LANGBEHN

M. G. LEAHY

T. J. MALONE

P. R. MAY

A. M. MELLIER

J. D. MONAHAN

N. S. MORRIS

A. K. MURDOCH

H. F. McARDLE

J. M. McGUIGAN

W. D. McMILLAN

P. E. OSTERHAGE

M. J. PHIPPS

A. G. PORETTI

M. PROBERT

RAHMAT BIN HASSAN

D. C. READ

D. C. RYAN

B. A. R. SCOTT

E. J. SIMPSON

J. C. SMITH

R. C. SMITH

N. S. SNEDDON

P. A. STREETER

N. G. SWANSON

G. W. TIPPETTS

R. L. THOMPSON

L. A. THOMSON

A. H. W. VAN BLYENBURG

G. W. WAHLERT

D. H. WATMUFF

A. J. WATTS

G. W. WHITBY

M. R. WILLIAMS

A. YATES

FLAGS

On ceremonial occasions at the Officer Cadet School, nations who currently have students at the School are represented by their flags. Seen from left to right the flags flying today represent the following countries:

AUSTRALIA
FIJI
MALAYSIA
NEW ZEALAND
PHILIPPINES
SINGAPORE
AUSTRALIA

THE COLOURS

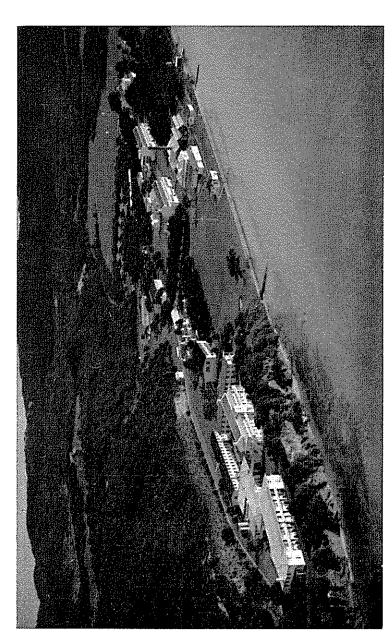
Since earliest times, warriors have carried standards or flags as a distinguishing mark and to serve as a rallying point during battle. To lose the standard often meant that the leader was lost and thus the standard became symbolic of the spirit and tradition of the group to which it belonged.

Arising from this ancient tradition units of today are allowed two Colours — the Queen's Colour and the Regimental Colour. The Queen's Colour is a reminder to all ranks of their loyalty and duty to their Sovereign and their Country. The Regimental Colour is a symbol of Regimental tradition and of the duty owed by each Member to the Regiment. The Colours are highly valued, carefully guarded and treated with respect.

Until 1881 the Colours were taken to war and were carried at the head of each Regiment by young officers called Ensigns. History records many acts of bravery performed in order to prevent the Colours falling into the hands of the enemy. With the introduction of more modern weapons the casualty rate amongst Colour and Standard Bearers became so high that, since the Boer War, Colours have been retained in safe keeping when units have departed for active service.

Before being presented, the Colours are always consecrated at a religious ceremony on parade when God's blessing of them is asked. This dates back to the Battle of the Standard in 1138 when the Yeomen of Yorkshire, fighting the Scots, took with them consecrated banners from York Cathedral and fought so fiercely to save the banners that they defeated heavy odds.

The Queen's and Regimental Colours were presented to the Officer Cadet School by His Royal Highness Prince Phillip, on 1st June 1968.



An aerial view of the Officer Cadet School, Portsea

ROLL OF HONOUR

D. J. BRIAN	15th March 1964	Malaya.
G. R. BELLEVILLE	12th February 1966	South Vietnam.
D. M. BOURNE	14th February 1967	South Vietnam.
R B. MILLIGAN	14th February 1967	South Vietnam.
P. WILLIAMS (NZ)	14th February 1967	South Vietnam.
J. CARRUTHERS	24th February 1967	South Vietnam.
P. J. BADCOE, vc	7th April 1967	South Vietnam.
R. G. BIRSE	10th December 1967	South Vietnam.
B. G. WALKER	9th March 1969	South Vietnam.
G. R. LOCKE	9th May 1969	South Vietnam.
P. A. HINES	21st July 1969	South Vietnam.
R. T. CONVERY	23rd November 1969	South Vietnam.
B. G. DONALD	3rd December 1969	South Vietnam.
P. R. MARKS-CHAPMAN	19th December 1969	South Vietnam.
J. R. WINTON (NZ)	10th March 1971	South Vietnam.
B. R. A. JONES	10th April 1971	South Vietnam.

PREVIOUS COMMANDANTS

Colonel J. W. Harrison, OBE 5th January 1952 — 31st May 1954

Colonel T. F. Cape, DSO, MBE 1st June 1954 — 28th November 1956

Colonel D. R. Jackson, DSO 29th November 1956 — 12th December 1957

Colonel J. G. Ochiltree, OBE 13th December 1957 — 13th December 1960

Colonel S. T. G. Coleman, OBE 14th December 1960 — 28th December 1964

Colonel H. G. Bates, OBE 29th December 1964 — 4th January 1968

Colonel B. L. Bogle 5th January 1968 — 5th July 1969

Colonel J. F. McDonagh 6th July 1969 — 31st January 1972

Colonel D. M. Butler, DSO 1st February 1972 — 31st January 1975