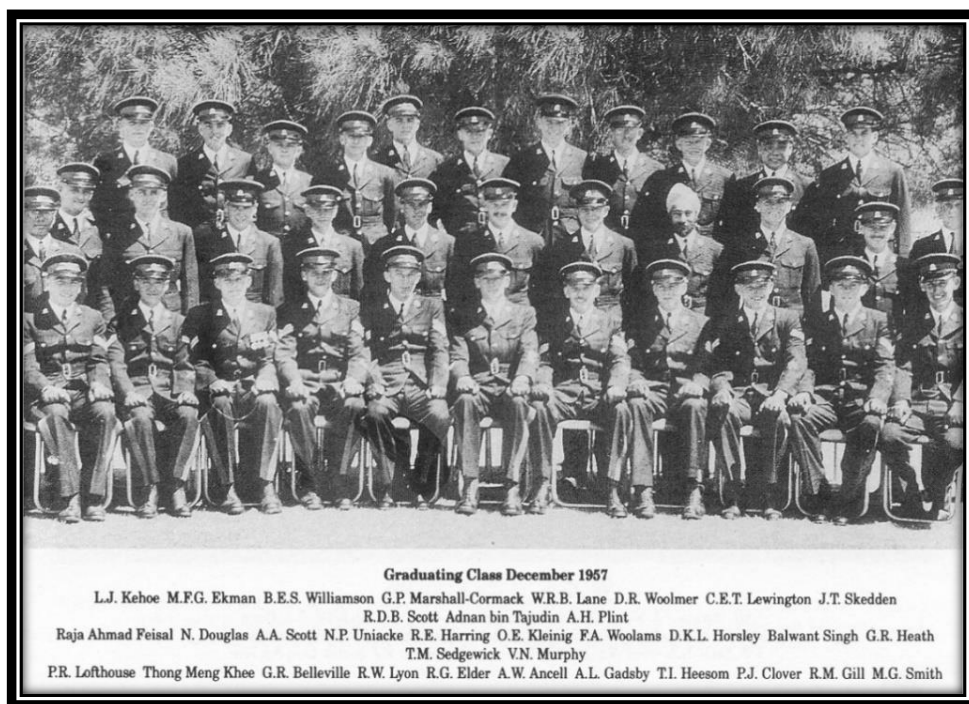
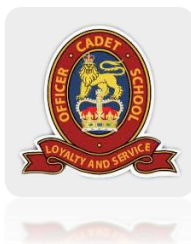


## OCS SCRAPBOOK - DEC '57 CLASS



## OCS TEAMS 1957

### CRICKET 1<sup>ST</sup> TERM



Rear L to R: Rob Lyon, Bob McGhie, Jim Skedden, Alan Plint, Peter Lofthouse, Brian Doyle, Tom Heesom, Michael Gill & Michael Smith.  
Front L to R: Jack Campbell, Peter Belt, Don Woolmer, Peter Scott & Bob Halverson.

/OCS TEAMS 1957 CONT:

**OCS RUGBY 1957**  
**RUGBY XV 1<sup>ST</sup> TERM**



Rear L to R: Reg Elder, Grant Fielding, Jim Skedden, Michael Gill, Alan Plint, Don Randall, Arthur Gadsby, Michael Ekman, Tom Heesom & Tony Ancell.  
 Front L to R: Barry Williamson, Jack Campbell, John Neenan, Peter Belt, Brian Doyle, Ossie Kleinig & Peter Lofthouse.

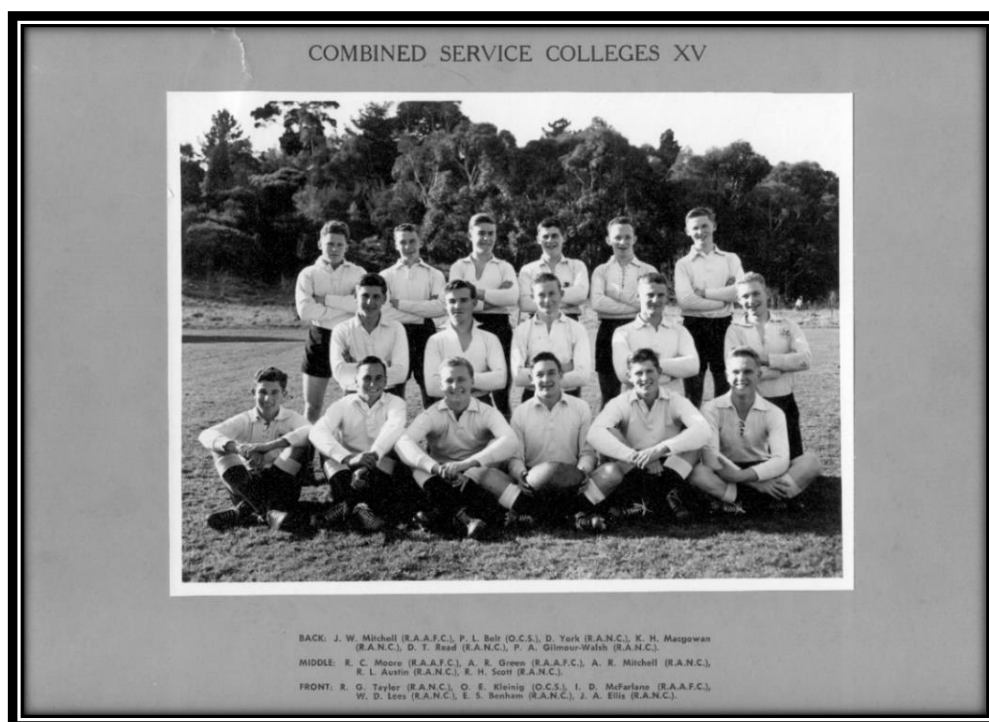
**RUGBY XV 2<sup>ND</sup> TERM**



Rear L to R: Ossie Kleinig, Bill Lunney, Arthur Gadsby, Les Kehoe, Peter Lofthouse, Michael Gill, Tom Heesom, Jim Skedden, Quin Rodda & Tony Ancell.  
 Front L to R: Dave Horsley, Michael Ekman, Barry Williamson, Reg Elder, Bob Bleakley, Barry Hawkins, Wally Lane & Alan Plint.

**/OCS TEAMS CONT:**

## OCS REPRESENTATIVE RUGBY -1957 & 1966



Rear Rank 2<sup>nd</sup> from L: Peter Belt. Front Rank 2<sup>nd</sup> from Left: Ossie Kleinig.

AND BACK ON STAFF JAN '65 TO JUN '67 – VRU PREMIERS 1966



Rear L to R: J. Kupogut, M. Boyle, R. Bates, R. Dakers, G. Prendergast, J. Hyde, M. Hampton, B. Darr & G. Watson.  
 Centre Row L to R: J. Fisher, D. Duke, Capt David Solomons RAA, N. Howlett, Capt Ossie Kleinig RA Inf, D. Crooks & W. Menzies.

Front L to R: T. Daniel & M. Brown.

/OCS TEAMS CONT:



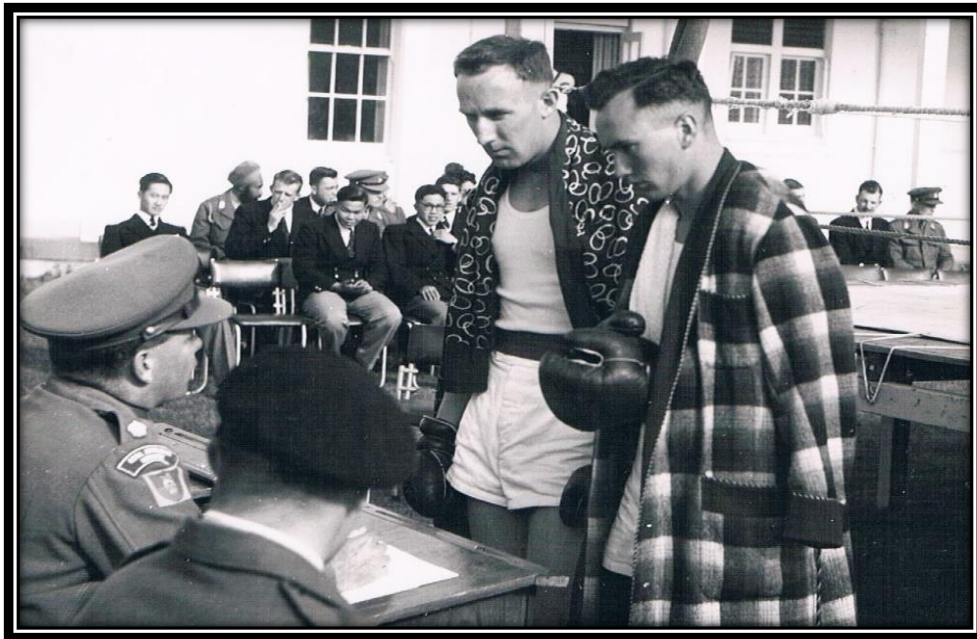
## BOXING

### OCS WEIGHT DIVISION CHAMPIONS 2<sup>ND</sup> TERM



Rear L to R; Michael Gill, Peter Howarth & Les Kehoe.  
Front L to R: Thong Meng Kee, John Clarke, Ossie Kleinig, Terry Holland & Terry Sedgwick.

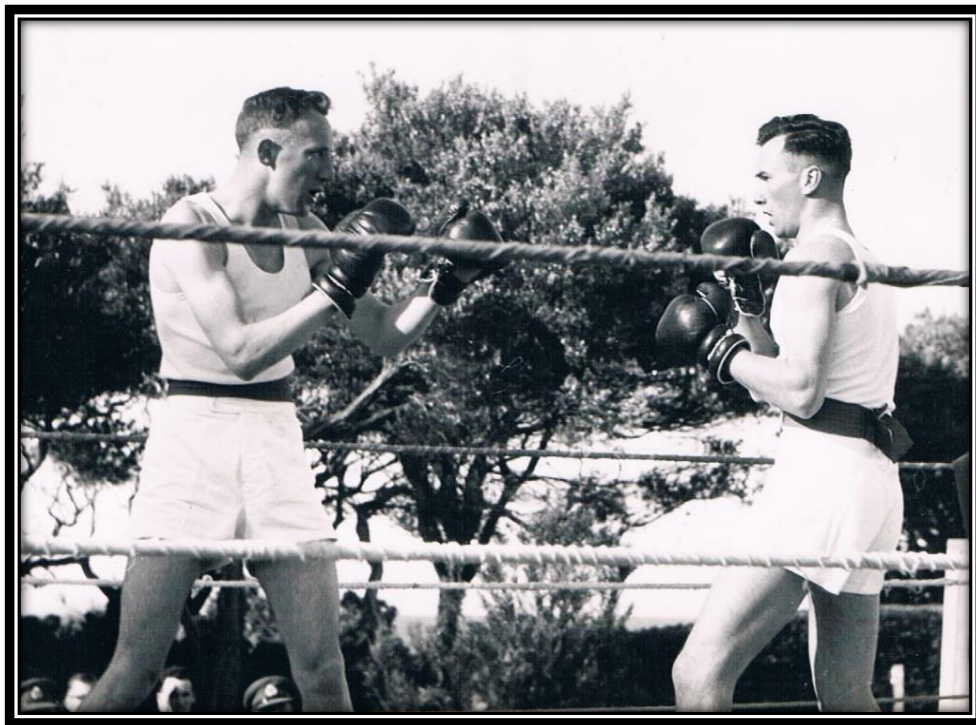
### MAJOR PETER COOK, RA INF, DELIVERS “THE LAST RITES”



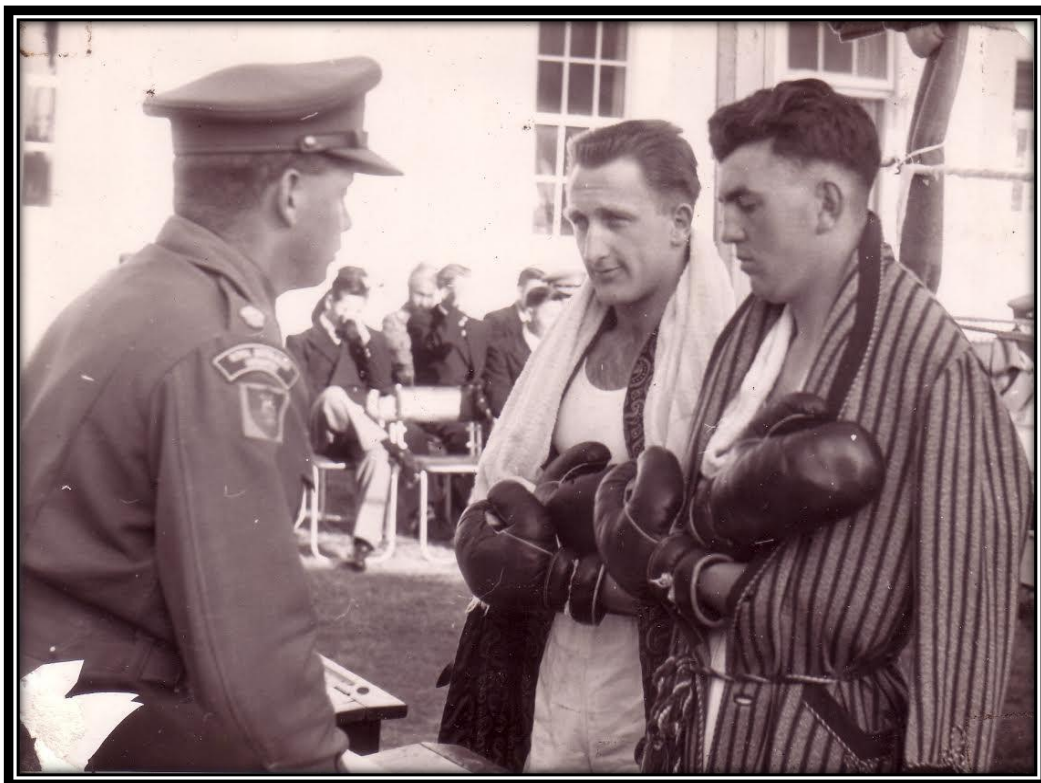
L to R: Combatants - Reg Elder & Ossie Kleinig share their forebodings. Spectator gallery shows absolutely no concern.

/OCS TEAMS CONT:

**NOT SURE WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?**



**The BIG Question: Can we keep up this shadow-boxing for three rounds?**



**Terry Holland Vs Mick Ekman in pre-bout briefing. "No Bundaberg rules here Mr Holland!"**

**/OCS TEAMS CONT:**



**"COOKIE" GETS MORE ENTHUSIASTIC IN HIS PRE-BOUT BRIEFING**



Norm Uniacke in a serious mood & Tony Scott is just downcast.

**ATHLETICS**

**INTER COLLEGE ATHLETICS' MEETING 1957 – THE TEAM**



Rear L to R: Max Ball, Carl Lewington, Tom Heesom, Dave Horsley & Raja Ahmad Feisal.  
Front L to R: Reg Elder, Ossie Kleinig, Les Kehoe, Bob Tanner, Peter Lofthouse, Michael Gill, Barry Hawkins, Balwant Singh & Geoff Chipman.

**/OCS TEAMS CONT:**

**INTER SERVICE COLLEGE ATHLETICS' MEET [ISCAM] 1957  
RAN NAVAL COLLEGE FLINDERS, OCS PORTSEA & RAAF COLLEGE POINT COOK**



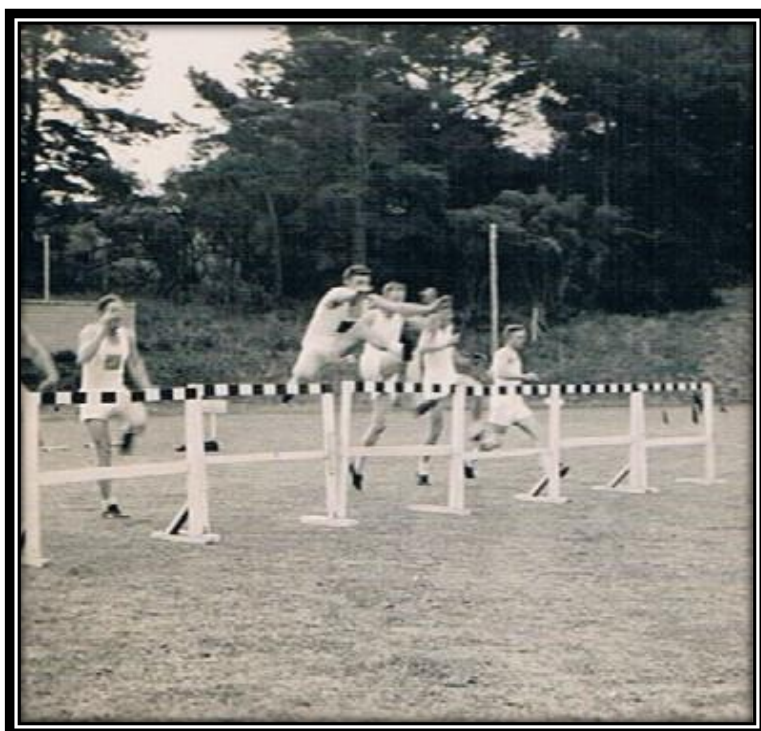
**Michael Gill hands over baton to Bob Tanner in final 440 yards relay leg.  
Meet won by RNC with OCS Runner Up. OCS Champion Athlete 1957: Bob Tanner.**



**Michael Gill winning the Individual 440 yards ISCAM Championship.**

**/OCS TEAMS CONT:**

## ATHLETICS MEET CONTINUED



100 yards Hurdles. Tom Heesom's Event.

## BROAD JUMP



Michael Gill flies for OCS.

/OCS TEAMS CONT:



### HOP, STEP & JUMP



Bob Tanner does it for OCS.

### AND THE FINAL EVENT



OCS Tug-of-War-Team.

/OCS TEAMS CONT:

## OCS PARTICIPANTS/SPECTATORS AT INTER SERVICE COLLEGE ATHLETICS' MEET

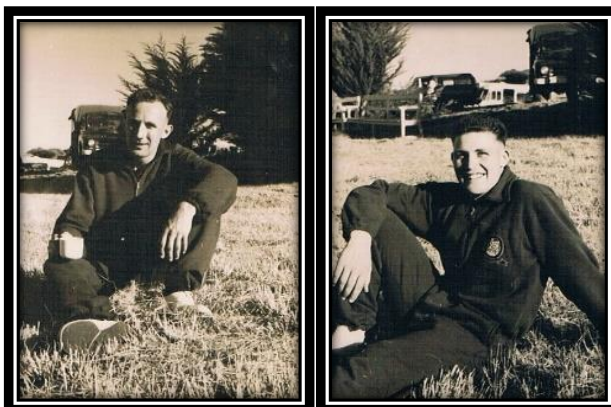


Fm L to R: RAP Sgt "Doc" Savage in uniform, Balwant [in turban], Don Woolmer, Jim Skedden [rear], Max Ball, Wally Lane & Les Kehoe [rear], Mike Smith, Dave Horsley, Michael Gill [rear] & Barry Hawkins.

## MEET RESULTS WERE LOOKING GOOD FOR OCS



L to R: Wally Lane, Phil Clover, Peter Howarth & Bob Tanner.



L to R: Reg Elder & Les Kehoe mentally preparing for next event.

/OCS TEAMS CONT:

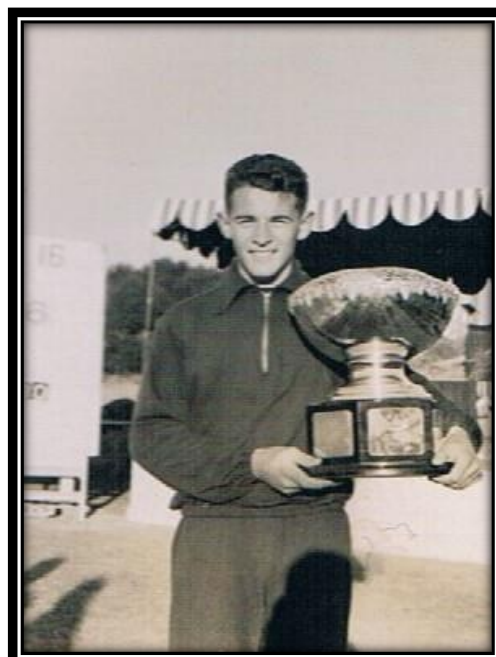
## THE PRESENTATION

### FINAL SCOREBOARD



"C'mon Barry – 13 Points needed?"  
[Scoreboard Attendant: Barry Williamson]

**AND THE WINNING COLLEGE – OCS BEATEN BY A WHISKER!**



Flinders Naval College [RANC] Team Captain accepts Meet Trophy.



**1957 CONCERT**  
**THE KIWI INVASION HAKA**  
[The first two Kiwi Intakes at OCS]



**THE ORIGINALS MINUS ARTHUR GADSBY**  
Rear L to R: Ben Woolams, Bob Tanner, Jim Skedden & Quin Rodda.  
Front L to R: Peter Scott, Tony Ancell & Brian Cudby. Absent: Arthur Gadsby [in hospital].

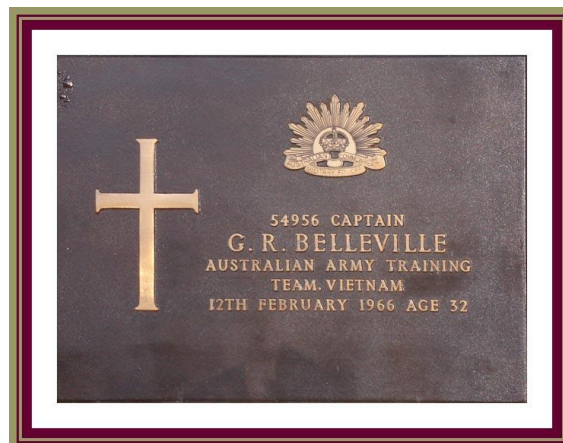
**A TAKE ON OUR ARMOURED CORPS INSTRUCTOR**  
[Captain Don R Chapell, RAAC].



Peter Lofthouse "hams" it up for the assembled multitude in a Mark 10 "something".

## IN MEMORIAM – CAPTAIN GRAEME BELLEVILLE, RA INF

*Age shall not weary nor the years condemn!*



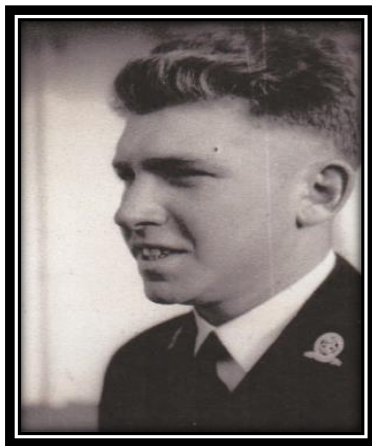
Graeme served with 2 RAR in Korea. He also served in Malaya still with 2 RAR in 1955 & '56 before entering OCS in the Jan '57 Intake. Graduated as a member of the OCS Dec '57 Class to Infantry. Our only classmate to be Killed-in-Action. RIP Graeme!

**VALE – OCS CLASS OF DEC 1957  
AUSTRALIAN ARMY**

[As at 10 Feb 2022].



**RAAC**



**Carl Lewington.**

**RAE**



**David Horsley.**



**Peter Lofthouse.**

**RAA**



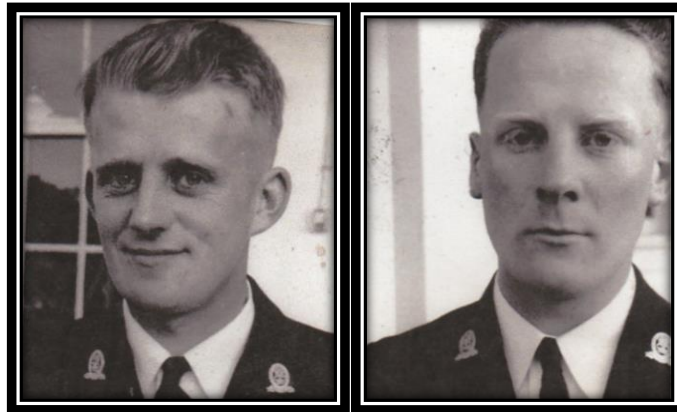
**Terry Sedgwick.**



**Michael Ekman.**

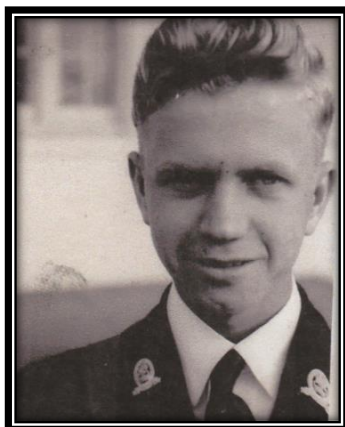


VALE CONT:



Graeme Belleville, KIA Vietnam.

Vin Murphy.



Ray Harring.

RAASC



Les Kehoe.

RAAOC



Alan Plint.

RAEME



Wally Lane.



Michael Smith.



Tom Heesom.

**VALE – OCS CLASS OF DEC 1957  
NEW ZEALAND ARMY**

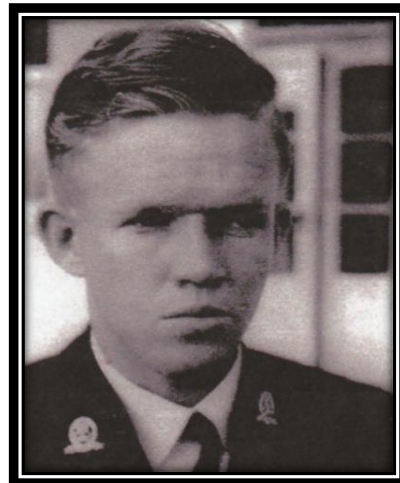


**NZ INF REGT**



**Arthur Gadsby.**

**RNZAOC**



**Peter Scott.**

**RNZEME**



**Jim Skedden.**

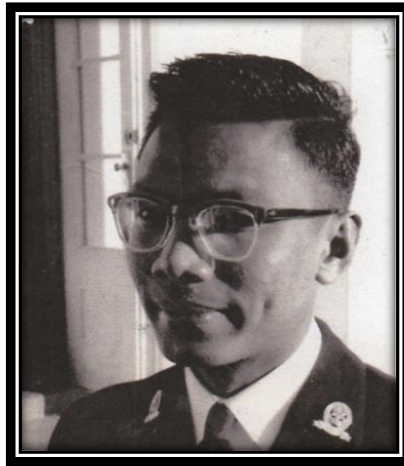


**Ben Woolams.**

**VALE OCS CLASS OF DEC 1957  
MALAYAN [NOW MALAYSIAN] ARMY**



**MGSC**



**Raja Ahmad Feisal.**

**FLAME OF REMEMBRANCE – ANZAC SQUARE – BRISBANE  
NOVEMBER 2008**

**“WE WILL REMEMBER THEM”**



**“LEST WE FORGET”.**



## RAASC MILITARY DRIVING COURSE

WHO'S RESPONSIBLE??



It was just a small hole really!!!  
NEARLY OUT!



We could do without the spectators!

**MILITARY DRIVING COURSE CONT:**

**ON THE ROAD AGAIN!**



Easy!

**THE DEBRIEF**



Reg Elder, WO 2 Colin Lander & Balwant Singh.  
"Yes Balwant, apart from running six red lights!!!"

## A VISIT TO HMAS SYDNEY – MAY '57



For some this was not the last introduction to HMAS Sydney.  
"The Vung Tau Ferry" in later years.

WHAT! UP THERE??



You've got to be joking!



OCS DEC '57 CLASS - GRADUATION PHOTOS



OFFICER CADET SCHOOL  
PORTSEA



*Graduation*

12TH DECEMBER  
1957

Graduation Program Cover.

## Form of Parade

- 2.30 p m — Company of Officer Cadets Marches on to Parade Ground led by Southern Command Band.
- 2.44 p m — Arrival of Commandant, Officer Cadet School, Colonel D. R. Jackson, DSO.
- 2.47 p m — Arrival of Reviewing Officer — Major-General C. E. Weir, CB, CBE, DSO, Chief of the General Staff, New Zealand.
- 2.50 p m — Inspection of Company of Officer Cadets.
- 3.00 p m — March Past by Company of Officer Cadets in Quick and Slow Time.
- 3.10 p m — Advance in Review Order.
- 3.13 p m — Junior Class Farewells Graduating Cadets.
- 3.21 p m — Reviewing Officer and Commandant Depart.
- 3.24 p m — Company of Officer Cadets Marches Off.

---

Guests are requested to stand during the arrival and departure of the Reviewing Officer.

---

At the conclusion of the Parade, guests are requested to move to seats in the Main Lecture Room for the Presentation of Prizes.

And it went like clockwork. It was quite fitting for the NZ CGS to be the Reviewing Officer.



**GRADUATION PARADE – 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 1957**



**THE INSPECTION**

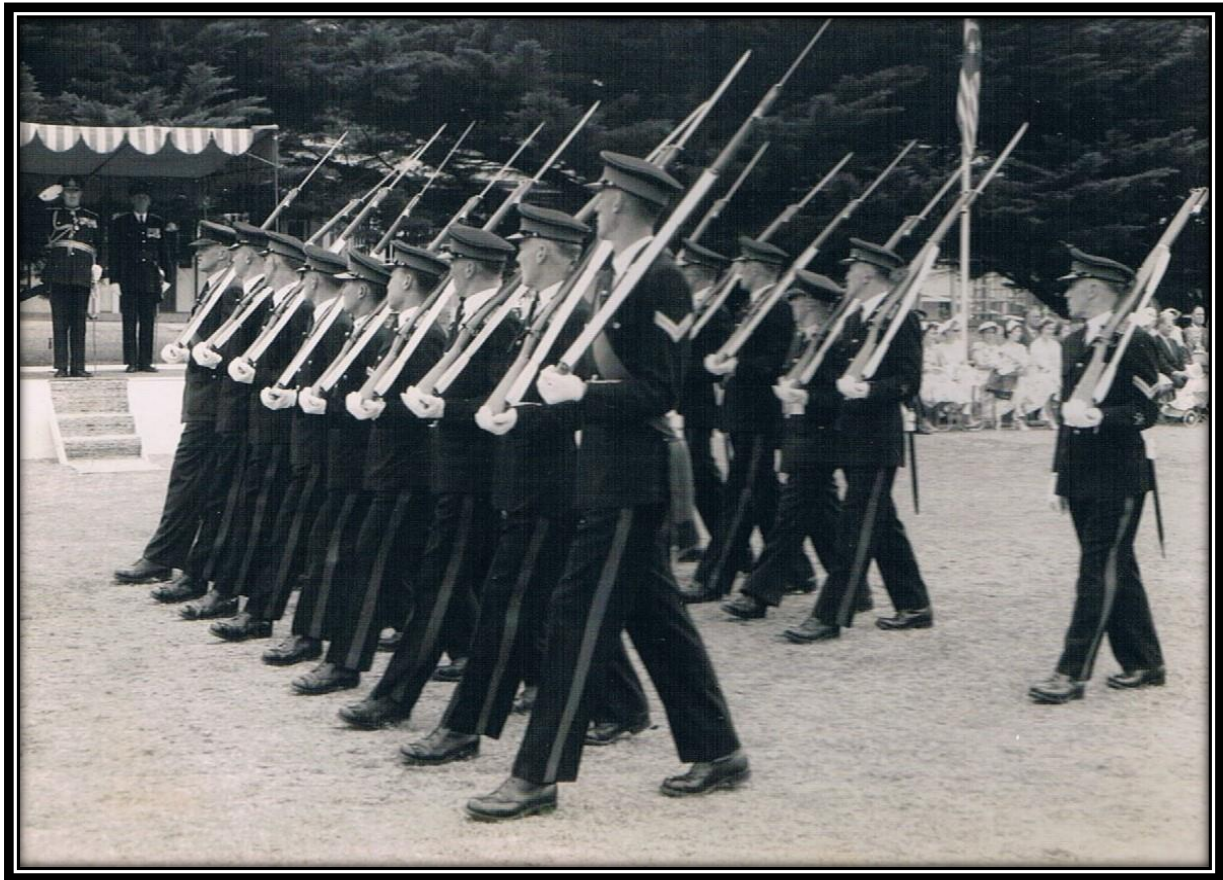


NZ Chief of the General Staff Major General C.E. Weir, CB, CBE, DSO reviews the graduating class accompanied by CSM, Company of Officer Cadets, Tony Ancell. Rear of Reviewing Officer: OCS Commandant Colonel D.R. Jackson, DSO.



**OCS DEC '57 GRADUATION CONT:**

**THE MARCH PAST**



**March Past in Slow Time.**

**THE COMPULSORY PHOTO SHOOT**



**Compulsory Grad Day Photo Shoot with OCS RSM: WO 1 Roy Hockings & Cadet CSM Tony Ancell.  
[Note: Tony was required to "lower" himself due to a major height disparity].**

**OCS GRADUATION PRESENTATIONS – DEC 1957**

**GOVERNOR GENERAL'S MEDAL  
FOR CADET GRADUATING FIRST IN CLASS**



**Award Winner Dec '57 – Cadet Sgt Tom Heesom.**

**MILITARY BOARD PRIZE FOR EXEMPLARY CONDUCT & OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF DUTY  
[Later Replaced by Sword of Honour in Dec 1965].**



**Presentation of MBI Prize to NZ Cadet CSM Tony Ancell by the NZ CGS, Maj Gen C.E. Weir, CB, CBE, DSO.  
L to R: CSM Tony Ancell, OCS Commandant Col D.R. Jackson, DSO, Maj Gen Weir, NZ CGS & Capt Derek Deighton [later in  
career Maj Gen].**

**OCS DEC '57 GRADUATION CONT:**

**FIELD/TACTICS PRIZE**



**Cadet Sgt Tom Heesom conducting a "Planned Withdrawal".**

**STAFF PRIZE**



**Cadet Cpl Michael Gill receives his award.**



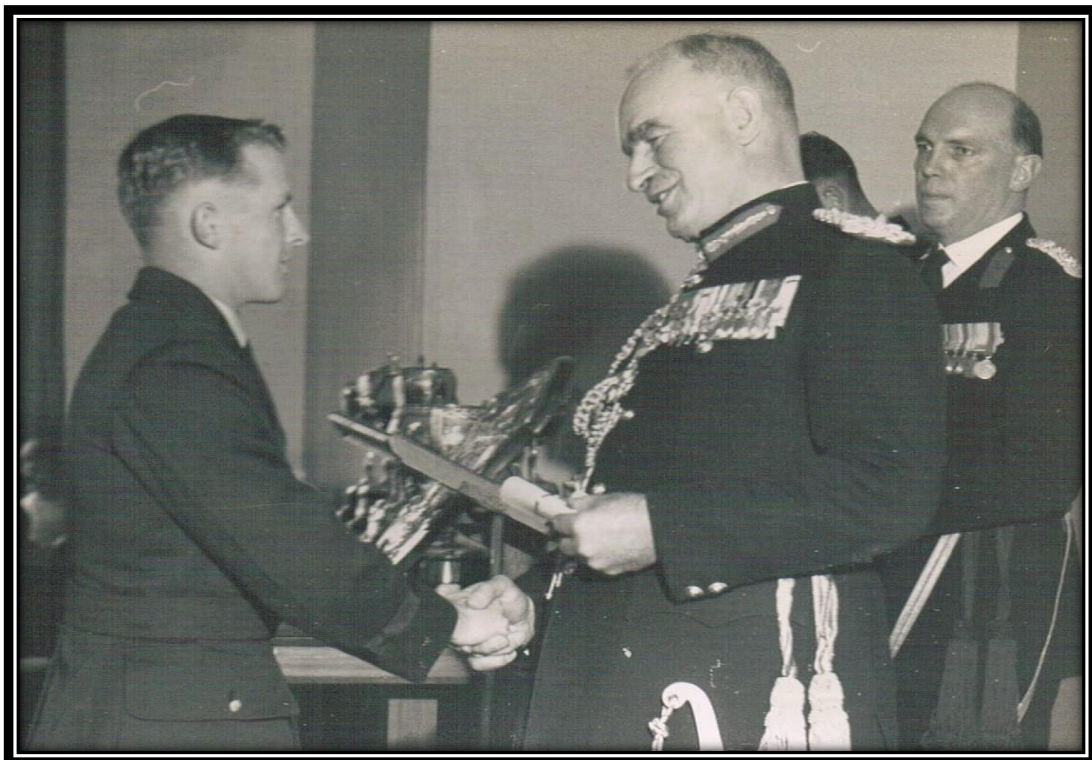
**OCS DEC '57 GRADUATION CONT:**

**NOT JUST A PIECE OF PAPER!**



**OCS Graduate Number 340 – Rodney Michael Gill.**

**RAAF GRADUATE**



**Barry Williamson receives his Certificate of Graduation.**

"IT IS WRITTEN THEREFORE IT MUST BE TRUE!"  
- NO "FAKE" NEWS HERE -

## Young officers graduate at Portsea cadet school parade

Three overseas nationalities were represented at the Officers' Cadet School, Portsea, graduation last Thursday, when thirty-four officer cadets passed out to postings in various sections of the Australian army.

They included four Malayan, five New Zealand, three R.A.A.F. and twenty-two army graduates under command of C.S.M. A. W. Ancell, the first New Zealand graduate to hold the appointment.

It was New Zealand's day as the Reviewing Officer was Major-General C. E. Weir, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., Chief of the General Staff, New Zealand, who later addressed graduates and guests and presented diplomas, prizes and trophies.

The outside parade left nothing to be desired in military precision, discipline and training.

To music of Southern Command Band the graduating class and junior class marched on to the parade march past in slow and quick time.

Moving ceremony as a finale was the traditional movement of farewell by junior class to the graduating cadets who, to the strains of "Auld Lang Syne" marched in slow time through the ranks of the junior class and off the parade.

### PROUD MOMENTS

The lecture room was the scene of many moving and

proud moments as parents, relatives and sweethearts sat to witness the presentations, report by the Commandant Colonel D. R. Jackson, D.S.O., and address by Major-General Weir.

Presenting his report Colonel Jackson said the graduating class was a good class—good because they had made themselves so through initiative and teamwork.

He pointed out that within the school the four great religions of the world had worked together in harmony and had presented no problem.

He paid special tribute to staff members for their support and hard work with particular reference to Dr. Camm and ministers of religion.

### PRIZE WINNERS

#### Governor-General's Medal:

Awarded to the cadet graduating first in his class: Sergeant T. I. HEESOM (graduating to R.A.E.M.E.; he is an ex-Army Apprentice).

#### The Military Board Prize:

Awarded for exemplary conduct and performance of duties: Company Sergeant-Major A. W. ANCELL. Graduating to R.N.Z.A.S.C.; he is the first N.Z. Cadet to hold the appointment of C.S.M. at O.C.S.).

#### The Field Prize:

Awarded to the cadets who gain first and second positions in the combined aggregate of field subjects: 1st, Sergeant T. I. HEESOM; 2nd, Sergeant R. W. LYON.

#### The Staff Prize:

Awarded to the cadets who gain first and second positions in the combined aggregate of staff subjects: 1st, Corporal R. M. GILL; 2nd, Officer-Cadet C. E. LEWINGTON. Skill at Arms Prize:

Awarded to the cadet who gains the highest aggregate score in range practices with the Rifle, Bren, Owen and Pistol: Corporal P. J. CLOVER.

#### Champion athlete:

Awarded to the cadet scoring the highest number of individual points at the O.C.S. athletics meeting: Officer-Cadet R. C. TANNER.

### GRADUATES

Sgt. Thomas Ian Heesom (Vic.), Army; Cpl. Rodney Michael Gill (Qld.), Army; Cpl. Phillip James Clover (W.A.), Army; Colour-Sgt. Arthur Leonard Gadsby (N.Z.); Officer-Cadet Carl Edward Lewington (N.S.W.), Army; Sgt. Robin Wallace Lyon (W.A.), R.A.A.F.; Company Sgt.-Major Anthony William Ancell (N.Z.); Sgt. Robert George Elder (N.S.W.), Army; Cpl. Peter Raymond Lethbridge (W.A.), Army; Officer-Cadet Walter Ronald

Lane (N.S.W.), Army; Cpl. Graham Rhodes Belleville (Vic.), Army; Officer-Cadet James Taylor Skedden (N.Z.); Officer-Cadet Donald Ralph Woolmer (W.A.), Army; Officer-Cadet Gary Ronald Heath (N.S.W.), Army; Officer-Cadet Frederick Anthony Woolmans (N.Z.); Cpl. Michael Smith (N.S.W.), Army; Officer-Cadet Norman Patrick Uniake (Vic.), Army; Officer-Cadet Oswald Ethelred Kleinig (Qld.), Army; Officer-Cadet David Keith Honley (Qld.), Army; Officer-Cadet Guy Patrick Marshall, Cormack (N.S.W.), Army; Officer-Cadet Vincent Noel Murphy (Vic.), Army; Officer-Cadet Peter Douglas Scott (N.Z.); Officer-Cadet Rein Eelmas Haring (N.S.W.), Army; Officer-Cadet Michael Francis Ekman (N.S.W.), Army; Officer-Cadet Leslie James Kehde (N.S.W.), Army; Officer-Cadet Alan Harold Plant (Q.), Army; Officer-Cadet Terence Michael Sedgwick (N.S.W.), Army; Officer-Cadet Anthony Agar Scott (N.S.W.), Army; Officer-Cadet Barry Edgar Williamson (N.S.W.), R.A.A.F.; Officer-Cadet Norman Douglas (N.S.W.), R.A.A.F.; Cpl. Thong Meng Kee (Malaya); Officer-Cadet Adnan Bin Tassuddin (Malaya); Officer-Cadet Balwant Singh (Malaya); Officer-Cadet Raja Ahmad Feisal (Malaya).

The Record of the Event: Herald Sun - 13<sup>th</sup> Dec '57. Ex Apprentices {Tom Heesom, Michael Gill & Phil Clover} placed 1, 2 & 3 in Class respectively. Our other Ex-Appy, Reg Elder, was placed 8<sup>th</sup> in Class on Graduation. The graduation was also well-covered in print & on ABC Radio mainly due to the first groups of overseas' cadets from Malaya & NZ.



A GUIDE FOR THE FUTURE

# IF - RUDYARD KIPLING

If you can keep your head when all about you  
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,  
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,  
But make allowance for their doubting too;  
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,  
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,  
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,  
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:

If you can dream - and not make dreams your master;  
If you can think - and not make thoughts your aim;  
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster  
And treat those two impostors just the same;  
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken  
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,  
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,  
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools:

If you can make one heap of all your winnings  
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,  
And lose, and start again at your beginnings  
And never breathe a word about your loss;  
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew  
To serve your turn long after they are gone,  
And so hold on when there is nothing in you  
Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on!"

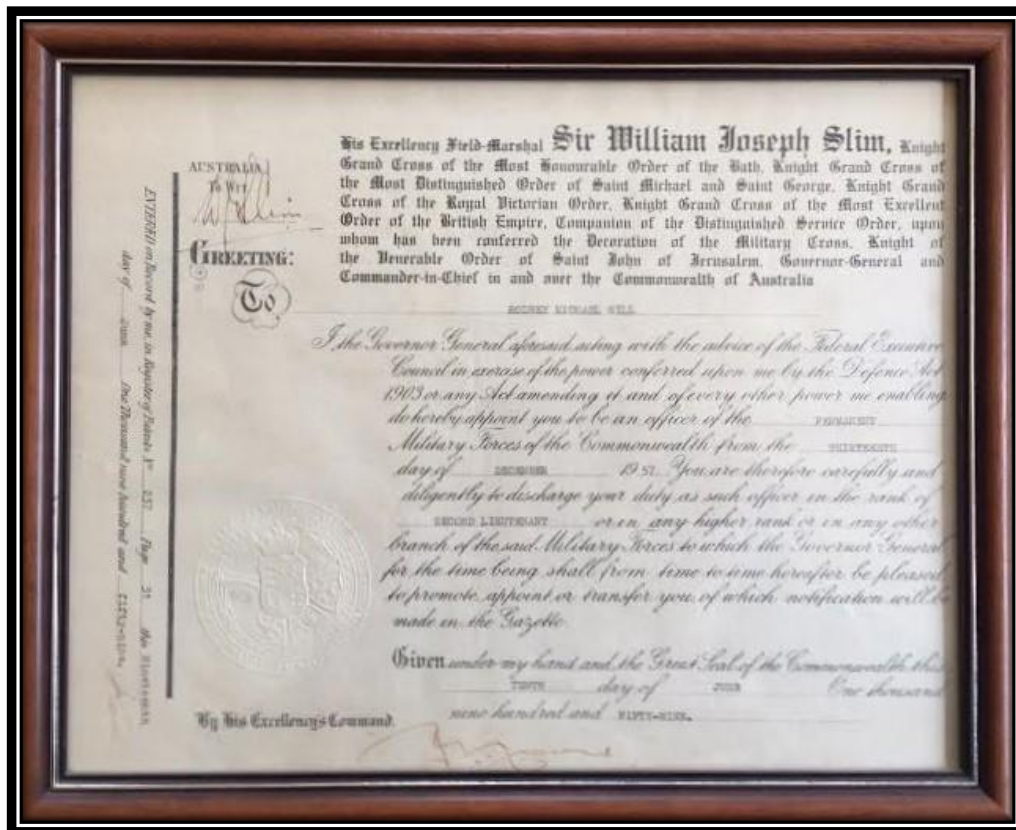
If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,  
Or walk with Kings - nor lose the common touch,  
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,  
If all men count with you, but none too much;  
If you can fill the unforgiving minute  
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,  
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,  
And - which is more - you'll be a Man, my son!

Padre's Parting Words of Wisdom to each Dec '57 Graduate.



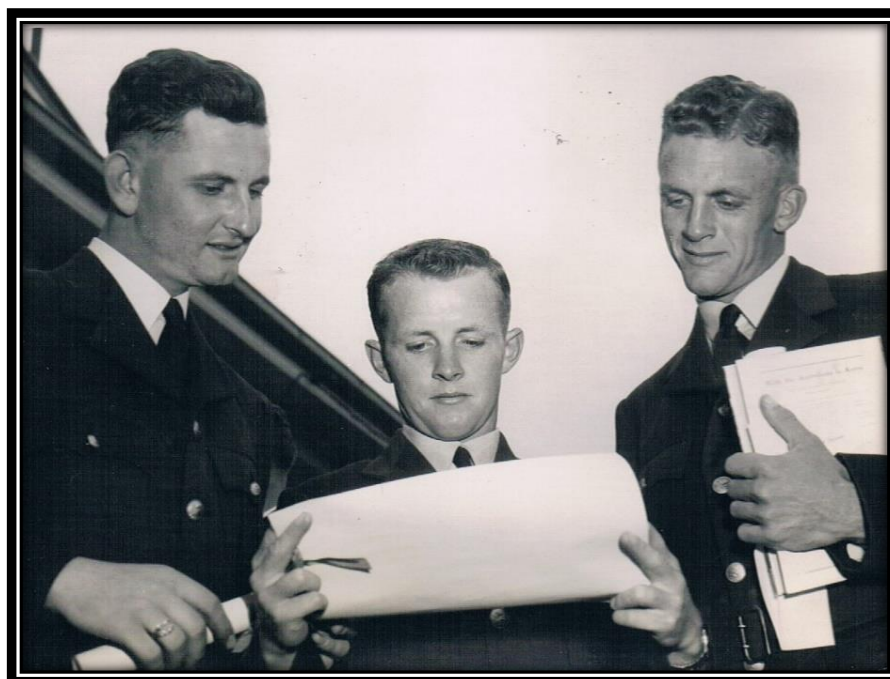
## OCS DEC '57 GRADUATION CONT:

### THE QUEEN'S COMMISSION



The Queen's Commission - Rodney Michael Gill.

### OUR RAAF GRADUATES

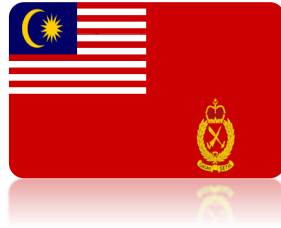


L to R: Norm Douglas, Barry Williamson & Rob Lyon.



OCS DEC '57 GRADUATION CONT:

OUR MALAYAN GRADUATES



Only Raja Ahmad Feisal Missing from this Photo Shoot.



THE "JUG"



THE FIRST MALAYANS to be trained at the Officer Cadet School, Portsea, graduated yesterday. One of the most colorful of them was Balwant Singh, seen here filling up a tankard he won in a long-distance race. Four Malaysians were among the 34 cadets who graduated.

Balwant fills his jug.



OCS DEC '57 GRADUATION CONT:

## GRADUATION BALL

[It Takes a Kiwi to find a Kiwi].



Still a Cadet. Tony Ancell & Partner Beulah, a visitor from Auckland.

**"THE BEWITCHING HOUR" COMETH!**

[Midnight plus One Second].



About to Be Launched Onto An Unsuspecting Army.  
2 Lts Gary Heath, RAASC & Pat Marshall-Cormack, RAA.  
It's Done!

## POST OCS DAYS

### LIFE AS A "ONE-PIPPER"



2 Lt Ossie Kleinig, RA Inf.

### IS THERE NO ESCAPE?



OCS DAYS: Maj A.B. Stretton, MBE - AKA "Justice" Stretton.  
Favourite Saying: "28 Days – March Out!" Photo: CO Appointment 2 RAR Malaysia.

**POST OCS DAYS CONT:**

**POST GRAD SERVICE – MALAYSIA 1961 to 63  
2 RAR COLOUR PARTY**



**"Two Poor Drill Men" morphed into "Two Perfect Drill Men"!!!  
L: Lt Ossie Kleinig – Queen's Colour; R: Lt Vin Murphy – Regimental Colour.  
Camp Terendak, Malaysia 1962.**

**COMBINED CLASSES OF DEC '57 & JUN '58 REUNION PHOTOS  
LUNCHEON CRUISE - BRISBANE RIVER – NOV 2008**



**L to R: Reg Elder, Tom Heesom & Max Lockwood [Max – Jun '58 Graduate].  
Three of our finest from the Army Apprentices School, Balcombe.**



**2008 REUNION PHOTOS CONT:**

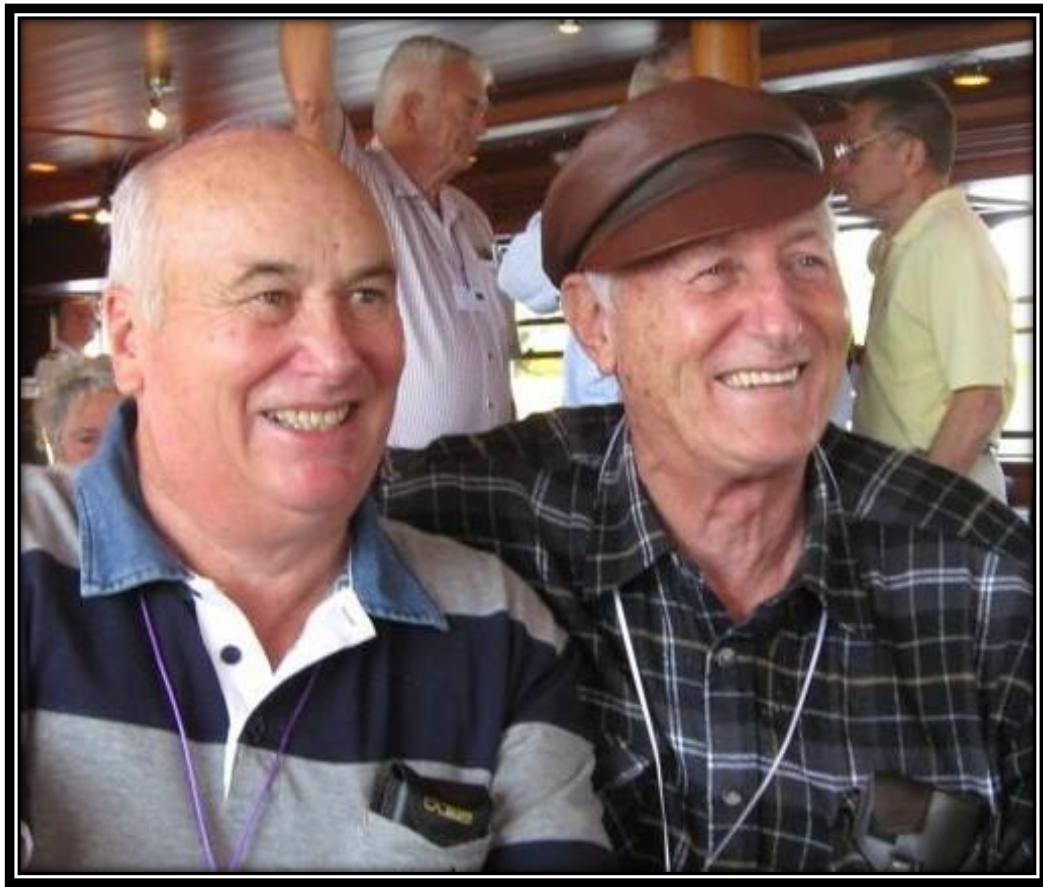


**Norma & Bob McGhie. Bob also decided to seek "greener pastures" & return to Civvy Street.**

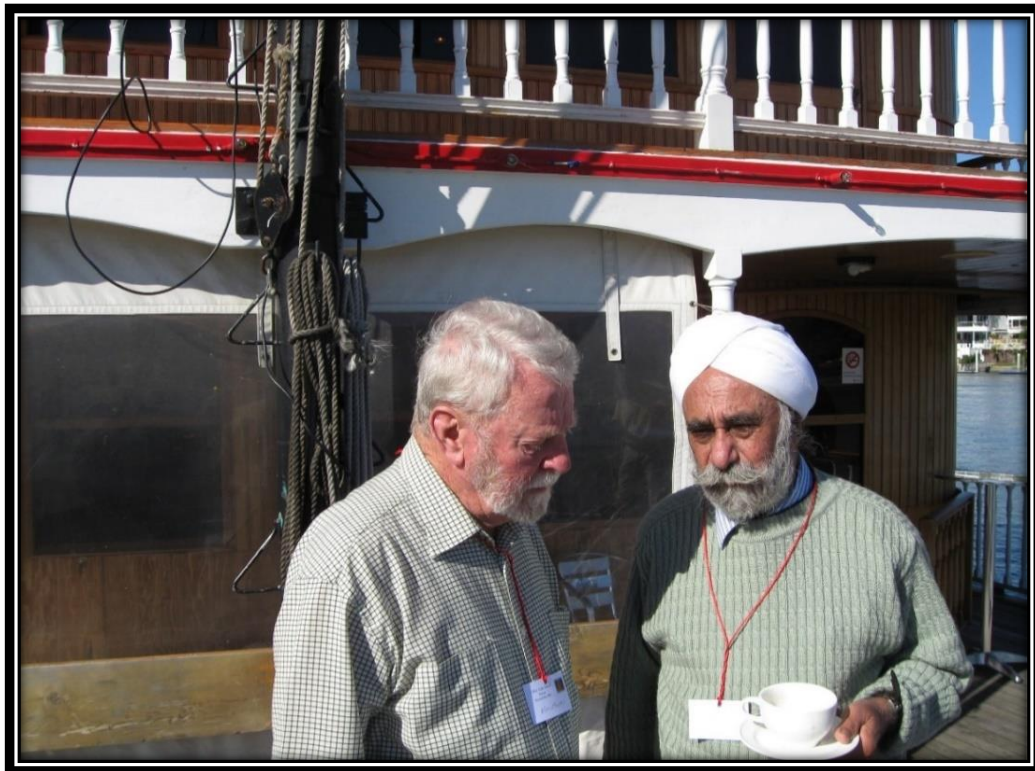


**L to R: Michael Smith & Rob Lyon.**

**2008 REUNION PHOTOS CONT:**



L to R: Ossie Kleinig & Geoff Chipman [Geoff - Jun '58 Graduate & fellow OCS Staff Member mid- 1960s].



L to R: Vin Murphy & Balwant Singh.



**2008 REUNION PHOTOS CONT:**



**Peter & Denise Lofthouse.**



**L to R: Rob Lyon & Phil Clover.**



**OCS CLASSES OF DEC '57 & JUN '58 - SERVICE  
FOR DEPARTED CLASSMATES – SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE BRISBANE**



L to R: Derek Gough, Peter & Jan Howarth, Vin Murphy\*, Rear - John Clarke, Brian Cudby, Max Lockwood & Phil Clover\*.  
[\* Class of Dec '57 Members].



Luncheon Address by Colonel Neville Lyndsay on his OCS History "Loyalty & Service" at HQ Northern Command Mess.

## 2008 OCS REUNION CONT:

### 2008 REUNION DINNER – UNITED SERVICES CLUB - BRISBANE



#### 50 PLUS YEARS ON!

Back Row Standing L to R: Ossie Kleinig, Clare Heesom, Bob McGhie, Barry & Jillian Hawkins, Max Lockwood, Reg Elder behind Derek Gough, Peter Howarth, Terry & Jan Holland, Rear Rob Lyon & Balwant Singh, Marguerite Smith, Max Ball, John & Margaret Clarke, Rear Mick Smith, Robin Rodda, Vin Murphy, Quin Rodda, Brian Cudby & Geoff Chipman.

Ladies Seated Centre Row L to R: Norma McGhie, Denise Lofthouse, Jan Howarth & Janice Lockwood.

Front Row Seated L to R: Phil Clover, Barry Williamson, Peter Lofthouse & Tom Heesom.

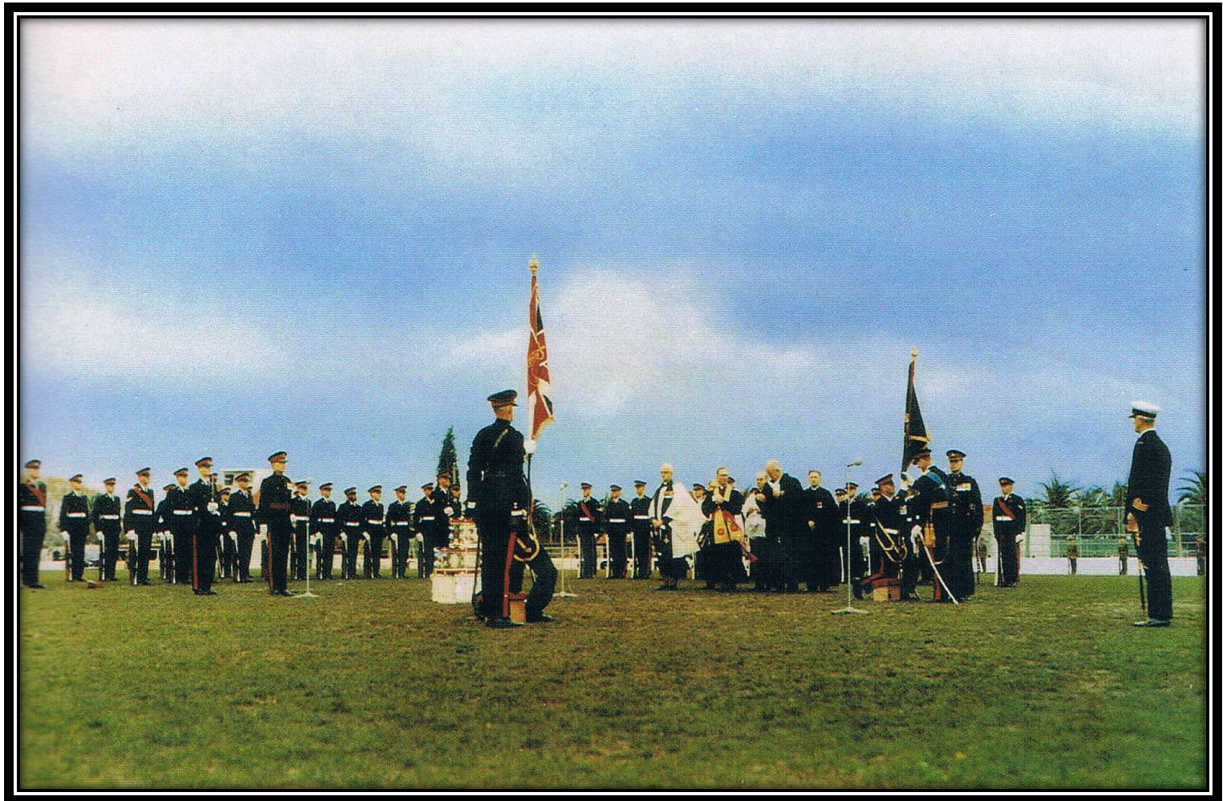
#### REUNION DINNER VENUE



UNITED SERVICES CLUB – BRISBANE.



## OCS COLOURS PRESENTATION



South Melbourne Cricket Ground.

### COLOURS LAID UP IN RMC DUNTROON ANZAC CHAPEL 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH 1985



Presented by HRH Prince Phillip Duke of Edinburgh – 1<sup>st</sup> June 1968.  
Well after our time!