The Colours



Notes from the President QURA

Another quick newsletter to keep you in touch with what is happening .

QURA will mount a display of photos and documents from the birth of the Regiment to the current time at the Regimental Family / Open Day (17 June 2107) at the Depot.

Very soon I will be sending a question by email requesting a few words in response. The question is designed to gather your views of how you felt whilst serving in the Regiment. Your answer can be from a few words to as many words as you like. When the question arrives all you do is type your answer and click a button and the answer is automatically emailed back to me. It will take so little of your time. Please support the Association to gather information about what it was like to serve in the Regiment. It is part of our aim to record the "History of QUR".

This year the QURA AGM and Dinner will be held on Wednesday 13 September 2017 at the United Service Club. It will be very special. We will celebrate the posting of the 25th Commanding Officer to the Regiment. We are inviting all the past Commanding Officers to the function to mark this historic occasion. There will be a special display of some of the work we will have completed with the updating of the "History of QUR". Trevor Luttrell (President)

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<u>QUR Family Day</u> Saturday 17 June 2017 24 Walcott St St Lucia (The Depot) Families and friends of QUR are invited to visit what the Regiment, QURA will exhibit a display of "The History of QUR.

<u>QURA AGM</u> and Dinner 13 September 2017 United Service Club Celebrating the 25th CO of QUR. A special invitation will be given to all past CO to attend.

<u>QUR Formal Dinner</u> 10 November 2017 Gallipoli Barracks Officers Mess Invitation to all QURA Members with partners. Also celebrating the transition from being under command 11 Bde to 8 Bde

QUR Parade - (New CO) 28 November 2017

24 Walcott St St Lucia (The Depot)

Conducted on a Home Training Tuesday night. QUR extends an invitation to all QURA Members to celebrate the handover /takeover between the outgoing Commanding Officer and the incoming Commanding Officer. It should be noted that this posting will be the 25th CO for QUR.

<u>The Fallen</u>

Sadly the the following QURA members have fallen.

Bill Gwynne

Bill Gwynne served in QUR in the 50'- 60's. He was commissioned in QUR. He was a very keen student of the technology of weapons and was known as a "Crusader for Common Sense". As the story goes Bill did not think much of the new Steyr rifle and had strong views. At a Dining - In evening in conversation around the table Bill happened to mention that "whoever purchased the Steyr rifle should be shot." He was sitting near the Chief of the Army.

WO2 John McDonald

John seved as the ARA RQMS of QUR from 1978 to 1981, and ARes RQMS for several years after his time in the ARA. His service included two tours of duty in South Vietnam with 2 RAR 1967-1968 and 1970-1971. To those outside the Q system John was known to be a fierce enforcer of the control of stores administration. Those within knew his softer side.

Welcome to QURA

We welcome new members and catching up with the old members:

- Captain Danielle Day. Danielle is still serving.

- <u>Rob Cavaye</u> - we were able to correct the email address for Rob.

- <u>Elona Drain</u> - As Elona is finding it difficult receiving the newsletter we have found an alternative arangement. If anyone is fiding difficulty receiving the newsletter please contact us.

NOTES FROM THE HAPPY HISTORIAN

We want a copy of any picture or document from your time in QUR. If you have a simple printer scanner just scan the photos or documents. Then send the scans to me using a special QURA emailing program at

<u>qura.bravesites.com</u>. If your photos or documents are already on your computer, all the better, as they can be sent immediately. Only costs a little bit of your time.

All the instructions are on the "bravesites website" above but if you experience any problems please contact me at (trevor.luttrell@gmail.com)

PLEASE HELP US UPDATE THE "HISTORY OF QUR"