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## **12 Field Regiment (Vietnam) Association**

### **Information Bulletin No. 29 17<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

#### **1. Annual General Meeting:**

The AGM was held at Ingleburn RSL Club on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November, attended by 17 voting members. Many thanks to those members who attended. A copy of the Minutes is attached for your interest and records.

#### **2. Your “New” Committee:**

In the absence of any other nominations, those members of the previous committee who were required to step down at this AGM, and having been nominated for re-election, have been appointed unopposed in accordance with Rule 18.4. The committee for the next 2-year term is: President: Graham Floyd. Vice-President: Neil Mangels. Treasurer: John Beer. Secretary: Trevor Bryant. Committee Members: Laurie Bird, Don Tait, Rob Costello, Tony Marshall, Hugh Ritchie, John Ericsson.

(Special note: At one stage it was thought that our previous President Graham Floyd was ineligible to stand again at this election; however a legal review of the new Rules showed that they could not be applied retrospectively. Consequently, Graham had not served the maximum two terms under Rule 17.6. As a result, he was in fact eligible for one more term of two years, and accordingly was nominated for re-election.)

#### **3. Resignation of Ross Bland:**

One of the Association’s esteemed patrons, Ross Bland, has called it a day after 7years of service in the position. A copy of his warm and supportive letter is attached for your information. Ross participated in many of our reunions and other events and always had the well-being of the Association at heart. He has been a great patron and we’ll miss him in that role.

President Flood has written him a letter on behalf of us all to thank him for his service, and Blue Ericsson has made up and framed a classy Certificate of Appreciation to recognise his contribution.

#### **4. A Thank You from Graham Hampton:**

Graham, our marvellous web-master-extraordinaire, has sent us the following email message to thank us for the Association items he was presented with at the Maroochydore reunion. All I can say is that we owe Graham a lot more than a tie and a cap for the superb job he does in keeping our web-site one of the best in the business! We are very lucky to have him on board.

*“Also mate, belated but most definitely not forgotten would you please advise both the Committee of 12<sup>th</sup> Field Regiment (Vietnam) Association and its members that I greatly appreciate their gift of an Association Hat and Tie to me at the Maroochydore Surf Club, it was unexpected but greatly appreciated. The tie will be worn in NZ this November when I visit there to attend their Annual Gunner Dinner.”*

## 5. The Great Ted Egan:

Most of us would know about Ted Egan – bushman, poet, singer, songwriter, and as Australian as a Vegemite sandwich at a shearers' picnic.

Our member Dan Cudmore has sent us this info about Ted's next concert. It's one of a series that Ted is doing around Australia to celebrate the launch of his new book, "The ANZACs 100 Years On in Story and Song".

Knowing Ted's skill as an entertainer, the book should be an excellent experience on a subject that's very dear to our hearts.

More information about Ted's upcoming tour dates is attached.

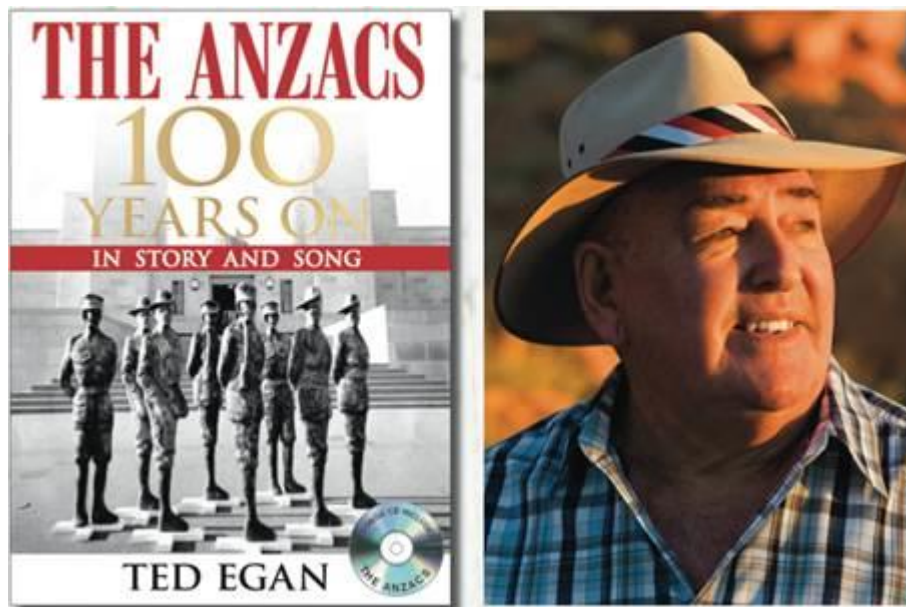
"Hi there Trev,

Thought the fellas might be interested in this event (those in Melbourne anyway)

The book and CD are being published by a friend of mine who works with me on a committee raising funds for medical and educational equipment into Afghanistan.

The book is a lovely publication and I'm sure will be in high demand leading up to 25th April 2015

Cheers Dan"



### **Ted Egan - Performing and Launching his Book**

Renowned singer-songwriter, Ted Egan AO, will be performing and launching his new book and album

### **[The Anzacs: 100 Years On in Story and Song](#)**

Wednesday 26 November • 7pm - 9pm

[Greensborough RSL](#)

111 Main St, Greensborough VIC 3088

**RSVP by 20 November**

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## **6. Jane Fonda Stickers:**

Our member Dodge Noonan has a supply of stickers showing Jane Fonda's face for anyone who wants any. These stickers are designed to help keep alive the memory of that great and noble patriot, so that no-one forgets what a wonderful contribution she made back in the 60's to the cause of her fellow countrymen fighting and dying in Vietnam.

In solidarity with our fellow US vets, these stickers are designed to be stuck reverently on particular stainless steel or porcelain surfaces at your club, or in the little room to the side of your poolroom at home. In order to keep them clean as befits her exalted position, once in place the stickers will benefit from regular streams of warm, beer-infused liquid washing over them.

You can order them from Dodger on [noonanrf@bigpond.net.au](mailto:noonanrf@bigpond.net.au) or by phone on 02 9604 5163.

Thanks Dodger.

## **7. Merchandise:**

Our QM Laurie Bird has given us this information, including a repeat of last year's Christmas offer of free postage for all orders received before the New Year. Goods on offer include caps, ties, Chambray and polo shirts, and all-weather jackets. These items are available immediately unless you require a shirt or all-weather jacket in a size which is not normally stocked. In these cases, the clothing must be ordered for you from the factory and there would be a short delay in you getting them. Caps and ties are available immediately. Prices are: Caps \$15, Ties \$27, Shirts \$27 and all-weather jackets \$55.

To order please contact Laurie Bird on his email address of [lawrence.bird@bigpond.com](mailto:lawrence.bird@bigpond.com) or phone 02 49548248

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