

**REPORT TO AGM RAAC CORPORATION AGM
PRESIDENT 2/14 LHR (QMI) ASSOCIATION INC
10 OCTOBER 2020**

Our Association is in its 8th year of existence. We continue to develop the Association with a current financial membership of 167, a slight decrease of 3, including two Life Members and our Patron: Colonel Steve Salmon (retired). It is interesting to note that 146 members are in Queensland and the other 21 are from interstate.

Our prime objective is comradeship and connecting and maintaining ties with the Regiment and we do this through a range of events during the year, through social media and on our website/Facebook page and a Quarterly Newsletter "*Forward*".

This year has been a difficult year with all the COVID 19 restrictions and like most other association we have had to cancel most of our calendar events.

Despite these challenges the Association continued to support the Regiment with trophies for the Soldier and JNCO of the year and a donation (gift) to the 41 Club. This donation is made after our 41 Club Black Hats Family BBQ in October (this year a largely scaled back COVID safe activity).

The past year has seen a reduction in activities that the Association participated in:

- Nov 2019. 41 Club Black Hats Family BBQ and Drinks. Attended by 120 plus including a good number currently serving and non-association members which provides a good recruiting opportunity for us. We have experience levels from the early 1950's through to the present. This year we have a restricted event to be held 31 October, although normally it is the second Saturday in November. Note 1
- ANZAC DAY. Due to COVID 19 the Brisbane march was cancelled and was a personnel activity with members and their families remembering fallen comrades at the end of driveways throughout the Brisbane area. Some members went to a lot of trouble to include their local street communities in this event.
- 2020 AGM typically held in April was postponed again due to COVID 19 and is rescheduled for the 17 October 2020. I will update you with any appointment changes after the AGM.
- Boer War Memorial Service in ANZAC Square was cancelled.
- Tall Tales Swag and Snag Camp Out at the Samford Scout park in June was cancelled.
- Management Committee Meetings have largely gone ahead with a slight change in locations and media. We have now (as at Mid Sept) moved back to our normal location and timings.

Let me conclude by acknowledging the good work being undertaken by the RAAC Corporation. You are to be commended for your commitment and drive to care for, and support veterans, serving members and the broader RAAC community.

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President

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