

The Order of Australia Association, South Australia Branch

Patron: His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC, Governor of South Australia

SA BRANCH NEWSLETTER, December 2019

This newsletter contains very important information for our AGM, and information on the election of officers for 2020, plus further information on upcoming events.

For general enquiries and RSVPs for functions, unless otherwise noted, the committee can be contacted via the following generic email address:

orderofaustraliasa@gmail.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

10 December: SA Branch committee meeting

18 January: Closing date for return of committee nominations to the Returning Officer

25 January: SA Branch Australia Day luncheon (refer to Invitation and Reply Slip)

26 January: Australia Day Honours List released

27 January: Australia Day public holiday

8 February: National Board to meet in Adelaide, and to meet SA Branch committee members

11 February: SA Branch committee meeting

15 February: SA Branch Annual General Meeting (refer to Invitation and Reply Slip)

15 February: Lunch to follow at the Arkaba Hotel, 150 Glen Osmond Road, Fullarton for those who wish to stay on (own expense)

27 February: Honours Recipients Fellowship Lunch, Naval, Military and Air Force Club

28 February: South East Regional Group annual meeting and luncheon, Mount Gambier Community RSL, 16 Sturt Street, Mount Gambier, 12 noon for 12.30 pm. Refer contact details below.

10 March: SA Branch regular committee meeting

INVITATION

SA Branch Australia Day luncheon

All members are cordially invited to attend the SA Branch annual luncheon to celebrate Australia Day. The guest speaker will be Mrs Val Oldfield OAM, author of *No Beating about the Bush*, the true story of her life in the outback at Mungeranie Station.

Date: Saturday 25 January 2020

Venue: Caledonian Hotel,
219 O'Connell Street, North Adelaide

Timings: 12 for 12.30 pm

Cost: $50 per head for a 2 course meal

Full-size medals should be worn

RSVP by Friday 10 January: see reply slip attached

INVITATION

SA Branch 34th Annual General Meeting

All members are cordially invited to attend the SA Branch Annual General Meeting. The guest speaker will be the 2019 Student Citizen of the Year William Gillett from Loxton High School.

Date: Saturday 15 February 2020

Venue: Fullarton Community Centre,
411 Fullarton Road, Fullarton

Timings: 10.30 am (morning tea) for 11 am start (AGM to commence) until 12 noon

Cost: no cost – all financial members are welcome

Full-size medals should be worn

Followed by lunch at the Arkaba Hotel, 150 Glen Osmond Road, Fullarton for those who wish to stay on (lunch is at your own expense)

RSVP by Friday 31 January: see reply slip attached

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NEW RECIPIENTS RECEPTION
Monday 14 October 2019

Among the various social events arranged throughout the year by the SA Branch, we host two 'New Recipients' receptions each year following the investitures held at Government House Adelaide by His Excellency the Governor., who is Patron of our Branch.

In the October reception, we welcomed 27 Australian honours recipients announced in the 2019 Queen's Birthday Honours List.

An official welcome was given by the Mayor of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters, Mr Robert Bria, who is a strong supporter of the SA Branch.

MC for the night was our Branch Student Citizenship Awards Director, Noel Hender OAM CStJ BEM.

Profiles of the new recipients were read out by the Chairman of the SA Branch, Mr Tony Metcalf OAM.

THE ORDER

Personal contributions, 'Letters to the Editor', advertisements etc may be submitted by any financial member of the Association.

Items may be sent by post (as per details given in *The Order*) or by email to the National Secretary/ Editor:

natsec@theorderofaustralia.asn.au ***or***

secnational@theorderofaustralia.asn.au

Newsletter contributions

Please submit any articles of interest, news snippets and photos to the Editor before 11 February:

PO Box 5, SMITHFIELD SA 5114 ***or***
orderofaustraliasa@gmail.com



STUDENT CITIZENSHIP AWARDS CEREMONY
Government House Adelaide
Tuesday 22 October 2019

In an awards ceremony hosted by His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC, Governor of South Australia, and Mrs Lan Le, the 2019 Student Citizenship Awards were presented by His Excellency to the Top Twelve recipients.

The 2019 South Australian Student Citizen of the Year was William Gillett from Loxton High School, selected in recognition of his extensive contribution both to his school and the Riverland community.

In addition to these twelve, other students who were awarded Highly Commended Certificates have had their award presented in front of their school during Term 4.





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GARDEN RECEPTION
Government House, Adelaide

On Thursday 14 November, committee members of the SA Branch of the Association were guests at a Garden Reception hosted by His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC, Governor of South Australia, and Mrs Lan Le.

The reception was to acknowledge community organisations of which the Governor and Mrs Le are Patrons or are otherwise closely and formally associated with. The Governor is Patron of the SA Branch of the Order of Australia Association.

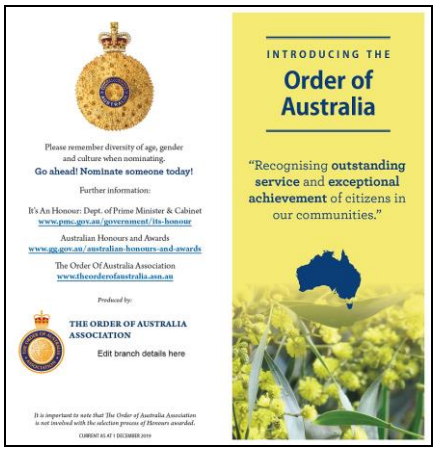
The Governor's biography may be found here:

https://www.theorderofaustralia.asn.au/sa/our-patron/

Left to right: Mrs Lan Le, Mrs Pamela Rajkowski OAM, Mr Brian Holecek OAM, Mr Paul Rosenzweig OAM JP, and Professor John McKellar AM ED (National Director and Branch Honorary Treasurer).



Professor John McKellar AM ED, SA Branch Honorary Treasurer and National Director



INTRODUCING THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

This is the new "Introducing the Order of Australia" brochure, which has been released by the Order of Australia Association's National Membership Director.

Please refer to this new brochure and use it whenever appropriate. The 'contact details' section is blank, allowing Branches and Regional Groups to add current contact details.

The brochure is available from the website under 'Membership':

https://www.theorderofaustralia.asn.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Introducing-The-Order-of-Aust-brochure-for-Branches-editable-version-Nov-2019.pdf

REGIONAL GROUPS

Fleurieu Regional Group
Meets on the first Friday in May and November, with a social activity followed by a luncheon

Convenor:
Mr Rex Keily AM JP
Mobile: 0400 279 297
RNKeily@activ8.net.au

South East Regional Group
Meets annually in November – however the 2019 meeting has been postponed to Friday 28 February 2020

Contact:
Mr Eric Roughana AM
Mobile: 0408 817 260
roseric1@bigpond.com

Barossa Regional Group
Gawler and District Regional Group

General enquiries:
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Reply Forms should be sent with payment to PO Box 1065, Clearview SA 5085
or by email to Professor John McKellar AM ED at jmck1279@bigpond.net.au

Cheques or money orders: Please make payable to "SA Branch, Order of Australia Association"

Payment can be made by EFT: Account Name – Order of Australia Association
BSB 105-900, Account No. 147028640 (Bank SA)

Please give your name and the event code in the 'Reference' box

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REPLY FORM – SA Branch Australia Day luncheon – Saturday 25 January 2020, 12 for 12.30 pm, Caledonian Hotel, 219 O'Connell Street, North Adelaide. Guest speaker Mrs Val Oldfield OAM. Full-size medals should be worn. Cost: $50/head for a 2 course meal – for EFT payments use code 'ADL-20 + surname'

Please RSVP by Friday 10 January

Name: [please print] ……[post nominal/s] ……

Email or Address: ……

……Phone Contact: ……

I will be accompanied by [please print name/s]……

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Dietary requirement [if any] ……

Enclosed is my payment of $..... being for …… people at $50 per person

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No cost – all financial members of the Association are welcome at the morning tea and AGM

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Dietary requirement [if any] ……

I will attend lunch at the Arkaba Hotel: YES / NO Total number attending: ……

We hope you can join us on these special occasions