



The Order of Australia Association, South Australia Branch
Patron: His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC, Governor of South Australia

SA BRANCH NEWSLETTER, August 2021

As this newsletter 'goes to print', South Australia has been through another COVID lock-down. Nevertheless, the Branch Committee and our Events Sub-committee are still continuing to plan for a number of upcoming events and social activities.

Attached to this newsletter are Reply Forms for our next activities. We are very conscious of staying COVID-Safe and in many cases this will restrict the number of guests. Please use the Reply Form so that we can comply with COVID regulations.

We are also looking forward to hosting another New Recipients' Reception later this year to acknowledge recent recipients and introduce them to the Association.

We plan to hold a Strategic Planning Futures Day to inform and guide our future direction. This is planned for 30 October, and all financial Branch members are invited to come along and have input into the future direction of your Branch. Further details and a Reply Form are included with this newsletter.

This newsletter also contains some more images from our New Recipients' Reception in May, and some detail from our Queen's Birthday Luncheon and June Fellowship Luncheon.

Stay Safe

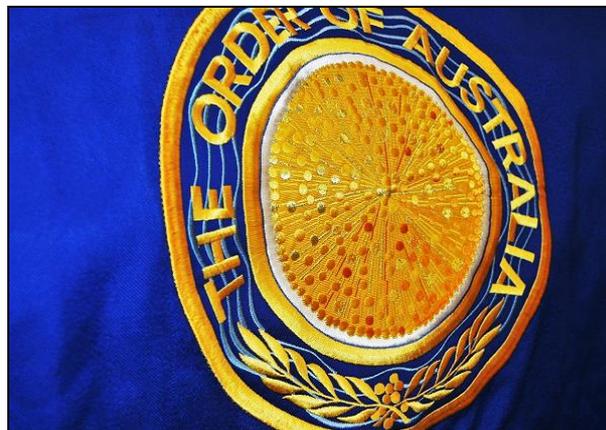
Tony Metcalf OAM
SA Branch Chair

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For general enquiries the Branch committee can be contacted via the following generic email address:

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SAVE THE DATE

STRATEGIC PLANNING FUTURES DAY
Saturday 30 October 2021

The SA Branch will hold a Strategic Planning Futures Day on 30 October, from 10 am to 2 pm. A light lunch will be provided. This will include a review of our Strategic Plan and look at succession planning within the Branch. If you wish to participate, please return the attached Reply Form by 15 October.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday 19 August: visit to All Souls' Anglican Church, St Peters at 10 am, \$20 per person including morning tea in the War Memorial Chapel, historical talk and inspection of church windows. *Please register using the Reply Form attached by Monday 9 August.*

Thursday 26 August: Honours recipients fellowship luncheon meeting at the NMAF Club: Ms Kathryn House AM – "Collective Giving & the changing face of philanthropy in Australia".

Saturday 2 October: Wisteria Walk and Botanic Garden tour; *please RSVP using the attached Reply Form by 24 September.*

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NEW RECIPIENTS' RECEPTION

Monday 24 May 2021

The SA Branch held a New Recipients' Reception to welcome Australian Honours recipients from the 2020 Australia Day Honours List, the 2020 Queen's Birthday Honours List and the 2021 Australia Day Honours List. More photos are available from this link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1jyALbUu4EmbfGACYCs1Z6W3jhzaGG92k?usp=sharing>



Mr Roger McCauley OAM
and Mrs Merrwayn McCauley

Australia Day 2020:
*"For service to the Uniting
Church in Australia, and to the
community"*

Mr Andrew Peake OAM JP

Australia Day 2020:
*"For service to community
history"*

pictured with Trevor Powell
OAM (right):

Queen's Birthday 2018:
*"For service to the Scottish
community of South Australia"*



Regional Groups Coordinator
Ken Coventry OAM, pictured
with Dr Aileen Connon AM
(left)

Australia Day 2005:
*"For service to public health and
medicine, and to medical
education"*

and Val Baldwin OAM

Australia Day 2007:
*"For service to the community
particularly through Zonta
International, and to education"*



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QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

Saturday 12 June 2021

The SA Branch held its annual Queen's Birthday Luncheon at the Arkaba Hotel on 12 June to celebrate the Queen's official birthday. It was an excellent and enjoyable occasion with well prepared food.

The occasional address was presented by Dr Duncan McKellar BMBS FRANZCP Cert OldAge Psych BMus(perf) (Hons) BA.

Dr McKellar, a psychiatrist specialising in the care of older people, is the Head of Unit, Older Persons' Mental Health Service at the Northern Adelaide Local Health Network. He is also Clinical Advisor for Older Persons Mental Health in the Office of the Chief Psychiatrist.



His appointment in May 2017 followed the release of the Oakden Report, to lead the implementation of the recommendations of the Report and a reform process in the Older Persons' Mental Health Service. He is committed to rethinking the way health organisations work in order to deliver compassionate relationship-centred care through inter-disciplinary teams where everyone matters, everyone contributes and everyone grows.

Duncan was a member of the Oakden Review panel with the Chief Psychiatrist leading to the "Oakden Report" which triggered further national investigations including the Australian Royal Commission into Aged Care. Duncan led the closure of the Oakden facility and chaired working groups for the development of new models of care.

The title of his address for the Queen's Birthday Luncheon was, "Us, the others and the Power of Stories", in which he introduced us to the term "othering".

This is a term used in the psychiatry profession to explain our tendency to align with particular groups based on one or more characteristics. The persons not in the group are seen as 'the others'.

John McKellar AM ED related: *"He illustrated this by referring to an episode I spent in hospital. He visited each day and on his visit would ask the same questions – Has the doctor been to see you today? Has he introduced himself? Has he asked permission to bring in students? This was an example where the doctors were the 'us' and the patient 'the others'. My responses to these questions indicated a gap between the 'us' and 'the others', and in the case of mental health it is essential to bridge such gaps".*

Duncan also told the story of a woman born in Europe who had been through the Nazi occupation followed by the Russian occupation. This woman had migrated to Australia where she raised a family. Later in life, she developed Dementia (Alzheimer's disease) and her family, concerned for her welfare, placed her in the state government's Aged Mental Health Care Service in Oakden.

Over time she lost had her ability to communicate in English and reverted to her native language. At the time of the decommissioning of the Oakden facility, the woman died – alone and in a bare room.

Duncan, as part of the decommissioning process, was later inspecting the rooms and on entering one room saw stained material and various boxes and cases belonging to the residents in care that needed to go with the patient in their transfer or with the family in other circumstances.

On opening one case Duncan saw, among other items, a ring and a wedding photo and realised that these belonged to this woman. These items had been part of the story of her life, and this woman had been denied the opportunity of holding her precious memories at the end of her life through having her personal items placed in a storeroom instead of in her room. It was an example of her carers being the 'us' and the woman one of 'the others'.

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FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON MEETING Thursday 24 June 2021

For the June Fellowship meeting, Neil Andrew AO spoke on “Reform of water use in the Murray Darling Basin”.

Neil Andrew has had a lifelong association with the irrigation industry, particularly irrigated horticulture and viticulture. From 1975 until 1983 he was a member of the South Australian Advisory Board of Agriculture (Chair in 1980-83). He was an Australian Nuffield Scholar to the UK in 1975, and had Local Government experience as a Councillor in the Waikerie District Council for 9 years.

Elected to the House of Representatives for the South Australian seat of Wakefield in 1983, he served as a Member of the Federal Parliament until 2004.

He was Speaker of the House of Representatives from 1988 until he retired from Parliament in 2004. He was then a member of the National Capital Authority (2004-08), and chaired a review of SA’s Barley marketing legislation.

The Honourable Neil Andrew was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia on Australia Day 2008, “*For service to the Parliament of Australia through the advancement of parliamentary administration and reform, and to the community in the areas of agricultural research, development and education*”.

Neil is a Fellow of the Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering, and a former Commissioner of the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research, and was Chair of the Murray Darling Basin Authority from 2014 to 2019.



SA Branch members and guests at the June Fellowship luncheon meeting in the Naval, Military and Air Force Club in Adelaide. Seated (clockwise, left to right): Jill Hender, Jill Paterson OAM, Bill Paterson OAM, Elizabeth Rogers OAM, Ken Smith AM, Anne Levy AO, Margaret Ford OAM, John Thomas AM, Dr Aileen Connon AM.

Standing (left to right): Helen Wang, Glenys Jones OAM JP, Noel Hender OAM BEM, Neil Andrew AO (Speaker), Joyce Ross OAM (NMAF Club Host), Peter Routley AM (MC for lunch), Professor Anthony Thomas AC, Dr Joan Thomas, Gill Rogers OAM, Don Blesing OAM, Helen Smith, Flavia De Pasquale OAM.

Regional Group News

The National Board has endorsed the change of name of the **Riverland and Mallee Regional Group**.

The National Board has also endorsed the formation of the **Yorke Peninsula Regional Group** (comprising members from throughout the Yorke Peninsula and Copper Coast communities). The next meeting of the Group will be a self-funded luncheon on 31 October at the Yorke Valley Hotel, Maitland.

The next meeting of the **Fleurieu Regional Group** will be a self-funded luncheon on Friday 5 November.

Barossa, Gawler & District and mid-North. A brief meeting was held in Nuriootpa on 25 June to discuss the possibility of creating a larger regional group.

The meeting was chaired by the Regional Groups Coordinator Ken Coventry OAM JP, and he was joined by four members from the communities of the Barossa, Gawler & District and mid-North.

A meeting is now being planned inviting all members from those communities to a gathering where they will be invited to have input into the possible formation and structure of a new Regional Group serving those communities.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON MEETING Thursday 26 August 2021

Members of the Order of Australia and other honours recipients, partners and friends are invited to share in the fostering of fellowship in an informal setting at the Naval, Military and Air Force Club at 111 Hutt Street in Adelaide.

The next fellowship luncheon meeting will have SA Branch Committee member Ms Kathryn House AM as guest speaker. Her topic is: "Collective Giving & the changing face of philanthropy in Australia".

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NEW MEMBERS

The Chairman, Branch Committee members and members of the SA Branch welcome the following new members of the Order of Australia Association:

Professor Donald Howie AO

Rosalind Butler AM

Adrian Cheok AM

Robert Gregory AM

Rev Norah Norris AM

Ian Bailey OAM

Margaret Dent OAM

John Ford OAM

Eleni Glouftsis OAM

Bryan Hearn OAM

Roy Kirkby OAM

Mrs Kym Meers OAM

John Mula OAM

Peter Rostron OAM

Joseph Stevens OAM

The Branch Committee is currently planning a Welcome Reception for new recipients.

These receptions allow recipients to celebrate their achievements with friends and family, and allow the opportunity to meet other members of the Association. In the meantime, you are assured of a warm welcome to our activities should you wish to attend.

You may be interested in purchasing a professional Order of Australia Association name badge: an order form may be found on our website:

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2020 STUDENT CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

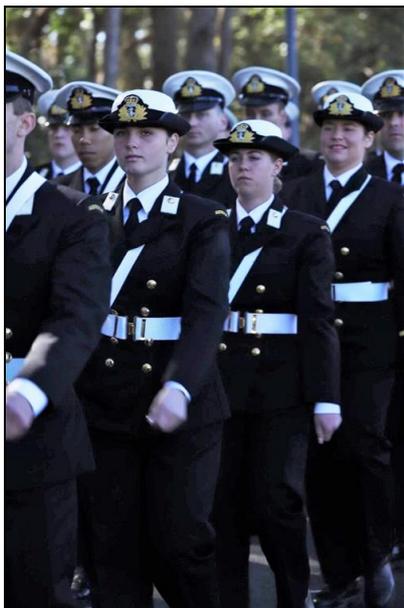
Our 2020 Student Citizen of the Year, Charlotte Mauviel from Temple Christian College (Mile End Campus), was officially announced in a presentation ceremony held on Saturday 23 January this year. Fortunately Charlotte and her parents were also able to stay on for our annual Australia Day Luncheon. But immediately after, Charlotte left Adelaide to begin her initial military training at HMAS *Creswell*, the Royal Australian Naval College.



We can now report that Charlotte has graduated from New Entry Officer Course 64 as a commissioned officer in the Royal Australian Navy. Her graduation ceremony included a Beat to Quarters and Ceremonial Sunset, perhaps the oldest and most significant of Naval ceremonies, derived from the age of sail.

Midshipman Mauviel will be based at HMAS *Cairns* for the remainder of the year for further familiarisation training. The primary responsibility of HMAS *Cairns* is to provide maintenance, logistic and administrative support for Cairns-based units including nine RAN vessels which have Cairns as their home port. Charlotte will commence her degree studies at the Australian Defence Force Academy in Canberra next year. These images are from Charlotte's graduation ceremony at the Royal Australian Naval College in June.

From all members of the SA Branch, congratulations Charlotte! Or in Navy-speak, "Bravo Zulu"!



ADELAIDE EISTEDDFOD

The SA Branch of the Order of Australia Association provides annual support for the Adelaide Eisteddfod School's Choirs section. The following report has been provided by Professor John McKellar AM ED:

On Thursday 17 June, I attended the Adelaide Eisteddfod Choral Competitions and presented First, Second and Third prizes in section C003. This section is for School years 8-12 small choirs of 10 to 25 voices. There were seven entries in the section and the standard was excellent, undoubtedly one of the best I have heard over the many years of the Association's support.

I believe that the SA Branch contribution contributes to encouraging music in Schools, particularly choral.

The winning school was Seymour College Chamber Singers.

Second place went to St Mary's College Senior Concert Choir, and third was Marryatville High School Swing Tones.

The other four groups were all awarded Honourable Mentions.

The adjudicator indicated that in her opinion the standard of presentation was excellent and her task the more difficult since the difference between the groups was only a few points.

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READER FEEDBACK

In June we shared some feedback from former NT Magistrate Alasdair McGregor OAM regarding our earlier profile of Greg Gordon OAM who was recognised in 2000 for service to the pipe band movement.

Alasdair wrote to thank us for the profile of Greg, who was a piping acquaintance of his father, Daniel Law McGregor: *"It was nice to read about a piper and an organiser of pipers getting recognition"*.

From Comrie in Perthshire and war service in France as a piper and stretcher-bearer with the Seaforth Highlanders, Dan and his wife Bessie moved to Adelaide, joining the Caledonian Pipe Band in 1925.

Greg responded to Alasdair's remarks and the associated history: *"It is very interesting, indeed. I can remember going to Dan's house in Prospect for extra tuition in my early years"*.

This image from 1986 shows Greg in full uniform skirling on the Groyne at Glenelg, taken to promote the Australian Pipe Band Championships to be held at Thebarton Oval that year. Greg was President of the SA Pipe Band Association, and Chair of the organising committee. Greg recalls that on Easter Saturday, bands played in 40 degree heat and first aid for heat stress was frequent. Then, on Sunday, the temperature reached no higher than 20 degrees!



INVITATION

WISTERIA WALK ADELAIDE BOTANIC GARDEN Saturday 2 October 2021

The SA Branch Events Sub-Committee cordially invites members and guests on a breath-taking Wisteria Walk and tour of the gardens, followed by a delicious morning tea organised by Elliott Horner, Venue and Events Manager.

Time: meet at the Schomburgk Pavilion at 10 am for a 10.15 start – Guided Walk (Short or Longer Walks available)

After: meet at Café Fibonacci at 10.45 am – coffee / tea / juice and morning tea provided

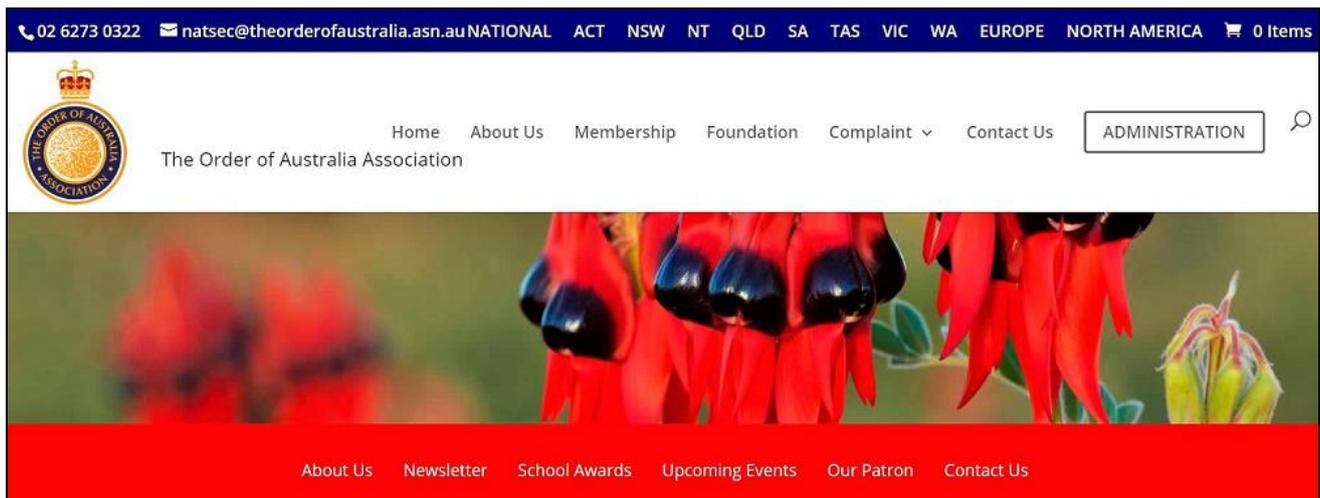
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| <p style="text-align: center;">REGIONAL GROUPS</p> <p>Regional Groups Coordinator: Ken Coventry OAM JP orderofaustraliasa@gmail.com</p> <p>Fleurieu Regional Group Meets on the first Friday in May and November. Regional Contact: John Hutchinson OAM Mobile: 0427 525 670 johnhutc@bigpond.com</p> <p>South East Regional Group Meets annually in February: in Mount Gambier biannually, and at Naracoorte and Millicent respectively on the alternate years. Regional Contact: Mr Eric Roughana AM Mobile: 0408 817 260 roseric1@bigpond.com</p> <p>Barossa Regional Group Gawler and District Regional Group orderofaustraliasa@gmail.com</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">REGIONAL GROUPS</p> <p>Riverland and Mallee Regional Group Meets socially twice a year, in March/April and September/October. Regional Contact: Mr Tim Grieger OAM JP Mobile: 0409 099 122 tgrieger@riverland.net.au</p> <p>Yorke Peninsula Regional Group The group will conduct self-funded social activities and fellowship activities for its members and guests throughout the Yorke Peninsula and Copper Coast communities. The next luncheon meeting will be on Sunday 31 October. Regional Contacts: Elaine Bussenschutt OAM (Kadina) Mobile: 0417 806 839 elaine@yp-connect.net Maree Anderson OAM (Minlaton) Mobile: 0407 975 174 mareeanderson@internode.on.net</p> | |



REPLY FORM – SA BRANCH VISIT TO ALL SOULS’ ANGLICAN CHURCH, Thursday 19 August 2021 – a visit to All Souls’ Anglican Church, corner Third Avenue and Stephen Terrace in St Peters, starting at 10 am. Maximum capacity 25.

Cost: \$20 per person, including morning tea.

Parking is available in the nearby street. Meet at the entrance to the church; registration, then walk to the front towards the altar for morning tea in the War Memorial Chapel; followed by a talk on the history of the church by Curator Sue, and inspection of the church windows.

Please forward this reply form (with payment) to:

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Please use the code ‘ASC + your surname’.

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Dietary requirement [if any]

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REPLY FORM – SA BRANCH STRATEGIC PLANNING FUTURES DAY, Saturday 30 October 2021, at Goodwood Community Centre, 32-34 Rosa Street, Goodwood from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm.

This Futures Day will provide an opportunity for financial members of the Order of Australia Association, SA Branch to contribute to Association and Branch forward planning.

The agenda will include a review of the Branch Strategic Plan, Succession Planning, Branch IT, Events and Activities, and Coordination.

There is no cost, and a light lunch will be provided.

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