

## The Order of Australia Association, South Australia Branch

Immediate Past Patron: the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC

### SA BRANCH NEWSLETTER, November 2021

We heartily welcome the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, who was sworn-in on Thursday 7 October as the 36<sup>th</sup> Governor of South Australia.

The outcomes of our recent Strategic Planning Day will be communicated to you in due course. Much of the information that we have gathered will be included in our contribution to the Association's future planning, a process which will be conducted in a different format than usual at the time of the 2022 National Conference in Canberra.

In the first week of this month, Branch Committee members and myself will be attending a total of seven investiture ceremonies at Government House for recipients from the 2021 Queen's Birthday Honours List.

And then on Tuesday 23 November we will hold our New Recipients' Reception. Receptions such as this allow recipients to celebrate their achievements with friends and family, and allow the opportunity to meet other members of the Association. Please note: there is no cost for new recipients to attend the New Recipients' Reception.

Our Student Citizenship Award Top 10 nominees will receive their awards at Government House on Monday 29 November. The 2021 Student Citizen of the Year will be announced at this ceremony.

Looking further ahead into 2022, please note our "Celebration of Australia Day" luncheon and Annual General Meeting. We will also be resuming our Fellowship luncheon meetings in February.

Stay Safe

Tony Metcalf OAM  
SA Branch Chair

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

[orderofaustraliasa@gmail.com](mailto:orderofaustraliasa@gmail.com)

### INVITATION



#### NEW RECIPIENTS' RECEPTION Tuesday 23 November 2021

All members, their partners and guests, and new recipients and their guests, are invited to attend our Welcome Reception for 2021 Honours recipients.

Venue: Goodwood Community Centre,  
5.30 for a 6 pm start, concluding by 8 pm

Full-size medals should be worn.

If you wish to attend, please register with the Reply Form so we can comply with COVID regulations.

RSVP by Monday 15 November 2021

*See Reply Form with further details attached*

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Tuesday 23 November:** New Recipients' Reception.

**Wednesday 1 December:** Christmas Morning Tea at the Goodwood Community Centre, 9.30 for a 10 am start; concludes at 12 noon.

**Saturday 22 January:** SA Branch "Celebration of Australia Day" luncheon at the Arkaba Hotel. Please RSVP by Friday 14 January 2022.

**Thursday 24 February:** Fellowship luncheon meeting at the Naval, Military and Air Force Club with guest speaker Dr Aileen Connon AM.

**Saturday 26 February:** 2021 Annual General Meeting (36th AGM) at the Arkaba Hotel (no cost), with lunch to follow (at own expense).

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Top of screen, left to right: Kathryn House AM, Tim Grieger OAM JP, Tony Metcalf OAM, John McKellar AM ED, Her Excellency Mrs Linda Hurley and His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (ret'd), Sue Vardon AO.

### **VIRTUAL MEETING WITH THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND MRS HURLEY** **Wednesday 6 October 2021**

SA Branch members recently participated in a 55-minute virtual meeting with His Excellency the Governor-General and Mrs Hurley. His Excellency is Chancellor of the Order of Australia, and in that capacity he and Mrs Hurley have conducted a series of virtual visits all over Australia.

Their Excellencies were keen to see how the Branch is holding up with the current restrictions. We had a total of seven members join in the Zoom call, which took the form of an informal conversation.

His Excellency outlined his plan and vision for the Order. He discussed raising public awareness of the Order, and creating a more transparent nomination/selection process with a goal to align it across all states and territories, to enable people from all across Australia to be correctly recognised. He also proposed a national organisational review of data management and systems. Their Excellencies allowed us to provide our thoughts and comments, and thanked us all for the work the Branch is continuing to do in supporting the Order. He also indicated his availability to attend branch functions if requested, subject to fitting in with his other engagements.



Some of the participants in the Zoom call, left to right: Tim Grieger OAM JP (Riverland & Mallee Regional Group Contact), Kathryn House AM, Tony Metcalf OAM (SA Branch Chairman), Their Excellencies, Professor John McKellar AM ED (Branch Nominated Director), Noel Hender OAM BEM (Deputy Chairman and Student Citizenship Awards Convenor), Greg Gordon OAM JP (Member Secretary SA), Mr Rob Ayling (Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General), Sue Vardon AO.

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### VICE-REGAL NEWS

Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC was sworn-in as our 36<sup>th</sup> Governor in a ceremony at Government House Adelaide on Thursday 7 October. Her Majesty The Queen of Australia had personally approved the appointment. As part of the ceremony, just after midday a flypast over the Adelaide CBD was conducted by a Royal Australian Air Force AP-3C Orion (EW) maritime patrol aircraft from No 10 Squadron, based at RAAF Base Edinburgh. Image by Josh Watson. Information regarding the AP-3C Orion is available here:

<https://www.airforce.gov.au/technology/aircraft/intelligence-surveillance-and-reconnaissance/ap-3c-orion>

### ASSOCIATION UPDATES

**Foundation.** The Order of Australia Foundation has now developed their own website:

<https://theorderofaustralia.asn.au/foundation/>

The Order of Australia Foundation is supporting the next generation of leaders by helping promising young Australians to achieve their potential for the benefit of future generations of Australians. The Foundation does this by annually sponsoring scholarships to Australian students in their early years of tertiary study.

**National Conference.** The National Conference and Annual General Meeting will be held from 19 to 22 May 2022 at the Hotel Realm National Circuit Barton ACT. See here for more details:

<https://theorderofaustralia.asn.au/national-conference-2022/>

**Futures Day.** The national Board and Directors had earlier agreed to the OAA Futures Day being postponed to 2022 because of the expected difficulty of holding an attended meeting. They have agreed that it should be timed to coincide with the 2022 National Conference.

It will now comprise a Board meeting, a joint meeting of directors and Branch chairs, to consider items of future national significance.

### OAA-ANU LECTURE

**Thursday 4 November 2021**

The ACT Branch Committee is inviting members from around Australia to attend the 2021 Order of Australia Association – Australian National University Lecture, which will be held online on 4 November commencing at 6.00pm Canberra time.

Established in 2010, the Lecture provides further recognition to the contribution of academic members of the Order to the fabric of Australian society.

The 2021 Lecturer is Professor Peter Yu AM, whose topic is “Looking forward looking back”. Peter is Chair of the Indigenous Reference Group to the Northern Ministerial Forum, and Deputy Chair of the North Australian Indigenous Land and Sea Management Alliance Ltd. He was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in June 2021 for significant service to the community, particularly to Indigenous cultural and political organisations.

This event is free, and you can register by clicking here or using this link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/order-of-australia-lecture-looking-forward-looking-back-online-tickets-192057528237>



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### WISTERIA WALK ADELAIDE BOTANIC GARDEN

Saturday 2 October 2021

SA Branch members John McKellar AM ED and Flavia De Pasquale OAM collaborated with the Friends of the Botanic Gardens of Adelaide and the Diggers Garden Shop of the Adelaide Botanic Gardens to offer our members a convivial opportunity for fellowship in a beautiful spring setting.

The event offered both a guided tour of a spectacular display of profuse Wisteria and other plants at bloom in springtime in a luxurious rainforest setting, and a delicious morning tea. We enjoyed a breath-taking Wisteria Walk and tour of the Gardens with our enthusiastic and professional guide Margaret Swincer from the Friends of the Botanic Gardens of Adelaide.

This visit was purposefully scheduled to capture the fragrant purple blooms of *Wisteria floribunda*, which only begins to flower in mid-September and is finished by early October. The Botanic Gardens website says, "*Walking under their perfumed arches is a stunning botanical experience and a springtime delight*".

Our COVID Marshal for the day was Margaret Davy AM. Our volunteer helpers who served were Eugenia and Francesca Fiocchini. The several members and guests who attended this event were exhilarated by the beautiful weather, the informative tour and talks, the tasty morning tea and the unexpected gift.



Members enjoyed a delicious morning tea at Café Fibonacci in the Schomburgk Pavilion which was organised by the Botanic Gardens Events and Catering Manager, Elliott Horner, and prepared by Chef Beatrice Humphrey. Our morning tea included brioche buns with SA produce of Barossa Bacon, free-range eggs and cheese and relish.



Our morning tea was topped off with freshly made Danish pastries, garnished with freshly picked edible flora from the Gardens. All were artistically presented and delicious. Chef Beatrice Humphrey volunteered to add to the group's experience by giving a talk about the morning tea, the SA produce and the edible garnishes.



Sara Mitchell from the Diggers Garden Shop located at the Schomburgk Pavilion talked about the origins and history of the Diggers Club, planting tomatoes and the important role of the bumblebee. Sara surprised each participant with a gift of a packet of Flanders Fields Flower Seeds. Photos by Professor Anthony 'Tony' Phillips AM.

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### WISTERIA WALK Saturday 2 October 2021

Members and guests who enjoyed this fellowship opportunity in a beautiful spring setting included: Edward McAlister AO, Professor John McKellar AM ED, Margaret Davy AM, Rex Keily AM and Norma Keily, Professor Anthony Phillips AM and Sue Phillips, Flavia De Pasquale OAM, Richard House OAM and Peggy House, Glenys Jones OAM, Jenny Macintosh OAM, SA Branch Chair Tony Metcalf OAM and Cheryl Metcalf, David Rattray OAM and Dianne Rattray, Walker Galpin, Margaret Geary and our volunteer helpers Eugenia and Francesca Fiocchini. Photo by Professor Tony Phillips AM.



We thank everyone involved with the Adelaide Botanic Garden, the Friends of Botanic Gardens of Adelaide and the Diggers Garden Shop / Diggers Club who made our Wisteria Walk visit such an enjoyable event.

The **Friends of the Botanic Gardens of Adelaide** is a volunteer organisation that supports the Botanic Gardens of South Australia, offering guided walks, self-guided trails, plant sales, tours and community events. Read more here:

<https://www.botanicgardens.sa.gov.au/about-us/friends-of-the-botanic-gardens-of-adelaide>

You can find out more about the Diggers Club and **Diggers Garden Shop** here:

<https://www.botanicgardens.sa.gov.au/visit/adelaide-botanic-garden/visitor-information/diggers-garden-shop>

You can read more about the **Wisteria** here:

<https://www.botanicgardens.sa.gov.au/visit/adelaide-botanic-garden/whats-beautiful-now/wisteria-arbours>



### OAA MERCHANDISE

The OAA National Secretary has sent out an e-mail to all members with information regarding new items of merchandise and suitable gifts as we near the end of the year. In particular, there are OAA-branded face masks now available – and selling fast!

Note though, that all apparel should only be worn by OAA members.

Some interesting items can be found in the OAA Merchandise Shop:

[www.theorderofaustralia.asn.au/shop](http://www.theorderofaustralia.asn.au/shop)

You can order online, or refer to the order form attached to The Order. Orders should be placed before 1 December to ensure delivery before 22 December.



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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 (*as at the time of the October Branch Committee meeting*):

Keith Yates AM

Mr Joe Ienco OAM

### IN MEMORIAM

*As at the October Branch Committee meeting*

Colin Gramp AM

Joyce Clothier OAM

Kenneth Nowland OAM

## Regional Group News

The **Riverland and Mallee Regional Group** held its meeting at the Barmera Club on Sunday 26 September. Branch Chairman Tony Metcalf OAM and wife Cheryl, and Regional Groups Coordinator Ken Coventry OAM JP and wife Di joined them for a most enjoyable afternoon. The members of this Regional Group have sought to learn more about each other. Ken interviewed Tim Grieger OAM, Meredith Arnold OAM and John Rix OAM – inviting them to comment on their formative lives, what led to their award, and what they are doing now. Ellen Traeger OAM then spoke of the Caroline Bristow Wig Library (see following article).

A meeting was held at the Tanunda Club on Sunday 10 October to discuss the possible creation of a **Barossa, Gawler & District and mid-North Regional Group**. Further details will be provided in the next newsletter.

The **Yorke Peninsula Regional Group** held its luncheon at the Yorke Valley Hotel in Maitland on 31 October.

On Friday 5 November, the **Fleurieu Regional Group** will hold a self-funded luncheon meeting at Belicious at Glacier Rock, 1 Mount Alma Road, Inman Valley (Victor Harbour), commencing at 12 noon.

Below: Members of the Riverland and Mallee Group at their meeting on 26 September; images by Di Coventry.



Left to right: Ellen Traeger OAM, David Ward ESM OAM, Branch Chairman Tony Metcalf OAM and Cheryl Metcalf.



Left to right: SA Regional Groups Coordinator Ken Coventry OAM JP, Gwen Webber OAM, Meredith Arnold OAM, Riverland and Mallee Group Contact Tim Grieger OAM and John Rix OAM.

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### THE CAROLINE BRISTOW WIG LIBRARY

During the Riverland and Mallee Regional Group meeting on 26 September, Ellen Traeger OAM spoke about the Caroline Bristow Wig Library. The Library in Barmera – of which Ellen is a co-founder and with which she is passionately involved – services the Riverland and Mallee.

It has been six years since Caroline's vision of the Wig Library came about. The late Caroline Bristow, known to most people as Carol, was diagnosed with cancer in 2013. She was determined not to let this stop her from doing everything she loved to do, but the effects of the chemotherapy were shocking and quite a hurdle to get over. She wanted to get on with her life without looking like she was sick.

At first, Carol swore she wouldn't use wigs during her treatment, but she eventually gave them a go and never looked back. She loved the fact she could go out feeling and looking her best despite all that she had going on. Carol then decided she would love for this to become an option for everybody regardless of whether they could afford the sometimes hefty cost of buying a wig.

She decided that the Riverland and Mallee region needed a Wig Library – a place where people could come and try on wigs, get advice, and hire wigs for a low fee to wear during and after treatment. Her vision saw the beginnings of the Wig Library in Barmera.

With the news of a steep deterioration of Carol's health, the committee decided to aptly name the library the 'Caroline Bristow Wig Library' to ensure that her vision would continue on. The committee said: *"We hope that this legacy will provide some small comfort for her family and serve as a reminder of what a passionate, lively and unstoppable force she was in everything she did"*. Similar Libraries have since been established across South Australia servicing many rural communities.

Wigs, including a hair care kit, are available for hire by anyone who has lost their hair due to a health condition.

Donations of course are always extremely welcome.

The Caroline Bristow Wig Library is located in the Riverland Community Health Service in Barmera, adjacent to Women and Family Health.

Contact details are as follows:

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[carolbristowwiglibrary@gmail.com](mailto:carolbristowwiglibrary@gmail.com)



You can contact the Caroline Bristow Wig Library through their Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Caroline-Bristow-Wig-Library-861280800582444/>



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**MRS RAELENE DENHAM OAM DStJ**  
**Third Service Bar to the Ultra-Long Service Medal**  
**of the Order of St John**

Our new Governor, Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, has commenced her program of official duties. As the Deputy Prior of the Order of St John in South Australia, Her Excellency hosted the St John Ambulance-SA Awards Day at Government House Adelaide on Saturday 16 October.

The Governor presented Mrs Raelene Denham OAM with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bar to her Ultra-Long Service Medal – representing 65 years of service to St John Ambulance.

Raelene Denham (née Kendle) was born in Maylands in 1937. In 1953, at the age of 14, she joined the Norwood Nursing Cadet Division of St John Ambulance. In 1962 she was promoted to Superintendent of the Norwood Nursing Cadet Division. After 14 years there, she transferred to Campbelltown Nursing Cadet Division for a further 8 years.

From 1984 to 2000, she held the position of District Staff Officer-Cadets. Raelene was a member of the St John Auxiliary SA for 12 years, being involved in the organisation of many successful fundraising functions. On retiring from being an active member she joined the St John Historical Society of SA, and is still a very active volunteer at the Museum & Research Centre.

For her service with St John Ambulance in SA, Raelene first received the Service Medal of the Order of St John (in 1967) and successive Service Bars until she ultimately received the Gilt Laurel Leaf in 2015 (representing 52 years' service).



On 7 December 2020, this medal was replaced with the new Ultra-Long Service Medal to the Order of St John with two Service Bars, representing a total of 60 years' service with St John Ambulance.

Raelene was admitted to the Order of St John at the grade of Serving Sister (SSStJ) in 1972. In 1986, she was promoted to Officer Sister (OStJ), then to Commander Sister (CStJ) in 1994, and finally to Dame of Grace of the Order (DStJ) in 2010. She has also received two Commissioner's Commendations.

Raelene was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the General Division in the Australia Day Honours List of 26 January 2014, *"For service to the community through St John Ambulance"*.

Congratulations Raelene on achieving this significant milestone of receiving the 3<sup>rd</sup> Gold Service Bar to the Ultra-Long Service Medal of the Order of St John.



Her Excellency the Governor of South Australia and Deputy Prior of the Order of St John in South Australia, the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, with Mrs Raelene Denham OAM DStJ of the St John Historical Society of SA, who has received the 3<sup>rd</sup> Gold Service Bar to her Ultra-Long Service Medal of the Order of St John.



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### SAMODA SILVA

#### Award for Leadership in Languages and Cultures

In January this year, Samoda Silva from Adelaide High School was recognised in the Top 10 of our Student Citizenship Awards for 2020. Samoda was later announced by the Australia Day Council of SA as a joint recipient of the 2021 Award for Leadership in Languages and Cultures. Her citation reads as follows:

As an active contributor to her local community Samoda has demonstrated effective leadership through Presidency roles with community organisations and organising multicultural events such as Muthuhara Adelaide.

From a Buddhist Sri Lankan family, Samoda is fluent in English, Sinhala, Italian and Japanese as well as experience in delivering Auslan.

She is an exemplary role model for young people of Sri Lankan origin living in South Australia. Her dedication and tireless efforts to promote Sri Lankan language and culture across South Australia is demonstrated by her involvement in hosting, editing and recording several Sri Lankan television and radio programs such as Adelaide Lakhandha and Vishvavahini.

Samoda generously volunteers her time welcoming and supporting citizens settle into their local community through running various workshops – thus showcasing her passion towards advocating an inclusive and diverse Australia.



The Award for Leadership in Languages and Culture is for students and young people aged under 24 who demonstrate commitment to a multicultural Australia.

The award is provided by the Minister for Education through the Multicultural Education and Languages Committee (MELC). It is administered by the Australia Day Council of South Australia, and is presented at the Australia Day Awards Ceremony each year.

The Australia Day Council of SA said: *"Samoda is an active contributor to her local community. Her wisdom belies her youth, and this coupled with her kindness enables her to connect with people from diverse backgrounds"*.

The Award for Leadership in Languages and Cultures is the opportunity for those who inspire others every day with their commitment to language and culture to be recognised for their outstanding contributions – the contributions that make an impact on the day to day lives of others in their own communities.



Left: Samoda Silva from Adelaide High School received her 'With Distinction' plaque as one of the 2020 Student Citizenship Award Top 10 recipients from the SA Branch Patron and Governor of South Australia, the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC, on Saturday 23 January 2021.

The Student Citizenship Awards program is the flagship endeavour of the SA Branch of the Order of Australia Association.

The SA Branch Chairman Tony Metcalf OAM joins with all SA Branch members in congratulating Samoda on receiving the Award for Leadership in Languages and Culture, significant recognition of her many contributions to her local community and to the broader community of South Australia.

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### MR BRUCE MCFARLANE AM

The Guest Speaker at our 'Celebration of Australia Day' luncheon will be Mr Bruce McFarlane AM, who will address us on "My journey so far".

Bruce was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in the 2021 Australia Day Honours List: *"For significant service to the community through a range of roles, and to business"*.

Bruce was one of seven 'Old Reds' (Prince Alfred College) who were recognised for their outstanding service and contribution.

Bruce is a former Managing Director of the Maughan Thiem Group. He has long been involved with the Motor Traders Association of SA, as a Board Member, and was recognised with an appointment as a Life Member. He has held multiple roles with the Royal Agricultural and Horticultural Society of SA since 1990, and this long service was also acknowledged with an appointment as a Life Member of the Society.

He was Vice-Chair of the Adelaide Business Hub (North West Business Development Centre Incorporated) since the early 2000s.

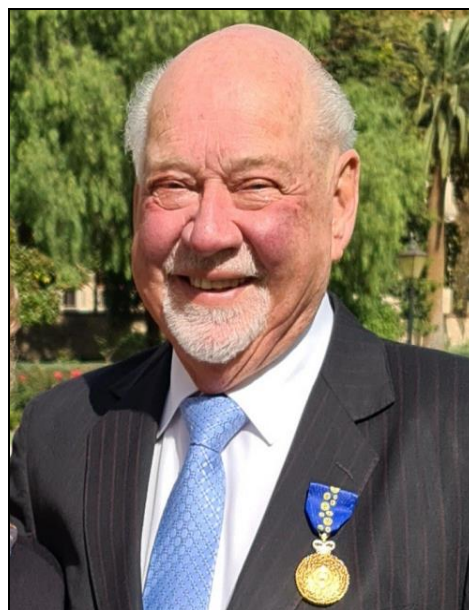
Bruce may be known to most South Australians however through his association with football. A member of the Port Adelaide Magpies Football Club since 1971, Bruce has been Director (2007-12) and also Chairman of the Port Adelaide Magpies Club (2007-11).

### SAVE THE DATE

#### 'CELEBRATION OF AUSTRALIA DAY'

Saturday 22 January 2022

The SA Branch will be holding our 'Celebration of Australia Day' luncheon at the Arkaba Hotel. Please note that there is a subsidised cost for Association members and their partner.

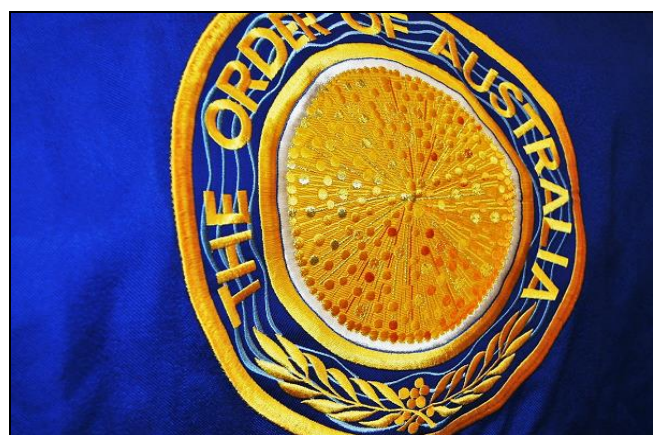


Through Maughan Thiem Motors, he has also been a major sponsor and benefactor of the Port Adelaide Magpies (1972-12).

He was League Director of the SA National Football League from 2007 to 2010.

Bruce continues to give back to the community, and supports many organisations including Impact100 SA, inspired by their collective giving model.

If you wish to attend this event, please use the Reply Form attached to this newsletter so that we can comply with all relevant regulations and stay COVID-Safe.



### SAVE THE DATE

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 26 February 2022

The 36<sup>th</sup> AGM of the SA Branch will be held at the Arkaba Hotel, commencing with Morning Tea and concluding by 12 noon. All financial members of the Association are welcome. This will be followed by lunch at the Arkaba Hotel at your own expense if you wish to stay on. A Reply Form will be included with the December newsletter.



### Jubilee Medals

#### A Brief History, Part 3

On 6 February 2022, the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the throne will be celebrated.

Following long-established precedent, this milestone will be marked in Great Britain and parts of the Commonwealth through the awarding of a Jubilee Medal.



#### Queen Victoria Police Jubilee Medal, 1887

Those dignitaries who attended the celebrations in England in 1887 and 1897 received a Jubilee Medal to mark the 50<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary respectively of Queen Victoria's accession to the throne on 20 June 1837. Meanwhile, a separate bespoke medal, struck only in bronze, was awarded to police officers who were on duty in London at the time of Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee celebrations and the Great Procession on 21 June 1887 (mostly lining the procession route). This medal, with a plain dark blue suspension ribbon (pictured above), was awarded to members of the Metropolitan Police (14,000 medals) and City of London Police (900 medals).



This is the Police Jubilee Medal (1887) awarded to Police Constable George Vine (1863-1944) from Storrington, Sussex, who served in London with 'W' Division (Clapham) of the Metropolitan Police on Jubilee Day, 22 June 1887.

A decade later, PC Vine was again on duty with 'W' Division for the Diamond Jubilee celebrations on 21 June 1897 and the Great Procession on 22 June, and received the bronze Clasp '1897' to his Police Jubilee Medal (1887). The medal and bar were struck in bronze, but Inspector Vine subsequently had his medals professionally gilded.

#### Queen Victoria Police Jubilee Medal, 1897

In 1897, a bespoke medal was again sanctioned for award to members of the Metropolitan Police and City of London Police on duty in London at the time of the Diamond Jubilee celebrations on 21 June and the Great Procession on 22 June 1897 (mostly lining the six-mile Royal procession route).

This time, eligibility for the medal was widened, and there were 10,086 awards of this medal to five different police, fire and ambulance services – including the Police Ambulance Service, the London County Council Metropolitan Fire Brigade and the St John Ambulance Brigade.

The medal and suspension ribbon were essentially identical to the 1887 Police Medal.

The obverse bears the diademed head of Queen Victoria wearing a veil and facing left.

The reverse bears a wreath of oakleaves containing the text "JUBILEE OF HER MAJESTY QUEEN VICTORIA" surmounted by a Royal Crown, with the year '1897' below with a Tudor rose to either side. Above the wreath is the title of the Service – with five possible variations of the title.

Anyone who had received the earlier 1887 medal who again qualified received a dated bronze clasp '1897' to be affixed to their existing medal. There were 9,193 such awards of the clasp, all to the Metropolitan Police and City of London Police.

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<p><b>REGIONAL GROUPS</b></p> <p>Coordinator: Ken Coventry OAM JP <a href="mailto:orderofaustraliasa@gmail.com">orderofaustraliasa@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Fleurieu Regional Group</b> Meets on the first Friday in May and November. Next meeting 6 May 2022.</p> <p>Regional Contact: John Hutchinson OAM Mobile: 0427 525 670 <a href="mailto:johnhutc@bigpond.com">johnhutc@bigpond.com</a></p> <p><b>South East Regional Group</b> Meets annually in February (Mount Gambier biannually, and Naracoorte and Millicent on the alternate years). Next meeting 25 February 2022.</p> <p>Regional Contact: Mr Eric Roughana AM Mobile: 0408 817 260 <a href="mailto:roseric1@bigpond.com">roseric1@bigpond.com</a></p> <p><b>Barossa Regional Group</b> <b>Gawler and District Regional Group</b> <a href="mailto:orderofaustraliasa@gmail.com">orderofaustraliasa@gmail.com</a></p>		<p><b>REGIONAL GROUPS</b></p> <p><b>Riverland and Mallee Regional Group</b> Meets socially twice a year, in March/April and September/October. Next meeting 10 April 2022.</p> <p>Regional Contact: Mr Tim Grieger OAM JP Mobile: 0409 099 122 <a href="mailto:tgrieger@riverland.net.au">tgrieger@riverland.net.au</a></p> <p><b>Yorke Peninsula Regional Group</b> 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 in October 2022.</p> <p>Regional Contacts: Elaine Bussenschutt OAM (Kadina) Mobile: 0417 806 839 <a href="mailto:elaine@yp-connect.net">elaine@yp-connect.net</a></p> <p>Maree Anderson OAM (Minlaton) Mobile: 0407 975 174 <a href="mailto:mareeanderson@internode.on.net">mareeanderson@internode.on.net</a></p>





**REPLY FORM – SA BRANCH NEW RECIPIENTS’ RECEPTION FOR HONOURS RECIPIENTS, Tuesday 23 November 2021** – at the Goodwood Community Centre, 32-34 Rosa Street Goodwood, 5.30 pm for a 6 pm start, concluding by 8.30 pm. Cost \$30 per person (children \$15), including a COVID-compliant light supper and refreshments.

This will be a welcome reception for new recipients, primarily for Australian Honours recipients from the 2021 Queen’s Birthday Honours List.

**\*\*\* New Recipients are guests of the Association** – there is no cost for new recipients.

Full-size medals should be worn. Parking is available adjacent to the Community Centre.

***Please forward this reply form (with payment) to:***

SA Branch Treasurer, PO Box 1065, CLEARVIEW SA 5085  
to be received not later than **Monday 15 November 2021**

Make your cheque or money order payable to “SA Branch, Order of Australia Association”

If preferred, payment can be made by EFT:

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Please use the code ‘NRR + your surname’ on your payment details.

Send this form completed to the Treasurer, Professor John McKellar AM ED: [jmck1279@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jmck1279@bigpond.net.au)

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**REPLY FORM – SA BRANCH CHRISTMAS MORNING TEA, Wednesday 1 December 2021**, at the Goodwood Community Centre, 32-34 Rosa Street Goodwood, 9.30 for a 10 am start; concludes at 12 noon.

There is no cost for members and guests. Full-size medals should be worn.

Entertainment will be provided by Dr Rob Wight OAM and Mrs June Genders OAM.

Parking is available in the Council Carpark between Rosa and Florence Streets, or in the surrounding streets.

We are still conscious of staying COVID-Safe and this may restrict the number of participants. Please use this Reply Form so that we can comply with COVID regulations.

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to be received not later than ***Friday 19 November 2021***

Name: [please print] ..... [post nominals] .....

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**REPLY FORM – SA BRANCH ‘CELEBRATION OF AUSTRALIA DAY’ LUNCHEON, Saturday 22 January 2022** – at the Arkaba Hotel, 150 Glen Osmond Road, Fullarton, 12 for 12.30pm. Cost \$65 for members and their partner, and \$70 for non-members and partners, for a 3 course meal; cash bar.

Full-size medals should be worn.

The Guest Speaker will be Mr Bruce McFarlane AM: “My journey so far”.

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