

The Order of Australia Association Queensland Branch

Central Queensland Regional Group Lunch – Monday 21 June 2021 The Frenchville Sports Club, Berserker, Rockhampton "The Day the Governor-General came to Town"

Photos – clockwise

1. Top left – Their Excellencies with new 2021 award recipients – from L – R – Mrs Jennifer Barry OAM (Gladstone), HE Mrs Linda Hurley, HE General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd), Andrew Palmer OAM (Emu Park), Em. Prof. Debbie Clayton AM (Yeppoon), Terry McCosker OAM (Yeppoon).

2. Top right – HE The Governor –General addressing the gathering.

3. Bottom right – Their Excellencies with student leaders who attended the lunch.

4. **Bottom left** - Their Excellencies with local members and guests from The Order of Australia Association and the OAAQ Chairman – from L to R - Grant Cassidy OAM; Rebecca Cassidy; John Abbott AM,; HE Linda Hurley; HE General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd), Governor General; Graeme Brady OAM,; Carolyn Milne; Peter Milne AM; Rondha Taylor, Dr Wallace Taylor OAM (Convener, OAAQ Central Qld Regional Group); Dr Gary Bacon AM ((Chairman,OAAQ)





Portion of the 185 guests at the lunch



Left – The veterans waiting for arrival of Their Excellencies at the Wall of Remembrance

Right – Their Excellencies meet the veterans at the Wall of Remembrance





Arrival of Their Excellencies at the entrance to the Frenchville Sports Club.



Their Excellencies arrival in the Dining Room.



Their Excellencies meet the selected arrival party in the Frenchville Sports Club foyer.



All rise for the arrival of Their Excellencies



Aunty Nicky Hatfield - Darumbal Elder delivers the Welcome to Country



Claire Moulds, Rockhampton Grammar School performs the National Anthem



Yasmin Grant – Queensland Youth Parliament delivers the Invocation



John Abbott AM, Chancellor Central Queensland University introduces His Excellency



Master of Ceremonies - Dr. Wallace Taylor OAM, Convener, OAAQ -CQ Regional Group



Ladies and Gentlemen please be upstanding and toast the Order of Australia.



Vote of Thanks to His



Dr Gary Bacon AM, Chairman, The Order of Australia Association, Queensland Branch proposes a Toast to The Order of Australia.



Vote of Thanks on behalf of Emerging Leaders Delivered by Ms Zhanae Dodd – Queensland Youth Parliament





A bit of informality before the formality Unwrapping precious cargo before the event – the OAAQ Banners – expertly wrapped for air travel by Dr Gary Bacon AM (centre). Helping him unravel the package is a Frenchville Sports Club staffer (left) and Ray Young OAM (right).



"After the Ball is Over" - congratulating each other at the conclusion of a very successful lunch are from L-R - Geoff Cowles OAM (OAAQ Awards & Metro Events Coordinator); Dr. Wallace Taylor OAM, (Convener, OAAQ -CQ Regional Group); Dr Gary Bacon AM (Chairman, OAAQ) and Ray Young OAM (former Convener, OAAQ-CQ Regional Group)

Their Excellencies meeting the people



These pictorial highlights have been compiled by Geoff Cowles OAM, Awards and Metro Events Coordinator.