



The Order of Australia Association, South Australia Branch

Patron: Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia

SA BRANCH NEWSLETTER, September 2023

I hope some of you were able to join Her Excellency the Governor for at least one of her very interesting Winter Conversation sessions.

Our speaker for the fellowship luncheon meeting on Thursday 31 August was Mr Mark Bouchier OAM, Director of Philanthropy at Pulteney Grammar School, and an Executive Member of the Pulteney Foundation. There will be a report on this presentation in the October newsletter.

Now nominations have closed, our Student Citizenship Awards Assessment and Selection Panel has met and reported that some very high calibre nominations were received. The citations have been prepared, and certificates will be printed this month, to then be presented to Her Excellency for signature.

Coming up next month we will hold our fifth and final fellowship luncheon for the year with guest speaker Mr David Linn OAM, talking on children, literacy and Lesotho.

The Riverland and Mallee Regional Group and the Yorke Peninsula Regional Group are holding their Spring meetings in September and October, and the Fleurieu Regional Group will hold its next meeting at the beginning of November.

I encourage you to keep Friday 1 December free for our annual Christmas Morning Tea.

There is no cost, and you will be treated to entertainment by Dr Rob Wight OAM and an interesting talk by Mrs Anne Bachmann OAM JP. Reply Forms are attached for this, the Coromandel Valley visit and the Adelaide Sailing Club visit.

I hope to see you at one of our upcoming events.

Tony Metcalf OAM
SA Branch Chair

INVITATION



NATIONAL TRUST
SOUTH AUSTRALIA
COROMANDEL VALLEY & DISTRICTS BRANCH

COROMANDEL VALLEY VISIT **Saturday 30 September 2023**

We have arranged a visit to Watchman House and Winns Bakehouse Museum in Coromandel Valley. The cost is \$15 for members and partners, or \$20 for non-members, which includes morning tea.

Arrive by 10.00 am for an introductory talk by Mr Trevor Conlon OAM, after which you will have time to explore Watchman House and Winns Bakehouse Museum; concludes at 12.30 pm.

There will be local produce available for sale including honey and marmalade, as well as fresh apples and pears from local orchards.

A Reply Form is attached, and is available online.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday 29 September: Riverland and Mallee Regional Group luncheon meeting in Loxton

Monday 9 October: New Recipients' Reception

Saturday 21 October: Guided talk & history presentation, Adelaide Sailing Club, West Beach

Sunday 22 October: Yorke Peninsula Regional Group luncheon meeting in Ardrossan

Thursday 26 October: Honours Fellowship luncheon, with speaker Mr David Linn OAM

Friday 3 November: Fleurieu Regional Group luncheon meeting

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KOREAN WAR COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE

Thursday 27 July 2023

Korean War veteran John Jarrett AM, Group Captain Robert Black AM RFD (ret'd), Lieutenant-Colonel Bill Denny AM BM (ret'd) and Major Paul Rosenzweig OAM (ret'd) were among the guests who attended a service of commemoration at the South Australian National War Memorial on North Terrace on Thursday 27 July.

This service acknowledged the 70th anniversary of the signing of the 'Korean Armistice Agreement' which brought fighting to an end in the Korean War. It is interesting to note that no peace treaty was ever signed, so the two Koreas are technically still at war.

The service was held at the Post-WW2 Operations Memorial, which commemorates Service personnel with an affiliation to SA who died in service or were killed-in-action in conflicts since the end of World War 2. The first wreath was placed by Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia.



Paul Rosenzweig OAM with Korean War veteran John Jarrett AM: John served overseas from 30 May 1953 until the Armistice on 27 July 1953, and then continued serving in South Korea until 14 August 1954.

John Jarrett was among the guests at our New Recipients' Reception on Monday 1 May. He was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in this year's Australia Day 2023 Honours List, "For significant service to community health, and to veterans and their families".

John was Treasurer of the SA Branch of the Korea & South East Asian Forces Association (1994-07) and then served as President from 2013 to 2021.

He was Deputy National President 2008-12, and in 2013 joined a DVA Commemorative Mission to Korea.

VIETNAM VETERANS' COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE

Friday 18 August 2023

A number of our members, military veterans and family members, attended a service of commemoration at the Vietnam War Memorial at Torrens Parade Ground.

This service was conducted by a group of veteran organisations, including RSL-SA, in partnership with the South Australian Vietnamese community.

The service acknowledged the 50th anniversary of the proclamation to end Australia's involvement in the Vietnam War. Some 60,000 Australians served in South Vietnam; more than 3,000 were wounded and 523 lost their lives. This commemoration honoured those who served and the families that support them.



HER LATE MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II

Friday 8 September 2023

This month we mark the first anniversary of the passing of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II at Balmoral Castle in Aberdeenshire on 8 September 2022, aged 96, the first Sovereign of the Order of Australia.

We also mark the first anniversary of the accession on that date of Prince Charles, Prince of Wales, as King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of his other Realms and Territories and Head of the Commonwealth.

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MALAYA & BORNEO VETERANS DAY SERVICE

Friday 11 August 2023

As President of the SA/NT Branch of the National Malaya & Borneo Veterans Association Australia Inc, Major Paul Rosenzweig OAM (ret'd) hosted the 2023 Malaya & Borneo Veterans Day service of commemoration.

This service at the West Torrens War Memorial Gardens acknowledged the 57th anniversary of the signing of the Malaysia-Indonesia Peace Agreement or 'Jakarta Accord' at Istana Merdeka in Jakarta in Indonesia on 11 August 1966, which brought to a close the Indonesian Confrontation with Malaysia.

Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia and SA/NT Branch NMBVAA Patron, and Mr Rod Bunten were guests of honour and placed the first tribute.

Other Order of Australia recipients in attendance were Group Captain Robert Black AM RFD (ret'd), Lieutenant-Colonel Bill Denny AM BM (ret'd), Mrs Jenny Macintosh OAM and Lieutenant-Colonel John Spencer OAM RFD (ret'd).



Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of SA and Mr Rod Bunten with the Cadets of No 604 Squadron, AAFC.

During the Malayan Emergency (between 16 June 1948 and 31 July 1960), 39 Australians lost their lives on operational service, and a further six died in the period following the close of the campaign.

During the general period of Confrontation, in northern Borneo from 24 December 1962, on the Malay Peninsula from 17 August 1964, and in contiguous waters including the Strait of Malacca, 26 Australians died on operational service.

In addition, three died while serving with the Far East Strategic Reserve and two died at Ubon in northeastern Thailand.



Group Captain Robert Black AM RFD (ret'd) with Her Excellency the Governor and Chief Petty Officer Tom Bastians, Royal Australian Navy Band – South Australia.



Her Excellency the Governor with the crew of a Protected Mobility Vehicle-Medium (Bushmaster) provided by the 10th/27th Battalion, Royal South Australian Regiment.

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VALE: General Sir Phillip Bennett AC KBE DSO KStJ (1928-2023)

General Sir Phillip Bennett passed away peacefully on Tuesday 1 August at Kyneton, Victoria.

Sir Phillip was a former President of the Order of Australia Association and one of the five Founders of the Order of Australia Association Foundation.

As a military officer, he served after World War 2 with the 3rd Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment in the British Commonwealth Occupation Force in Japan. From Japan, 3RAR deployed directly to Pusan for duty with the United Nations force during the Korean War, largely serving with the 1st Commonwealth Division. The battalion was awarded the US Distinguished Unit Citation (as it was then known) for 'extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of combat duties in action against the armed enemy' near Kapyong on 23 and 24 April 1951. Bennett was wounded-in-action and Mentioned-in-Despatches.



Lieutenant-General Sir Phillip Bennett KBE AO DSO, Chief of the General Staff, circa 1983.

He was Adjutant of the Pacific Islands Regiment, Officer Commanding 2 Commando Company, and in 1958 he served during the Malayan Emergency at Headquarters Far East Land Forces (HQ FARELF). He was Commanding Officer of 1RAR in South Vietnam. He was subsequently Commander 1 Division (1977-79), Chief of the General Staff (1982-84) and Chief of the Defence Force (1984-87).

As a Major-General, he was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia in the Military Division in the 1981 Queen's Birthday Honours List in recognition of his service to the Australian Army.

As a Lieutenant-General, he was appointed a Knight Commander of the Order of the British Empire in the Military Division on 31 December 1982.

As a General, he was promoted within the Order of Australia to Companion in the 1985 Queen's Birthday Honours List in recognition of his service to the Australian Defence Force, particularly as Chief of the Defence Force.

General Bennett was Governor of Tasmania from 1987 to 1995, and was made a Knight of the Order of St John on 21 January 1988.

The Order of Australia Association Foundation

The Order of Australia Association 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 was formed on 29 April 1999 pursuant to a Deed of Trust settled by five Founders, being former Presidents of the Association – Sir Phillip Bennett plus the Right Honourable Sir Zelman Cowen PC AK GCMG GCVO KStJ, the Honourable Sir Charles Court AK KCMG OBE, Sir Eric Neal AC CVO and Sir James Gobbo AC CVO.

The Foundation provides a national focus for the purpose of the Order of Australia Association to celebrate and promote outstanding Australian citizenship, by annually sponsoring scholarships to Australian students in their early years of tertiary study. Donations made to the Foundation attract DGR tax deductibility. More information on the Foundation Scholarships may be found here:

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



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FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM 2023

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON MEETING

Thursday 31 August 2023

Our guest speaker for the August Fellowship Luncheon Meeting was Mark Bouchier OAM, a former State President of Legacy. His topic was: *"The Centenary of Legacy ANZAC Commemorative Tour, April 2023"*.

Mark received the Medal of the Order of Australia in the 2020 Australia Day Honours List, *"For service to the community of South Australia"*.

Mark has had a substantial involvement with the Legacy Club of South Australia and Broken Hill since 2008, as a member of various committees, Chairman of the South Australian Badge Day Appeal since 2008, Board Chairman 2015-19 and President in 2016 and 2017. He is currently serving on the National Board of Legacy Australia and is chair of the National Marketing Group.

From 1981 to 1994 he was a member of the South Australian Country Fire Service.

In 2016 he was appointed a Knight in the Sovereign Hospitaller Order of St John of Jerusalem.



Mark Bouchier OAM

His involvement with Pulteney Grammar School has included roles as School Governor, as Foundation Director (since 2009) and Director Community Relations (since 2011). He was Secretary and Treasurer of Queen's College Old Boys Association in 2012, Committee Member of the Pulteney Old Scholars' Association since 1996 and President from 2014 until 2020.

Mark is a former President and Honorary Life Member of the Victoria League for Commonwealth Friendship, and has been Chairman of the Joint Commonwealth Societies in South Australia since 2015.

He was a Member of the Rotary Club of Burnside, and is a past President, and a Member of the Rotary Club of Adelaide East.

Since 2001, Mark has been a Consultant with Botanica Horticultural Consultants. He is a former committee member of the South Australian Association of Nurserymen, and was a Board Member of the Horticultural Media Association of South Australia (1993-97) and Chairman in 1996.

Mark lives with his wife Jo in the city, and his hobbies include military history and vintage and classic cars.

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.

The next honours recipients fellowship luncheon will be held on **Thursday 26 October** at the Naval, Military and Air Force Club at 111 Hutt Street in Adelaide.

The speaker will be Mr David Linn OAM, Chairman of the Board of Books for Lesotho Inc. His topic will be: *"Books for Lesotho – a Nation Building Project"*.

Guests should arrive at 12 noon. Lunch commences at 12.30 pm, the guest speaker begins at 1.15, and the event will conclude by 2 pm. A dress code applies at the NMAF Club: smart day wear for ladies, and long trousers and jacket for men. To RSVP please contact:

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DAVID LINN OAM

Our guest speaker for the upcoming October Fellowship Luncheon Meeting will be Mr (Matthew) David Linn OAM on the topic, "Books for Lesotho – a Nation Building Project".

David had a diverse career following his graduation from the University of Adelaide with a degree in Civil Engineering. In his final 19 years of work, he and his wife Liz owned a small business in the service industry, which included work with several of our northern neighbouring countries.

David has been involved in quite a number of community organisations over the years, but there are two that particularly stand out.

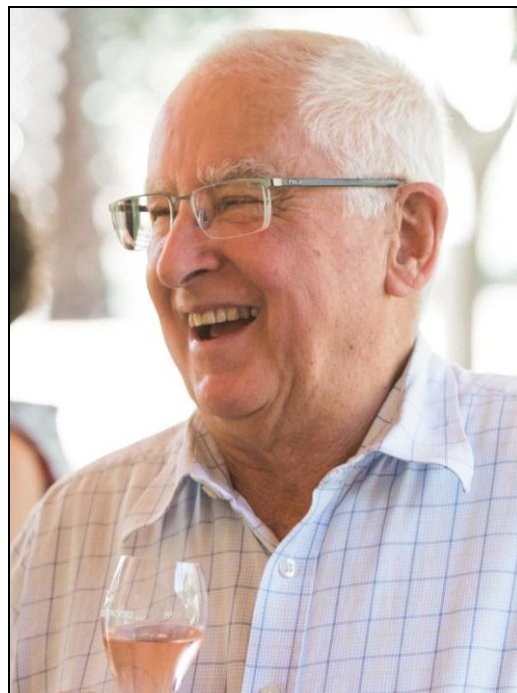
David served on the Board of the Australian Refugee Association for 26 years, including 13 years as President.

His dedication resulted in David receiving two awards – Senior Volunteer in the Governor's Multicultural Awards 2014, and the Medal of the Order of Australia in the 2017 Australia Day Honours List, *"For service to the community through refugee support organisations"*.

David and his wife Liz started Books for Lesotho Inc ('B4L') as a private initiative in 2007.

They worked to establish libraries in primary and secondary schools in Lesotho with the support of many local individuals and service groups. The organisation was incorporated in 2016. David is now Chairman of the Board of B4L.

David and Liz have travelled extensively in Australia and internationally, and have also supported families in Lesotho, South Africa and Namibia.



Mr David Linn OAM

COROMANDEL VALLEY VISIT

Saturday 30 September 2023

The SA Branch has arranged a social outing to visit famous Watchman House and Winns Bakehouse Museum in Coromandel Valley. Our host is Mr Trevor Conlon OAM (right). Trevor was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in the 2017 Australia Day Honours List, *"For service to heritage preservation, and to the community of the Coromandel Valley"*.

Winns Bakehouse was built in 1878, with two ovens and the capacity to bake 220 loaves in each oven. The Coromandel Valley & Districts Branch of the National Trust SA was formed in 1970, and its members undertook to restore the then dilapidated Bakehouse which had closed 30 years previously. The museum was opened in 1971.

Watchman House, located at the same site, was built in about 1890 and is today part of the Winns Road Historic Precinct. It is named for the Watchman family who owned the house from 1943 until 2002. Restored in 2016-17 by the City of Onkaparinga, Watchman House is now leased to Coromandel Valley & Districts Branch, National Trust SA for use as a History Research and Community Facility.



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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, South Australia Branch (as at the time of the August Branch Committee meeting):

Marilyn Pattison AO

Dr Karin Jeanette Alexander AM

Maureen Christie AM

Peter Douglas Blacker OAM

Peter William Dixon OAM

Suzanne Jane Guider OAM

Dr Gerard Quigley OAM

Michele Blair Smith OAM

We also welcome the following member of the Order of Australia Association who has transferred to the SA Branch from Tasmania:

Ms Deborah Anne De Williams AM

For significant service to the community through contributions to a range of cancer support organisations, and to ultra marathon running.

[2015 Australia Day Honours List]

Members who may wish to purchase a name badge can find the Order Form on our website:

<https://theorderofaustralia.asn.au/sa/about-us/>

Upcoming Branch events and Reply Forms can also be found on the Order of Australia Association website:

<https://theorderofaustralia.asn.au/sa/upcoming-events/>

Regional Group News

The **Riverland and Mallee Regional Group** will hold their Spring luncheon meeting on Friday 29 September 2023 at 12 noon for 12.30 pm, at the Loxton Club (Starlight Room) in Loxton, with a prominent guest speaker.

The River Murray traverses the area that is defined for our Riverland and Mallee (and adjoining Murraylands) Regional Group. Now that this significant event – the massive River Murray flood – has all but passed, discussions have suggested that there are probably a significant number of photos, videos and experiences that members could share – from the Riverland to the Lakes. Further thought and investigations about this will be considered at the next gathering.

The next meeting of the **Yorke Peninsula Regional Group** is scheduled for Sunday 22 October 2023, at the Ardrossan Hotel/Motel (the 'Top Pub') at 36 First Street in Ardrossan.

The **Fleurieu Regional Group** will hold its next self-funded luncheon meeting on Friday 3 November.

Regional Groups Coordinator Ken Coventry OAM JP has provided an update about an opportunity to establish a regional group for the **Eyre Peninsula** region. The formation of a Regional Group has initially focussed around Port Lincoln, and a luncheon will be held on 17 November at the Grand Tasman Hotel.

The **South East Regional Group** meets in Mount Gambier biannually, and at an alternative regional location in the alternate years. The next gathering is planned for Friday 23 February 2024.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE

Lunch on the Lawns || Tours

With the onset of Spring, Her Excellency and Mr Rod Bunten invite the public to come to Government House gardens, bring a picnic lunch, spread out a rug or unfold a camping chair, and enjoy the surroundings while listening to a community orchestra.

The free events will be held on the first Friday of the month from 12 noon to 2 pm: on Friday 1 September, 6 October, 3 November and 1 December

On the same dates, free tours will be hosted by the Friends of the Botanic Gardens running from 10.45 to 11.45 am: registrations are required for these guided tours by phoning 8203 9800.

These initiatives are part of Her Excellency and Mr Bunten's aim to make Government House a place where all South Australians feel welcome and are able to visit.

STUDENT CITIZENSHIP AWARDS 2023

The Student Citizenship Awards program is conducted annually as the flagship program of the SA Branch.

We present Student Citizenship Awards to year 11 and/or 12 students who have been nominated by their schools to acknowledge the outstanding voluntary service and contributions given by the student for their school and/or local communities.

Following the close of nominations on 31 July, our Assessment and Selection Panel held a review meeting to consider the nominations, draft citations and prepare an order of merit.

This month the certificates will be printed, cross-checked and signed by the Chairman. They will then be passed to Government House for signature by Her Excellency the Governor, our Branch Patron.

Each successful nominee will receive a framed signed certificate and medallion.

Those nominees selected to be in the Top 10 ('With Distinction') will receive their medallion mounted on an engraved wooden plaque. They will be invited to Government House later this year to receive their award from Her Excellency the Governor.

At that reception, Her Excellency will announce the Student Citizen of the Year for 2023.

The other successful nominees will each receive their certificate and cased medallion from a Branch member at a presentation, usually in front of parents and peers at their respective school or college.

The Student Citizenship Awards program is separate from, but proudly presented in collaboration with, the Governor's Civics Awards for Schools.



For more information refer to:

<https://theorderofaustralia.asn.au/sa/school-awards/>

Mr Noel Hender OAM BEM,
Student Citizenship Awards
Convenor, with our 2022
Student Citizens of the Year
Jordan Norman (left) from
Urrbrae Agricultural High
School and Callum Barrott-
Walsh from Cardijn College.



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UPCOMING BRANCH EVENTS

We look forward to receiving members, partners and guests at our upcoming events. If you have joined the Order of Australia Association and wish to purchase a name badge, you can find an Order Form on our website:

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NEW RECIPIENTS' RECEPTION

Monday 9 October 2023

The SA Branch hosts two New Recipients' Receptions each year to welcome new Order of Australia recipients, to celebrate their achievements in a relaxed setting. Recipients from the 2023 King's Birthday Honours List will be welcomed at a reception to be held at Payneham Library in Felixstow (refer Reply Form attached for details).

Our Guest Speaker will be Associate Professor Tony Phillips AM. Tony came to Adelaide in 1982 as a member of a team developing the world's first disposable contact lens, and became Principal Optometrist in the Medical Contact Lens Unit at Flinders Medical Centre. He was an Optometrist in the Infant and Baby Contact Lens Unit at the Adelaide Women and Children's Hospital from 1994.

He has moved between academia, hospital work and private practice, and is author of more than 50 scientific papers. He is a Churchill Fellow (1992), and spent 18 years on the SA Churchill Fellows Committee: he was made a Life Member of the Churchill Fellows Association of Australia in 2010. He has also served as State and National President of the Cornea and Contact Lens Society of Australia, and is an Inaugural Fellow and Honorary Life Member. Professor Phillips was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in the General Division in the 2021 Queen's Birthday Honours List, "*For significant service to optometry, and to professional optical societies*".

CHRISTMAS MORNING TEA

Friday 1 December 2023



We will hold our annual Branch Christmas Morning Tea at the Goodwood Community Centre, 9.30 am arrival for a 10 am start; concludes at 12 noon.

There is no cost for members and guests.

Our Guest Speaker will be Mrs Anne Bachmann OAM JP, speaking on the topic, "Making our courts and prisons kinder".

Anne was appointed Special Advisor to the Adelaide Women's Prison in 2013, but had been serving as a volunteer mentor since 1987.



'CELEBRATION OF AUSTRALIA DAY' LUNCHEON

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday 20 January 2024

Join us for our annual luncheon at the Arkaba Hotel, 150 Glen Osmond Road, Fullarton. The cost is \$65 for Order of Australia Association members and their partner, or \$70 for non-members, partners and guests, for a 3-course meal; cash bar.

Full-size medals should be worn. Association merchandise will be available to purchase.

Our Guest Speaker will be Dr Tony Cocchiaro AM MBBS FRACGP on the topic, "Australia Day, should we change the date?".

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA BRANCH THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA ASSOCIATION

The Order of Australia was established by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Australia, on the advice of the Australian Prime Minister, by Letters Patent dated 14 April 1975.

The Order was to be, *“an Australian society of honour for the purpose of according recognition to Australian citizens and other persons for achievement or for meritorious service”*.

The Order of Australia is awarded for achievement and merit in service to Australia or humanity, and for outstanding contributions that benefit the community and ultimately, our country.

The second purpose of the Order of Australia is that it serves to define, encourage and reinforce community standards, national aspirations and ideals by acknowledging actions and achievement, and thereby identifying role models in the community.

The Order of Australia Association has the following purpose statement, as per the national Constitution approved on 17 December 2020:

***“To celebrate and promote
outstanding Australian citizenship”***

The South Australia Branch of the Order of Australia Association was formed in 1980. Today, the SA Branch Objects and Purposes are as follows:

1. To provide opportunities to continue to contribute to the Australian community.
2. To foster love of, and pride in, Australian citizenship by example and encouragement.
3. To promote the Australian Honours System through awards to worthy recipients.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA BRANCH HONOUR ROLL OF OFFICE-BEARERS

In this Coronation year of King Charles III, King of Australia and Sovereign of the Order of Australia, the SA Branch continues to pay tribute to its early office-bearers, listed below from 2005 to 2012, who laid the foundation for the modern operations of the SA Branch.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>
2005-06	Bryce Saint OAM	Joyce Ross AM	Robert Angove AM
2006-07	Dr David Game AO	Joyce Ross AM	Robert Angove AM
2007-08	Dr David Game AO	Joyce Ross AM	Robert Angove AM
2008-09	Dr David Game AO	Robert Angove AM	Cedric Wells OAM
2009-10	Elaine Bussenschutt OAM	Robert Angove AM	Cedric Wells OAM
2010-11	Elaine Bussenschutt OAM	Robert Angove AM	Prof. John McKellar AM ED
2011-12	Elaine Bussenschutt OAM	Robert Angove AM	Prof. John McKellar AM ED

THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

People from all sorts of backgrounds, of all ages, and who have done just about everything you can think of can be recognised through the Order of Australia.

The system relies on people like you to raise a nomination.

You need to include some examples of the individual's achievements and service, and details of relevant referees who can validate the individual's service.

You do not need to choose which level a person might be recognised at – this will be determined by the independent Council for the Order of Australia during their assessment phase.

Don't worry if you can't make the nomination too comprehensive – additional research and checking with independent referees is undertaken by the Council for each nomination.



Find out more

The Order of Australia is the most important and meaningful awards system in Australia. Each year, the Governor-General approves and announces awards to people for their outstanding service and achievement.

- More information is available at:
www.gg.gov.au

The system relies on nominations. People don't put their hand up to be recognised and they are not selected. They are nominated by peers and considered and recommended to the Governor-General by an independent Council.

A nomination can be made at any time.

- Nominations need to be made via the online portal:
<https://www.gg.gov.au/australian-honours-and-awards/nominate-someone-award>

Users can log in, complete and submit nominations, and monitor the status of a nomination from submission to completion.

Nominations are then assessed by the independent Council for the Order of Australia – which includes members from each state and territory and community representatives.

Who do you think is worthy of an award?

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<div></div> <p>IN MEMORIAM</p> <p>The Chairman, Branch Committee members and members of the SA Branch offer our condolences on the passing of the following South Australia Branch member (as at the time of the August Branch Committee meeting):</p> <p>Emeritus Professor Margaret Susan ‘Peggy’ Brock AM FASSA [2021 Queen’s Birthday Honours List]</p> <p>Arnold Desmond Saint AM [2014 Australia Day Honours List]</p> <p>Wayne Anthony West OAM [1991 Queen’s Birthday Honours List, Military]</p>		<p>REGIONAL GROUP CONTACTS</p> <p>Regional Groups Coordinator: Ken Coventry OAM JP</p> <p>Fleurieu Regional Group Meets on the first Friday in May and November. Regional Contact: John Hutchinson OAM 0427 525 670 johnhutc@bigpond.com</p> <p>South East Regional Group Meets in Mount Gambier biannually, and at an alternative regional location in the alternate years. Regional Contact: Mr Eric Roughana AM 0408 817 260 roseric1@bigpond.com</p> <p>Riverland and Mallee Regional Group Meets twice a year, generally in March/April and September/October. Regional Contact: Mr Tim Grieger OAM JP 0409 099 122 tgrieger@riverland.net.au</p> <p>Yorke Peninsula Regional Group Regional Contact, Kadina: Elaine Bussenschutt OAM 0417 806 839 elaine@yp-connect.net</p> <p>Regional Contact, Minlaton: Maree Anderson OAM 0407 975 174 mareeanderson@internode.on.net</p>



COROMANDEL VALLEY VISIT

REPLY FORM – SA BRANCH COROMANDEL VALLEY VISIT, Saturday 30 September 2023 – a social outing to visit famous Watchman House and Winns Bakehouse Museum at 360 Main Road (corner Winns Road), adjacent to the River Sturt in Coromandel Valley. Arrive by 10 am for morning tea, with an introductory talk and story-telling, after which you will have time to explore Watchman House and Winns Bakehouse Museum; concludes at 12.30 pm.

The cost of this visit is \$15 for Order of Australia Association members and their partners, or \$20 for non-members and guests, which includes morning tea.

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*Please register to attend and make payment not later than **Monday 25 September 2023***



Register online using Humanitix (preferred) – just click on the link below, or copy it into your browser:

<https://events.humanitix.com/coromandel-valley-visit>



Alternately, pay online via EFT, using the code “CVV + your surname”

Account Name – ‘Order of Australia Association’ // BSB 105-900 // Account no 147028640 (Bank SA)

Scan and send this form to the Assistant Treasurer Mr John Ziesing OAM: yiziesing@internode.on.net



If necessary, forward this Reply Form to:

SA Branch Events Sub-committee, PO Box 1065, CLEARVIEW SA 5085

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

Name: [please print] [post-nominals]

Preferred name: Phone Contact:

Email or Address:

Dietary requirements [if any]

I will be accompanied by (please include post-nominals if applicable):

Guest 1: [post-nominals]

Guest 2: [post-nominals]

Payment enclosed: for people

We hope you can join us for this interesting visit!

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NEW RECIPIENTS' RECEPTION

REPLY FORM – SA BRANCH NEW RECIPIENTS' RECEPTION, Monday 9 October 2023

– at Payneham Library, 2 Turner Street, Felixstow (off OG Road), at 5.30 for 6 pm, finishing before 8 pm, for recipients from the 2023 King's Birthday Honours List.

The cost is \$35 for Order of Australia Association members and their partner, \$15 for children under 18. There is no cost for new recipients who are guests of the SA Branch, \$35 for their partner and guests.

Full-size medals should be worn. Association merchandise will be available for purchase.

Our Guest Speaker will be Associate Professor Tony Phillips AM: "Personal experiences over time as an Optometrist".



Please register to attend and make payment not later than **Thursday 5 October 2023**



Register online using Humanitix (preferred) – just click on the link below, or copy it into your browser:

<https://events.humanitix.com/oaa-sa-branch-new-recipients-function>



Alternately, pay online via EFT, using the code "NRR + your surname"

Account Name – 'Order of Australia Association' // BSB 105-900 // Account no 147028640 (Bank SA)

Scan and send this form to the Assistant Treasurer Mr John Ziesing OAM: yiziesing@internode.on.net



If necessary, forward this Reply Form and payment to:

SA Branch Events Sub-committee, PO Box 1065, CLEARVIEW SA 5085

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

Name: [please print] [post-nominals]

Preferred name: Phone Contact:

Email or Address:

Dietary requirements [if any]

I will be accompanied by (please include post-nominals if applicable):

Guest 1: [post-nominals]

Guest 2: [post-nominals]

Guest 3: [post-nominals]

Payment enclosed: for people

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ADELAIDE SAILING CLUB TOUR

REPLY FORM – SA BRANCH ADELAIDE SAILING CLUB GUIDED TOUR AND HISTORICAL PRESENTATION, Saturday 21 October 2023 – at the Adelaide Sailing Club at 9 Barcoo Road, West Beach, 10.15 for a 10.30 am start. \$15 per person.

We have arranged a guided tour and historical presentation starting with a welcome drink and nibbles at 10.15 am, followed by a talk at 10.30 am on the history of the Adelaide Sailing Club, Glenelg Sailing Club and Holdfast Bay Yacht Club, and then from 11.30 a guided tour and historical presentation. Followed by lunch in the restaurant 'Oceanique' at your own expense.



Please forward this reply form and payment, to be received not later than *Wednesday 18 October 2023*



Register online and pay using Humanitix (preferred) using this link:

<https://events.humanitix.com/adelaide-sailing-club-tour>



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CHRISTMAS MORNING TEA

REPLY FORM – SA BRANCH CHRISTMAS MORNING TEA, Friday 1 December 2023 – at the Goodwood Community Centre, 32/34 Rosa Street in Goodwood, 9.30 am arrival for a 10 am start; concludes at 12 noon.

There is no cost for members and guests. Various raffle prizes will be on offer, and Association merchandise will be available for purchase.

Dr Rob Wight OAM will provide entertainment for the event.

Our Guest Speaker will be Mrs Anne Bachmann OAM JP, speaking on the topic, "Making our courts and prisons kinder". Anne's full biography may be found in the August newsletter.

*Please register to attend not later than **Friday 24 November 2023***



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<https://events.humanitix.com/christmas-morning-tea>



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