



# 2/2 COMMANDO Courier

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## COMING EVENTS

**AUGUST 3rd — FAREWELL TO SAFARI TRAVELLERS  
IN VISITORS LOUNGE, ANZAC CLUB. LADIES NIGHT**

**AUGUST 21st — PROGRESSIVE DINNER**

**OCTOBER 2nd — ANNUAL DINNER AT THE  
IMPERIAL HOTEL AT 6.00 p.m.**

**OCTOBER 3rd — COMMEMORATION SERVICE AT  
KINGS PARK AT 3.00 p.m.**

**NOVEMBER 2nd — FINAL OF CALCUTT TROPHY  
COMPETITION**

## BIG NIGHT OUT — SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Keep Saturday, 21st August free mates, for a real bonser get-together. Fair dinkum mates it should be a beaut evening, this progressive nosh-up. It starts at 6.30 p.m. with drinks and nibbles — Hostess Jess Epps — at Maisie and Harry Holder's home, 26 Meredith Way, Dianella, then the entrees — Hostess Maisie Holder. Into your cars and around to Scotty Ware's place — 16 Waverley Street, Dianella, for the main course — Hostess Elsie Wares. If you can still move, hop into your set of wheels and pop round to Dot and Gerry Maley's pad at 61 David Street, Yokine, for dessert and coffee — Hostess Dot Maley.

What's the damage? Well how about \$5 a head, \$10 a couple. This covers all food, beer, soft drinks and table wines. Anyone who wants anything different will have to bring it along — fair enough? So as the Hostesses will know how many to cater for, they will need to know by 14th August just who is coming, and if possible we would appreciate money being paid by then. All we ask you to bring are your lovely selves, plus a glass of suitable size for table wines. (The glass travels with you from place to place). What about letting us know for sure by then, Bewdy! Just give us a ring on 764304, 76 7558, 49 4530, 94 1845, and she'll be apples mates. (It's going to be a great chance to farewell the Safari mob too.)



## W.A. MONTHLY MEETINGS

### MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING, HELD AT ANZAC HOUSE, ON TUESDAY, MAY 18, 1976

The President: Mr. J. Carey declared the meeting open at 8.10 p.m.

Present: J. Carey, D. Fullarton, P. Hancock, A. Wares, G. Fletcher, R. Dhu, C. Varian, R. Neuzerling, D. Darrington and L. Bagley.

Apologies from J. Fowler and B. McDonald were accepted.

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, April 20, 1976, were read and confirmed on the motion of R. Dhu, seconded by D. Fullarton.

Treasurer's Report: P. Hancock presented the statement of account as at May 18, 1976, leaving a credit balance of \$731.43.

Financial Report was received and accounts passed for payment on the motion of D. Fullarton, seconded C. Varian.

Correspondence: Inward from Mick Devlin, June Bennett, Ted Monk, Colin Criddle, "Doc" Wheatley.

Outward to Mick Devlin.

Moved A. Wares, seconded D. Fullarton that Inward and Outward correspondence be received and confirmed.

Anzac Day: R. Dhu suggested that the venue for 1977, be at the Clarendon Hotel in West Perth. He was asked to make further inquiries and submit them to the June meeting.

Mundijong Picnic: An excellent day, thanks to J. Carey for the barbecue meat, the Mandurah members for their crabs and J. Kalanowski, our host, who supplied the refreshments.

Progressive Dinner Party: A suggestion, put forward in writing to the Committee by Elsie Wares, to hold a progressive dinner evening on Saturday, August 21, between the homes of Elsie Wares, Dorothy Maley and Maisie Holder, was discussed and favourably received. Elsie was advised to go ahead with arrangements for this evening.

Timor Slides: D. Fullarton arranged for Glen Palmer and Dominic Pugliese to show us some slides

of Timor. These two gentlemen were with the International Red Cross team in Dili last August. The slides showed Dili and the hospital area, also many of the patients whom they treated. In conclusion, J. Carey thanked them for coming along and explaining the situation there, as they saw it.

The Meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.

### 1st JUNE GENERAL MEETING

The General Meeting held on June 1st was very poorly attended, only 6 Committee members attending. This evening was the first night for the Calcutt Trophy and of course due to the small attendance the number was too small really to compete. This now means that the November 1st Tuesday will be the final night for the Calcutt Trophy. Members make this night a must and keep the memory going for our old mate who did so much for the Association.

### MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING, HELD AT ANZAC HOUSE, ON TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 1976

The President: Mr. J. Carey declared the meeting open at 8 p.m.

Present: J. Carey, A. Wares, C. Varian, R. Neuzerling, P. Hancock, D. Darrington and B. McDonald.

Apologies were accepted from L. Bagley, J. Fowler, D. Fullarton, R. Dhu and G. Fletcher.

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, May 18, 1976, were read and confirmed on the motion of C. Varian, seconded D. Darrington.

Treasurer's Report: P. Hancock presented the statement of accounts as at June 15, 1976, leaving a credit balance of \$519.66.

Financial report was received and accounts passed for payment on the motion of B. McDonald, seconded R. Neuzerling.

Correspondence: Inward from M.M.A., Michael Calvert, Ron Sprigg, Don Latimer, D. Stevenson, N.S.W. Commando News, Dud Tapper, Bert Price and R.S.L.

Moved C. Varian, seconded R.



Neuzerling that Inward correspondence be received.

Treasurer reported on monthly meetings and annual picnic costs as being a drain on General Funds. Discussion deferred until next Committee meeting.

Safari: All those who intend going have paid a deposit for their travel arrangements, balance to be paid by August 13, 1976.

Progressive Dinner: A. Wares reported that M. Holder, J. Epps, D. Maley and E. Wares had the matter in hand for August 21, 1976.

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.

#### WONGAN HILLS

In the middle of seeding again. Rain is a bit scarce and is holding the work up. Blanche and I are Grandparents again for the second time. Peter timed it badly, as his wife Kathy had a baby girl in the middle of seeding time. Our daughter Margaret has a two year old boy, also born in the middle of seeding.

No contact with any of the 2/2nd for some time, they are scarce around here now.

I think the blue slip is a very good idea. Even so I find it a bit large to fill up with my news. My regards to all, yours

Stan Sadler

#### ALBANY

Just a few lines hoping that you will be able to follow it. I am writing to ask a small favour of you and am enclosing my address book and wondering if you would bring it up to date for me. As usual was one of those things that never got done. At the end of June, Win and I are heading north by caravan and if the driver feels she can do it we will go right round. We have friends going with us as far as Broome but from then on will be on our own. Went for a trip over to Esperance early April, met Jack Penglase in the caravan park at Hopetoun and spent an evening with the Swann's, but was unable to see the Campbells although spoke to Pat on the phone. Spent 4 days in the Esperance Hospital and another 10 days in hospital when I returned to Albany mainly with Asthma. Feeling reasonably fit now.

Would like to write more Scotty but find it very hard. Hope this finds you and Elsie fit and many thanks, regards

Ron Sprigg

#### CLAREMONT

Thanks for the Courier, certainly lots of good reading, regards

Jim Fitzsimmons

#### CAPEL

This is a belated reply, seeing that you once again have given me the honour of Country Vice-President for this South West Area, but at least I have decided to join pen and paper and say thank you.

At long last I can say that I am once again very well, apart from the old back trouble which is deteriorating and I find it very hard to keep up with very much work these days. Grace is keeping very well and sends her best to all. We both wish everyone making the Safari to Sydney a wonderful time and only sorry we are unable to make it this time. However, we are leaving on Tuesday the 29th by Pioneer Coach tour up the West Coast (which neither of us have seen) to Darwin to spend a couple of months with our daughter Bethel, her husband and two granddaughters, one of which we have not seen yet.

News of the lads down here is very limited. Grace saw Bob Palmer recently and she said he has lost weight and looks like a thirty year old. I occasionally see Babs Langridge and she tells me that Bernie is at last going to hand over the reins to the boys. Their intention is to build on a small block in the Boyanup area and take life a little easier (if possible). I also see Alf Brady and his wife in Donnvbrook and I am sorry to say Alf had a bad heart attack six months ago and has had to give up his work with the Railways, where he was gang foreman, and is now on a pension. He looks fairly well but has to take life very quietly.

Afraid I haven't news of any others down this way. Will be contacting any lads we can during our trip up North, and so cheers and regards to all from Grace and myself.

Clarrie Turner



### SHOALWATER BAY

Herewith cheque to help keep the ship going. Congratulations to those doing the spade work. Would you pass on regards to Association members whom I don't see but often think of. I seem to have lost Max Davies' new address at Mornington, Vic., can you help?

Gerry Green

MAX'S NEW ADDRESS —  
3 MARCHINGTON AVENUE, MORN-  
INGTON, VIC. 3931.

### GERALDTON

First of all let me say how delighted we all were to have a visit from Percy Hancock of Applecross who is doing such a sterling job as Association Treasurer and who was proudly wearing his double-red-diamond Life Membership tie-bar (this is a practice that Yours Truly has also established because by publicly displaying the insignia we are paying a tribute to this great unit. Percy had a few noggins with Nip Cunningham at the Mercantile Club, after having a few (?) the previous day at Northampton with Bruss Fagg.

Bruss, by the way, is getting around with a smile from one side of his face to the other. As Northampton's delegate to R.S.L. State Congress, he had the honour of receiving the Geraldton Shield which his Sub-Branch won for the third consecutive year as the outstanding rural Sub-Branch with fewer than 100 members. Yours Truly is also pretty happy because the Geraldton Sub-Branch won the coveted Collett Cup for the 13th time as the outstanding country Sub-Branch of the year. It has always been my pleasure to compile the submission for this competition.

Bruss Fagg continues to be a busy man as Chairman of the Northampton Pioneer Lodge Committee. Almost \$13,000 has been raised by cropping and other efforts, towards the project for a home for the aged to be built in Robinson Street, near the old railway station.

One of my bowling mates, George Daley, ran into Boomer Giles of Port Hedland and said he wished to be remembered to all his old mates. Boomer is still associated with the building industry but he reckons he's going to sue the Shire Council because they've got movable kerbs! Or something as this nature as far as a traffic penalty against Boomer was concerned.

I presume many of you saw my television news item about the model yacht which a young inmate of the Geraldton Regional made with the use of 27,000 matches. It was really beautiful on colour T.V.

Eric and Twy Smyth of Geraldton were no doubt delighted to read the "West Australian" newspaper item, "Our New Women of the Frontier", in which daughter Erica was featured. The item said that Erica, 24, got her Bachelor of Science Degree with Honours, she knew exactly what she wanted to do. She had always been interested in science and outdoor work, so mining was a natural! Two years ago she was regarded by the men as a mirage in mining town of Newman and the open-cut iron-ore operations at Mt. Whaleback. Today nobody gives a second glance as Erica drives 30 to 40 miles out and around, bucking over rocky inclines and sandy slopes to wherever training and instinct leads her to hammer and scrape out samples that could indicate the presence and content of more iron-ore. Erica had this to say: "You can't do this just for the money (fanning a sunhat, with no apparent effect at her sun-tanned face). 'We're isolated from city things here, and you've got to love the bush, the desert, the faraway places'".

Well, I must be off now, as I have a News assignment to attend to for Radio Station 6GN and TV Station Channel Six. Kind regards to all the boys.

Peter Barden

# New South Wales News

### EPPING

In my letter of last week, forwarding you the details regarding the

amenities available at the Great Southern Hotel, it would appear that I misled you in regards to the pay-



ment of the accommodation. Scotty recently contacted John Darge and made mention of the fact, and this was passed on to me at our meeting last evening, so I thought that I had better clarify same. The payment is the same as we originally decided whereby the N.S.W. Association would subsidise same, by how much we cannot ascertain at present, until all our accounts allied to the Safari are resolved. We are unfortunately not that solvent to pay the whole amount. I must apologise if I have caused any problems, but thought I had better write to confirm the arrangements. At our meeting at John Darge's on Sunday, 30th May, final details will be made, and hopefully we shall have the revised itinerary available to you.

Regards to all.

Mick Devlin

#### EPPING

Please find enclosed the modified copy of the Safari itinerary. We are hopeful that there will be no further changes. At the moment I am as flat as a strap confirming all the bookings re accommodation, coaches, clubs, etc. associated with the Safari, and so far all systems go. The response so far is disappointing, although there could be a few late starters. The tally to date is as follows, W.A. 22; N.S.W. Country 9; Tasmania 1; Qld. 2; Vic. 4; a total of 38, then we must consider the N.S.W. Metropolitan group which could bolster the numbers.

Scotty in the next edition of the Courier would you please advise N.S.W. members and Qld. members who have paid their annual subs and forwarded monies to the Timor Appeal that we decline the posting of receipts to members due to the high cost of postage. However if anyone requires one for any reason they are available on request.

John Darge has again been admitted to hospital for an operation on his kidneys, and I am hoping to see him this weekend. Will advise you of his condition in my next letter. Just prior to John going into the hospital we held a meeting at his home, and invited our ladies along for a bird's eye view of the Safari (pun) arrangements, and as all the wives and husbands are still speaking to each other the outing

was deemed a success. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking John and Joan for availing us their home for the Barbecue and meeting, and all who had the good fortune to attend voted it a super day. Those present were: Al and Edith Luby, Bill and June Bennett, Ron and Marge Goodacre and family, Bob and Joy Smith, Merv and Marge Jones, Bill and Coral Coker with son Graham and his wife to be Chris (being married 30th August), Mick and Betty Devlin and of course John and Joan Darge.

Received a most welcome note from Tex Richards down in Tassie, to advise that he shall be coming to the Safari arriving the same day as the main party, and will be accommodated at the Great Southern Hotel.

Will close now and keep you advised on happenings in reference to Safari, if and when they occur, regards to all.

Mick Devlin

#### ORANGE

Having procrastinated, and failing to motivate Frank into his duty re this reminder, I shall endeavour to fill this small space. Things very normal on the Press front, and we hope to renew acquaintances with the coming Safari in September. We enjoy all Courier news, and find the reports of your overseas trip very interesting, I hope there is still more to tell. Do I detect your descriptive pen Elsie?

Apart from the Cholerton family, whom I can report at this moment as O.K. we are not much in contact with other members, and were sorry to know per the Courier that some were not in the best of health and sprints. Frank has a constant battle to keep on top and Orange winters do not help, but at present is able to enjoy weekend bowls. Hoping all arrangements for the Safari are progressing well — regards to all.

Kath and Frank Press

#### BLACKTON

Just a note to see how you are going. We always think of Perth in June as we were over there last year. Looking forward to meeting you again in August at the Safari.



Am receiving the Courier O.K. now and enclose donation to keep it going.

We had a pretty fair Anzac Day and should break about even money wise. See Alan Luby quite a bit and he seems to be picking up. He should try and take things a bit easier. I can't catch up with Mick Devlin even by phone.

Will be printing Commando News soon and will give a mention to the Safari and I am sure 2/4th members will be interested. Had the pleasure of meeting Percy Hancock in February. He came to our Committee meeting with Alan Luby. Regards.

Don Latimer

#### NORTH SYDNEY

Many thanks for your note and for the enclosed Couriers which make very interesting reading. I believe you allow "foreigners" to join the Association — Tiger Hart is one such — and if I may become a financial member I would feel greatly privileged as I was originally destined for the 2/2nd and was in fact in Forster when the First and Second Cadres were training.

I quite agree with your sentiments concerning the previous Foreign Minister but believe that Whitlam himself called the shots. I'm not all that much impressed with Peacock but he inherited what in effect was a lay down misere and the unfortunate fact is that Timor will integrate with Indonesia on 14th August and I can't see anything that will stop it unless perhaps we all make a little bit more noise.

Our only activity at this end currently is to press the Government to do something about the unfortunate refugees in Atambua who fled the original fighting and don't want to go back to East Timor as it is presently organised.

I am in touch with a priest who is the leader of those refugees and am waiting on a list of people who want to come to Australia to join their relatives who came out last year.

I attach some relevant correspondence and if any of your boys can bring any pressure to bear this could be helpful.

My best regards to any of my old mates whom you may bump into.

A. D. Stevenson

#### YAGOONA

Enclosed a morsel, to help the Courier along. Without it, we would know very little, about the various bods we knew so very, very long ago. Correspondence was one attribute the 2/2nd missed out on, in its formative years.

The Safari wrapped up, hope it appeals to all our visitors.

John Darge back in hospital and operated on the 10/6/76 at St. George District Hospital. Saw him yesterday 14/6/76. He has been through a tough time over the last 18 months and borne his trials cheerfully, attending meetings of the Association, taken a keen interest in Safari matters, and in everything pertaining to Association matters.

We in N.S.W. finally got round to moving and carrying a motion to ask all members who served in Timor, for a donation towards a fund, for the assistance of the Timorese people. Every Mother's son, who was in Timor in 1942 can sit and think what his chances of survival would have been, had the Timorese waited six months before making up their minds to help us. It is a safe bet we would have been occupying a shallow grave in the Timor mountains, assuming of course anybody would have been sufficiently interested in burying us. We ought to be proud of our Governments, neither of them did anything and I am sorry to say the 2/2nd did as much if not less and that includes me. To Angus MacLachlan and Jim English congratulations, two men who needed no reminding. (Paddy, quite a number of W.A. members subscribed direct to Red Cross and Austcare, and I am holding a considerable amount of money to go to the people in the mountains who were responsible for our survival. Editor..

Angus and Lois MacLachlan spent a week with us. They were in Sydney on holiday, and Nora and I reckon they provided us with one.

Building industry at a standstill here. The builder Sean worked for has just ceased business, he has a joinery business as well so he kept 4 key men on. Sean will finish Tech. this year and he then will have to find another builder, and put in another 12 months to get his ticket.



Michael still with the Treasury and he has just acquired another boss. Labour won the last election and Neville Wran has walked into a decent old mess. He has the job ahead of himself to put N.S.W. on an even keel. The former State Administration would not have won many accolades for their efforts.

Helen still up in Indonesia and teaching handicapped children and likes it there. Nora and myself well. I am a bit greyer but won't have to worry about it for too long as it will soon be invisible. Regards to all.

Paddy

## QUEENSLAND NEWS

### SURFER'S PARADISE

All is well at Surfer's. Sunny days always. Harry Botterill and wife Olive called in to see me during the May school holidays. Both look very well and it was great to see MEM BORN.

Fred Bryant and wife stayed at the Motel about three months ago. Fred has not changed and is still doing a little Chef work part time. He is more or less retired.

Best wishes to all.

Bruce McLaren

### MT. GRAVATT

Perc Hancock passed through here as you are aware and we had a night at Angus MacLachlan's place. I said I would go to George Vanedluers but have not got there yet. A note for Ernie Hoffman, Jim my brother died and Bob is working the claim at Peak Hill and found some gold. I will probably be in Sydney for the Tuesday night and home again on the Wednesday, two days sickie. I will let N.S.W. branch know as I did not think that I could make it before. Will see you at the dinner re-union.

Fred Otway

## SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NEWS

### FLINDER'S PARK

Would you please forward to me at your earliest convenience a list of the W.A. members who will be passing through Adelaide on the Safari to N.S.W., also their time of arrival and departure which I know is only a couple of hours. The idea is to meet the train and down a beer or two or whatever may eventuate depending on the time element.

Not much news to impart all our members are well. Dignum has a

bad back which is taking a long time to heal.

My son Brenton arrived home last night with a trophy for cricket, for the worst bowling average. He is not married and there are no prospects.

We did have a get-together when Ern Hoffman was over on holidays, in the form of a counter tea, and was quite an enjoyable evening. Regards to all.

Dud Tapper

## RANDOM HARVEST

### NORTHERN TERRITORY NEWS

#### DARWIN

My apologies for my belated contribution. Like many established Darwinites we are extremely busy with repairing our houses, or what is left of them, during these beautiful dry sunny winter months.

At last we can see, gratefully, a new city rising out of the mass of rubble. All public utilities are now

back in service, sports grounds are fully booked for week-ends and our few beaches are receiving the same, if not worse, treatment from bikies and 4-wheel drive vehicles as before Tracy.

Our City Council is at last a unified action group with an efficient and charming Mayoress as leader.

Once the present financial crisis has passed, Darwin will, undoubtedly, be a greater city with stronger built buildings to better meet the



threat of any future cyclone. Best wishes to you all.

Peter J. Walter

## TASMANIAN NEWS

### RISDON VALE

I have received the Courier over the years after meeting up with "Babe" Teague at a civil defence school in Victoria, and always look forward to receiving it, and to hear how various members are faring.

I was most saddened on hearing of the passing of Bill Epps. The time I spent with his section and Bill in particular will be something I will always remember. While in Queensland last year I went to Kurunda where there is an honour roll at the railway station. Les Moule is shown as having enlisted there but does not show he made the supreme sacrifice for his country. Can anything be done about it?

Recently one of my workmates was in W.A. and today he gave me a beautiful photo of the 2/2nd honour roll. I often meet up with other 2/40th chaps who came to the 2/2nd in Portuguese Timor and of course we always have a yarn about Timor and such names as Albie Martin, Gerry Green, Slim James, Col Doig, Don Turton, George Strickland, Bob Smyth, Tex Richards and many others come up. Regards to all.

Bert Price

## GREAT BRITAIN NEWS

### LONDON

I was glad to receive my copy of the Courier with all its news. A slight amendment to my address, it is Kensington W8 not W6.

I am writing away, scribble, scribble, scribble as the Duke of Wellington said to the diarist Creevey. I am doing some hack jobs as they pay better, are more reliable and are easier way to pay my way. One project on which I am engaged is a four volume Dictionary of Battles, starting with Vol. IV and you may be glad to know that I have seen to it that the Timor operation is recorded as well as praise for the operations of the independent Companies in New Guinea, the Singapore raids and, for the benefit of Baldy and his Victorian Historical Association,

the Eureka Stockade! None of these were originally in. I have also included the latest Timor events as far as I can find out, but my conclusions (as for the other entries) may not please everybody. Vol. IV is being published by New English Library and may be out later this year.

Otherwise life goes on. I have a small flat close to Kensington Gardens where, in the summer, I swim in the Serpentine. I belong to a swimming club, the Otters, and last year, with an enormous handicap, I won the quarter mile. In the half mile and mile, swum downhill in the Thames at Windsor and Marlow, I started first and came in last although there was at least one brigadier ten years older than me swimming. The mile was one by a 14 year old boy.

Although this flat is a bit noisy and small, it is central and warm so that plenty of people drop in and interrupt my work which is what I like, but does not make for regular returns. I am no businessman and am unlikely to change my spots at my age. Yesterday I saw some bargains of Macleans toothpaste at half price and bought them before I realised that I had just had half my remaining teeth out. Now I have four tubes for four teeth.

If anyone is visiting London, give me a ring. My flat is close to the well-known store Barkers, in Kensington, High Street. My number is 01-937-2205. Although I don't drink grog myself now, I don't mind watching others do so if the conversation is worthwhile.

My best wishes to all in 2/2nd Commando and may their shadows never grow less. I am proud to be associated with them, yours sincerely,

Michael Calvert

## DONATIONS

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## VALE

Les Dingle — Good friend of the 2/2nd Commando Association.

It is with real regret we record the passing of Les Dingle on 11th June, 1976, at RGH HOLLYWOOD. Although not a member of our unit he was closely connected with us for many years and was a regular attendant on behalf of the 2/16th Battalion at most of our functions.

Les was an original member of the 2/16th Btn. and served right through with that show attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant and winning an M.I.D. for courageous service in the Kokoda Trail show in N.G. Until his retirement on grounds of invalidity in Jan. 1975 he was employed by the Dept. Social Services ever since demobilisation.

His was a happy disposition and he never missed a beat. He lived by his adage "Never Worry — Never Fear". Les and wife Katie were our guests on the 1968 Safari and endeared themselves to all who took part in that wonderful event.

To Katie and family we would like to extend our most sincere sympathy in a very sad loss to you all, and to all in the 2/2nd Commando Association. — Col Doig.

2/2nd members who attended the funeral were, C. Doig, H. Sproxtton, J. Carey, C. Varian, F. Napier, G. Maley, A. Wares, E. Craghill, J. Hasson, F. Sparkman, D. Turton, J. Epps, N. Hasson, J. Louden.

## SICK PARADE

A number of our members are at present on the sick list and some have been in hospital undergoing surgery.

Frank Freestone at the time of submitting this to the printer is in Ward 14, R.G.H. Hollywood, with a heart complaint.

Jack Hasson has been in for surgery on his broken heel as the result of an accident at work.

To these members the Association send their best wishes and hope that in the near future they will be about again.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESSES

J. McLaughlin, 65 Selby Street, Daglish 6008.

M. Calvert, 6A Gregory Place, Kensington, London, W8, 4NG.

S. Jarvis, 14 Albert Street, Greenmount 6056.

G. Stanley, 30 Francisea Street, Everton Hills, Brisbane 4053.

Still a few Couriers are being returned due to members changing their address and the Editor not being notified. Anyone know the address of D. G. Polan, Victoria.

## QUOTES TO REMEMBER

This is rather more than a quote — being a whole poem by Marion Naylor but I thought it particularly applicable in today's feverish inflation.

## PACKAGE DEAL

There's one thing nowadays that always goes against my grain — It's having to pay for tuppence coloured — there's nothing penny plain.

You'd like a brand new house you think? Oh isn't that one nice

With units, pools and en suite baths, included in the price.

But what a price! When all we want is merely chance to choose —

I'd much prefer uncluttered walls and spare cash I can use.

If Airlines cut the cost of meals and took two films off the fare

They could let us take our sandwiches and charge just to get us there.

And when we write, we must buy a stamp — it only stands to reason

But must we pay for a work of art that changes every season?

I don't want to buy the layers of paper tenderly wrapped around

A six ounce packet of biscuits till it looks like half a pound.

I don't want a shoppers precinct filled with fountains and statues (and worse)

I'd rather have my rates reduced and a bit more left in my purse.

But we pays **OUR** money and we takes **THEIR** choice and watch our earnings go

On a pre-packed uniform suit of life, cut out and ready to go.



## REVISED ITINERARY

### 1976 SAFARI N.S.W.

**DAY 1 — Sunday, August 29th**

Main party arrives Mascot Domestic Air Terminal 7.50 p.m. on flight 255 ex Perth. After initial welcome, party travels to Great Southern Hotel, by Ansett Coach, where an informal reception will be held in the form of a supper which will be arranged by the wives of the N.S.W. metropolitan members.

**DAY 2 — Monday, August 30th****RELAX DAY**

Assemble at the Rocks area at 11.00 a.m. where the party will be met and welcomed by the Governor of the above area Mr. Lyn Wilson and Mrs. Shirley Ball, President of the Rocks' Historical Society, who will arrange for a guide to conduct our party on a tour of the general surroundings, and points of interest, lunch will be in one of the many taverns in the area, and dinner has been arranged for the Spaghetti Factory. It is proposed on this evening that a film night will be held at the Great Southern Hotel or alternatively a selected show at the Opera House.

**DAY 3 — Tuesday, August 31st**

Bus tour of the Pittwater Peninsula.

**TOUR 1** — Barbecue lunch at Palm Beach R.S.L. Club — smorgasbord tea at a private home in the Mona Vale area — return to the Great Southern Hotel.

**DAY 4 — Wednesday, September 1****FREE DAY**

Reunion Dinner at night to be held in the main dining room, Great Southern Hotel — George Street, Sydney, at 6.30 p.m. for 7.00 p.m. Dinner.

**DAY 5 — Thursday, September 2nd**

**TOUR 2** — Afternoon, short tour of Eastern Sea Board, includes Double Bay, Watson's Bay, Bondi,

Coogee, Maroubra, La Perouse, return to Great Southern Hotel (night optional) — late shopping available.

**DAY 6 — Friday, September 3rd**

**TOUR 3** — Coach departs Great Southern Hotel approximately 8.30 a.m. to Jenolan Caves via St. Mary's and Katoomba, possible visit of two caves then return to Sydney via Kurrajong, Richmond, Windsor and Parramatta, arriving at Great Southern Hotel at approximately 6 p.m.

**DAY 7 — Saturday, September 4th****FREE DAY****DAY 8 — Sunday, September 5th**

Sydney Harbour Cruise.

**DAY 9 — Monday, September 6th**

**TOUR 4** — Coach tour Botany Bay area incorporating Cook's landing, Kurnell Parkland for Barbecue lunch, visit to Caltex Refinery, then return to Great Southern Hotel via Cronulla R.S.L. Club.

**DAY 10 — Tuesday, September 7th****FREE DAY**

With an optional visit to the Summit Restaurant for lunch, and a possible evening and one of the current live shows or theatre party.

**DAY 11 — Wednesday, September 8**

**TOUR 5** — Coach tour of the Northern Lakes and Newcastle area, coach departs 8.30 a.m. from Great Southern Hotel returning at approximately 6.00 p.m. Lunch at the Toukley R.S.L. Club

**DAY 12 — Thursday, September 9th****FREE DAY**

On this day it is proposed to arrange for a visit to Penfolds Winery, located in the Sydney area for a wine tasting outing, with the evening at this time being optional — late shopping available.



**DAY 13 — Friday, September 10th**

Coach tour of the South Coast, Wollongong, Port Kembla, Shell Harbour areas with lunch at the Shell Harbour Workers' Club. Arrival and departure time of coach to be advised.

**DAY 14 — Saturday, September 11**

Sports day, with private outings, visits to private homes or entertainment and relaxing as you wish.

**DAY 15 — Sunday, September 12th****FAREWELL FUNCTION**

With time and venue to be de-

ecided. Dependent on departure times of trains, planes etc.

**NOTE:** This itinerary is based on the known factors of the definite starters who have already indicated their intention of taking part in the 1976 Safari. I would again appeal to interstate and N.S.W. Country people who intend to participate and have not yet contacted me, I remind you that time is fast running out, especially if you request accommodation with the main party at the Great Southern Hotel, so chop-chop lads.

Mick Devlin

Sec/Treas. N.S.W. Branch

## COMING EVENTS

**AUGUST 3rd — FAREWELL TO SAFARI TRAVELLERS  
IN VISITORS LOUNGE, ANZAC CLUB. LADIES NIGHT**

**AUGUST 21st — PROGRESSIVE DINNER**

**OCTOBER 2nd — ANNUAL DINNER AT THE  
IMPERIAL HOTEL AT 6.00 p.m.**

**OCTOBER 3rd — COMMEMORATION SERVICE AT  
KINGS PARK AT 3.00 p.m.**

**NOVEMBER 2nd — FINAL OF CALCUTT TROPHY  
COMPETITION**

**ANNUAL DINNER MAKE IT A MUST AND MEET  
YOUR OLD MATES**



**VALE**

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing on the 15th July, 1976 of another of our comrades — John Darge, of Kingsgrove, N.S.W. Since his major operation 18 months ago, John has put up a courageous and uncomplaining fight against illness, and our only comfort is to remember that he will suffer no more. John was a quiet gentle person, a staunch and hard-working Committee member of the Association, and he will be sadly missed by his many friends.

In this time of grief our deepest sympathy goes out to his wife Joan, his two sons and his daughter and their families.

**REQUIEM FOR JOHN**

Where cool mists hang in the valley  
Where sunshine falls on the flowers  
Where waves gently lap on the yellow sand

There will he be.

When his loved ones speak together  
When his friends remember his name  
When children are playing and laughing

There he will be.

These things he loved, we remember  
And the soul of such a man  
Must surely gently hover  
And while we remember — remain.