



## Vale Arthur Marshall

On 12 November 2013, shortly before our commemoration ceremony in Kings Park, Harvey's cricketing and farming legend, Arthur Marshall, passed away, aged 91, surrounded by his family. Hundreds of people recently gathered at the Harvey Recreation and Cultural Centre to celebrate Arthur's life. Raised on the family farm, "Tama Grove", near Broomehill, Arthur was the ninth child in a family of eleven children. His mother died when he was six and his father when he was thirteen. Arthur joined the unit in 1941 and served in Timor, New Guinea and New Britain. To see a more complete Vale notice, please go to our website [Doublereds.org.au](http://Doublereds.org.au) and click History, then Nominal Roll and then the link to Arthur's service number. Arthur is survived by his wife Audrey, and his children, Terri, Don, Jill, David and Robert, 18 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.



Above: Arthur Marshall in New Guinea

## Vale Eric Smyth

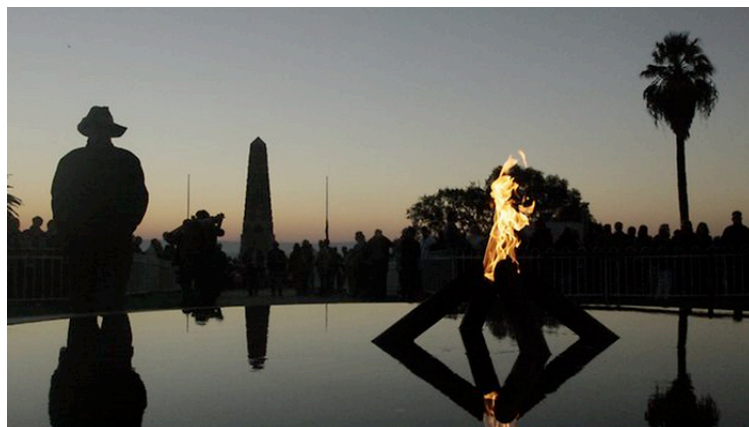
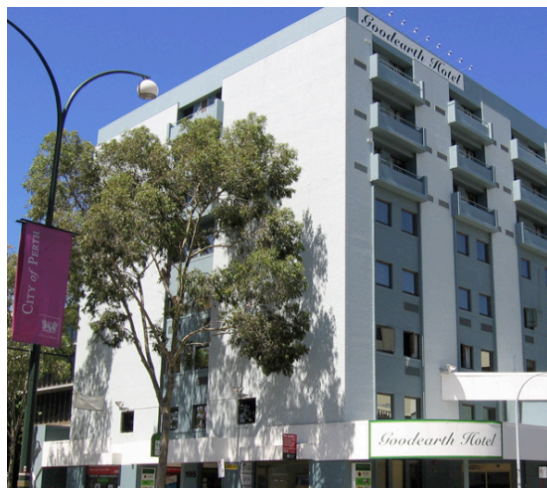


Above: Lt Col Alexander Spence, Lt Eric Smyth, Maj. Bernard Callinan and Capt. George Boyland in East Timor

We also note with sadness the passing of intelligence officer Lt Eric William Smyth, who passed away on 28 January 2014, aged 93. Eric was the only member of the 2/2 who served in the unit from its inception until the final demobilisation in Rabaul, New Britain, in February 1946. Eric is survived by his wife Twy, their three children, Phillip, Jan and Erica, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren. To see the Vale notice provided by Erica, please go to our website [Doublereds.org.au](http://Doublereds.org.au) and click History, then Nominal Roll and then the link to Eric's service number. A wake in Eric's honour will be held on 13 April 2014 at the Geographe Bay Yacht Club, Busselton, between 10am and 2pm. If you wish to attend, please call Erica Smyth on 0419358706.

## ANZAC Day 2014

This year, we will be joined in the march, and at our lunch, by six East Timorese war veterans. Details of the muster point for the march will be published in the West Australian in the lead-up to ANZAC Day.



Members and friends are invited to join us at our annual ANZAC Day lunch at 12.30pm at the Goodearth Hotel. The cost is only \$35 for a delicious three-course meal and you pay for your own drinks. To book, please fill in the slip below and post with your payment to John Denman at the address shown or email John at [johnandlaraine@westnet.com.au](mailto:johnandlaraine@westnet.com.au). Bookings must be received by 11 April 2014.

## Missing editions of Courier

Did you know that you can search through our archived editions of Courier for keywords, such as a particular soldier's name? Go to [Doublereds.org.au](http://Doublereds.org.au), click on History and then on The Courier and select an edition. From there, click ctrl F and search for the word/s you want. [Missing Couriers](#)

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## Commemoration Ceremony

Our annual commemoration ceremony was held at the unit's memorial in Lovekin Drive, Kings Park, on 17 November 2013. The association's patron, His Excellency Malcolm McCusker, AC CVO QC, Governor of Western Australia, delivered a moving address. Mr McCusker observed the fine achievements of the unit, applauded the character traits of its members and paid tribute to the Timorese people for the vital help they gave our soldiers. The Hon. Consul to Timor Leste, Dr Barry Mendelawitz, presented a Tais (a traditional East Timorese woven cloth) to His Excellency.

Veteran Keith Hayes attended and laid a wreath with David Marshall, son of the late Arthur Marshall.

## Debt of Honour exhibition in Albany



Above: The Governor, Malcolm McCusker, David Marshall and Keith Hayes



Above: President of the 2/2 Commando Association, Jenny Beahan, speaking at the ceremony

The WA Museum's Debt of Honour exhibition continues its tour of regional Western Australia. The exhibition opened in Albany on 14 February 2014 and will be there until 18 May 2014. If you have not yet seen this brilliant exhibition, you should!



## ANZAC Day lunch

Yes, I wish to attend the 2/2 Commando Association ANZAC Day lunch at 12.30pm at the Goodearth Hotel, 195 Adelaide Terrace, Perth and I **enclose** a cheque for \$35.

Name (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please post, with cheque (**payable to 2/2 Commando Association**), to:

John Denman, 31 Griffell Way, Duncraig WA 6023 Phone: (08) 9448 5931

All bookings must be received by 11 April 2014.