



The word from the **Horse's Mouth**

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What the Prez Sez

Welcome to the winter edition of the Horse's Mouth for 2025.

The vigil this year was a special one. Our links to the past are closer than ever (see the message below under RAEME Vigil.) Great to see it was well attended.

The passing of Paul Pescud reminds us all of the short time we have on this earth and that we need to make to most of it and that includes the lifelong friendships within our Association.

Please give some thought to joining our Committee as its getting to be time for some new faces.

Spanner Moot (AGM)

We have booked the IBIS again for a get together and AGM starting at 1300 on Saturday 11th October. It will be a good chance to catch up with everyone and the IBIS always looks after us. Also, a bit of judicious army twisting may free up the PMC's card at some point.

Please note that while the current officer bearers are happy to stay on for another year, we are seeking "Assistants" who are envisaged to take over in 2027.

RAEME Vigil

The RAEME Vigil was held as usual at the Sandakan memorial in Kings Park on ANZAC Eve. About 30 of us met up in the car park at the back of the tennis club at 1900 and moved forward from there, under the direction of our Piper – OC 113 Rob Reeves (who is likely to get a gig at the Brisbane show of the Edinburgh Military Tattoo next year) and our new Padre - John Crosby, whose wife is a granddaughter of CPL Bill Swan who we celebrated on the Vigil. CPL Swan's daughter is still alive and was overjoyed to know we still remember and celebrate her father.



The March

The March was very well attended and our numbers appear to be growing every year. It is a testament that Spanners all, we always come through when the occasion demands.

Après la Marche

Once again, the IBIS came through with over 80 people dropping in and out during the afternoon. The word has obviously got about as we had quite a large contingent from over the road.

Vietnam Day

Once again only our banner was present. Though our turnout was good, the number of other attendees is falling. We support this day becoming a general Veteran's Day for all "modern" conflicts but at this stage there is no support from the current committee. We will persevere.

Social Functions

The committee is looking at the possibility of another major social function next year, possibly at the RAAFA. To be discussed at the AGM.

Vale and RAP

Paul (Pas) Pescud passed away in late June in Northam Hospital. He was a Vietnam Veteran Reccy-Mech.

Please let us know anyone who is crook or has recently passed on and we can put something in the newsletter.

Soldier's 5

If you want to check up on any mates, drop us a line and we can do a search of both our and other states' databases to find them.

Also, if you are having trouble paying on-line, we are always available to talk you through it.

??Did You Know???

Nungarin Antics – Part II



Got the transmission in the Huey and a lot of other bits and although it didn't look like we made much progress... It is rather deceptive! The team worked hard on "Find the part in the haystack" challenge.... Searching for the parts was both entertaining and rewarding!

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- The transmissions were connected up to the selector and the kick down circuits (including removal and straightening of selectors).
- Made the missing closing plate and bracket for the water pump and Oil Filter.
- Located and installed the Generator Regulators.
- Installed Fuel filters.
- Tested electric fuel pump (will be replacing)
- Connected Starter Motor Battery Supply Cables.
- Worked out half the wiring ready for termination to the engines.
- Cut new radiator hoses and lifted the transmission and engine oil intercooler
- And had a lot of laughs...

We should be able to start the girl on our next visit... which will be late September... More details to follow...

Two Spanners and a Roach Tour II

Once again, a couple of ex 113 OCs with their RPS in tow ventured across to Europe for a bit of a wander. While the trip is all over the RAEME WA Facebook page, here are a few bits of note.

Normandy

Some great museums, but as Loggies the Mulberry Harbour at Arromanches was really interesting. Started 2 days after the landings, built in a week, the Mulberry harbour at Gold Beach was used for ten months after D-Day and over two million men, four million tons of supplies and half a million vehicles were landed before it was fully decommissioned.



Some of the bits still left.



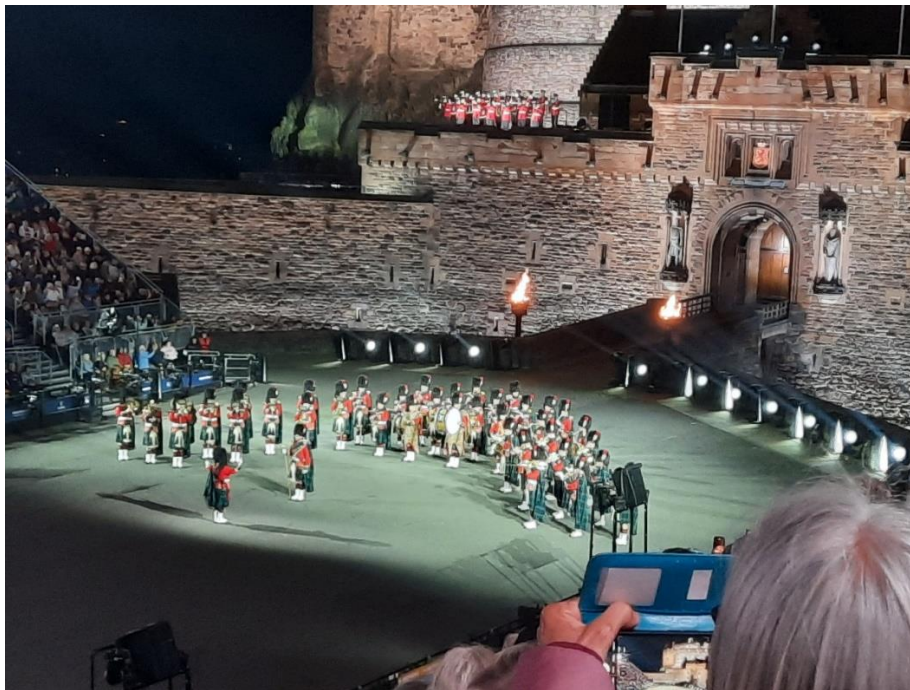
Wrong Army - but Tech Spt is still Tech Spt



They may have been very evil, but having your own jerry cans....

Edinburgh Military Tattoo

Worth every penny and will be coming to Australia next year with a performance in Brisvegas in mid-February. Raid the puggy bank!



Hadrian's Wall

While the Bns (Cohorts) manned the Wall, the Admin Coy was based a bit further back at the Logistic base at Corbridge (Coria). There is a daily strength state which exists for the 18 May 97 AD and of the 752 soldiers of a single cohort at Vindolanda, 337 – inc two Centurions (the rank not the tank) were detached to Coria. These are the remnants of the workshop

