



## Chairman's Chat

Greetings from the dry, dry world of Western Australia. Australia was largely cushioned from the worst of the effects of the Global Financial Crisis (GFC) because of the strength of its mining industry, strong regulatory banking controls and from the Government having budgeted for surpluses over several years. Western Australia was and still is the leading State in the country driving the national economy. However this year it has been our turn to experience a severe drought from the Gascoyne Region and through the whole south west of the State. Whilst Perth has only received about half of its annual average rainfall this year many parts the Wheatbelt have only received 10% or 20% and that means the total wheat, barley, oats and canola crops will only be less than half of the average production.

At 4.30am on Saturday 4th September, Christchurch on the South Island of New Zealand experienced a 7.1 Richter scale earthquake and, despite very extensive and severe damage, there was no loss of life. Comment has been made in Perth that the reason why there was no loss of life is that the night clubs had been closed for a couple of hours and that if a similar sized earthquake hit Perth there would be a very extensive loss of life as the night clubs are open till 6.00am.

The historical buildings which experienced the most damage were the old churches and many of these in and close to the city centre and have had to be demolished. What has been impressive is the post-earthquake management by the civil

defence staff and here there is a BSAP connection. After many years of service former Asst Commissioner **Ron Pilborough** and Kiwi wife Carol moved to Christchurch and he embarked on another distinguished career in civil defence. Lew Whitmore and I visited Christchurch in late April and early May 2009 and were pleased to meet up with Ron and Carol. I'm sure that many of the systems and standards Ron set up before he retired were responsible for the sound management of the crisis situation and its consequences.

Most people are unaware that since the big quake Christchurch and the area around it has experienced many aftershocks and nearly three months later they are still being experienced but they aren't being reported in the media. (See letter from **5425 Roy McTaggart** on page 5 – Ed)

Another significant new Kiwi is **Winston Hart** and I'm pleased that my former Police rugby colleague was commissioned as a sculptor to

use his skills in the creation of the new BSAP memorial which was unveiled on 25 July at the National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire. I never cease to be amazed at the wide range of new careers which former members of the BSAP have been successful in. Given that we have over a hundred members I believe our *Outpost* would be an ideal publication for our members to share their post BSAP lives with us.

At our AGM in March it was announced that our foundation and one and only Branch Secretary since the establishment of the Australia branch,



**The Chairman and  
Committee of the Australia  
Branch wish all our members  
and readers a very happy and  
safe Christmas and New Year**



John Seward, needs to move on his life and would be resigning from the position. Sadly nobody volunteered to take on even some of the duties and this is a real concern for the continued viability of the branch's ability to communicate with its members and the many other branches around the world. In the immediate term we are seeking several people, and this includes **you** if you're reading this in Australia, who can each take on just a few of the secretarial duties. Please contact me by phone as I can outline the range of tasks which John undertakes and then offer you an opportunity to contribute to the continuing function of the branch.

I need to remind you all that the Constitution of BSAP Regimental Association very clearly states that our organisation only exists for social and welfare reasons. It specifically excludes the committee or members using the Association to promote political causes or to use the membership list as a means of communicating political views to the members.

We recently went through a very closely run Commonwealth election which resulted in a hung parliament. In close elections some seats are only decided by a few votes following the distribution of preferences. Hence it would theoretically be possible for a small lobby group to influence the outcome of an election.

Since our last Outpost two of our members have sadly passed on. Both **Doug Lyon** and **Dave Harley** suffered from long illnesses before their passing. I would like to take this opportunity to commend their families for all the loving care and attention they gave to Doug and Dave.

On 25 September we held another successful Annual Luncheon which is reported in this edition. Former WA Police Superintendent **Ian Calderwood**, our guest speaker, provided a lot of food for thought based on his experience in both the BSAP and the WA Police Service. The formula of having a Rhodie as guest speaker who can relate to the audience was again the right medicine for the audience.

Earlier in the year the definitive book on the BSAP "Blue and Old Gold" was published. The book is a highly added value enhancement to "The History of BSAP 1889-1980" as it contains many photographs never published before and similarly a lot of illustrations by our own Richard Hamley. It also contains numerous appendices including the detailed male and female nominal rolls. The book represents your last chance to own the most significant item of BSAP memorabilia ever produced.

Rob (Bob) GATES 7045

## Station Notes

### Annual Luncheon 2010

This was held on Saturday the 25th of September 2010 at the City of Belmont RSL attended by 63 members and guests. A report of the proceedings appears on page 3.

### Annual Christmas BBQ with RAWA

This took place on Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> of December at Kings Park and details were sent out to members as to time place etc.

## Travelling Members

**P/R/ Pat and Joanne Dunne** have had a wonderful holiday in Britain and visited the site of the BSAP memorial and were so impressed with what they saw. (see page 9 - Ed)

**5316 Kerry and Olivia Hoadley**, spent some time in Tuscany followed by a great river cruise from Moscow to St Petersburg. They found the weather was generally great although a little too warm in St Petersburg.

**4663 John and Janet Savage** spent a couple of months in Tasmania looking after a friend's home whilst they were away in Europe. They really enjoyed it and made comms with John Heycock and Doug Wright.

**4655 Henry Wright** as usual did his annual pilgrimage to Africa and we wait to hear how he found things.



## Welfare

**4071 Doug Wright** in Hobart and his wife Ursula have not been at all well and both are now in an aged home.

## Visitors

**Ken Macdonald** from Bulawayo visited his son in Perth and has been in contact with John Seward and Earl Cameron

## Committee Meetings

These are now held every second Wednesday of every even month i.e. February, April, June, August, October and December at the City of Belmont RSL on the corner of the Great Eastern Highway and Leake Street from 5.15pm till 7pm. You are more than welcome to attend.

## Membership

It is a great pity that several ex members resident in Australia are not members of the Branch as we need new blood and even if they do not attend functions they would be helping in our welfare efforts mainly to help our widows and others in need.

## Help to make Station Notes interesting

Please help me in this regard with any snippets of interest that you may have and look forward to your contributions whether they are news or articles.

Walk Tall

John Seward (4649)

## Annual Luncheon

The Annual Luncheon of the Australia Branch took place on Saturday 25 September at the City of Belmont RSL. Our guest speaker was 7682 Ian Calderwood who left the BSAP in 1973 and joined the West Australian Police Service. He achieved the rank of Superintendent before retirement.

Ian delivered a very absorbing account of his service both in the BSAP and in the WA Police

Service, particularly when stationed in the more remote areas.

Those attending were: John & Margaret Seward, Alan and Joyce McGrath, Terry & Joan Walton (Joyce McGrath's sister & husband visiting from London), Jan and Howard Martin, Rob & Laurie Gates, Lew & Joann Whitmore, Linda and Steve Martin, Betty Cilliers (Guest of Merle Howden), Merle Howden, Charles and Adele Scott, Tom Doherty, David Van Zuydam and guest (son Adam Van Zuydam), Elizabeth and Sam Williams, Rod and Brenda Blevin, Janet Capell (daughter of ex Asst Commissioner Dave Sloman now in Joburg) and her mother-in-law Cecily (her late husband was a descendent Col. Essex Capell ex BSAP Commissioner), John Savage, Bert Freemantle, Jane Van der Westhuizen (daughter of Bert Freemantle), Nick Van der Westhuizen (Bert Freemantle's grandson), Jordan Van der Westerhuizen (nephew of Jane visiting from Johannesburg), Rob Bater, Ian Calderwood (guest of Honour), Carol Clapham, Margaret Craft (guest of Carol Clapham), Dick & Helen Hamley, Kerry and Olivia Hoadley, Chris and Dorothy Morten, Bob and Barbara Osborne, Sylvia Holborn, Dave and Joyce De Salis, Bill Johnstone, Alan Richardson (President of the City of Belmont RSL and guest of the Branch) Arthur Hutson, Fleur Blick and her husband Graham, Vivienne Hedge, Margo Morgan, Don and Joyce Bulloch, Andrew Cox 9369 (guest of Rod Bater just arrived in WA), Val Davies, Celia Parkinson and Mick & Joan Davis.



Annual Luncheon at Belmont RSL, Perth



Rob Bater (BSAP Air Wing) and 9369 Andy Cox attended the Luncheon

### From The Editor

Sometimes it seems increasingly difficult to obtain contributions to the Outpost from our readers and then, out of the blue, I get a real gem.

This one comes from **Janet Savage** via her husband John (Janet's first husband was the late Jim Tipple who retired from the Force in 1981 with the rank of Chief Supt.)

At our last Annual Luncheon, John handed me a copy of the *Record of Presentation to the BSAP Officers' Mess*. At first I thought this would be rather dry and of little interest to our readers until I studied the contents of the document. You will see what I mean when you reach page 9 in this Outpost (the print is rather small but nevertheless readable). Sincere thanks Janet.

### Mail Bag

#### From Andy Northcott (firstly the good news)

(Andy and Pam lost everything in the Victorian bush fires in February 2009 and are trying to rebuild their lives – Ed)

Our Planning Permit is in hand...hurrah! Sooner than expected - which is such good news. A few weeks more for the Building Permit and our builder is ready to rock and roll.

Fabulous and up lifting news.

Pam & Andrew (11 June 2010)

#### ...and then the Bad News!

Hard to laugh - take a look at today's picture - worked stopped. The locals are calling us 'The Drought Breakers'. Heavy downpours of rain stopped work

AGAIN this week. One wonders if it will ever cease long enough to get the slab poured. Frame is ready to go as is the roof and the brick walls... but it has to dry out first.

Pam & Andrew (13 October 2010)

#### ....and now Good News again

Latest view of our new home as of the 10th November. Battens and fascias on next week and then the colourbond roofing by the end of next week provided the latest rain band doesn't hold things up. Lock up before Christmas Trade close down.

Pam & Andrew



Pam and Andy's house is taking shape

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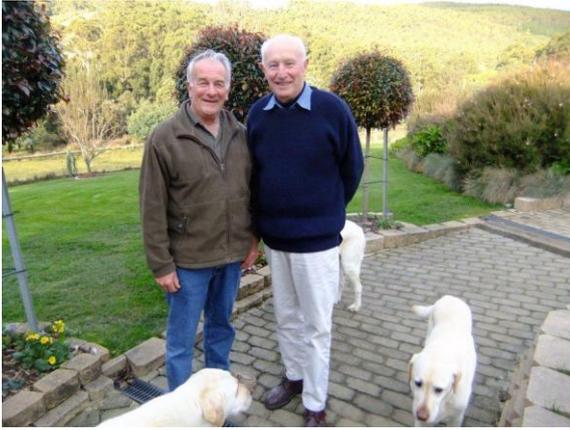
#### From John Heycock, Tasmania

We have just had an all too brief visit by John (4663) and Janet Savage who stayed for lunch and a long chat while they are in Tasmania for a few weeks.

We had never actually met before, but after the visit we felt that we had known each other for a lifetime. Such is the camaraderie of the BSAP.

John Heycock 6373

(photo next page)



John Heycock with John Savage in Tassie

**From 5425 Roy McTaggart** (Christchurch, New Zealand) to Kerry Hoadley. September 2010

I expect you heard about our earth quake. Well, we were in the middle of it. One of the worst hit streets in one of the worst hit areas. A lot of people further down the street have had to move out immediately and their homes, which were of a good quality, will have to be demolished and rebuilt pending an engineer's report on the stability of the ground.

Our house is a lockwood and although the concrete slab is broken, the house itself is more or less intact and habitable, apart from a few doors which won't open or close. It seemed as though the entire house bounced violently up and down for two or three minutes and then settled back in its original spot without breaking any power, water or sewerage connections. So we too will have to rebuild, hopefully on the same section, at some time.

This quake happened one week after I had been discharged from hospital where I'd had my knees replaced. These are progressing well and I am now walking around the house without crutches. I should be able to drive the car (legally) in two weeks. I'm just glad the quake didn't happen while I was in hospital and Alma alone at home. We are hoping that our rebuilding program won't interfere with our river trip plans for next year. The thought of packing up all our furniture and moving out and then back in again at the age of 77 does not appeal. It's not the way we expected

to spend our autumn years but we've been luckier than some.

I understand that none of the other Association members in Christchurch were hard hit.

So here we are, shaken but we haven't stirred.

Regards,

Roy

**From Andrew Field, Webmaster**

### **BSAP Website**

It has been a little while since I wrote to you all. I try and write every six months or so, just to keep in touch with all of you who have registered through the website.

There are a couple of issues which I would like to raise, the first of which is to bring to your attention the work which has been done on your web site [www.bsap.org](http://www.bsap.org). Over the last three months much has been done to refresh the look and feel of the web site and to add content which was considered of interest. Things have been shuffled around a little, but the main change is the introduction of 'news' pages for each month of the year. This month's news page can be found at <http://www.bsap.org/newsjun.html>

These pages will carry the latest news available to me from within our network and newsletters from most of the Regimental Association branches. We are trying to encourage each of the branches to 'maintain' their own pages with listing of committees and forthcoming events. I am always open for ideas for content which would interest you all.

I would also like to bring to your attention the promotional on the book, '**Blue and Old Gold**'. The web site has a promotional page on this book and where reviews are made, I shall add them to the content - please go to <http://www.bsap.org/blueoldgoldprom.html>

The book is a work well worth owning and I am sure many of you will enjoy many happy hours browsing an amazing range of images and reading. Get yours now! Zimbabwean stocks of



the book are almost sold out. Distributors are listed on the webpage.

As the months go by, more and more former members are becoming more technically competent on the web. Many have e-mail addresses, but, we guess, a good number are not registered on the 'international' database that I maintain. If you are receiving e-mails from former colleagues, whom you suspect are not aware of the listing I maintain, please encourage them to communicate with me. Direct them to the web site; I am sure they will enjoy the experience. Former members do not have to be members of the Regimental Association to be included on this database. Obviously I would encourage their joining up and enjoying face to face networking with former members, you will enjoy the experience, but this is your choice.

I believe that there is something in the region of 900 former members listed on the website (Trevor Dutton counted them!), providing contact details and enabling old comrades to make contact. Some entries on this public listing originated from the Rhodesians World Wide Web site, and sadly many are stale. I am slowly working on refreshing these lists. A new feature is the inclusion of your image against your entry. If you have not been listed before, go to the site and complete the forms, but more importantly if you are already listed, go check your details and update them where they are incorrect.

We continue to run more interactive social networks for former members. There are a few 'chat lists', which are e-mail based, for former members of the force. You may subscribe to any of these by simply sending a blank e-mail to: General Group - [BSAPAssn-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:BSAPAssn-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) - Run by the team, Andrew Field, Les Burrow and Geraint Jones

History Group - [BSAPHistory-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:BSAPHistory-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) - Run by Geoff Quick for the more serious history topics  
Traffic Talk - [TrafficTalk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:TrafficTalk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) - Run by Spike Werner

Christian Group - [BSAPChristian-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:BSAPChristian-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) - Run by Chris Russell

There is another form of networking which has evolved recently and which had proved popular for former members, their spouses and children. This can be found at [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) which you would need to register for online and then search for the group "British South Africa Police" or simply "BSAP". This is a less formal network than the e-mail groups, but you will find old friends here and the Facebook groups have a good collection of BSA Police images. Give it a try if you are a frequent web browser. This kind of networking is not for everyone.

Finally, I would like to pay special tribute to all the Outpost Editors who do much work to bring the news of old comrades to members and who allow the reproduction of their newsletters on the web site. They volunteer many hours digging for information and compiling these regular newsletters. They deserve our gratitude. I would appeal to you all for some support by at least giving them feedback and your appreciation, if not, contributing news to your local editors, where you have news. I am sure they would welcome the input and old comrades would enjoy your news too. All the editors' contact details are on the site under the 'Contacts' tab at the top of each page on the website.

For those of you who like to hear all the news out of Zimbabwe, all I can say is that, as I write, there really is not much to tell. The political situation is ongoing and much of the hope we had for change and a different attitude to rule evaporated many months back. Business has become very difficult to maintain, especially with a corrupt bureaucracy.

I wish you all happy browsing, where you can and encourage you all to stay in touch with your former colleagues.

With best wishes,

Andrew Field – 8646



## Obituaries

### Douglas (Doug) Lyon

By John Seward

I am with you today to honour and celebrate the life of Douglas Lyon, a man whom I have known for over 50 years. I met him in Africa in a small country town called Bindura in Rhodesia where I was in the Police Force and Doug was an up and coming young farmer.

He had a beautiful young wife called Nancy whom he married in 1953 and two very small children. He and Nancy were founder members of the Caledonian Society there and many, many people in the surrounding farming area as well as the Town enjoyed the Society, "Dos" and especially the "Burns Nicht," festivities where Nancy's Atholl Brose was the highlight of the evening.

Doug was born in Scotland on the 17th December 1922 and grew up in Kirriemuir where his father farmed. He had planned a veterinary career but with the war joined the RAF training in Canada and later serving in India and Burma.

After the war he immigrated to Rhodesia first to Salisbury but later started as a farm assistant and subsequently bought his own farm in the Glendale area known as Leopards Vlei where I first met him.

Doug was a most successful and highly respected farmer having pioneered the growing of cotton in Rhodesia and was at one time President of the Cotton Growers Association and a Vice President of the Commercial Farmers Union.

Being community minded he joined the Bindura Police Reserve in 1954 and later was part of the Mazoe Flight of the Police Reserve Air Wing where his services were often called upon.

He, together with other enthusiastic persons started the Bindura Gliding Club and became a proficient glider pilot, and I remember when he turned 80 years old his family gave him as a birthday present a balloon flight at Northam. You could not keep that man on the ground.

When Douglas & Nancy's son Edmond known as Fred moved to Western Australia soon followed by their daughter Margaret, being a very close & devoted family they decided to come to Australia too

Douglas and Nancy settled in the Mundaring area where they first had a small holding so in a small way he could still practice his farming but later they moved into a smaller property nearer the town. It was from there that they soon became active members of the community and made many friends. Douglas joined the Probus Club, did voluntary work and helped family and friends. It was during that time that he learned to use the computer especially to write his life history so that his grandchildren when they were ready could know more about him and their ancestry. It was also whilst living there that Doug went on a cattle muster to the north of the state an experience that he much enjoyed

Doug was a very prominent member of the Rhodesia Association of Western Australia to which I belong and was a successful chairman of the Madalas section for three years arranging many interesting outings that we all enjoyed.

In 2003 Douglas suffered a massive stroke which left him paralysed and with loss of speech from which he never recovered.

Douglas was moved to a nursing home in Mandurah where their daughter Margaret and family were and Nancy had to sell up their home in Mundaring before she could also move there to be close to him. Her care for Doug in recent years has been exceptional showing their great love and devotion for one another. A true love story

He was a great father to Fred and Margaret and father in law to Sandy and Mick and proud and loving grandfather to Andrew, Stuart, Sarah and Cathryn.

We farewell you now Douglas, one of nature's gentlemen. Fly free on to your next journey.

(Several members of our Association, including Rob Gates and John Plant (Air Wing) attended Doug's funeral – Ed)



### 7000 David Phillip Harley

David Phillip Harley died as a result of a brain tumour on 18 August in Melbourne, Australia.

Dave joined the Force on 5 September, 1963, following a short period as a cadet, and served for three years leaving with the rank of Patrol Officer.

He joined the Royal Australian Air Force and passed out as a pilot officer serving in Transporter aircraft including the Hawker Siddley HS748 and later the Hercules C130. He later went into the commercial airline business and subsequently operated his own property settlement business.

He was a member of this Branch of the Regimental Association. Our thoughts go out to his family and friends, to whom we extend our deepest sympathy.

### 6063 Alan Stock

It is with regret that I advise the death on 20 June 2010, of **Alan Stock**. Alan died at St Wilfred's Hospice, Eastbourne.

Alan served 31/8/59 to 31/8/84, retiring with the rank of Staff Chief Inspector. He will be remembered as the long time Editor of the Outpost.

Our deepest sympathy goes to his wife Colleen and children Stephanie and Michael.

Barry Henson                      Hon Sec UK Branch

### UNION CASTLE – Can you help?

From Tom Doherty

(email: peejay26@tpg.com.au)

My interest lies in acquiring details of the following *Union Castle* Ships or Liners, namely:

*Stirling Castle; Edinburg Castle; Carnarvon Castle and the Pretoria Castle.*

If possible I would like to get hold of either:

- (i) General arrangement drawings of the lines of the ship, or

- (ii) Cabin or Deck plans usually from Union Castle brochures of individual ships which would help in making up a small model of the vessel.

Any information no matter how brief would be gratefully accepted.

Many thanks and regards

Tom

### BSAP REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION CENTENERARY

The UK branch following its successful project to create a BSAP memorial in National Arboretum in Staffordshire has thrown down a challenge to all other branches. The challenge is to have a significant project or series of projects in 2013 to celebrate the establishment of the BSAP Regimental Association in 1913.

One idea which a few of us have had in Western Australia is that as 2013 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the attestation of 223 recruits, in ten squads, in 1963, then a big reunion of all of those squad members would be a significant event. In considering where to hold such a reunion, South Africa would appear to be an attractive option based on the likely number of attendees, geographically easy to access from Europe and Australasia and least expensive local costs.

Durban or Cape Town would appear to be attractive options to hold such an event. In order for this to happen it will be necessary for each squad to locate its own members. The starting point would be for each branch to determine how many members have regimental numbers between 6826 and 7049 and for a couple of people from each squad verify the contact details of those members. The hunt would then be on for people who aren't Regimental Association members, a search of the Roll of Honour for those no longer with us, www searches etc. Consideration should also be given to expanding the reunion so that 1962 squad members who passed out in 1963 be included and also include 1964 squad members who were in Depot when 1963 squad members passed out from Depot.



One huge reunion is an option as are individual squad reunions or for squads, which worked closely together eg 8/9/10/63 to have joint reunions. Advice from squads which have recently held reunions would be valuable resource eg on organisational details. It is anticipated that squad instructors across all disciplines and Depot staff would be invited to attend. The purpose of the note is to act as a catalyst to think and communication between people of that era.

Bob Gates 7045 Member 10/63.

**BSAP Officers' Mess  
Record of Presentations**

Thanks to Janet Savage for providing the following extracts from the above record (they are photocopies)

PAIR OF BONGO HORNS MOUNTED ON A  
WOODEN SHIELD

**Inscription:** The Bongo. Presented to the Officers' Mess. B.S.A.P. by Col. A. E. Capell, D.S.O., 1923.

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*LIEUTENANT-COLONEL ALGERNON ESSEX CAPELL, C.B.E., D.S.O.*

Lt.-Col. Capell was born on 1st November, 1869. He served with the Cape Mounted Rifles from 1889 to 1899 when he joined the Methuen Horse. He was District Commissioner in Swaziland in 1904, and Assistant District Commissioner in British East Africa from 1908 to 1910 when he was appointed Chief of Police, Grenada, British West Indies. In 1913 he joined the British South Africa Police and retired as Commissioner on the 11th February, 1926. During his service he was made a Commander of the British Empire and awarded the Distinguished Service Order. During the Boer War he was mentioned in Despatches on three occasions.

CAVALRY LANCE

**Inscription:** Lance used by the late Lord Baden-Powell. Seige of Mafeking. 1899 — 1900. Presented by Lady Baden-Powell.

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*LIEUTENANT-GENERAL, LORD BADEN-POWELL, O.M., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., K.C.B.*

Born in 1857, Lord Baden-Powell became popular for his defence of Mafeking during the Boer War. In 1908 he founded the Boy Scouts movement and in 1910 the Girl Guides. He was Chief Scout of the World from 1921 until his death in 1941.

(more extracts next issue – Ed)

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**Zimbabwe Pensions**

**No pension payment outside Zimbabwe yet**

The Director of the Government Pensions Office in Harare has not been able to say anything about whether or when he might be authorised to make some pension or allowance payments to Public Service pensioners outside Zimbabwe.

The application forms and related documents submitted by pensioners in Britain and elsewhere are still been held in the OSPA office until the Pensions Director says he is ready to receive them. We do not know if that will ever happen. Applications from Zimbabwe pensioners in South Africa what were collected by the Flame Lily Foundation there have been sent to the Pensions Office in Harare, but no payments have been made.

**British South Africa Police Memorial**

**National Memorial Arboretum**

(From Pat and Joanne Dunne who visited Alrewas in June, a month before the BSAP Memorial was officially unveiled)

The monument, which was unveiled on the 25<sup>th</sup> July at the National Memorial Arboretum near Alrewas, close to Burton upon Trent, can be accessed via the A38, for those interested in going there.

Visit well worth it, the monument is a replica of the Blatherwick Memorial that stands in Morris depot.



National Memorial Arboretum



The National Memorial Arboretum is of 150 acres, 50,000 trees, of 32 tree species set within the National Forrest in Alrewas, the landscape gardens and pathways with over 150 memorials.

## The Last Parade

By 4853 Fred Punter

On Sunday 25th July 2010 possibly the last important historical event in the history of the British South Africa Police took place at the National Memorial Arboretum at Alrewas in the county of Staffordshire, English Midlands.



BSAP Memorial, Alrewas

The official unveiling and dedication of the new BSAP Memorial was attended by an estimated 400 former members of the Force and their wives.

4853 Fred Punter reports 'This was one of the most memorable weekends in the history of the Regimental Association, although held in UK and organised by the UK Branch Committee, it was undoubtedly a World Wide Association gathering with many former members travelling from far and wide, with representatives of just about every branch.

When the Parade "got fell in" in three ranks (I don't want you in fours screeched Tackie Mackintosh) for the march up to the Memorial, I found myself in about row 10 or so from the front, where the Standard Bearer, 6609 Hywel Parry Jones was in the lead, closely followed by

right marker 7211 Peter Biddulph and 9207 Garth Long and others who managed to get their place in the front row.

There was a Landrover ahead with loudspeakers pointing out from the rear which played the Regimental March as we moved off. As we reached the end of the march I glanced to the rear and was absolutely amazed to see how long the parade was, I would estimate at least 40 rows. The speeches and prayers associated with the unveiling were well delivered, poignant and very moving.

As most of you know I am not one to generally give accolades but this event deserves every praise one could give. The Chairman of the UK Branch and his committee deserve the thanks and congratulations of all Association members for the organisation and hard work that obviously went into arranging the building of the Memorial and for the arrangements for the day, everything went off without a hitch.

There will never be another gathering like it. Fortunately, I and many others, can say, "We were there".

The unveiling was performed by General The Lord Walker of Aldringham. Michael Walker is the Patron to the BSAP Trust and has close ties with the UK Branch of the Association. He was born in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia in 1944, his father being 3088 Colonel WDH Walker who retired from the Force as a Senior Asst. Comm. in 1958.



The Lord Walker of Aldringham



Following a distinguished military career in the British Army, Michael retired in 2006 and was created a Life Peer as Baron Walker.

The dedication and the blessing of the Roll of Honour was performed by 4600 Reverend Terry Mesley-Spong. Terry served from 1950 to 1954.

The Parade Commander was someone well qualified to perform the task - 4777 "Takkie" MacIntosh, who at 80 years of age, acquitted himself well.

The last Commissioner of the British South Africa Police, 3939 Peter Allum, gave the Final Address.

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### House Painting

As mentioned in our previous *Outpost*, Association Member Rob Cowell is back in Perth having retired after several years with the Prison Service in Broome.

Rob is looking for house painting jobs in and around Perth and mentions that his rates are more than reasonable. If you are looking for good painter, please phone Rob on (08) 9406 8970.

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### BSAP Shields

These are available from Tom Doherty who may be contacted at the following email address or by phone: peejay26@tpg.com.au ph. (08) 9341 5228

The price of each shield is \$80 plus postage (\$7.45 for WA and \$9.40 inter-state)



### The Benefactor's Monkey

By Chris Morten

This book is available directly from its Western Australian distributors at a cost of A\$29.95 plus postage and handling costs. Full details are available on:

[www.thebenefactorsmonkey.com/](http://www.thebenefactorsmonkey.com/)

Contact people are Phil and Michelle on 61-8-93099444.

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### Blazer Badges

BSAP blazer badges are now available from the following for \$40:

Ken Palmer

Phone: (08) 9459 8864 (H)

(08) 9365 1111 (W)

### BSAP Mounted Trooper

I have recently started to produce a scale model kit of a BSAP Mounted Trooper - photo below. The scale is 120mm with the kit coming in 11 pieces - base, horse (2 halves), trooper, arms, lance, helmet spike, 2 sets of reins and rope. The price per kit is £59:99 which includes post and packaging (registered/recorded delivery) from England. This price is specifically for BSAP members and x Rhodie. The market price will be set higher.

With Christmas just around the corner perhaps there are those members wishing to have an item of this nature to grace their bar or living room or office, and would appreciate it if you would get the word out.

Andrew Field and Alan Hadfield have been a great help with my project

Richard (Pike) DP/O 8745

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Mounted Trooper

## The Benefactor's Monkey

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## Smile awhile

(thanks to Alun Vaughan & Brian Parnaby)

I was stopped by the police at midnight and asked where I was going.

"I'm on the way to listen to a lecture about the effects of alcohol and drug abuse on the human body."

The policeman asked me, "really? And who's going to give a lecture at this time of night?"

"My wife", I responded.

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An irate customer calling the newspaper office loudly demanded, "Where is my Sunday paper?"

"Madam," said the newspaper employee, "today is Saturday. The Sun-Herald is not delivered until tomorrow, on Sunday morning..."

There was quite a long pause on the other end of the phone, followed by a ray of recognition as she was heard to mutter...

"Well, bugger me... that's why no one was at church today!!"

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'Mr Clark, I have reviewed this case very carefully,' the divorce Court Judge said, 'And I've decided to give your wife \$775 a week,'

'That's very fair, your honour,' the husband said. 'And every now and then I'll try to send her a few bucks myself.'

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I went to the doctors the other day and I said, 'Have you got anything for wind?' So he gave me a kite.

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"I said to the Gym instructor "Can you teach me to do the splits?" He said, "How flexible are you?" I said, "I can't make Tuesdays".

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A priest, a rabbi and a vicar walk into a bar. The barman says, "Is this some kind of joke?"

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Slept like a log last night..... Woke up in the fireplace.



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