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Membership

RCOA welcomes new members of former Customs officers. Current membership is 137. The membership fee for former officer & spouse or single is \$6. An application form is included on the inside back page of this Newsletter. Annual subscriptions are due on 1st January each year. Please check your address label for your current financial status.

Future Events 2006

May 16th - Dinner @ Fremantle TAFE
June 11th - Breakfast @ Swan Yacht Club
Sept 11th - Wildflower Trip @ Dongara

Point of Interest

For those who like to keep up with facts & figures, Harry Wills is in his 21st year of being an active committee member. Happy 21st Harry, keep up the good work.

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News of Members

Dorrie Hamilton has recently been in hospital. Although no longer a member, she wishes to be remembered by all those who know her, she sends her regards to you all.

Darrell Johnson has also been in the wars, he recently had an operation & is recovering. He was at the sausage sizzle taking it easy, great to see him out & about.

Brian Jost is recovering slowly from an operation performed on his lower back a couple of weeks ago. Bodily injuries, self inflicted, resulted in a CAT scan & an MRI. The scans revealed that he had well & truly interfered with the workings of at least three discs in the vertebrae resulting in an operation known as a Lumbar Hemi Laminectomy. Five days in St John of God Hospital, Subiaco certainly eased the pain. Home at present taking it real easy as per doctor's orders. However he was well enough to make it to the sausage sizzle which was good news.

Kaye Murray recently tried out her acrobatic skills & took a tumble. Although she is in pain she is still cheerful, in good spirits & looking forward to seeing us at dinner in May.

(We must be working our committee members too hard!)

Once again, we do know of members who are/have been unwell but respect their request for privacy.

We wish you all a speedy recovery & good health. 🙌

Vale

Mary Ford passed away recently, her funeral was held on March 28th. Mary had been a 'Friend' of the association for many years & was a regular attendee at the bus trips & functions held. Her company was enjoyed by all & she had a special repertoire with Vern Westley, sharing the same birthday.

Owen (Yogi) Morris passed away March 31st aged 85 years. Owen joined the Commonwealth Govt in December 1952. He was remembered always having a smile & laugh with those around him. He was a 'black button' officer & worked at Fremantle & the Airport. One colleague remembers a time when they went ship searching. They had stopped for a smoko (in the engine room where they happened to be) & Owen had sat on an upturned bucket. When he got up he went to turn the bucket upright & found two cartons of cigarettes stashed underneath resulting in a 'seizure'. They had a great laugh at their good luck.

Bruce Murray-Smith passed away in April aged 82 years. Bruce joined the Association in 1980 with his wife Mimie. Bruce was a third division officer at

Customs for many years spending his time in the Outports at Geraldton & Dampier before heading off to Canberra. He was known as a quiet unassuming man, with some remembering him having a 'bark worse than his bite'. He was held in regard by all that knew him.

Recent Outings

Jetty Restaurant Hillary's March 14th 2006

Food, food, glorious food, in copious quantities & of unimaginable variety. No names but a few members did manage a fair attempt with copious quantities. Thirty-three indicated their attendance but nature and family commitments often change the pre-arranged, so some apologies & excuses were received. Darrell Johnson used, as his excuse, a stint in hospital. Apologies were tendered by Bob Rex and Mike Metcalf. A perfect 'weatherwise' day, food fit for a King, great company, 27 in fact, is it any wonder that such venues attract so many. Val & friend, Jack, found time between caravanning and babysitting to grace us with their presence. Betty and Brian Solosy are becoming quite regular in attendance. Betty's Customs service was way back in the 40's and hopefully some of her experiences will appear in print in a future publication. Percy Perrin is still of sound appetite and is not restricted in his attendance despite a few small difficulties. In our midst, just to mention a few, was Kay Rickard with friend, Sandy, Peter Williams who has just recently returned from Hong Kong, John Marks, Gus and Carol Watson, Roly and Sue Sweet. One very pleasant day for all those in attendance.

Kings Park, April 4th 2006 - 'Almost Free' Sausage Sizzle

Our chefs, again, Warrick and Neil, did do a very fine sausage and onion combination. If you missed it, it was your misfortune. Man, nature and the weather gods created a perfect setting for this, not to be missed, social event. Apologies were received from Kay Murray & Harry Tazewell, Harry & Pat Wills, Percy & Bev Perrin and Les Alp. For you non attendees & maybe next timers, we will repeat the event, so keep yourselves posted. Gus and Carol Watson followed up from the Jetty Restaurant, Darrell not jogging yet but decidedly better for his stint. There are occasions where the son or daughter of a member has attended. This time Neil & Sue had their daughter & two granddaughters in their company & hopefully at forthcoming events. To all of you attending both these functions we thank you for your continued support. Would you like to try something different? *Approved RLK*

P.S. If you thought the food was good at the Jetty Restaurant, come to the next Sausage Sizzle & try some of Pat Johnson's cake.

Survey Results

In the previous issue of the RCOA newsletter we proposed five options for future outings/events and asked for a response from members. We received a response from 10% of the members. Does this indicate that 90% of members are happy with the current tried and true outings? Or perhaps some members would like a change but did not like the options we suggested. If you have any suggestions for future activities please advise the secretary.

Wildflower Trip: Some members are planning to stay at the Seaspray Caravan Park, Dongara from Monday 11 September to Thursday 14 September. Some are taking their own caravans whilst others are booking Chalets. During the day we will be visiting the local sites including wildflowers, towns, craft shops etc. If you wish to join us you are most welcome, however although there are vacancies at the moment it is suggested you book your accommodation quickly as September is the wildflower season. Of course you are at liberty to stay elsewhere and for as long as you wish.

Details of the Seaspray caravan park are: The Seaspray Caravan Park is located right on the beach and the mouth of the Irwin River with comfortable walking distance to the Dongara Town centre. There are a number of walking trails featuring history buildings and land marks as well as scenic river & ocean views.

Cabin with en-suite \$70
Cabin \$50 (provide your own linen or hire)
Cabin 3 room \$60
On site Vans \$45
Powered site \$20
Non-powered site \$18.
Linen Hire \$6 (one off charge)



Phone: (08) 9927 1165
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Web: www.seaspraybeachresort.com.au

There are many places to stay in Dongara and other caravan parks include:

Dongara Tourist Park (08) 9927 1210
Dongara Denison Beach Holiday Park (08) 9927 1131

Amusing ...

An old man was relaxing at his hundredth birthday party when a reporter went up to him. "Sir, what is the secret of your long life?" The man considered this for a moment, then replied, "Every day at 9 PM I have a glass of port. Good for the heart I've heard." The reporter replied, "That's ALL?" The man smiled, "That, and cancelling my voyage on the Titanic."



Historical Record (For our Files)

We would like your help in getting a historical record of members started & ask you all to take time to give us some information about yourself. If you have a photo of yourself please forward that too. We are interested to record the following -

What is your name?
Did you have a nickname at work?
When did you join Customs?
How long were you there?
Which areas did you work in & where?
Rank achieved
Who you worked with
Special moments
Favourite memories
Where did you go after Customs?
Anything else of interest
Any trivial information

We appreciate your assistance. If you have information of past members we can include that too. Thanks.

Sadly, some of this is true.

(Some ... Try most!)

(This was sent in by one of our members with a sense of humour!)

AAADD - Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder.
This is how it manifests:

I decide to water my garden. As I turn on the hose in the driveway, I look over at my car and decide it needs washing. As I start toward the garage, I notice mail on the porch table that I brought up from the mail box earlier. I decide to go through the mail before I wash the car. I lay my car keys on the table, put the junk mail in the garbage can under the table, and notice that the can is full.

So, I decide to put the bills back on the table and take out the garbage first. But then I think, since I'm going to be near the mailbox when I take out the garbage anyway, I may as well pay the bills first. I take my cheque book off the table, and see that there is only 1 cheque left. My extra cheques are in my desk in the study, so I go inside the house to my desk where I find the can of Coke I'd been drinking.

I'm going to look for my cheques, but first I need to push the Coke aside so that I don't accidentally knock it over. The Coke is getting warm, and I decide to put it in the refrigerator to keep it cold. As I head toward the kitchen with the Coke, a vase of flowers on the counter catches my eye -- they need water. I put the Coke on the counter and discover my reading glasses that I've been searching for all morning. I decide I better put them back on my desk, but first I'm going to water the flowers.

I set the glasses back down on the counter, fill a container with water and suddenly spot the TV remote. Someone left it on the kitchen table. I realize that tonight when we go to watch TV, I'll be looking for the remote, but I won't remember that it's on the kitchen table, so I decide to put it back in the den where it belongs, but first I'll water the flowers. I pour some water in the flowers, but quite a bit of it spills on the floor. So, I set the remote back on the table, get some towels and wipe up the spill.

Then, I head down the hall trying to remember what I was planning to do. At the end of the day:

- the car isn't washed
- the bills aren't paid
- there is a warm can of Coke sitting on the counter
- the flowers don't have enough water,
- there is still only 1 cheque in my cheque book,
- I can't find the remote,
- I can't find my glasses,
- And I don't remember what I did with the car keys.



 Then, when I try to figure out why nothing got done today, I'm really baffled because I know I was busy all day, and I'm really tired. I realize this is a serious problem, and I'll try to get some help for it, but first I'll check my e-mail. (Don't laugh -- if this isn't you yet, your day is coming!!)

Growing older is mandatory. Growing up is optional. Laughing at yourself is therapeutic.

Points to Ponder ...

-  Don't take life too seriously - No one gets out alive.
-  Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder.
-  I'm not a complete idiot - Some parts are missing.
-  God must love stupid people - He made so many
-  The gene pool could use a little chlorine.
-  Ever stop to think, and forget to start again?
-  Being 'over the hill' is much better than being under it!
-  Wrinkled was not one of the things I wanted to be when I grew up.
-  A hangover is the wrath of grapes.
-  Ham and eggs - A day's work for a chicken, a lifetime commitment for a pig

Lesson in Learning

A father and son went fishing one day. After a couple hours in the boat the boy suddenly became curious about the world around him. He asked his father, "How does this boat float?" The father thought for a moment, then replied, "Don't rightly know, son." The boy returned to his contemplation,

then turned back to his father, "How do fish breathe underwater?" Once again the father replied, "Don't rightly know, Son." A little later the boy asked his father, "Why is the sky blue?" Again, the father replied. "Don't rightly know, son." Worried he was going to annoy his father, he says, "Dad, do you mind my asking you all of these questions?" "Of course not son, if you don't ask questions, you'll remain ignorant and never learn anything."

Story of Love

A farmer had some puppies he needed to sell. He painted a sign advertising the four pups & set about nailing it to a post on the edge of his yard. As he was driving the last nail into the post, he felt a tug on his overalls. He looked down into the eyes of a little boy. "Mister", he said "I want to buy one of your puppies". "Well", said the farmer as he rubbed the sweat off the back of his neck, "these puppies come from fine parents & cost a good deal of money." The boy dropped his head for a moment, then reaching deep into his pocket he pulled out a handful of change & held it up to the farmer. "I've got thirty-nine cents, is that enough to take a look?" "Sure," said the farmer & with that he let out a whistle. "Here, Dolly!" he called & out from the doghouse & down the ramp ran Dolly followed by four little balls of fur. The little boy pressed his face against the chain link fence, his eyes danced with delight. As the dogs made their way to the fence, the boy noticed something stirring inside the doghouse. Slowly another little ball appeared this one noticeably smaller. Down the ramp it slid, then in an awkward manner, the little pup began hobbling toward the others, doing it's best to catch up. "I want that one," the boy said, pointing to the runt. The farmer knelt down at the boy's side & said, "Son, you don't want that puppy, he will never be able to run & play with you like these other dogs would." With that the little boy stepped back from the fence, reached down & began rolling up one leg of his trousers. In doing so he revealed a steel brace running down both sides of his leg attaching itself to a specially made shoe. Looking back up at the farmer he said, "You see sir, I don't run too well myself & he will need someone who understands." With tears in his eyes, the farmer reached down & picked up the little pup. Holding it carefully, he handed it to the little boy. "How much?" asked the boy. "No charge," answered the farmer, "there's no charge for love."

The world is full of people who need someone who understands. Show your friends how much you care. Share this with everyone you consider a friend.



RCOA Members 2006

ADDERLEY Thora (F)
ALP Les & Wyn
ANDERSON Jim & Norma
ARMSTRONG Susan & John DANIELS
BAINBRIDGE David & Jessica
BAIRD Jim & Dianne
BALES Ruby
BARNETT Jo
BARTROP Greg & Helen
BECK Ron & Maureen
BELL Phil
BISHOP Olive
BISSAKER Bryan & Pat
BURDGE Phil & Jeannette
CARTER Brian
CAUDWELL Alan
CHESCOE John & Tessa
CORNISH Christine & Graeme
CORNISH Christopher
CROWE Elsie
CULVER Joan (F)
CUSTANCE Ned & Joy
DALE Wayne & Lyn
DALTON Bob & Angela
DAVEY Nancy & Albert (L)
DAVEY-CHIVAS Amanda (F)
DAVIES Terry & Emma
DE GRUCHY Ron & Jean
DETERMES Bert
EARNSHAW Jack & Stella
ELEY Jack & Jess
EMERSON Terry & Norma
EWERS Gordon
FARREN Phil
FLETCHER John & Val
FLYNN Mike & Renee
FORREST Ian & Lorraine
FOSTER Frances
GATES Warrick & Ros
GERREYN Max & Sherren
GREENWOOD Harry & Doris
GREGG Gwen
HALL Alan
HALL Graham & Jan
HARDMAN Len & Valma
HERON Les & Moira
HEAVEY Margaret
HOPKINS Neil & Sue
HOVEY Eric & Audrey
HUBBARD Jacky & Paul
HUGHES Connie (L)
HUNTER Denise & Gary
HUNTER Jim & Carol MOREY
JAMIESON Ian & Karen JARDINE
JARVIS Ron & Margaret
JEFFERIES Gladys
JOHNS Ross
JOHNSON Darrell & Patricia (L)
JOHNSON Dave & Joy
JOST Brian & Elva
KEATING Peter & Helen
KELLY Valmai
KING Ron & Judy
KNIGHT Betty
KOCH Derek
KONTOOLAS Peter & Lana
LAMERS Hedda
LEWIS Denis & Ellen
LOWE Brian & Marie GLOVER
MARKS John & Sue
MARSHALL Gordon & Rosemary
MCAULLAY Vince & Ann McNAMARA
McCUBBIN Tony & Kerry
McDONALD Ian & Shirley
MENNER Frank & June
MEPHAM Maurice & Freda
METCALF Michael & Robyn
MORAN Frank & Maureen
MORRISON Les & Karen
MULCONRAY Chris
MURPHY Paul & Pauline
MURRAY Kaye (L)
MURRAY - SMITH Mimie
NEWHEY Phillipa
NICHOLS Pat
OLSEN Ivan & Kate
O'NEILL Jim & Bridie
O'NEILL Mary
OTIENO Lorraine (F)
OWEN Leonie & Harry (F)
PARKER George & Judith
PERRIN Percy & Beverley
PERRY Peg
PIKE Pat & Lavinia
POLAK Flo
PROUD Peter
REX Bob & Betty
RICKARD Kaye
RITCHIE John & Doreen
ROBERTS Clayton & Suzanne
ROSS Ian
RUDKIN Haddon & Margaret
SCHMIDT Kay & Roger
SHAW Alex & Sylvia (L)
SHERIDAN Kevin & Mary (L)
SIMS Sandra & Alex
SMART Trevor & Eleanor
SMITH Dorothy
SMITH Ken & Phyllis
SOLOSY Betty & Brian
SORENSEN John & Colleen
STEWART Ken
STITT John
STONE Bob & Robyn
SULLIVAN Trixie
SWEET Roly & Sue
TAZEWELL Harry (F)
THOMAS Geraldine
THOMSON Wallace & Esme
THUNDER Geoff & Rose
TOOHEY Jack & Min
TOWILL John & Yvonne
TOWNSEND Lesley
TOY Mary (L)
WRIGHT John & Lynne
WALKER Betty (F)
WALKER Bill & Pat
WARD Brian & Kathleen
WARD Frank & Ethel
WATSON Gus & Carol
WEBB Bernie & Hazel
WEBB Susan & Randall WILSON (F)
WELLS John & Jean
WESTLEY Vern & Dot (L)
WILLIAMS Charlie & Norma
WILLIAMS Peter
WILLS Harry & Pat (L)
WOLSKI Geoff

(F) Friend (L) Life Member

BIRTHDAYS

May

Ruby BALES	1
Lavinia PIKE	2
Neil HOPKINS	3
Doreen RITCHIE	4
Trixie SULLIVAN	5
Connie HUGHES	7
Ros GATES	9
Mike FLYNN	11
Kevin SHERIDAN	12
Gwen GREGG	15
Sue WEBB	15
John RITCHIE	16
Albert DAVEY	18
Emma DAVIES	20
Ellen LEWIS	21
Pat WILLS	24
Len HARDMAN	27
Colleen SORENSEN	27
Fran FOSTER	28
Paul HUBBARD	28
Bridie O'NEILL	30

June

Frank MENNER	5
Peter PROUD	6
June MENNER	8
Pat BISSAKER	14
Terry EMERSON	14
Val HARDMAN	14
Paul MURPHY	21
John WELLS	23
Denise HUNTER	25
Denis LEWIS	25
Lesley TOWNSEND	25
Bob REX	28



WEDDING ANIVERSARY'S

May

Jim & Norma ANDERSON	2
Paul & Pauline MURPHY	11
Kevin & Mary SHERIDAN	20
Bryan & Pat BISSAKER	24
Terry & Emma DAVIES	25
Susan ARMSTRONG & John DANIELS	31

June

Ron & Margaret JARVIS	4
Darrell & Patricia JOHNSON	4
Max & Sherren GERREYN	8
Jack & Stella EARNSHAW	10
Les & Moira HERON	18
Bill & Pat WALKER	22

Puzzles - Answers to February Puzzles

- ❖ Nine-letter word is **Boyfriend**. Possible words include bey, beyond, bindery, body, bony, boy, briny, bye, byre, defy, deify, deny, derby, dory, dry, dye, dyer, dyne, ebony, edify, ferny, fey, fiery, finery, foyer, fry, irony, obey, rye, yen, yin, yon, yonder, yore.
- ❖ Name of a kid's game is **Leapfrog**. Sailboat, selected, safari, sapphire, stuffing, sheriff, school, spaghetti
- ❖ Hidden word is **Rivulet**- Fare, shin, ever, slur, tile, hear, tint
Match-up answer is **Charades**. Hot Potato, Go Fish, Hokey Pokey, Treasure Hunt, Red Rover, Musical Chairs, Simon Says, Blind man's Bluff

Nine letter word

Using all the letters in the grid on the right, find our nine-letter word. See how many other words of FIVE or more letters you can find in the grid, each letter can be used only once and every word must contain the centre letter. Proper nouns are not allowed. 0 - 7 words, better luck next time, 8 - 17 words, good, 18 - 23 words, very good, 24 - 29 words, excellent, 30+ genius! Good Luck!

U	E	N
D	A	R
D	E	L

Hidden Word

Try to discover the nine missing letters in the coloured squares. Each one completes the word on its left & begins the word on its right. When the puzzle is complete, the nine letters in the coloured column will reveal a hidden word.

P	A	T	H	O		E	R	E	N	E
A	L	K	A	L		G	L	O	O	S
S	H	R	I	L		E	S	S	O	N
E	A	R	F	U		I	S	T	E	N
B	I	K	I	N		N	D	I	G	O
D	E	S	I	G		U	D	I	S	M
P	R	I	N	C		N	I	G	M	A
D	U	R	E	S		U	M	M	E	R
Q	U	A	C	K		T	R	I	N	G

Family Name

Fit all the words listed on the right into the grid to make eight words reading horizontally. If your positioning is correct, the letters in the coloured squares, reading downwards, will spell the name of a family who have their own TV show. What is their name?

Lost
Noun
Plot
Rate
Rode
Tern
User
Verb

C	O	R					D
B					E	R	Y
R	I					E	D
S					C	H	Y
T	R	O					S
G					F	U	L
A	N					C	E
E					I	T	Y

Match-Up

The first list contains 17 words. See if you can find eight pairs, taken from either column & write your answers in the spaces provided. The answers are all titles of TV shows. When you have found the eight pairs, there should be one word remaining. What is it?

Hogan's	Ally	
Happy	Wheel	
Rooms	Blitz	
City	Heroes	
Spin	Star	
Days	Changing	
Backyard	Smart	
McBeal	Get	
Trek		



Dinner @ Fremantle TAFE

15 Grosvenor Road,
BEACONSFIELD
Tuesday May 16th

Congregate at 6:30pm

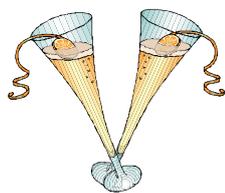
Dinner at 7pm

Cost: \$20.00pp

Licensed

**Maximum 36 people, please phone to
reserve your seat. First in ...**

**Bookings for dinner must be made
before Friday May 5th**



Coming up -

Breakfast @ Swan
Yacht Club

Sunday June 11th

Wildflower Trip @
Dongara

September 11th - 14th

Christmas Lunch @
Runway Bar & Café,
Jandakot

Tuesday Dec 5th TBC

Don't miss out -
Set these dates
in your diary now



We have 23 booked for TAFE Dinner so far:

Mike & Renae FLYNN
Darrell & Pat JOHNSON
Judy & Ron KING
Freda & Maurie MEPHAM
Kaye MURRAY
Bridie & Jim O'NEILL
Kay & Roger SCHMIDT
Alex & Sylvia SHAW
Eleanor & Trevor SMART
Harry TAZEWELL
Bernie & Hazel WEBB
Peter WILLIAMS
Harry & Pat WILLS



Smorgasbord Breakfast Swan Yacht Club

Riverside Rd, East Fremantle

Sunday June 11th at 08:30 hours

Cost: \$17.00 pp

Parking available at the club
Breakfast is held in the club room on
the ground floor level.

Bookings for the breakfast must be made
before Tuesday June 6th. Thanks

For all bookings (unless stated otherwise) please contact
Hazel Webb, 78 Arundel Drive, WELLARD 6170 ☎ 9439 2268 or 📞 0409 105 101
(See RCOA - Functions Booking Slip - opposite page)

MCKENZIE GROVE CELLARS

Remember Miladin (Marko) Markovic ex Customs? He is the owner & Wine Maker of McKenzie Grove Cellars - 14 McKenzie Grove, Kelmscott 6111 Ph 93981076. He makes four types of red wine, nice drop too.

Shiraz (unwooded) \$7.50 *
 Cabernet (Unwooded) \$7.50 * or
 \$75.00 * a dozen (2 bottles free)
 Sheean Shiraz (wooded) \$10 *
 Creswell Cabernet Wooded) \$10 * or
 \$100.00 * a dozen (2 bottles free)

He is open Sat & Sun 1-00pm-5-00pm for tastings and sales. He would love to see any retired officers.

(* 2005 Prices)

Sending Money - be it for membership renewal or for an up coming function - remember that you can send electronically to the **RCOA of WA** Account at the Bendigo Bank - BSB 633-000 - A/c No. 121589386

RCOA - Membership Application / **Renewal** / **Update**

First Name: Family Name:

Partner's Name: ☎ No. 📞 No.

Postal Address:

e-mail address: Please add your email address (if you have one) so we can keep you up to date between newsletters.

Our Newsletter includes a segment for publication of members and spouse's birth and wedding anniversary dates (day & month only printed)
 If you would like to share this detail with other members please complete the following

Member B'date: Partner B'date: Wedding date:

Membership - \$6 Joint or Single x No. Years = \$

Send Newsletter by post and / or e-mail Signature & Date: / /2006

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RCOA - Functions Booking Slip

Names Attending:

Function:	Venue:	Date:	No.	\$ p/p	Subtotal \$
Dinner	Fremantle TAFE	May 16 th 2006	<input type="text"/>	x \$20.00	<input type="text"/>
Breakfast	Swan Yacht Club	June 11 th 2006	<input type="text"/>	x \$17.00	<input type="text"/>
			<input type="text"/>	x	<input type="text"/>

Signature & Date: / /2006 Total Amount Enclosed \$

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Last but not Least

- ◆ **Historical Records** (see more on page 3) - hopefully I will have a form for you all to fill in next newsletter.
- ◆ Still on the subject of History - Eddie Crane (ACS) is collecting/coordinating amusing tales, different events, reminiscences etc telling the stories of everyday Customs Officers over the past 10, 20 or more years. Please pass on your own stories to Eddie either in print, via email or recorded on tape either directly to Eddie @ Customs or pass on to any RCOA Committee Member and we will pass it on to Eddie. This is a great opportunity to get some of those amusing, dangerous, courageous etc stories recorded for all times. Change the name to protect the innocent if necessary.
- ◆ **Dad's Army Update** - Most if not all of us have extended our contracts to 9th of June, when we will rejoin the ranks of the unemployed. However Customs are confident of taking us back on again for the next busy season.
- ◆ Seats for the TAFE Dinner in May are slowly filling up so if you plan on attending get your seat booked quickly.

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