



Edinburgh Military Tattoo Melbourne

Earlier this year COM Phil Marshall travelled to Simpson Barracks in Melbourne to supervise the Everyman's support for the Australian Defence Forces Bands, as they practiced for the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Melbourne (REMT). Everyman's attended the practices with two Brew Trucks. REPs Adrian Steen (Everyman's Simpson

Barracks) and Neil McGinn (Everyman's National HQ, Army Logistics Training Centre, Bandiana) worked with Phil to serve the hardworking men and women of the ADF with a cold drink and a word of encouragement.

Phil reported the ADF contingent was in fine form, and gave outstanding performances in all shows of the REMT, which reflected the outstanding discipline our Defence force exemplifies. Around the Brew Truck they still exhibit an easy going outlook, typical of the average Aussie digger. Big thanks to LTCOL Gordon Lambie for his work enabling EWS to be a presence on the practice ground and at Simpson Barracks during the practice period.

At the close of the practice at Simpson Barracks, Phil reported that Gordon gave a vote of thanks to various people involved, including Everyman's. It was heart warming when this happened that Phil, Adrian, Neil and EWS got a huge round of applause from the Defence men and women present. But from Everyman's perspective, the pleasure was all ours. We feel blessed to have the privilege of serving the very committed people in our Defence Force.

Please remember to pray for Everyman's REP's, who often see a Defence member who will share a problem quietly and privately. We give thanks to God for opening these opportunities up for us and pray He will always give us wisdom to care in an effective and positive way, in conjunction with the other Christian ministries and welfare providers within the ADF.

God's Provision for Royal Military College, Duntroon

We have reason to give thanks again and again for God's provision and goodness. Recently we had opportunity to start a ministry with a part time Sallyman at Royal Military College Duntroon (RMC-D). There was no vehicle but a keen new/old REP, Frank Tottingham, previously of EWS Kapooka for ten years and now keen to work part time for EWS in Canberra. It was quickly evident that we needed a Brew Truck for RMC-D, which we didn't have. There is no Rec Centre there. We prayed and the Board in faith agreed this was the way forward and so budgeted a figure for Kristian and I to work with to find a suitable vehicle. We finally decided on a vehicle and it was with some apprehension I agreed to hand over the significant sum of money to complete the purchase, but I did so because we had a real sense God wanted to use us at RMC-D.

The very next day, word came from HQ that a large donation (about \$1000 more than the cost of the vehicle and the amount needed to fit it out) had been pledged.

God is great and gracious and reminds us again and again that He is all sufficient, and that He is not short of a dollar when we step out in faith; and in complete obedience to His will.



Thank You from National Relations Manager COM Phil Marshall

G'day, I just wanted to say a big thank you for your faithful support! It is amazing what we are able to do with the gifts that come into Everyman's. The support from many RSL's is wonderful and we are now seeing new Sub Branches beginning to partner with us. Thank you for your support; and for sharing with others to support us also.



It often seems like we experience a small glimpse of the loaves and fishes miracle! Much is accomplished with the gifts we receive, so keep up the good work, and if possible be actively involved in increasing your gift. Increase your speech about Everyman's that may result in others giving, or open doors for me to speak to groups on your behalf, increase your time in prayer for us, increase your monetary donation or become a regular giver... and in this increase, expect to experience an increase of joy and excitement, as we rejoice together in receiving fruit from our combined increased efforts!

Bless ya heaps, Phil

Support Vehicle Northern - how you can help....

So exciting to see how close we are now to the Support Vehicle Northern project becoming a reality! When the last On Patrol went to print, we needed \$30,000. Since then you have cheerfully and generously given and we are now just \$8,000 short of our target.

It's not too late to be part of this exciting project! If you feel led to help us renew our fleet one vehicle at a time, please prayerfully consider being one of 80 donors who can make this possible with a gift of \$100! Every dollar donated will bring us a dollar closer to a new brew truck!

Be sure to tick the box on the enclosed Donation Slip next to Support Vehicle Northern. Thank You

More ways to give.....

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From the Chief Commissioner Ken Matthews



Dear Friends, Prayer Partners & Supporters,

We come to 2016 with much anticipation. By God's grace we have started a new ministry at Royal Military College Duntroon (RMC-D) with an excellent candidate in Frank TOTTINGHAM. Frank served part time as a REP at Kapooka for 10 years, and when he had to leave Wagga for Canberra he regretted that it was not possible for him to continue in the EWS ministry, as we didn't have a presence there at that time. When I was advised, late last year, that an opportunity had opened up for a full time Everyman, I immediately thought of Frank. I tentatively rang Frank as I knew he was a pastor and a hospital chaplain. But to my delight Frank was available one day a week for ministry at RMC-D. Soon after, we met with the Commanding Officer, along with the Co-Ord Chaplain and RSM who were all keen to outline Everyman's new role there. God immediately opened doors. REP Kristian KEMPER researched a suitable vehicle for the work at RMC-D and we travelled to Melbourne to view a number of vehicles, not knowing if our scant funds would suffice. But by God's grace we found an older commercial vehicle with a perfect canopy for our needs; and a dealer who was willing to drop almost \$2K off the price! Kristian is currently detailing the vehicle for use in EWS Canberra, with welding help from REP Len BERGIN.

Our prayers for a REP for Kapooka have also been wonderfully answered, with not only David TONG stepping forward in faith to offer his services as full time EWS REP Kapooka, but also another friend from Everyman's past, Warren CLARKE. Both David and Warren have served in the Army and we are excited about the potential they will bring to share the Gospel with ARTC staff and recruits. Without our planning it, God has placed EWS in a position to minister to all who join the Army, from the recruits at Kapooka to the Army officers at RMC-D and everyone in between. We rejoice in these priceless opportunities, but also feel the great weight of responsibility upon our shoulders to share the love of Christ with wisdom and honesty in our words and actions, to every man and woman. Praise God that each of the men involved are Godly and faithful men who the Lord will use.

But there are still many needs. One of our REPs will deploy overseas in April. The REP and family need our prayers as they step out in faith for this deployment. Puckapunyal has fallen open also to EWS ministry, but to date we have no one for this great opportunity to minister to families living on the base there. Pray continuously for the men and women God has called, to obediently step up to the challenge to serve in Everyman's. Please encourage our REPs *and all the more as you see the Day approaching*, as we read in Hebrews 10:25.

We thank you from our hearts and may God bless you all abundantly.

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Rep Ben Ridley 8th/9th Battalion, RAR



This year has seen its fair share of action already with the return of Bravo and Charlie from overseas operations. Both companies had some well-deserved leave and got straight back to business with B coy deploying to Wide Bay and Canungra Training Areas and C coy supporting different exercises and courses. It was good to catch up with the returning guys, many who expressed gratitude for the care packages that were filled with Tim-Tams and other treats,



Members serving overseas holding a packet of Tim-Tams, courtesy of Everyman's.

as well as some Christian literature sent to them on behalf of Everyman's. Delta Company deployed overseas along with Alpha for further service. The Battalion also remembered Long Hai day with a parade in which we welcomed many Vietnam Vets from 8 RAR. It was nice to mingle and chat as we stood around the brew truck. As you can see the Battalion is very active - it's a great time to be a member of 8/9 and fantastic to be an Everyman!

Army Logistics Training Centre at Everyman's HQ



Soldiers enjoying the games room at the Bandiana Rec Centre

Remember to say a prayer for the trainees at Army Logistics Training Centre, where Everyman's Headquarters is. All of them have their time here cut out for them in courses at Bandiana and Bonegilla. Since the soldiers marched in at the beginning of the year, we have had a prolonged hot and dry spell. Fortunately the Everyman's Hut has an efficient air conditioner, making it a good place to relax and chill, quite literally!

Not only this, but the young men and women who train here also have the kind presence of Everyman's workers Kristian and Chris Kemper, Lou Hochwimmer, Len Bergin and James Black who make sure they know where to get a cuppa, or a cool drink and something to nibble on. Our Everymen and Everywomen continue to engage in conversation with as many as they can. It is tremendously important that all ADF personnel have someone to download to in times of need, and while Everyman's is small and wishes it could have more Reps, we do what we can to care for those God brings across our paths. Pray for us that God would raise up more men and women with a heart for our ADF members, so we can be there for them as much as possible. Everyone needs eternal hope and this is where we pray we can lead as many as possible to know the love and forgiveness of Christ.

EWS LOCATIONS

- RAAF Base, AMBERLEY, QLD
- Kokoda Barracks, CANUNGRA, QLD
- Gallipoli Barracks, ENOGGERA, QLD
- Victoria Barracks, PETRIE TERRACE, QLD
- HMAS Kuttabul, HOMEBUSH, NSW
- Navy Accommodation, STRATHFIELD, NSW
- 17 Brigade, RANDWICK, NSW
- Blamey Barracks, KAPOOKA, NSW
- Gaza Ridge Barracks, BANDIANA, VIC
- Latchford Barracks, BONEGILLA, VIC
- Simpsons Barracks, MACLEOD, VIC

Rep Tim Wainwright

HMAS Kuttabul



Everyman's know well the Scriptural directive given to us by the Apostle Paul in "becoming all things to all people so we might save some."

REP Tim WAINWRIGHT recently had opportunity to do just that as he identified with sailors by doing the Navy Combat Survivability Course alongside some of them.

Tim writes:

As the course progressed I realized that there were no biscuits for morning and afternoon tea as there was no budget for them. With some help from one of the catering staff, Everyman's was able to provide biscuits for the remainder of the course. The men and women enjoyed a real morale boost during their tea breaks.

Everyone was very grateful and many of them made a point of expressing their appreciation for the gesture, which in turn had raised morale among the course participants.

It just goes to show how a biscuit, a kind word and a positive attitude can really work wonders.

During meal times I spoke with various Navy personnel ranging from SM to Lt Commander. They all saw the benefit of having an Everyman on board. I was able to explain our role, and in a small way, to demonstrate how we care for Defence personnel.

The junior sailors and officers said HMAS Kuttabul was lucky to have an Everyman and that they wanted an Everyman on their ships too! It was a real blessing to be on course. I learned a lot about the Navy and the Navy learned a lot about Everyman's.

I look forward to future opportunities to learn more about the Navy and to be able to support the Navy through the work of Everyman's.

CO-LABOURERS

At Everyman's we realise we can make a small impact on the ADF, but in conjunction with fellow ministries, the results are magnified. We gratefully acknowledge these like-minded ministries with whom we work to serve the ADF:

Chaplains	FOCUS	Military Christian Fellowship (MCF)
Navigators	SASRA	Red Shield Defence Service
Focus on the Family	Solid Rock	The Bible Society
Naval Military and Airforce Bible Society		

Rep Susan Nitz

RAAF Base, AMBERLEY



Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters. (Col 3:23). Sometimes during our life on this earth we must serve under those who challenge us; and especially during these times, we need to remember why.

When speaking with a Christian member of the ADF recently, he shared how hard it felt to keep on going. No matter how hard he tried, he was continually told his work was not up to standard. He had reached a point where he was ready to walk away from service, or worse. I suggested to him that we turn to the Word of God to see what God says about work.

'Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might, for in the realm of the dead, where you are going, there is neither working nor planning nor knowledge nor wisdom'. (Ecc 9:10). Romans 12:11 shows us that in brotherly love we should be diligent, 'Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord' and Proverbs 22:29, 'Do you see a man skilled in his work? He will stand before kings; He will not stand before obscure men'.

From the time they were very small, I have always told my children, 'You don't have to be the best, just do your best'. 'I don't care if you grow up to be a brain surgeon or a ditch digger, but do it for God, as He is your boss'. 'Honour God in all you do'. Always reminding them that Joseph, David and Daniel to name a few, worked with a difficult boss, but they worked diligently 'as to the Lord' and God honoured their faithful service.

Thank you for your prayers faithful servants - they are always appreciated; and never more than while John and I battled injury and illness during 2015. We are both well and back on board again now.

I will complete my Bachelor of Counselling as we go to print and hope to graduate in May. It has been a long journey, but with the love, prayers and financial support of our faithful prayer partners, the work/study/ placement/family/injury juggling act has been maintained! Please keep praying for us in 2016.

God's richest blessings to all on behalf of Team Amberley

Puckapunyal

At the end of 2015, the Salvation Army CCOM advised Everyman's that the Red Shield Defence Services were no longer able to put a full time Sallyman at Puckapunyal. The Salvo REPs there, Rusty and Di LAWSON, have had a vital and vibrant Defence youth ministry there of a Friday and Saturday night. Many great connections have been made through this ministry to the parents of these kids, who are serving members.

The Commandant of Puckapunyal has praised this ministry, which keeps the kids occupied and focused, while living on a military base where there is very little for them to do. Everyman's has been invited by the Salvation Army to send REPs there, and if the Salvation Army can also find volunteers, we would jointly minister there.

It would indeed be a great thing to see Everyman's return to ministry at Puckapunyal after all these years, but we must have the right Godly people to do it, and people who can commit for the long haul. The goal is to place a full time EWS REP there, if possible, or a couple of part time REPs, as the base needs a full time ministry.

Please pray for people who have expressed an interest and that whoever God is calling will not be timid, but willing to take up the challenge in this great ministry opportunity at Puckapunyal.