



The WAURior

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The official newsletter of the Western Australian University Regiment Association Inc.

In this edition...

Look out for these items and more

- ✓ ANZAC Day pictorial
- ✓ Member contributions
- ✓ Unit History file
- ✓ Sightings
- ✓ Funny Stuff!

Contributions Sought!!

Thanks to Andrew Russell, Ray Galliot, Grant O'Neil, Wilbur Smith and Tom Shannon

And those who forwarded emails.

For the rest of you useless bastards thanks for nothing. Remember, if there is something you would like to see in your Newsletter, please let me know. As I have often said, I would be delighted to receive your contributions - no matter how small!

Regards, Shaun Chapman (Ed)

Want more?.....

***Back issues of previous
WAURior's are available on
our website members
section***

Ramblings from the Treasurer aka ED.

With Shaun Chapman aka Chook

Greetings WAURiors and welcome to edition 32 of the WAUR Association newsletter.

As you will read we have just taken delivery of new stock of merchandise I urge you to place your orders quickly as we will sell out (again!). I also encourage you to answer Ray Galliot's call for help in compiling a list of graduates of the various officer courses run by OCTU and WAUR.

Membership is free if you know someone who could benefit from some WAUR Action then send them to our website <http://www.waurassociation.iinet.net.au/>

The members area has loads of history, photos and old newsletters.

The log in is: waurior
Password: duck

Sadly this will be my last newsletter. I am standing down as WAURior editor and limiting my involvement in the Association. For those unaware I am battling a rather aggressive sarcoma cancer and need to concentrate on winning that fight. I have enjoyed my time as editor and active committee member I especially get a buzz out of reconnecting old pit mates. Over the years (17 to be exact!) I have been asked many times one simple question - why? - how do you find the time, how do you do it? In a way of an answer I joined WAUR as naive 17 year old, my take away from 10 years service was not the questionable training and exercises we did but the friends and mates I made. 35 years later I am still reaping the benefits (and hopefully giving some back!) of those friendships. To me the Association was a way of giving back to WAUR which has given me so much.

Rest easy however you don't get away from me that easily I'll still be around but I am handing over day to day operations to Mike and John. If anyone has a bent to get involved I'm sure they will appreciate the help.

Anyway enjoy the read...

FACEBOOK

WAUR is on Facebook you are welcome to join or add to the group as a way of keeping in touch with other WAURiors.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/4995212210/>

www.waurassociation.iinet.net.au



John Kargotich, Shaun Chapman And Michael Jenkin
At the 2000 Reunion



ANZAC Day 2016 - Together again

ANZAC DAY PERTH 2017

with Shaun Chapman

ANZAC Day saw a healthy contingent of Association members March in the Perth City Parade before retiring to Rigby's Pub for post march ales and fellowship. A spur of the moment decision saw the majority kick on to the Kalamunda RSL which reminded all of the old boozier at Mounts Bay Road - it was a day of commemoration for fallen diggers and a celebration of the mateship and camaraderie forged serving in WAUR.



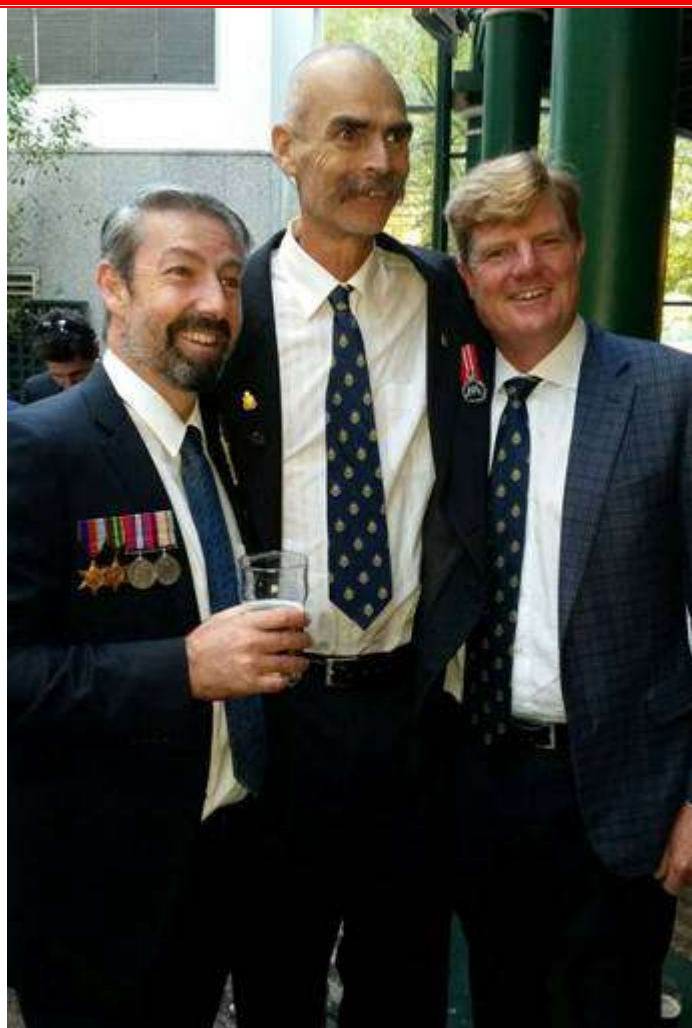
Left to Right: John Kargotich, Mick Bruce, Den, Andrew Russell, John Galvin, Jamie Hislop, Greg Smith, Chook, Chris Hill, Paul Evans, Mike Jenkin, David Wee. Kneeling: Barney Clarkson and David Knight.



Left to Right: John Galvin, Mick Bruce, Andrew Russell, Chook and Chris Hill



Dawn Service at Kings Park



Andrew Russel, Chook, Mick Bruce



Greg Smith sorting out a wardrobe malfunction



Above: John Kargotich and Den
Right: Waiting to step off

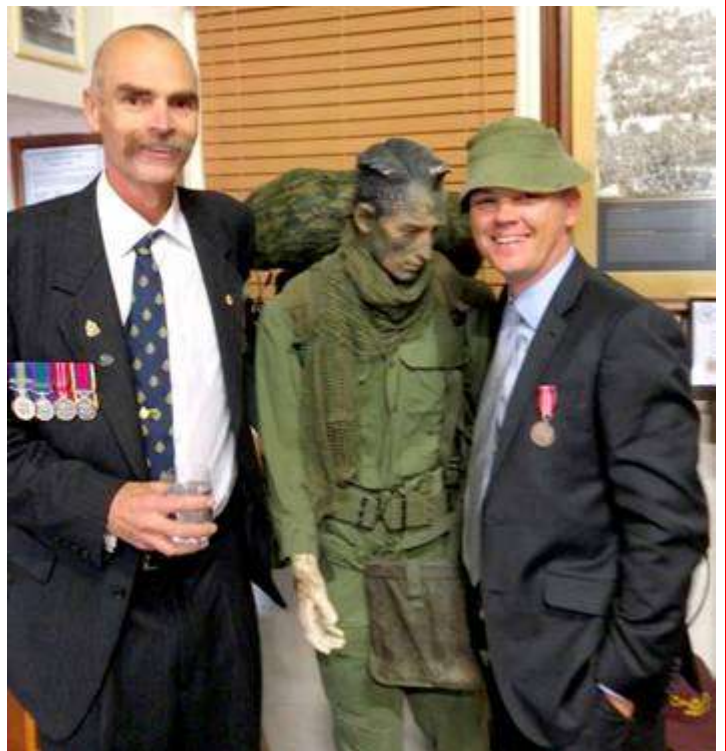




Above: Peter Byrne, John Galvin and Lyndon Hopkins
Left: Brett Greensill says: Table full of beer - of course I'm happy!!



Bruce Willis and Den



Chook and Lyndon Hopkins at the Kalamunda RSL

Left to Right: Scott Arbuckle, Tony Lambe, Jamie Hislop, Chook with Greg Smith feeding his face at the BBQ in the background.



As usual, around ANZAC Day I was busy with my living history activities. The WA Great War Living History Association was involved in all of the sunset services leading up to ANZAC Day, dressed in a variety of uniforms to fit the theme of the day's service. As a result I wore navy uniform (a novel experience, there are a lot of interesting facets to traditional navy uniform) and army uniform from both World Wars.



OCTU/WAUR ALUMNI - UPDATE

For those unaware Ray Galliot has set up an OCTU/WAUR Officer Cadet Course Website. Packed with info it is well worth a look even for us non officer types. Ray writes:

I have set up a web site listing graduates from OCTU/WAUR [post OCTU] courses that I am aware of The intent is to establish an alumni&; where we can initiate contact with mates from the old days and hopefully arrange for regular soirees or other gatherings to enjoy each other's company [and no doubt Shovel the bull%\$^& around as we re-arrange history].

All that I ask at the moment is that you circulate the web site link to as many of your classmates that you are able to. I would also like to have a separate page for DS and staff to be added.

It would assist if personal details can be entered into the member database [HERE](#). Information will not be shared unless approval is given.

If you have memorabilia, please start copying them now:

- Documents in PDF format
- Pictures in JPEG format
- Anecdotes, tall stories and other items of interest in MS WORD format.

If you know of the whereabouts or have contact details for your other course members, please pass this email on to them. For those without an email address a home or mobile number would be appreciated.

Incidentally, I am informed that our website will be of use to Australian Army History Unit (AAHU) as they have recently established a museum at RMC Duntroon that deals with the history of Aust Army Officer training units that includes OCTU's and University regiments in each state. So you all have something to be proud of - you are now featured in a museum! Bastards!

Ray Galliot
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<https://sites.google.com/site/octuwesternaustalia/home>

Looks like we weren't the only ones getting excited guess what I found in a flea market emails (PS yes I set them right on the bugles origin!)

Boogie-Woogie Bugle Ploy?

The archival resources of the University are often used to confirm or disprove a particular fact. However, sometimes a mystery just can't be solved despite our best efforts. This is one of those mysteries...

In 1998, the University Archives received a donation of a "First World War era" brass bugle complete with attached medallion indicating that it was once owned by UWA's Army Regiment. Over the next few years, the University Archives were contacted by a number of people from countries as wide spread as the United States, Germany, Austria and the United Kingdom who had purchased similar bugles and who were curious to know more about their origin. Most had been informed that the bugles they had bought dated from the First World War. However, research revealed that the University's Army Regiment was not formed until 1949, and no evidence was found that could confirm the use of these particular bugles.

While this was an unsatisfying result for both the University Archives and the bugle buyers, one theory came to light that may one day prove to be true. The Army unit had once commissioned a supply of regimental cap badges from a contact in Pakistan, but the supply was never brought over. Is it possible that some resourceful Pakistani entrepreneur managed to obtain the badges, attach them to some surplus military bugles and then sell them to antique dealers around the world?

If you have a better theory we would love to hear it.

<http://www.web.uwa.edu.au/university/history/centenary/archive-stories/regiment>





AUSTRALIANS DEFENDING AUSTRALIA

Australians Defending Australia is an official publication of Pristine Publishing Pty Ltd and is produced purely for the serving and ex-serving men and women of the Australian Defence Force and their families. Australians Defending Australia was created after the owner's brother was unfortunately medically discharged from the Australian Air Force due to a brain injury suffered whilst cycling to base early one morning. He told him how he wished there were more Defence Force magazines he could read to keep up to date on all things Defence which makes him feel still a part of the Air Force he so dearly loved and missed. Australians Defending Australia is published and distributed bi-annually based on the EOFY (Financial) & EOCY (Calendar) and aimed at keeping our Australian Defence Force community up to date on the latest news and events and provide an essential communications bridge between our serving personnel and their families. It will distributed to every participating Australian Defence Force Base Australia wide PLUS any family members subscribed to our emailing list

Please visit:

www.ausdefaus.com.au

<http://www.ausdefaus.com.au/publications/>

Lost Medals Australia

This site is dedicated to returning medals that I have in my possession to the veteran's nearest kin. Since 2000 I have been acquiring, researching and then returning lost medals to veterans or their families. I started out purchasing medals however; now I am supported through donations of 'found' medals and I no longer purchase them. I now use all my resources for research and trying to locate families. I do this free of any charge or fee.

- LTCOL Glyn Llanwarne, OAM

<http://www.lostmedalsaustralia.com/index.htm>

SIGHTINGS.....

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AKA Random encounters with WAURiors

Brendon Lewis on a brief visit to Perth



Greg Smith, Barney Clarkson, Brett Greensil and Horse Reading



John Lincoln and Wayne Turley



Col Mark Hoare (1978-81) at last year's Bungendore ANZAC Service.

Had a random encounter with an old pit mate - Share to Care!!

Send the details and a photo to jenkin@iinet.net.au



Greg Smith, Brett Greensill, Martin Richards, Barney Clarson, Horse Reading and Chook Chapman



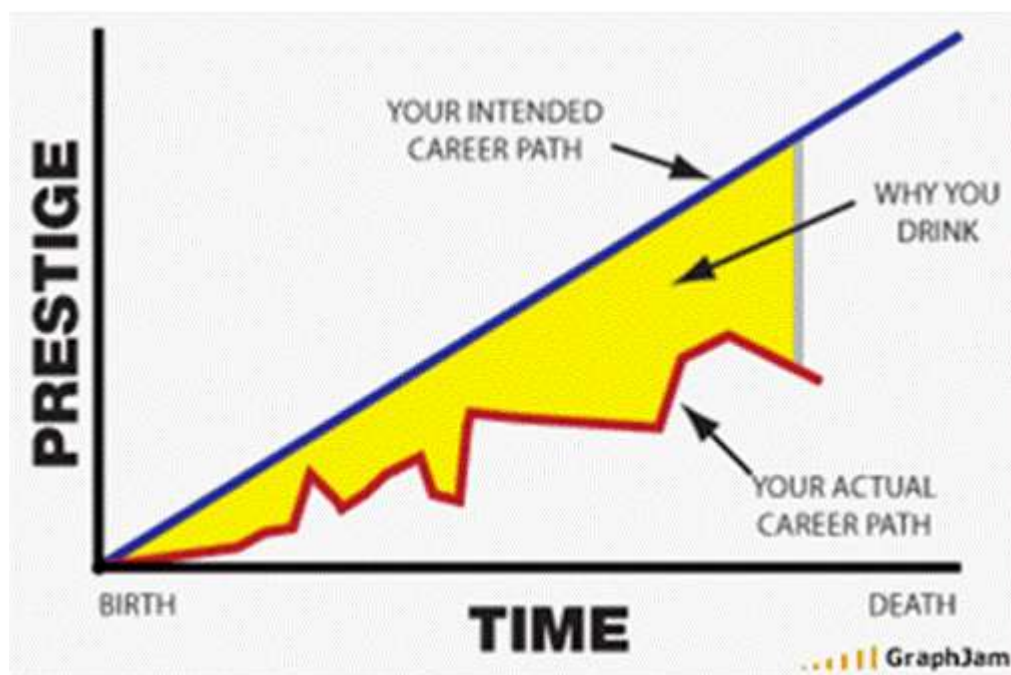
Mid 1980s WAUR A-Coy Elite catching up for dinner...

Left to Right: Martin Richards, Stuart Jarvis, Chook, Jerry Szymakowski, Chris West, Andrew Jarvis and Peter Arbuckle



Recommendation from Grant O'Neil: Anyone travelling to Geraldton I'd encourage to make contact with the 11th Battalion living history group up there and see if their reconstruction of Leane's Trench at Gallipoli is open. <http://www.11thbattalionaif.com/>

Life explained in graphs.....



MURPHY'S LAWS of COMBAT OPERATIONS

Incoming fire has right of way.

If the enemy is in range then so are you.

Don't look conspicuous - it draws fire.

If it's stupid and it works, it ain't stupid.

When in doubt - empty your magazine.

The easy way is always mined.

Try to look unimportant- they may be low on ammo

Teamwork is essential - it gives them somebody else to shoot at

Never draw fire - it irritates everyone around you

Anything you do can get you shot, including doing nothing

Never share a weapon pit with someone braver than you

If your attack is going really well it's an ambush

No battle plan survives contact with the enemy

Remember, all your equipment including your weapon was made by the lowest bidder

The only thing more accurate than incoming enemy fire is incoming friendly fire

When you have secured the area don't forget to tell the enemy.

Make it tough enough for the enemy to get in and you won't be able to get out.

If you're short on anything but the enemy - you're in a combat zone.

The enemy invariably attacks on two occasions - when you're ready and when you're not.

A sucking chest wound is nature's way of telling you to slow down.





Image from the bicentennial tattoo in 1988, where WAUR did a unimog mounted display through Perth.

(L-R) Jimmy Townsend, Mick Bruce, Steve Mathers and Dave Jones sitting.

Sometimes it's best not to ask.....



Northam Camp circa 1986

Graduates, student of merit, an enlistee, and a donation

On parade for presentations

★ RIGHT: Epaulette ribbons — symbols of months of hard work — were thrown into the past as 10 A Res soldiers celebrated their graduation at Swanbourne's Campbell Barracks recently. The new officers, members of the Western Australia University Regiment, graduated as second lieutenants and lieutenants. The parade was commanded by the CO of the Regiment, Lt-Col T. V. Arbuckle, whose son Scott was one of the graduates. Reviewing officer was the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. R. Street. The new one and two-pipers are: 2Lt Arbuckle, 2Lt Brian Harrison, 2Lt Neil Marston, 2Lt Steve McCarthy, 2Lt Laurie Palmer, 2Lt Mike Rowe, Lt Giuseppe Russo, 2Lt Kathryn Smit, Lt Milton Butcher, and 2Lt Kevin Byrne. Western Australia University Regiment began its life under the wrong title: it was raised at the University on April 22, 1949, as the Perth University Regiment. Red-faced officials hastily changed the title shortly after the University mentioned the oversight. The original Regimental Depot was a large iron-roofed building in the south-eastern corner of the University campus. This building now belongs to the Agricultural Science Faculty.



ARMY Newspaper May 21st 1981



Nannup '89 party, where A Coy dropped in on an IT course function before going out to do a midnight attack on the OCTU position. Shows Left to Right: Martin Simich, Chook, Noel Henderson, Wibur Smith, "Vass" Vassilou, and then in the background you can see Mick Matthews, Geoff Clarson, and the current Brigadier Dave Thompson back when he was a Sgt.

LITTLE JOHNNY IS BACK:

The teacher asked the class to use the word "fascinate" in a sentence.

Molly put up her hand and said, "My family went to my granddad's farm, and we all saw his pet sheep. It was fascinating."

The teacher said, "That was good, but I wanted you to use the word 'fascinate,' not 'fascinating'."

Sally raised her hand. She said, "My family went to see Rock City and I was fascinated."

The teacher said, "Well, that was good Sally, but I wanted you to use the word 'fascinate'."

Little Johnny raised his hand, but the teacher hesitated because she had been burned by Little Johnny before. She finally decided there was no way he could damage the word "fascinate," so she called on him.

Johnny said, "My aunt Carolyn has a sweater with ten buttons, but her tits are so big she can only fasten- eight!"

The teacher sat down and cried.

NEW STOCK

After an absence of several years the Association Q-Store has taken delivery of a new batch of stubby holders. Intensive testing by the Stubby Holder Investigation Team have resulted in a stitched base (no more blow outs) and stitched and taped seams (classy) for first class military spec item that unlike us is sure to withstand years of use and abuse.

Get in quick - they will sell out!!!



The West Australian (Perth, WA : 1879 - 1954), Thursday 23 November 1950, page 5

UNIVERSITY REGIMENT TRAINS IN CAMP



Members of the West Australian University Regiment are now at Swanbourne for their third two-week camp of infantry training. Here W/O. E. C. Lunn-Garner (right, kneeling), a Regular Army instructor, explains to Cpl. R. Jones (left), Cpl. D. Greenhalgh, and Cpl. R. Rickards the firing of a six-pounder anti-tank gun. There are two officers and 22 other ranks training.



WAUR on show for the Queens Visit 1954

The University Regiment Will Salute Queen

Members of the West Australian University Regiment will line the entrance to the University for the Queen's visit on March 29.

Parading under their commanding officer (Major W. R. Bray) the troops will line Stirling-highway at the University entrance and the main drive to the point where Her Majesty will alight from the Royal car.

The regiment, with more than 200 members, is made up of students from the University and the Teachers' Training College.

Its annual fortnight of training will end in camp in Northam this weekend, after a field exercise.



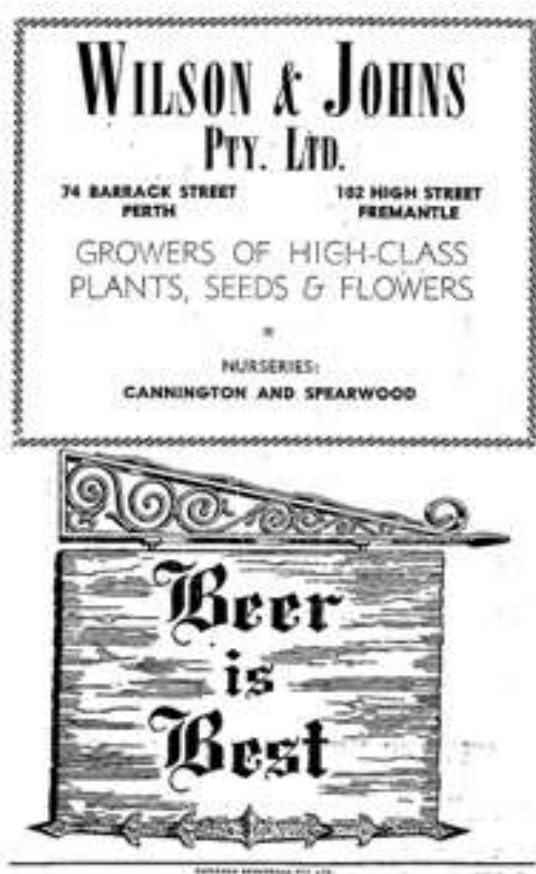
1980's Chick magnet!!



A Coy WAUR Late 1980's Ball

Rear Row Left to Right: Mark Davis, Liam Boyd, Peter Holmes, Chris Hill, Peter Arbuckle, Jerry Szymakowski, Chook
Front Row Left to Right: Brendon Parker, John Galvin, David Knight, Nigel Withers, Noel Henderson and Brett Douglas.

1956 Legacy Programme



A teacher asks the kids in her 3rd grade class: "What do you want to be when you grow up?"

Little Larry says: "I wanna start out as a Fighter Pilot, then be a billionaire, go to the most expensive clubs, find me the finest whore, give her a Ferrari worth over a million bucks, an apartment in Copacabana, a mansion in Paris, a jet to travel throughout Europe, an Infinite Visa Card, and all the while banging her like a loose screen door in a hurricane."

The teacher, shocked and not knowing what to do with this horrible response from little Larry, decides not to acknowledge what he said and simply tries to continue with the lesson.

"And how about you, Sarah?"

"I wanna be Larry's whore."



Covering your Arse

A left wing politician, a TV reporter and a British soldier were captured by ISIS.

They were as usual sentenced to death by beheading.

Unexpectedly, the ISIS leader said they could have one last wish each before sentence was carried out.

The politician ask to hear a rendering of keep the red flag flying here.

The reporter asked that the beheading be televised so that even when he was dead his face would be on TV.

The trooper asked to be kicked three times up the arse.

This was carried out first, and as the last kick landed the trooper pulled a hidden 9mm pistol out of his smock shot three terrorists dead, grabbed one of their fallen AK47s and shot dead the rest of the terrorists.

The other two prisoners were amazed, and asked why he requested to be kicked three times before drawing the gun.

Because said the trooper, when we get back to the UK I don't want you pair of arseholes saying it was an unprovoked attack!

You asked for it - now **buy** it!



In response to member's demands, your Association (at great expense to the management it has to be said) arranged for the production of quality ties, lapel badges, cuff links and tie bars. These items will be on sale at Association Functions and are also available by mail order. The lapel pins, tie bars and cuff links are in a quality gold coloured metal and feature the Unit crest. The Association ties are modeled on the original Unit tie and have been made up in a quality silk blend material. Visit the Website for ordering details or contact Chook on chapmans@inet.net.au.

Price List

Individual Items

Cuff links (pair)	\$20.00	(Gold metal)
Lapel pins	\$ 7.50	(Gold metal, single pin)
Stubby holders	\$ 7.50	(Yellow text on Green, top quality)
Tie bars	\$12.50	(Gold metal)
Ties	\$45.00	(Silk blend, top quality)



Left: Tie Pin, Below Tie Bar.
Right Stubby Holder



WAUR Tie





Western Australian University Regiment Association Inc.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

LAST NAME				
FIRST NAME				
NICK NAME				
ADDRESS				
		BIRTH DATE		
CONTACTS	WORK		HOME	
	MOBILE		EMAIL	
SERVICE DETAILS	REG NUMBER		RANK	
	YEAR IN (WAUR)		YEAR OUT (WAUR)	
MOST MEMORABLE WAUR OCCASION:				
FAVOURITE SAYING FROM THE ERA:				
SERVICE HISTORY:				
BRIEF PERSONAL PROFILE: (Family/Job/Hobbies/Achievements etc)				
Membership Agreement				
I HEREBY APPLY to be an ordinary member of the Western Australian University Regiment Association Inc. ("the Association"), and I agree to be bound by the Constitution of the Association.				
Name of Applicant: _____ Date: / /				
Please email completed applications via the email link on the contact page of the WAUR website www.waurassociation.iinet.net.au				
Once processed you will be added to the Associations email list for inclusion in mail outs.				