



The Order of Australia Association, South Australia Branch

Patron: His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC, Governor of South Australia

SA BRANCH NEWSLETTER, July-August 2020

Notwithstanding the current restrictions around face-to-face meetings and events, the SA Branch committee is continuing to comply with social distancing requirements so our committee meetings and Fellowship gatherings have been continuing.

The committee has been exploring ways to use 'virtual engagement' to allow country members to be more involved in SA Branch operations and events.

The Fellowship group has resumed face-to-face lunches (subject to social gathering rules), and has held its first activity – with the convenor, guest speaker and additional members joining online.

Keep Safe

Tony Metcalf OAM
SA Branch Chair

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday 27 August: Honours recipients fellowship meeting, NMBAF Club and using 'Zoom'.

The Guest Speaker will be Pamela Rajkowski OAM, 'Homes, Housing, Holidays and Philanthropy – In the steps of Elder, Barr Smith and Waite'.

To RSVP or to participate via Zoom, please contact:

Flavia de Pasquale OAM: 0438 873 025
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Friday 25 September: Close of nominations for the 2020 South Australian Student Citizenship Awards.

Sunday 27 September: Riverland Regional Group meeting with guest speaker – to be confirmed.

Tuesday 13 October: Student Citizenship Award (SCA) Assessment and Selection Panel to meet to assess nominations and select the top 10 and Student Citizen of the Year.

NATIONAL NEWS

National Conference. Branches have recently been asked by the NT Conference Chairman to seek expressions of interest from Branch members regarding their possible attendance at the May 2021 National Conference to be held in Darwin.

There have been some planning changes regarding this activity however. Pending a decision by the Board, this request is currently 'on hold'.

The Order. The August 2020 edition of *The Order* is due to be distributed on 18 August. The Editor is incorporating outcomes from the 17 July Board meeting, so do not be concerned if your receipt of *The Order* is delayed slightly.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

New Recipients Welcome Receptions

The SA Branch was proposing to hold one or more Welcome Receptions for all new recipients arising from the Australia Day and Queen's Birthday Honours Lists.

These receptions provide new recipients an opportunity to celebrate their achievement. They are also an opportunity to meet other members of the Association in a social setting where you would have heard about the activities of the Association and in particular the SA Branch. A separate invitation for this function was going to be sent to you after the Governor had made arrangements for the award presentation in an investiture ceremony.

As a consequence of the COVID-19 restrictions (particularly in relation to social distancing combined with shared food and drink), with regret we advise that the Governor's investiture program and our proposed reception have been cancelled for the foreseeable future.

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NEW MEMBERS

Order of Australia Association, SA Branch

The committee and members of the SA Branch welcome the following new members of the Order of Australia Association:

AUSTRALIA DAY HONOURS LIST 2020

Professor Anthony William Thomas AC

Mrs Melanie Grace Champion de Crespigny AM

Dr Sanghamitra Guha AM

Ms Helen Louise Leake AM

Dr Helen Diana McLean AM

Mr Brian Douglas Hern OAM

Dr Sadanand Limaye OAM

Mr John Francis Lynch OAM

Assoc Professor Maria Parappilly OAM

Mr Andrew Guy Peake OAM

Ms Brenda Jean Rayner OAM

Mrs Barbara Elaine Sax OAM

Mr Garry Keith Wellington OAM

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS LIST 2020

Dr Neil Lyall Bryans AM

Mrs Kathryn Terese House AM

Dr Sara Louise Jones AM

Dr Susan Josephine Neuhaus AM CSC

Mr Silvio Albert Apponyi OAM

Mrs Maria Antonietta Donato OAM

Mr Peter John Foster OAM

Mr Jeffrey Bruce Morgan OAM

CITIZENSHIP RESOURCE VOLUNTEERS

Order of Australia Association, SA Branch

One of the functions of the Order of Australia Association is to provide opportunities for ongoing support to the community through Branch projects.

Our community activity initiatives allow Association members to involve themselves in working with the community in a number of areas.

The South Australia Branch is currently looking at a new initiative to engage with the younger members of our community in a meaningful way.

The committee is exploring the level of interest amongst members from Adelaide and regional areas who may be available to visit secondary schools on invitation as resource volunteers.

Your role as a Citizenship Resource Volunteer will be to support teachers in delivering a prepared classroom lesson from the Citizenship Knowledge and Understanding Strand, Civics and Citizenship, which looks at the Australian National Honours system and the ways in which individuals may contribute to civic life and serve others.

Prior to your classroom visit, you will be provided with a short induction (1+ hour) via Zoom or face-to-face, looking at:

- a brief overview of Civics and Citizenship from the Australian Curriculum for Schools.
- the Australian Honours System and the Order of Australia.
- familiarisation with a prepared PowerPoint presentation for the classroom.

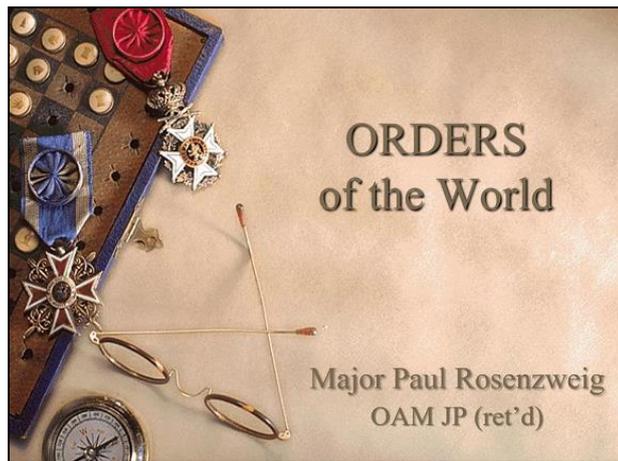
You will have the opportunity to indicate your likely availability and preference for a school(s).

If this is something you would be interested in supporting and would like to put your name forward as a Citizenship Resource Volunteer, would you please complete the attached Reply Slip A: *Expression of Interest*.

On the other hand, if this sounds interesting and you would like to receive further information to consider before making a commitment, please complete the attached Reply Slip B: *Request for Information*.

Please return your form to Mr Noel Hender OAM BEM: nrhender1@optusnet.com.au

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Major Paul Rosenzweig OAM JP (ret'd) was the online guest speaker on 25 June, the first dual Fellowship gathering – virtual *and* face-to-face.

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM Thursday 25 June

Great thanks to our Zoom Guest Speaker on 25 June Major Paul Rosenzweig OAM JP (ret'd), on the topic of 'Orders of the World'.

Paul delivered a comprehensive, well-illustrated and multi-level outline of various distinguished orders of chivalry and their significance, using examples from his own collection.

Paul is a retired Army officer with experience in Hawaii, East Timor/Timor Leste and the Philippines. Paul has collected orders, decorations and medals for about 45 years. His passion is to research both the awards and the recipients. He has published widely, including in the Journal of the Orders and Medals Research Society of London.

One of his major publications was the book *For Service. Awards of the Order of Australia for service to the Northern Territory 1975-1995*.

This was compiled over several years in a voluntary capacity, and published in 1995 by the Historical Society of the Northern Territory. A foreword was very kindly provided by the Right Honourable Sir Zelman Cowen AK GCMG GCVO QC DCL.

This was the first face-to-face Fellowship lunch meeting also using Zoom – history in the making, there is now no limit to serving the membership. We applaud everyone that was involved and their tireless perseverance (which was awesome to witness) to connect our members online.

We hope to see you all again soon
Flavia and Pamela

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM Virtual and Lunch Meetings in 2020

Order of Australia Association members can enjoy participating in social and informal Fellowship meetings, which are held bi-monthly on the last Thursday of the month.

The next meeting of the Fellowship Group will be held on **Thursday 27 August** – at the Naval, Military and Air Force Club *and* also using 'Zoom'. The Guest Speaker is Pamela Rajkowski OAM talking on 'Homes, Housing, Holidays and Philanthropy – In the steps of Elder, Barr Smith and Waite'.

Guests attending for lunch should arrive at 12 noon so that social distancing guidelines may be complied with. We order lunch, and are seated for fellowship until the guest speaker's presentation commences.

Conferencing will start promptly at 1.10 pm, but you should plan to be in front of your screen by 1 pm.

On the day and time the presentation is scheduled, click on the link. Make sure your sound is turned on.

The session should finish at about 1.45 pm. Bryce Saint OAM will thank the speaker, conclude the session and announce that you can disconnect.

Members can stay connected to Fellowship sessions by making sure their name and email address is passed onto Flavia De Pasquale.

Pamela Rajkowski OAM
Flavia De Pasquale OAM

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM Virtual and Lunch Meetings in 2021

Fellowship meetings assist the Branch in engaging our members in socially and informally enjoying fellowship.

If you have a great enthusiasm or passion in your life which you would enjoy sharing with others as a guest speaker in 2021, please contact Flavia or Pamela to discuss a place in the program. For more information please contact:

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THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

Did you know...?

There are specific requirements which apply to the presentation of insignia of the Order of Australia.

These requirements are detailed in the 'Investiture Ordinance' issued by the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, under section 30 of the Constitution of the Order of Australia.

When a person is appointed to the Order, or is awarded the Medal of the Order, it is necessary and appropriate that they are formally invested with the insignia of the Order.

This investiture, first and foremost, may be conducted by the sovereign, acknowledging the role of the Crown as the traditional font of honour.

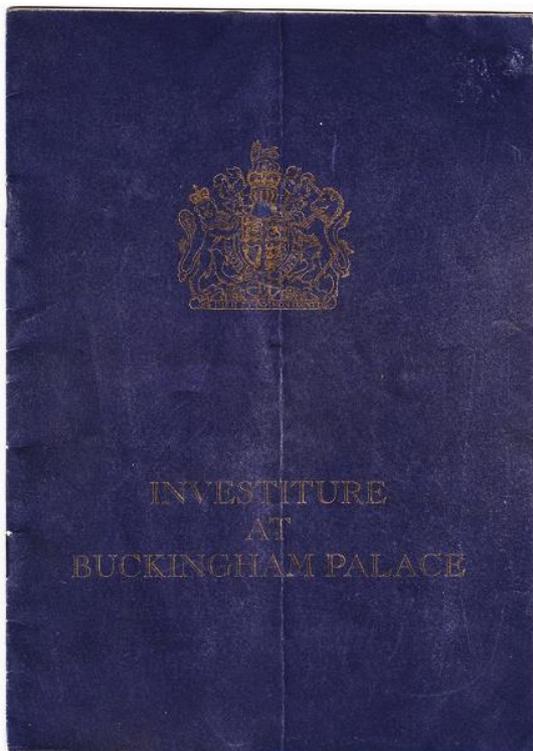
Queen Elizabeth II conducts investitures as Sovereign of the Order of Australia – recognising her position as Queen of Australia.

In a practical sense this is not always feasible, so the investiture may be conducted by the Chancellor of the Order, which for the Order of Australia is the Governor-General.

An investiture may also be conducted by any such other person as the Sovereign or the Chancellor may authorise. This authorisation is given by a Warrant under the Seal of the Order.

A Warrant to Conduct is an authorisation issued by the Governor-General (Chancellor of the Order) for a person other than the Sovereign or the Chancellor to conduct an investiture. This would typically be a State Governor or Administrator of a Territory. For a person residing overseas, the investiture may be conducted by an Australian Ambassador or High Commissioner.

This Investiture Ordinance applies to appointments and awards within the General, Military and Honorary divisions.



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| Mr. Tony Widdrington | For services to the National Assembly for Wales. |
| Mr. John Wilkinson | For services to the Community in Salford, Greater Manchester. |
| Mr. Dennis Williams | For services to the Ministry of Defence. |
| Mr. Peter Wilson | For services to Museums and Art. |
| Professor Thomas Wilson | For services to Further Education in Scotland. |
| Mr. William Wright | For services to Industry and the Community in Northern Ireland. |
| Mr. Keith Yates | For services to Local Government in Scotland. |
| Mr. Michael Young | For services to International Human Rights. |
| Chief Fire Officer Paul Young | Devon Fire and Rescue Service. |
| Dr. Peter Young | For services to the Home Office. |

THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

To be a Member:-

General Division:-

Miss Penelope Thwaites For services to Music.

THE ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER

To be a Member:-

Mr. Jack Sinclair For services to the Royal Household in Scotland.

Buckingham Palace, 12 December 2001

This is a program for an Investiture held at Buckingham Palace on 12 December 2001 in which the insignia of the Order of Australia was presented by Her Majesty The Queen to Miss Penelope Thwaites AM, a concert pianist and composer, recording artist and editor, born in the United Kingdom of Australian parents. Miss Thwaites was appointed a Member of the Order, "for service to music through the performance and promotion of Australian compositions in the United Kingdom and internationally".

At that time, the Queen was hosting 22 investitures per year – one at the Palace of Holyroodhouse in Edinburgh, one at Cardiff Castle and the remainder at Buckingham Palace. Up to 150 recipients attended each investiture.

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Do you have email?

Did you know, if you opt to receive this newsletter via email rather than through the post, you will save the Branch \$3 for each newsletter not posted.

We will continue to post the newsletter to you if that is what you wish. But if you have an email address that you would like us to use, could you please advise the SA Branch Member Secretary Mr Greg Gordon OAM JP:

oaasambrsec@theorderofaustralia.asn.au

REGIONAL GROUPS

Fleurieu Regional Group

Meets on the first Friday in May and November, with a social activity followed by a luncheon. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday 6 November.

Convenor:

Mr Rex Keily AM JP

Mobile: 0400 279 297

RNKeily@activ8.net.au

South East Regional Group

Meets annually in February.

Contact:

Mr Eric Roughana AM

Mobile: 0408 817 260

roseric1@bigpond.com

Barossa Regional Group

Gawler and District Regional Group

General enquiries:

orderofaustraliasa@gmail.com

The Order

In addition to the standing Branch contributions, personal contributions, 'Letters to the Editor', advertisements etc may be submitted by any financial member of the Association.

Items may be sent by post, as per details given in *The Order*, or by email to the Editor. Please note that the Editor of *The Order* has a new specific email address:

nateditor@theorderofaustralia.asn.au

REGIONAL GROUPS

Riverland Regional Group

Meets socially twice a year, in March/April and September/October.

The Riverland Group area includes the Mallee areas of Lameroo, Pinnaroo and Karoonda, and down river to Swan Reach.

The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday 27 September.

Convenor:

Mr Tim Grieger OAM JP

Mobile: 0409 099 122

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Newsletter contributions

Please submit any articles of interest, photographs, news snippets or event notices to the Editor:

Major Paul Rosenzweig OAM JP (ret'd)

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A. EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – CITIZENSHIP RESOURCE VOLUNTEER

If you would like to be listed as a *Citizenship Resource Volunteer* with the Order of Australia Association SA Branch, to assist and support classroom teachers with the delivery of a teaching session during the school day for junior secondary students on the Citizenship Knowledge and Understanding Strand, Civics and Citizenship, Australian Curriculum, please provide the details requested below. In preparation for this role, you will be provided with the opportunity to engage in a short induction session conducted remotely by the SA Branch.

Preferred title:

Name: [post nominal/s]

Email:

Address:.....

.....Post code Phone Contact.....

For travel to schools, please indicate your likely availability and preference:

- I am available to travel only to schools within a 10km radius of my home address
- I am available to travel to any school within the greater metropolitan area of Adelaide
- I can travel to specified regional schools
- I am available to travel to country region(s) in negotiation with the Coordinator

Please sign below and forward this information to:

Mr Noel Hender OAM BEM, at nrhender1@optusnet.com.au OR post to 41 D'Erlanger Avenue, Collinswood 5081, to be received by **Wednesday 30 September 2020**

Signature: Date:

OR

B. REQUEST FOR INFORMATION – CITIZENSHIP RESOURCE VOLUNTEER

Before volunteering, if you would like to know more about becoming a Citizenship Resource Volunteer please complete your details below and email to Noel Hender OAM BEM: nrhender1@optusnet.com.au

Name: [post nominal/s]

Email:

Address:.....

.....Post code Phone Contact.....