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**DEFENCE RESERVES SUPPORT COUNCIL**

SUPPORTING AUSTRALIA'S DEFENCE RESERVISTS AND THEIR EMPLOYERS

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## DEFENCE MINISTER ADDRESSES SA BUSINESS LEADERS

Senator the Hon. Robert Hill, Minister for Defence, addressed the Western Area Business Enterprise Centre Luncheon on the "Business of Defence" in South Australia at the Lakes Resort Hotel.



Above, Left to Right: Kevin Scarce - Department of Trade & Economic Development (Representing the Premier of SA), Major General Neil Wilson - Assistant Chief of the Defence Force - Reserves and Head Reserve Policy, Mr Simon Birmingham - Australian Regional Winemaker's Forum, Mr Bruce Soar - Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade



Above: Senator The Hon. Robert Hill - Minister for Defence

As guest of the Defence Reserves Support Council, Minister Hill discussed the link between the Australian Defence Force and South Australian business to over two hundred guests at the luncheon in June.

Only days after the announcement that the ASC had landed the \$6 billion dollar contract to build the new Air Warfare Destroyer, western businesses were eager to hear about the possibility of a "flow on" affect from the deal.

This massive injection of Defence money into the state could result in up to 1000 jobs at ASC and up to 3000 more jobs in affiliated industries.

"The indirect jobs really depend on how well the companies that get the principal work use the opportunity to maximise their future opportunities," Senator Hill said.

He said that there was an opportunity to develop high-tech industries in South Australia and that while it was difficult for small businesses to work directly with the Defence Department, there was a chance for smaller scale sub-contracting work.



Above, Left to Right: Major Gabrielle Prideaux - Defence Force Recruiting-SA, Lieutenant Commander Scott Martinson - Navy Headquarters SA (Representing Commander Anne Atkinson), Group Captain Peter Roberts - RAAF Base Edinburgh (Representing Group Captain John Teager)



Above: Guests enjoying themselves



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## THE PRINCE OF WALES AWARDS - 2005

The Prince of Wales Award (POWA) was established in 1984. Awards are presented to individual Reservists in recognition of excellence achieved in their military and civilian careers.

A total of six awards are presented each year and the employers of the successful Reservists are invited to a formal ceremony to acknowledge them.

South Australia is delighted to announce that Major Craig Chatterton was the successful candidate from two State Selection Board winners chosen to attend the National Selection Board in Sydney over the period of September 2 - 4.

Major Chatterton was one of six national winners who will now travel overseas to fulfil their military and civilian attachments.

### MAJOR CRAIG CHATTERTON

Major Craig Chatterton is the Learning and Development Manager for BAE Systems Australia. In this capacity, he has been working with the Airborne Early Warning and Control (AEW & C) business unit to help their Leadership Team enhance their operating culture, with particular emphasis on leadership behaviours.

BAE Systems Australia is a capability partner with Boeing and together, the two companies will deliver six Boeing 737 AEW & C Wedgetail aircraft to the Royal Australian Air Force. When in service, the aircraft will gather rich, timely information from the battlespace which will be used by commanders at all levels and will bring significant capability to the Australian Defence Force.

Major Chatterton will travel to the United States to visit Boeing's Leadership Centre in Missouri to assess and study Boeing's philosophy to leadership with a view to sharing this information with Executives of the AEW & C program and foster this important and ongoing relationship.

Whilst in the United States, Major Chatterton will attend the United States Army Logistics Management College's Combat Service Support Pre-Command Course at Fort Lee, Virginia.



**The calibre of all South Australian nominees was exceptionally high and DRSC SA would like to extend our deepest congratulations to Captain David Paterson for being successful at a State Level.**

Currently employed as a Training Officer at Adelaide University Regiment Captain David Paterson planned to study how the USA are evolving their future combat land systems and the two-step maintenance strategy to support these systems.



# SNAPSHOTS DRSC OUT AND ABOUT WITH SA EMPLOYERS AND THEIR RESERVISTS

## HMAS CANBERRA SEARIDE



Above: Richard Collett, Manager Corporate Employee Relations, Mitsubishi Motors Aust Ltd.



Above: Ms Jill Thomas, Communications Manager, Mitsubishi Motors Aust Ltd.

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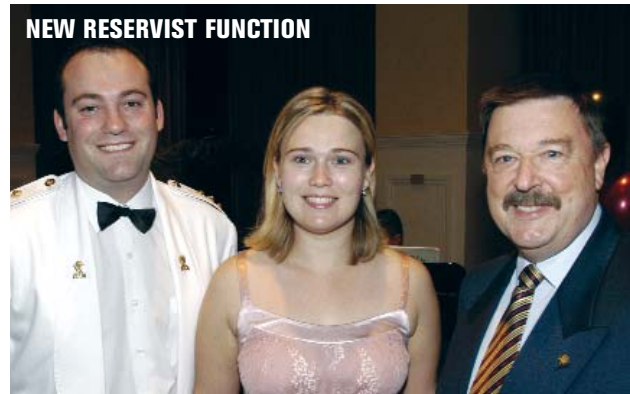
Above, Left to Right: Flight Sergeant Bryan Hill of 24 Squadron, Mr Jim McDowell, CEO of BAE Systems and 92 Wing's Flight Lieutenant Matt Gallagher.

## WARRADALE AREA DINING IN NIGHT



Above, Left to Right: Mayor of the City of Marion, Mrs Felicity-Ann Lewis; Commanding Officer 9th Combat Services Support Battalion, Lieutenant Colonel Ian Kennedy; Vice Chair DRSC-SA, Mr Stan Livissianos

## NEW RESERVIST FUNCTION



Above, Left to Right: Capt Will McDade, ADC to ACRES; Courtney Morcombe, Office of the Minister for Defence, Mr Peter Summers, Chair DRSC-SA

## HMAS STUART OPEN DAY



The HMAS STUART Open Day was held on 8 May and more than 2500 members of the public inspected the ship. DRSC Liaison Officer Captain Stacey Harvey, Vice Chair DRSC-SA Mr Stan Livissianos and DRSC-SA Committee member and Manager Corporate Employee Relations, Mitsubishi Motors Australia Ltd Mr Richard Collett manned the DRSC display.



Above: RAN Band Members join Lieutenant George Erdos, Unit Liaison Officer Naval Headquarters SA and Mrs Sally MacDonald-Taylor, DRSC Committee Member.

## AN UPDATE FROM YOUR CHAIRMAN...

As we moved into the new financial year, the Committee noticed that our workload has slowed down a bit - that the tempo of activities had somewhat diminished. We've had to question why and is this really the case?

Well, yes, the tempo has reduced but not by much and it has been positive in that it has caused us to probe and question our activities. What we have found is that the vast majority of activities are initiated by DRSC SA. What we are missing is those requests from units for us to support their activities! This results in us developing an activity and then trying to target people that we believe may have an interest in supporting Reservists. We have become quite good at doing that as we have in organising events and I would like to pause here and acknowledge the staff of DRSC, thank you for all that commitment and input.

The question then arises, is this the best value for our dollars? I don't have the answer but I will put forward my opinion. It is my belief, from an old marketing background, that we are using a "scatter gun" approach, we are making improvements but in probably the slowest and most expensive way. I would like to improve the value of every dollar we spend. We can only do that with the support of those units that employ Reservists. We need to "Target Market", that is, target the Employers of Reservists! We cannot do that without the input of those that employ Reservists in their Military roles.

We know that this "just another task" that Reserve units "have to do", it all adds to the workload that units are having to prioritise and manage with limited resources but is a cost effective way of adding to a Reserve Units CAPABILITY, and this is the holy grail of the DRSC.

So what do we want from you? We want to work with you to show the employers of YOUR Reservists the value of employing them! We can't do it effectively, without your input.



I would like to thank Captain Stacey Harvey for her input and professionalism in attacking a very non military posting in the very early years of her military career. Her stay has been short and I think we have opened her eyes to many things outside the military and I personally have enjoyed her youth and enthusiasm. Stacey is moving overseas with her partner for a couple of years and I and I know the Committee wish her every success for the future. Thank you Stacey.

## ... AND A WORD FROM THE LIAISON OFFICER

After only a short time as the Liaison Officer for DRSC-SA I am leaving Australia to accompany my other half on his overseas posting to America.

I have enjoyed my time in Adelaide working with a business community that is so supportive of Defence and it's Reservists. It has been great to see the enthusiasm with which companies actively promote and support Reserve service - especially those brave enough to sample a taste of it for themselves on Exercise Executive Stretch.



Thank you to all who have publicly shown your endorsement by signing a Statement of Support.

Thank you to the South Australian Committee for bringing their expertise, passion and importantly, business contacts to DRSC events. Lastly, thank you to the Chairman and office staff for their hard work and for welcoming me into the DRSC (and allowing me to leave again at short notice!)

In my absence, the Assistant Liaison Officer, Major Wendy Rydon will take the reins until a new Liaison Officer is appointed in the New Year.

Best Wishes,  
Captain Stacey Harvey

## STOP PRESS!!

### TIME TO GET YOUR NOMINATIONS IN FOR THE SA EMPLOYERS AWARDS

It's time to thank your boss! Your employer has given you their support so why not nominate them for a DRSC Employer Support Award?

Nominations close October 6, 2005. Contact the South Australian DRSC for details.



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