

Your say !



While the Association does not necessarily agree or disagree with everything on this page, we do respect the right of everyone to have their say.

Vic Stallan sent us this.

The Australian government has a serious problem on its hands. Earlier this year, in a moment of politically correct stupidity, it appointed Mohammadu Nawas Saleem to be the first imam of the Australian Defence Force.

Saleem gets paid [\\$717 every working day](#), plus travel allowances, to advise the government about how it can recruit more soldiers from the Islamic community.

To understand the depths of irresponsibility behind this decision, ponder this fact: the Islamic community has more of its sons fighting for the Islamic State than in the Australian military and now the government wants to specifically increase recruitment from this radicalised minority into our Defence Force.



- Caner Temel was an [AWOL Australian soldier](#) when he died fighting for the Islamic State.
- French soldiers, including members of [elite French units](#), have deserted to fight for the Islamic State.
- Major Nadal Hasan had even been brought to the attention of [counter-terrorism experts](#) before he [gunned down 13](#) of his US Army colleagues and wounded over 30 others.
- A fear of being labelled [Islamophobic](#) meant Hasan was not questioned, even after he was found to be writing to the spiritual advisors of the 9/11 terrorists. Even after his business cards announced that he was a Soldier of Allah. Now Hasan has requested from jail that he be classed as a [citizen of the Islamic State](#).



Knowing all of this, the federal government has still decided to embark on a campaign to recruit members of the Islamic community into the Australian Defence Force. It called this “capability through diversity”.

And that wasn't a Labor government, it was a Liberal government. It was even led by Tony Abbott.

To achieve this task, it appointed Mohammodu Nawas Saleem to the Religious Advisory Committee to the Services. It did so, despite obvious causes for concern.

In 2012, Saleem called for [Sharia law to be implemented in Australia](#), arguing that aspects of Islamic law should be included in the court system.

Earlier this year, Saleem put his name to an [open letter](#) defending Hizb ut Tahrir. This is the same Hizb ut Tahrir that has called for an Islamic army to impose Sharia law in Australia and that has rejected our anthem and flag, our laws and values.

This is the same Hizb ut Tahrir that also announced Muslims were forbidden from participating in Anzac Day, stating last year that: “Further, from the Muslim perspective, the Gallipoli campaign represents an aggression by allied troops against the legitimate Islamic authority of the time, the Uthmani Khilafah. If we were to commemorate anything, it would be the successful defence of Muslim territories by the Muslim soldiers of the Khilafah”

Saleem is the Treasurer of the Australian National Imams Council. This organisation opposed laws prohibiting the advocacy of terrorism, with a written submission to the Senate stating: “It is our understanding that the new laws will broaden the definition of advocating• terrorism to include promote• and encourage, as well as counsel• and urge; and if an organisation is deemed to have advocated terrorism, they could be proscribed.

We are therefore concerned that the proposal has serious implications on free speech and will have a chilling effect on legitimate religious and political debate. This provision is of particular concern to preachers who spend a large proportion of their time teaching and advocating on social justice issues. We recommend that the provision for advocating terrorism be removed.

This same organisation, backed by Saleem, has also condemned the government for providing support to [Kurdish forces](#) fighting the Islamic State. This is from a press release published just a few months before Saleem was appointed to a key role in the military: ANIC opposes the government's current decision to transport and provide weapons to the Kurdish forces in Iraq.

Despite all of this publicly available information, the Liberal government went ahead and appointed Saleem as the first Defence imam. One can only be left wondering why. Is it because there was no one else to be found who was more moderate? After all that has happened in the last few days, it is clear the West is slowly rising from its stupor. At least one can only hope that



this is happening, but when the socialist President of France is prepared to declare war it appears that the world has shifted.

Unless Australia wants a repeat of Paris here too, it must shift as well. It must end the political correctness the same political correctness that saw the Australian Defence Force put its logo on a report last year claiming that the number of Anglo-Australian males in the military was undesirable and it must ensure our safety.

Mohammadu Nawas Saleem may not support the Islamic State, but he is a key figure in an organisation that denounces Australia's military efforts against the Islamic State and that believes laws prohibiting the advocacy of terrorism infringe free speech.

He has called for Sharia law.

And he publicly backs an organisation that condemns Anzac Day as an attack on the caliphate. As such, it is beyond inappropriate for Saleem to have any official role with the Australian Defence Force. More importantly, he should have no role at all helping the government to recruit Defence personnel. The fact that he has is cause for concern. If nothing else, it undermines confidence in the ability of the Australian Defence Force to protect this nation from the Islamist threat.

Mohammadu Nawas Saleem must go.

The Liberal government must also acknowledge that it has made an embarrassing mistake with our national security. Unless it does this, there can be no doubt that it is not serious about protecting Australia from the deadly threat that we face. It will also fail to show loyalty to the thousands of patriotic Australians who put their lives on the line for this country, and who do so believing the government has their back.

Young Son: "Is it true, Dad, I have heard that in some parts of Africa a man does not know his wife until he marries her?"
Dad: .."That happens in every Country, son."

Proposed Royal Commission into the DVA.

Hi, my name is Angus Sim and by now I am sure most of you who come across this fund raiser know that I'm an honest and fair person that veterans can trust. I will be using the most credible fund raising company called [gofundme](#).





I am starting this crowd funding to raise \$10,000 as this is the figure that the lawyers need to start the proceedings and prepare documents for a potential Royal Commission into the DVA.

An [article](#) that was covered recently by Ian McPhedran exposes some shocking information regarding younger Vets not being cared for and this is mainly due to the Act that has now been in place since 2004 (MRCA Act).

As most of you are aware, there are quite a few serious issues that need rectifying within the department and we have been advised that a Royal Commission is the most cost effective way for making positive change.

We are seeing in the papers, on the news far too many reports of veterans not being looked after by the DVA. The results of a [survey](#) that I conducted totally contradicted the results of the satisfaction survey results that the DVA produced and the many veterans that I have come across have serious issues with the department. This will be a great achievement because a Royal Commission will rectify these issues. There are too many suicides contributing to the departments lack of time wasting and bureaucratic processes on decisions pending especially veterans with mental health issues, this also causes severe undue stress on veterans and their families. It is all too common that veterans with accepted conditions (and are unemployable due to the fact) are left without any help or income from the DVA and some of these veterans live on the streets.

The system is clearly failing our veterans and in particular our younger Vets who commonly come under the MRCA Act that is under performing. The sad thing is we have military personnel in the middle east on operations that may come home with injuries or illnesses, adding to the number that the DVA can't even control now. Changes need to be made now not tomorrow but it's not too late.

Any donations are welcomed by vets and the public. A few bucks from everyone will reach our goal. The company ([gofundme](#)) has a surcharge on all donations but it is a company and that's how they make their money. Please look up the fees but it's around 6.75%. This surcharge does not come into my pocket. It is deducted by them as soon as you make a donation. You can withdraw your deposits at anytime and your donations are protected by [gofundme](#), kind of like PayPal. Please visit the website for reassurance that this is not a scam and in fact the leading fund raising company in the world.



You can stay anonymous when donating but I would appreciate if people with credibility release their name to give the fund raising peace of mind for other potential donors but it's totally up to the individual. If the lawyers don't prepare the documents and take it any further the 10k will be refunded to all donors but if we raise the 10k and the lawyers have prepared document to submit and a Royal Commission is not achieved then unfortunately there will be no refunds.



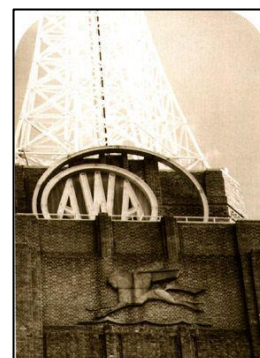
Please share far and wide so we can get this 10k and get the ball rolling.

I personally thank each and every one of you on behalf of the veteran community in advance.

Kind regards,
Angus Sim

If you think there is good in everybody, you certainly haven't met everybody.

Ken Hunt sent us this: "Although I am an ex National Service Radschool student and qualified as a Radio Mechanic in 1955, we saw no aircraft installations, nor even a bench mounted AR8. Even if we (11 others in that course) had been turned loose it would have taken SOME extra training before we would have been at all effective. However I later joined AWA in their Consumer Products Division (domestic products). About 25 years ago the AWA Veterans Association was formed. Membership is available to any ex-employee, regardless of trade (???) or position, General Managers to clerks etc.



This web site (<http://www.awaradio.com/>) has come from our secretary and has a wealth of information, particularly on restoring an old AR8. I pass it on as it may provide some interest to those who were closer to such equipment than I ever was.

Our John McIlwaine is (I think still) the President of the Historical Radio Society of Australia.

"Lady, if I make you breakfast in bed, a simple "Thank you" is all I need...
not all this, "How the hell did you get into my house," crap!

Canadian Museum of Flight.

Mike Sattler sent us this: As the General Manager of the Canadian Museum of Flight, located at Langley Airport in BC, I would like to extend an invitation to all Radschool Association Members and their families to visit us.



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We are open seven days a week, from 10am till 4pm (local time), and online at www.canadianflight.org.

Laura fell for her handsome new dentist like a ton of bricks and pretty soon had lured him into a series of passionate rendezvous in the dental clinic after hours. But one day he said sadly, "Laura, honey, we have to stop seeing each other. Your husband's bound to get suspicious." "No way, sweetie, he's dumb as a post," she assured him. "Besides, we've been meeting here for six months now and he doesn't suspect a thing." " True," agreed the dentist, "but you're down to one tooth!"

The U2 at Laverton.

Les Medew got in touch, he says: "G' day thanks to your magazine I was put in touch with some guys who were at Laverton in 1966 when the Americans were there sampling the air in U2 aircraft etc., could you please find those who were there at the time and know about the above, I know it is a big ask as you have gathered by now my computer crashed losing my contacts. If not could you please give me the year/time the Americans were there at Laverton sampling the air.

Yours really needing your help - Les. *(If you can help, let us know and pass on the info)*

Two blondes walk into a building.....
you'd think at least one of them would have seen it.

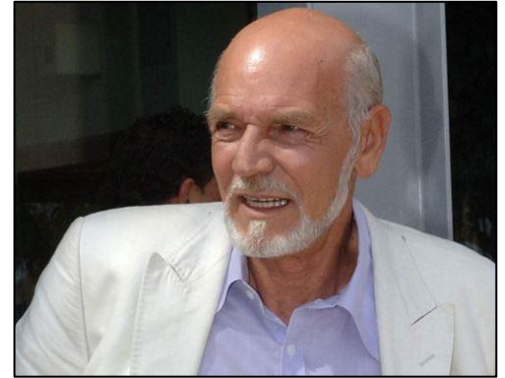
We get more mail on this topic than any other – by a factor of at least 10 : 1

Wind turbines.

We heard from Laurie Lindsay, he said! "In the last edition (September) Victor Stallon quoted from Larry Pickering's website. Larry Pickering is an inveterate liar and conman who sent himself bankrupt so that he did not have pay back the people that he defrauded. (See [HERE](#) and [HERE](#))



I have read the report that Pickering selectively quoted from ([HERE](#)) If you look at the graph on page 11 you will see that Pickering was indeed correct for wind farms that are off shore as you would expect in a highly corrosive environment. However, for onshore wind farms in Denmark the percentage load factor deteriorated from 22% to 17% over 18 years. All mechanical devices wear over time, which is why they have regular maintenance.



After the Sale reunion last year, whilst driving back to Melbourne, I came over the Haunted Hills and looked over the Latrobe Valley and all I could see was pollution. In the future, ugly windmills will not be a problem, because, you will not be able to see them through the smoke haze caused by burning coal. If you want to see a hideous monstrosity, travel to Morwell and take in the open cut mines especially when they are on fire. The fossil fuel industry is subsidised by the Australian tax payer to the tune of \$12 billion per year. All the Latrobe Valley generators will have to be replaced within 10 years. It takes 15 years to build a nuclear power station so what will supply power in the intervening five years.

Victor Stallon wrote that wind farms are noisy. Just walk down the average suburban street on a 300 day and listen to the air conditioners if you want to hear noise. Go for a walk around Yarraville and Kensington in Melbourne when the trucks are coming off Westgate & Citylink and heading for the Port of Melbourne.

In 2013 I toured Germany. It is covered in wind farms and they are eerily quiet. At least one third of the houses had PV panels on their roofs. In September, I was in France. Not so many windmills, albeit the French have nuclear power already on tap. Before you can build dams you have to have water. Nuclear and coal turbines are driven by steam. This country is the driest continent (except for Antarctica). We have an El Nino approaching; where is the water to come from?

The world is warming and it is anthropogenic. We are having bushfires in October, which has never happened in recorded history. (See [HERE](#)) Yes the world has undergone climate change in cycles over many millennia. The timing and the size of the current cycle is way out of whack with anything that has happened before. Greenland and the Antarctic land ice are disappearing and falling into the oceans causing the sea level to rise. Now let us assume that the climate change deniers are correct and the rising sea level is caused by natural means. How does the loony Right propose to alleviate this problem? Where are the plans to build levees to hold back the seawater from our cities? If the world population keeps rising at the current rate we will run out of the fossil fuels in 100 years. Where are the plans for alternative energy sources? This planet's resources are finite and the current government should start thinking beyond the next election.



Climate Alarmist



John Butler sent us this, it's an article written by Kerry Jackson of Investors.Com.

"World savers are anything but. They always have an unspoken motive. H.L. Mencken saw the self-appointed saviours for what they were almost a century ago, when he said the "whole aim of practical politics is to keep the populace alarmed (and hence clamorous to be led to safety) by menacing it with an endless series of hobgoblins, all of them imaginary."

The most persistent hobgoblin of the last quarter-century has been global warming, now called climate change but eventually to be known as extreme weather, or some such other fright-inducing name. The climate activists are constantly bombarding us with warnings, hectoring, hysteria, pleading and threats. Apocalyptic books have been written and shrill movies made, all in an effort to slow man's combustion of fossil fuels.

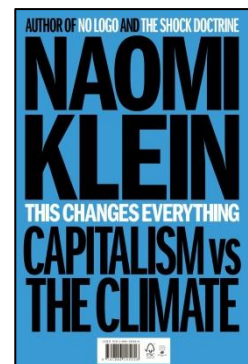
Included among these is a new documentary "inspired" by Naomi Klein's book "This Changes Everything: Capitalism vs. the Climate." If the title isn't enough to give away Klein's motives for attacking the climate "crisis," then a comment she makes in the trailer — please forgive: watching the entire documentary would be as agonizing as any medieval torture — should.

"So here's the big question," says Klein. "What if global warming isn't only a crisis? What if it's the best chance we're ever going to get to build a better world?"

Then comes the threat: "Change, or be changed."

Klein says she "spent six years wandering through the wreckage caused by the carbon in the air and the economic system that put it there." Clearly, it is her goal to shatter the free-market system. The climate? It's just a vehicle, a pretext for uprooting the only economic system in history that has brought prosperity and good health.

Klein's statement is perfectly in line with [Christiana Figueres](#), executive secretary of United Nation's Framework Convention on Climate Change, and in fact is almost an echo. Figueres acknowledged earlier this year that the environmental activists' goal is not to spare the world an ecological disaster, but to destroy capitalism. "This is the first time in the history of mankind that we are setting ourselves the task of intentionally, within a defined period of time, to change the economic development model that has been reigning for at least 150 years, since the Industrial Revolution," Figueres said in Brussels last winter.





"This is probably the most difficult task we have ever given ourselves, which is to intentionally transform the economic development model for the first time in human history." Klein also calls up the spectre of Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel, who, as Obama chief of staff, said in 2009 that "you never want a serious crisis to go to waste." People who are always looking for a crisis to solve are much like those who seek elective office because they want to "serve." Their spoken motives are always a cover for the real agenda, which is so maligned that it is mentioned only by accident.

And this by [David Rose for The Mail on Sunday](#)

Back in September 2013, the World's top climate scientists confessed: "Global warming is just one QUARTER what we thought - and computers got the effects of greenhouse gases wrong".

Back then the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change changed its story after issuing stern warnings about climate change. Their study revealed that scientific forecasts of imminent doom were drastically wrong.

If so, why is the same old mantra being preached??

The IPCC's massive, six-yearly 'assessments' are accepted by environmentalists, politicians and experts as the gospel of climate science. They are cited worldwide to justify swingeing fossil fuel taxes and subsidies for 'renewable' energy yet their 2013 report made the extraordinary concession that over the past 15 years, recorded world temperatures have increased at only a quarter of the rate the IPCC claimed when it published its last assessment in 2007.

Back then, it said observed warming over the 15 years from 1990-2005 had taken place at a rate of 0.2C per decade, and it predicted this would continue for the following 20 years, on the basis of forecasts made by computer climate models.

But their 2013 report says the observed warming over the more recent 15 years to 2012 was just 0.05C per decade - below almost all computer predictions. The IPCC scientists have accepted their forecast computers may have exaggerated the effect of increased carbon emissions on world temperatures – and not taken enough notice of natural variability.

They also admitted that while their computer models forecast a decline in Antarctic sea ice, it has actually grown to a new record high. Again, the IPCC cannot say why and a forecast in the 2007 report that hurricanes would become more intense was simply dropped, without mention."

(Why then have we just "wasted" \$1billion in Paris.....who gets that money?? My only regret is I didn't think up this gigantic cash cow myself.....tb)

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The most effective way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget it once...

Senate Candidate.

Adrian Heinrich sent us this, he says. "It's the speech given by the Senate candidate for the new [Australian Liberal Alliance](#) (ALA) party. It is a good read and makes some interesting points. I suspect it will resonate with many Australians and possibly win the balance of power in the senate at the next election. At least it provides a real difference in choice over the current ALP and LNP positions in regards to current problems."

You can read the speech [HERE](#).