

## **Page 3 Girl**

Our Page 3 girl this issue is the delightful **Name and photo withheld on request..**

xxxx was born and grew up in Mackay North Queensland. Upon completing her primary and secondary education in Mackay, she continued her studies with the Central Queensland University where she successfully completed a Bachelor of Arts in Communications and Mass Media, Social Work and Psychology.

After almost 10 years in retail as a Manager for Target, Bunnings and subsequently opening Store Manager for Priceline Townsville; xxxx entered the Air Force as a Direct Entry Officer into the Administrative Officer specialization.



Her first posting was as the Senior Administrative Officer to 3 Combat Support Hospital at RAAF Base Richmond with subsequent postings to Air Force Headquarters, Headquarters Joint Operations Command (HQ JOC) at HMAS Kuttubul, Fairbairn and at the headquarters current location outside of Bungendore, and now at RAAF Base Amberley with 33 Squadron.

She has been employed in various roles as an Administrative Officer, Public Relations Officer and as a Public Affairs Officer (PAO) including roles as a Military Camera Team (MCT) leader in support of the 1st Joint Public Affairs Unit. Tasks included providing support to the Roulettes, Air Force Band, Air Force Balloon, Puppy Foster Program (Military Working Dogs), Avalon Air shows, RAAF Air shows and other tasks such as the Hobart Battle of Britain celebrations. She was also engaged in various roles on exercises such as Talisman Sabre 05, Pitch Black 06 and as the OPSO of the Combined Joint Information Bureau for Exercise Talisman Sabre 07.

In 2007 she deployed with the Special Operations Task Group into Afghanistan and then again to both Afghanistan and the MEAO towards the end of 2009 as the Senior Military Public Affairs Officer for both Operations Kruger and Slipper.

She says "I would have to say the most challenging and most enjoyable time I have experienced so far, was during my deployment with the Special Forces into Afghanistan. It was a rare opportunity to be immersed in their battle space and to see the execution of their roles first hand was a privilege."

Back in 1977, (and not before time) the Army, Navy and Air Force disbanded their separate female divisions and integrated the girls into the services as equals to their male counterparts. Female officers assumed the same ranks as male officers.

She joined the "new" RAAF, a RAAF that now offers girls the same opportunities, the same benefits and the same pay that the blokes have enjoyed for years. The RAAF now treats all of its members equally and Catherine, like her female colleagues is making the most of it and good luck to her.

We reckon they are lucky to have her.

(And - we didn't have a lot of female officers in our RAAF and so, just in case you want to know, she is referred to as Ma'am)

## 66 TELEGS (Instructor: Cpl Don HORSBURGH)



**Back Row, L-R:** Bernie McDERMOTT, Bruce NEAVE, Col METCALF, Lionel ROSE, Bob PLATT, David ROE, Gordon BASSETT, Roy "Dutchy" HEASLIP, Ray ARLOTT  
**Front Row L-R:** Lloyd MEREDITH, Clarrie BROWN, Noel VINSON, Bruce WESTON, ?? ROBERTSON, ?? WOOD, Col "Limpy" MALLETT, Mick FARGHER

## 32 Appy.

Phil Miller sent us these photos from his Radschool days which he scanned from the Radio Apprentice course graduation booklet. The first photo shows the lads at the end of course, (before celebratory drinkies) the next one is of the Apprentice Flight staff, including Doc Johnson as mentioned in the May edition of the RAM and the last is the lads, after celebratory drinkies.

Phil (far left in the bottom pic) says he can't remember why he looks so sad in the pic as he seems to remember having a wonderful time.



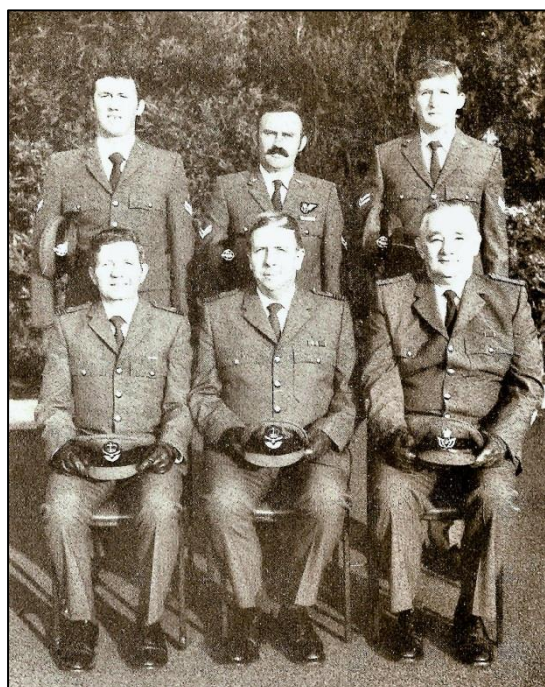
## 32 Radio Appies Course – 20<sup>th</sup> October, 1980.



**Back Row L-R:** LApp Reid, LApp Whiteside, LApp Dines, LApp Nillesen, LApp Spenser, LApp Bagnell

**Centre Row L-R:** LApp Price, LApp Ashworth, LApp Miller, LApp Tottle, LApp Mitchelson, LApp Cullen, LApp Lane, LApp Robjent

**Front Row L-R:** LApp Cox, CplApp Paris, CplApp Coyne, SgtApp Vis, FSgtApp Greber, FSgtApp Cook, SgtApp Price, CplApp Dawson, LApp Terrell



### Radschool Apprentice-Flight Staff.

**Back Row L-R:** Cpl D Dern, Cpl A Tregilgas, Cpl M Kearney.

**Front Row L-R:** FltLt Bob Hambling, Sqn Ldr R Dines, WOff K "Doc" Johnson



## 32 Appy Graduation-night Party

(Click the pic for a bigger view)



### Brains of Britain - they walk among us!

BBC NORFOLK.

**Announcer:** Who had a worldwide hit with "What A Wonderful World"?

**Contestant:** I don't know.

**Announcer:** I'll give you some clues: what do you call the part between your hand and your elbow?

**Contestant:** Arm

**Announcer:** Correct And if you're not weak, you're...?

**Contestant:** Strong.

**Announcer:** Correct - and what was Lord Mountbatten's first name?

**Contestant:** Louis

**Announcer:** Well, there we are then. So who had a worldwide hit with the song "What A Wonderful World"?

**Contestant:** Frank Sinatra?

## 23 Radio Appy.



**Back Row L-R:** LApp Allan, LApp Hawley, LApp Reibelt, CplApp Darby, LApp Holland, LApp Garner, LApp Prescott, LApp Dahl, CplApp Daly.

**Standing L-R:** LApp Kendal, LApp Mackenzie, LApp Coombs, LApp Bates, CplApp McDonnell, LApp McFarland, LApp Gilbert, LApp Webster, LApp Carter, LApp Weir.

**Seated L-R:** LApp Haddock, LApp Habel, SgtApp Farley, FSgtApp Massie, WOffApp Wakefield, FSgtApp Bambach, SgtApp Pick, AgtApp Roberts, LApp Sollors, LApp Dix

**Front Row L-R:** LApp Mewburn, LApp Luff, CplApp Heather, LApp Skipworth, CplApp Gedders, LApp Cowan, LApp Bond

Half the people you know are below average.

This is a photo of the DTS Staff (Defence Technical Scholarship) taken in 1984 but unfortunately, we don't have all the first names. Ken Morris, who was posted to Radschool in 1985, has helped us with a lot but if you can help with more, please get in touch.

Click the pic for bigger view.

STYS, Ed ORR, Wayne MORRIS, Brian FITCHES, PERKINS, BELL, DUGGAN, MILES, Mick ROGERSON, SCOTT, Mick SWEETLOVE, ANDERSON, Steve HILTON, COAD.

Frank OSBORNE, Doug ARNOLD (Deceased), John QUAST, MURPHY, John MASON, Barry MANN, CUTHBERTSON, HOOD, Neville MORRISSEY, Dennis "Mouse" GRAHAM, GOODWIN, Garry RICHARDSON.

M ACKAY, ROGERS, WHITE, HILL, Paul (Ferret) ATKINS, GILLIS, Ray VICINO, Ted SANDERSON, ALLEN, Len BEILBY, Alan "Spider" LAMBERT.





## **ASAFCOMMEN RICHMOND STAFF??**

We think this is a photo of the Richmond Comm Centre staff and was taken in 1987, but we don't have any names, can anyone help?? (and what is ASAFCOMM???)





## Ubon.

We received the following two photos taken of the Comm Centre at Ubon many years ago. Unfortunately, we don't have any further details, if anyone can help, please do!!





## 41 RTC.

Ken Marks sent us this photo of a bunch of virile, young, handsome and super smart young blokes who were on 41 RTC at Laverton in 1967, some of who went on to become the best Radtechs the RAAF ever had. We're a bit short on a few names - any help would be appreciated. (Click the pic for a bigger view)



**Back Row L-R:** ....., Phil Witts, Brent Knight, ....., ....., John Mathwin, John Butler, Lindsay Gale, Terry Horsley, .....DeKevitt??, Laurie Gray, ....., .....

**Front Row L-R:** Ken Marks, Stuart Ritchie, John Thomson, ....., Trevor Benneworth, John Beattie, Peter Kensett, ....., ....., Geoff Phillips, Alan O'Connor, Graeme Benthien

## 5 Commsop Course.

Once again, we don't have any first names and we don't know when the course passed out, please let us know if you can.



Hilton, Ashdown, Hardinge, Whitmore, Browning, Plenzich  
Johnson, Filkin, McPherson, Kuhl, Brown, Cannel, Hogarth

The morning after their honeymoon, the wife said to her husband, "Y'know, you're really a lousy lover!" The husband replied, "How would you know after only 30 seconds?"