

**Page 3 Girl.**



Our page 3 girl this issue is the delightful Chrissy Hart, spotted here holidaying in the Canadian Rockies back in 2012.

Christina Martin, as she was back then, joined the RAAF in 1987, at the ripe old age of 19 and after Rookies, was posted to 6 RAAF Hospital at Laverton to undergo 6 months training as a Medical Assistant. She then spend a further 15 months at 6 RAAF “on the job training.”

In 1989 she was posted to Williamstown, with a brief attachment to 3 RAAF Hosp at Richmond, and then in 1990 it was off to Darwin where she stayed for 3 years.

*Chrissy (right) just 21 and loving the flying suit.*

While in the north, she led a fairly quiet life and did nothing out of the ordinary apart from:

1. being involved in international and tri-services exercises
2. flying in Navy Sea King and Blackhawk helicopters,
3. chopper winching in Darwin harbour,
4. flying in a USAF KC-135 and watching mid-air refuelling of F111's,
5. sitting on the back of a Hercules attached to a harness, with the ramp door open, flying over Kakadu National Park,
6. performing aeromedical evacuations, flying in Caribous to remote areas of the Kimberley region in Western Australia,
7. diving with Royal Australian Navy clearance divers searching for artillery shells and human remains on the many World War II wrecks in the Harbour, and
8. playing with B1 bombers during exercise Kangaroo in 1992.



Just the sort of things all healthy young girls get up to.....



In 1993, after completing her 6 years, she elected to discharge and spent a year in the UK and Europe backpacking and visiting relatives.

*Writing up nursing notes at 3 RAAF in 1989.*

She returned to Oz in 1994, joined the RAAF Reserve (21 Sqn in Melbourne) where she met “the man”, got married and started a family.

She completed her Nursing degree in 2011 and now works with Western Health at the Footscray and Sunshine Hospitals in Melbourne.



Chrissy on Anzac Day 1997, with her Grandfather and Great Grandfather’s medals.

The photo was taken after the service at the Shrine of Remembrance in Melbourne. Chrissy was in 21 Squadron (Reserves) based at RAAF Williams at Laverton at the time.

The British service medals she is wearing belonged to her Grandfather, who served in the Wiltshire regiment and saw active service in WWII in British Palestine (now Israel) and India. Her Great Grandfather served in the Somerset Light Infantry and was killed in action in the Somme, March 1918.



We don't know where this was taken, but we wish we had been there to see it.

Until I was thirteen, I thought my name was SHUT UP!



Rod Ward, a GEM (Ground Equipment Maintenance) hard at it, taking a ball-pein and cold chisel to a poor little Clarktor.

## Hut 157, WAGGA.



Bert Denovan sent us this photo of the blokes who were on the 10<sup>th</sup> Appy intake at Wagga back in 1958. We're not sure of all the names – to see who we have, click the pic above. Perhaps you can help!!

## 2 CRU, 1985



Scott Lowry sent us the photo above, click it to see a bigger view along with names.

## Did you know??

The 26<sup>th</sup> December was traditionally known as St Stephen's Day, but today it is more commonly known as Boxing Day. This expression came about because money was collected in alms-boxes placed in churches during the festive season. This money was then distributed during to the poor and needy after Christmas.



Someone sent us this, but unfortunately, we can't find who did so we don't know where, when or why it was taken. Can anyone help??

A couple was Christmas shopping at the mall on Christmas Eve and the mall was packed. As the wife walked through the mall she was surprised to look up and see her husband was nowhere around. She was quite upset because they had a lot to do. Because she was so worried, she called him on her mobile phone to ask him where he was. In a calm voice, the husband said, "Honey, you remember the jewellery store we went into about 5 years ago where you fell in love with that diamond necklace that we could not afford and I told you that I would get it for you one day?" The wife choked up and started to cry and said, "Yes, I remember that jewellery store." He said, "Well, I'm in the bar right next to it."



Bonnie Lambie (left) and Lynn Bennett, outside the WRAAFERY at Brookvale (about May '68)





Diane Court at Rookies Feb 1975.

## Pearce girls, all frocked up – May 1969

We're a bit short on names here, can anyone help??



L-R: Unknown, unknown, Jackie Rodgers, Robyn Griffin, Jenny Wren, Glenda Punt, unknown.



Berys Broadley, Heather Brooks, Patricia Haynes, 1965. Canberra.

## 6 Clerk Medical Course, 1974

We don't have all the surnames, can anyone help??



**Back L-R:** Carol Ann Wilson, Bev, Rose Holst, Denise, Cathy, Val, Robyn,  
**Front L-R:** Missy Vanroon, Denise Ranger, Barbara, Sgt Des Anderson, Lidia, Maureen Mitchel.

Chicken-man Frank Perdue's slogan, "It takes a tough man to make a tender chicken," got terribly mangled in another Spanish translation. A photo of the late Perdue with one of his birds appeared on billboards all over Mexico with a caption that explained "It takes a hard man to make a chicken aroused."



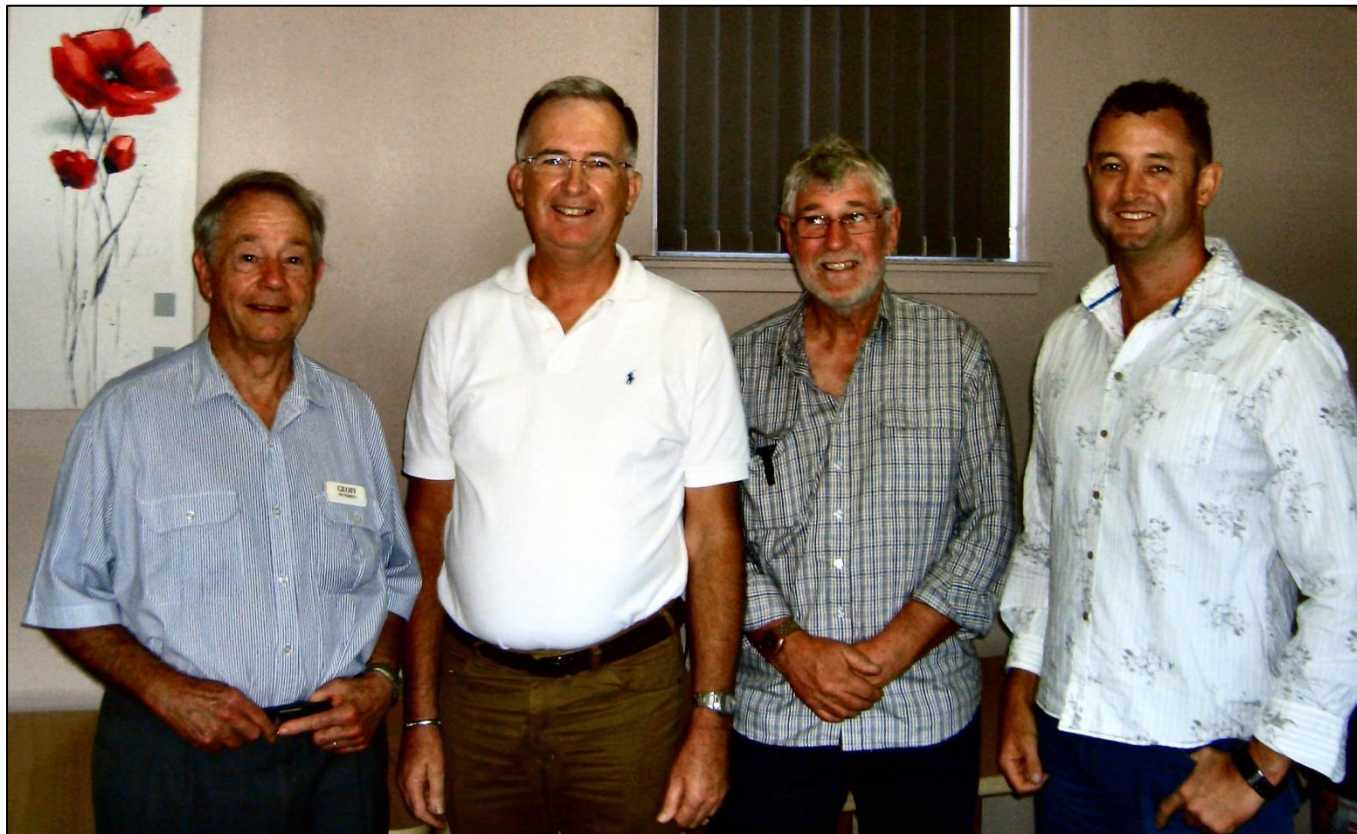
Jeanette Brookes and Ros Curren, on the "Kookaburra Queen" on the Brisbane River, January, 2011



Missy Vanroon.

## 75 Sqn Assoc

Peter Nelms sent us this pic, it is a photo from the 75 Sqn AGM held in conjunction with Anzac Day (in Sydney).



**L-R: Geoff Peterkin** (ex Radio Officer & secretary of Fighter Squadrons Branch), **Peter Nelms** (ex Radtech and president of 75 Sqn Assn), **Ken Vandenberg** (ex 75 Sqn Radtech), **Matt Wegman** (current 75 Sqn Avionics Tech and ex Radtech).

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