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MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGING DIRECTOR



RAAFA(NSW) **PUBLICATIONS PTY** LTD, a company wholly owned by the RAAF Association (RAAFA), publishes Welcome to magazines with the aim of welcoming and assisting ADF families

to relocate on posting. Over the past three years, we have published magazines for new arrivals at both Williamtown and Richmond/Glenbrook, and we are now building on that successful format to provide the service to ADF members and their families on posting to the Edinburgh Defence Precinct. The EDP Edition represents a change for us, noting the inherent "jointness" of the Edinburgh Defence Precinct with its large RAAF, Army and Defence Civilian workforce.

Relocations are never easy and RAAFA members appreciate the disruption caused by this essential facet of Service life. To assist you and your families in this stressful time of your lives, we have filled these pages with information about Defence units that make up the Precinct, and provided a guide to Adelaide and it's neighbouring regions. You are fortunate to be posted to a location that is close to the beautiful city of Adelaide its beaches, the Outback and iconic wine growing areas.

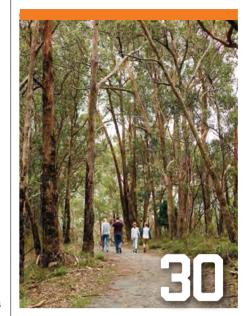
While you browse and hopefully enjoy the magazine, you may care to note that its production would not be possible without the financial support of our sponsor and advertisers. I would particularly like to mention Rolls Royce for its ongoing sponsorship, as well as Defence Housing Australia. These companies do not trade with us as individuals, but they clearly demonstrate their support for the ADF and Defence members and their families.

I also encourage you to consider the support of our commercial advertisers when you are in the market for their goods and services. They are too numerous to mention here, but in addition to their display advertisements, they are listed in Your Guide to the Area at the back of the magazine. For your convenience, in the e-copy on our website each advertisement and listing has a hyperlink to the advertiser's website.

Finally, I would be remiss if I didn't mention the assistance provided to us by senior people at Edinburgh and in particular, Group Captain Greg Weller, who has worked tirelessly to coordinate the editorial content from the Precinct. First editions of magazines are a challenge and it's fair to say that without Greg's drive, the EDP magazine would not have happened. I'm sure he will join me and the RAAFA Publications production team in wishing you an enjoyable tour in Edinburgh in the knowledge that you will love living in the region.

NEIL SMITH AM, MBE Air Vice Marshal (retired) Managing Director RAAFA(NSW) Publications Pty Ltd

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ON THE COVER A P-8 Poseidon aircraft flying over Adelaide. Inset from left: An Air Force Test Range Squadron member on patrol on Woomera Test Range; 7RAR and 1 ARMD Regt elements on exercise in Cultana Exercise Area; A DSTG member inspecting equipment for a future trial.

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WELCOME TO EDINBURGH



AIR COMMODORE JOE IERVASI. AM

AS THE SENIOR AUSTRALIAN **DEFENCE OFFICER** Edinburah Defence Precinct. I would like to warmly welcome you to our Precinct and to South Australia.

The Edinburgh Defence Precinct (EDP) is a large and diverse formation comprising four different sites, including Woomera, and more than 7.500 staff. Of those 7.500 staff. approximately 3,700 are ADF (including approximately 2,000 RAAF, 1,100 Army and 600 Reservists), 2,200 are Australian public servants and nearly 600 are workers such as contractors and defence industry.

For those who are returning to Edinburgh, you will quickly notice significant change across the Precinct.

The new 92 Wing facilities being provided through Project AIR7000 are rapidly progressing and there are major changes to the Army lines with the relocation of 1 Armoured Regiment from Darwin.

The Precinct has a distinctly operational focus with many units either conducting operations from Edinburgh or preparing to deploy throughout the year, ably supported by a host of Defence and civilian elements. In every sense, the staff working across the

EDP directly contribute to current operations in support of the national interest.

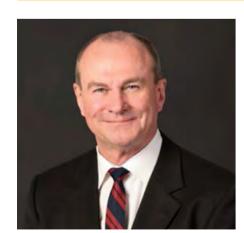
We're also part of the community and have in recent years provided direct support to the South Australian Government to assist in times of need, such as flood relief and fire-fighting operations.

We enjoy an excellent relationship with, and have earned respect from, our local and state communities based upon our enduring professionalism and support, but more so because Defence families have embraced life within the community.

The EDP local community, Adelaide and South Australia are great places to work. live and play. They have so much to offer Defence personnel and families.

As you and your families settle into your posting here, I hope you too can enjoy the delights of South Australia and our community. In this respect, I hope this inaugural Welcome to the Edinburgh Defence Precinct magazine will assist you in settling in to your new home and community and discovering the vast opportunities available both off and on base.

Welcome and all the best for your time at Edinburgh and in South Australia.



MARTIN HAMILTON-SMITH MP and Veterans Affairs

WELCOME DEFENCE PERSONNEL and

families to South Australia. The Defence State. South Australia combines a relaxed lifestyle with state-of- the-art infrastructure and education, sporting and recreation activities, extensive arts and festival programs, world-class food and wine and a well-developed defence industry, making it a great place to live and work.

Having spent more than 20 years in the Army, I understand the importance of Defence to Australia and recognise the challenges for families moving to a new location.

The EDP is an integral part of our thriving

Defence community, creating rewarding career opportunities, attracting investment and driving innovation. Army, Navy and Air Force personnel, public servants, Defence scientists and contractors, along with their families contribute significantly to the SA community.

The State Government acknowledges the important role veterans play in our state through the Veterans Affairs portfolio, which provides a voice for our ex-service men and women.

Our state is committed to supporting the Defence and veteran community and we welcome you to South Australia.



NICK CHAMPION

AS THE FEDERAL MEMBER for Wakefield. which takes in RAAF Edinburgh, I am proud to represent a community with so many Defence force personnel, families and veterans.

I know Defence personnel and their families make many sacrifices to serve our nation both across Australia and overseas.

Relocating across Australia also creates unique challenges for Defence families. If there is any way I can make your time here in the North better, please call my office on 08 8284 2422. I look forward to seeing you in the community soon.



LEESA VLAHOS

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Taylor. The contribution the 7,500 EDP staff and their families bring to the local community should not be underestimated.

The collective training, skills and experience you bring are invaluable assets to our state, local area, schools, sporting and community clubs. You make them stronger because of your skills, adaptability and foresight.

I hope your time at the EDP is rewarding and enjoyable, and that you have the chance to explore the unique opportunities available in Adelaide's north. Thank you for your service to our nation and state.

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Ranges to the sea, Playford comprises townships, hills and rural areas.

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NINNA MARNI JEFFREY

(Hello, my name is Jeffrey),

KAWAI, WARPULALNDI, KUMANGKA

(Coming together to work together in partnership)

The Kaurna Nation vision is to bring meaningful reconciliation of the past, present and future. The Kaurna people have held a deep relationship with the Kaurna lands for some 40,000 years. Cultural security and economic independence are the way forward for our community. The valuable partnership work with Defence and its contractors supports this Kaurna vision.



Chairperson, Kaurna Nation Cultural



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GILLIAN ALDRIDGE

I AM SO PLEASED TO WELCOME you to the City of Salisbury. We have so much to offer you and your families. We have affordable housing options in coastal, urban and rural living settings, offering everyone a fabulous lifestyle

in a flourishing city. Our residents enjoy access to picturesque parks, playgrounds and walking trails, amazing schools and universities, community centres, shopping centres and banking hubs.

Salisbury is one of the most progressive cities in SA. We are regarded by many as the Defence hub in this state and look forward to growing our long association with this vitally important sector of our community. We create places where people can gather and enjoy being a diverse and inclusive community.

In particular, we are investing in the renewal of our City Centre as a beautiful location where people can enjoy arts, culture, festivals and state of the art educational services.

Please come and have a chat with me and visit our wonderful city, you won't be disappointed.

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HE EDINBURGH DEFENCE PRECINCT, approximately 25km north of the Adelaide Central Business District, is the largest Defence establishment in South Australia in terms of geographical area, number of staff and number of units.

The precinct comprises four sites: **RAAF Edinburgh,** on the western side of

West Avenue, comprises the RAAF Base, the
precinct's operational elements – including

Air Force and Army units, logistics and
maintenance supports units, garrison support
elements (messes, accommodation, gym and
pool) and a commercial area which includes
cafes, banks, post office, community centre
and a barber.

Defence Science and Technology Group – Edinburgh (DSTG-E), on the eastern side of West Ave, comprises DST Units, Wide Area and Space Surveillance Systems Program Office (WASSPO) and two RAAF units (462SQN and JEWOSU).

Edinburgh Parks, 2km south of RAAF Edinburgh, has various Defence garrison support elements.

Woomera Range Complex, approximately 500km north of Adelaide, comprises RAAF Woomera, Woomera Village and the Woomera Test Range – the world's largest land-based test range covering almost 120,000 sq km.

The three sites of RAAF Edinburgh, DSTG-E and Edinburgh Parks are located between

Elizabeth and Salisbury in the northern suburbs of Adelaide. Almost 7,500 personnel, including notably RAAF, Army, Defence civilians and contractors, work across the four sites giving the precinct a very joint feel.

There are over 50 residential units located on Edinburgh Defence Precinct. These units are drawn from most of the 14 Defence Groups and Services including Air Force, Army, Estates and Infrastructure Group, Capability and Support Group, Defence People Group, Vice Chief Defence Force Group, Chief Defence Force Group, Chief Finance Officer Group, Defence Security and vetting Services, Defence Science and Technology Group and Chief Information Officer Group.



↑ Penfield Munitions Facility during the 1940s. The large building at the bottom of the image is now part of the Edinburgh Parks Site. The site of RAAF Edinburgh is on the mid-left-hand side of the image.

HISTORY

The Edinburgh Defence Precinct is located on land that was opened up for farming in the mid-19th century. A small village called Penfield, originally sited to the south of the current RAAF Base and DSTG sites, served the farms.

The Defence presence at Edinburgh dates back to World War II. In 1940, the area where Edinburgh Defence Precinct now sits was compulsorily acquired by the Commonwealth Government to build a munitions factory. A munitions plant, the largest in the southern hemisphere, was established in 1942, producing a wide variety of explosives for ammunition such as shells, rockets, mines and torpedoes.

At the end of World War II, most of the site was closed down, with the exception of the TNT manufacturing plant (south of today's RAAF Base), which continued production until the mid 1960s.

From 1946 to the mid 1960s, the Australian and British governments conducted joint weapons testing and maintained a long-range experimental firing range at Woomera.

During testing, there were more than 2,000 British servicemen based at Edinburgh, Woomera and Maralinga. While the former Penfield weapons facility housed the administration infrastructure, stores, laboratories and most of the Australian-based UK contractors, RAAF Edinburgh Field (as it was called in those days) was the logistics hub and accommodated a wide variety of Royal Air Force personnel. Meanwhile, RAAF Mallala, about 60km north of Adelaide and built during

World War II, provided temporary support to the operations.

The significant support required to sustain the weapons testing was more than RAAF Mallala and the small Edinburgh Airfield could provide, prompting the development of a new RAAF Base. Construction work began in 1953 and the new RAAF Base Edinburgh was formally opened by His Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh on March 22, 1954.

The base adopted a very multi-national feel, supporting a large number of British and Australian personnel as well as RAF and RAAF aircraft of diverse types involved in the weapons

trials, including rockets and missiles at Woomera and atomic bomb testing at Maralinga.

In the mid 1960s, the British began withdrawing their weapons-trials operations from South Australia and thus, their presence from RAAF Edinburgh. Following their departure, Edinburgh was virtually vacant until the RAAF began relocating units to the base.

In May 1968, the first three P-3B Orion aircraft arrived at RAAF Edinburgh with 11 Squadron completing its move to Edinburgh from RAAF Richmond in June 1968.

The base underwent major development in the late 1970s following the decision for it to become the primary base for the RAAF's maritime capability. This followed a decision in 1975 to establish a Maritime Patrol Wing called 92 Wing comprising the already located 11 Squadron and moving 10 Squadron with the new P-3C aircraft from Townsville to Edinburgh. New facilities were built from 1978 to 1981 – many of which are only now being replaced by the AIR 7000 re-development.

Since the 1970s, the number of units and Defence organisations at Edinburgh Defence Precinct has steadily increased. From about 2010, Army elements began relocating to RAAF Edinburgh, beginning with the reformation of 7th Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment (7RAR). The increased Army presence continues with the transfer of 1 Armoured Regiment to be completed in 2017.

EDP TODAY

The Edinburgh Defence Precinct has become an increasingly operationally focused joint Defence establishment. Over the past 10 years, it has become a major intelligence surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR) hub for the ADF with Air Warfare Centre, 92 Wing, and

↑ Construction of Army, mess, medical, gym and commercial facilities in 2010.

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1 Remote Sensing Unit residing on the base. Likewise, it has a very strong electronic warfare presence (EW) with Joint Electronic Operational Support Unit and 462 Squadron present. The ISR and EW focus is reinforced by DSTG elements that provide vital research in these areas

A large Army presence through operational units such as 7RAR and 1 Armd Regt and the presence of the RAAF's 3 Security Forces Squadron significantly enhance the operational focus of RAAF Edinburgh.

The base has also become important to mounting and supporting exercises, particularly in the Cultana Exercise Area, located west of Port Augusta to the north of Adelaide. The large logistics and garrison support infrastructure at RAAF Edinburgh is important in conducting exercises in the area.

EDP REDEVELOPMENT

Edinburgh facilities and infrastructure have undergone major transformation in recent years. It's not so long ago that the main thoroughfare was a narrow road bounded by drab 1950s-era buildings on one side and empty fields on the



other. Today, McNamara Drive is an attractive boulevard flanked by appealing modern structures. Its transformation reflects the many changes that have occurred across the base in order to support Defence personnel and their families, and various new units and capabilities.

Major garrison support facilities, including combined messing, accommodation areas, gym and indoor pool, community commercial area and training areas were constructed in 2009-2010, along with facilities for Army and joint units relocated to RAAF Edinburgh.

The redevelopment of Edinburgh is far from finished. Current works are widespread and are emphasised by the construction of new infrastructure and facilities to support introduction of the P-8A Poseidon maritime patrol aircraft to replace the AP-3C Orion.

The works are scheduled for completion in early 2019 and incorporate hangars, a tactical operations centre, an integrated training centre, headquarters and working accommodation, along with extensive redevelopment of the airfield runways, taxiways and aprons.

A number of large facilities and infrastructure projects, including upgrade of existing aircraft hangars, will commence in 2018. And with the planned introduction of additional Army and Air Force capabilities in conjunction with scheduled base-refresh projects, RAAF Edinburgh will continue to experience major redevelopment over the next 10 years.

Meanwhile, redevelopment will continue to support relocating Army elements on RAAF Edinburgh and new capability enhancements at Woomera Test Range.





Headquarters (HQ AWC) responsible for the coordination and implementation of common and integrated functions across the AWC and specific capability focused Directorates providing information warfare, test and evaluation, Air Force Ranges management and advanced air warfare tactics and training (located at RAAF Williamtown)

AIR FORCE RANGES DIRECTORATE

The Air Force Ranges Directorate is the primary provider of Air Force Air Weapon Ranges and Live, Virtual and Constructive (LVC) simulation to enable the testing of war materiel and the training of Air Force capabilities in order to deliver more effective warfighters. Its functions include range management, support to Test and Evaluation, support of basic to advanced air warfare training, and management of LVC capabilities and simulation. The Air Force Test Range Squadron conducts activities on the Woomera Test Range.

AIR FORCE TEST RANGE SOUADRON

AFTR Squadron is responsible for the day-to-day conduct of test range activities tasked by the Integrated Mission Support Tasking Branch. Approximately 55 RAAF uniformed and civilian personnel make up the AFTR Squadron. The bulk of personnel are based at RAAF Base Edinburgh. A mixed operations/technical services flight of seven to nine personnel is on permanent detachment at the range to provide on-site liaison and management of range activities. Edinburgh-based personnel deploy to Woomera regularly to supplement the permanent detachment as operational tasking requires.

INFORMATION WARFARE DIRECTORATE

The Information Warfare Directorate is home to the Royal Australian Air Force's Intelligence, Cyber and Electronic Warfare support functions. It comprises five units, each with specialists that enhance and enable war-winning capabilities for the RAAF and the wider Australian Defence Force. The Information Warfare Directorate thus provides asymmetric advantages to our Defence Force over potential adversaries. It is by far the largest Directorate within the Air Warfare Centre, comprising more than 600 personnel out of approximately 900. It is also the most geographically distributed Directorate within the Air Warfare Centre, with its personnel located at all the major RAAF bases and also within the Defence Complex in Canberra. Further, because of its functions, it has personnel deployed on Exercises and Operations, including the Middle East, on an almost continual basis.

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NO. 87 SQUADRON

87 Squadron (87SQN) was formed on July 1, 2006, and is the Air Force's mission intelligence and processing, exploitation and dissemination squadron. 87 Squadron has seven Tactical

Intelligence Flights at RAAF Bases Amberley, Edinburgh, Richmond, Tindal and Williamtown, providing mission intelligence to multiple FEGs, Wings and units. 87 Squadron's eighth Flight, the Distributed Ground Station Flight, provides tactical in-flight Processing, Exploitation and Dissemination intelligence support to Air Force platforms during mission execution. 87 Squadron comprises approximately 150 personnel, predominantly Air Intelligence Analysts and Officers, and is headquartered at RAAF Edinburgh. 87SQN personnel support multiple RAAF and ADF operations and exercises, across single service and joint domains.



NO. 462 SOUADRON

Located within
Information Warfare
Directorate, Air Warfare
Centre, 462 Squadron
is primarily based at
RAAF Base Edinburgh
with a detachment
in Canberra. The

Squadron is the RAAF's leading capability in Information Assurance and Defensive Cyber Operations. 462 Squadron is supported by an Intelligence Flight, Training and Standards Flight, Operations Support Flight, and Engineering Maintenance Section. Since its reform in April 2005, 462 Squadron has evolved from its proud Bomber Command history to a leading capability in Information Operations. 462 Squadron attends to the requests of multiple customers seeking expert advice, accreditation of Air Force's standalone

TEST AND EVALUATION DIRECTORATE

The Test and Evaluation Directorate (TED) within the RAAF Air Warfare Centre (AWC) has responsibility for managing Air Force's Air Systems Development and Test, Aeronautical Information and Aviation Medicine capabilities. These capabilities all contribute to the mission success, safe performance, safe operation and survivability of Australian Defence Force aircraft and aircrew. To achieve this, the Test and Evaluation Directorate focusses effort on the following functions:

mission systems and networks and an incident response capability. 462 Squadron supports Exercises and Operations across the world, receiving widespread recognition for its effectiveness and cutting-edge approach as Air Force's emerging cyber capability.



AIR INTELLIGENCE TRAINING UNIT

Formed on January 1, 2017, the Air Intelligence Training Unit's (AITU)

mission is to develop and deliver all source air intelligence training to meet the needs of Air Force's evolving capability requirements. AITU sequences the training for all new Air Force intelligence staff, and conducts basic and post-graduate training for Air Intelligence Officers and Air Intelligence Analysts. The unit comprises 25 staff and delivers approximately 20 courses of various types each year.



JOINT ELECTRONIC WARFARE OPERATIONAL SUPPORT UNIT

The Joint Electronic Warfare Operational

Support Unit is an Air Warfare Centre unit with a tri-service mission to enhance ADF combat power through integrated electronic warfare operational support. It achieves this by providing:

- Adversary electronic order of battle data and electronic warfare analysis support to ADF units
- Non-communications electronic support and electronic warfare self-protection (EWSP) operational support to RAN, ARA and RAAF units
- Electronic warfare training to ADF units, with a focus on EWSP
- Technical advice on electronic warfare systems to the Capability Acquisition and Sustainment Group and the capability development process for future acquisitions
- Electronic warfare simulators, including technical support and test equipment.
- Specialised flight test and evaluation services for all Air Force aircraft types
- Aircraft stores compatibility engineering services, primarily focussed on certifying new or improved air weapons
- Aerospace systems engineering services, design, fabrication and operation of specialised flight test instrumentation systems
- Aviation medicine clinical, training and human systems integration services
- Provision of worldwide aeronautical information and services.



AIRCRAFT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT UNIT

The Aircraft Research and Development Unit (ARDU) plans, conducts and analyses the results of ground and flight tests of

existing and new Air Force aircraft. The ARDU consists of three flights located across four bases: RAAF Bases Edinburgh, Amberley, Richmond and Williamtown. The unit is staffed by qualified test pilots, flight test engineers, flight test system specialists and operational evaluation aircrew. ARDU provides complete and integrated aviation Test and Evaluation for Air Command whilst generating flight test professionals for future Air Force capability.



AIR WARFARE ENGINEERING SOLIADRON

The Air Warfare Engineering Squadron (AWE SQN) was formed in early 2016 by combining the Aerospace Systems Engineering Squadron (ASE SQN)

and Aircraft Stores Compatibility Squadron (ASCENG SQN). The various Aircraft Stores Compatibility Engineering and System Design and Development activities of both previous squadrons continue to be covered by AWE SQN. The squadron's purpose is to provide and coordinate specialist engineering services to enhance joint airpower.



INSTITUTE OF AVIATION MEDICINE

The RAAF Institute of Aviation Medicine enhances human aircrew performance and aviation safety through medical expertise. The institute ensures a

safe, effective defence force through aviation medicine knowledge for aircrew, Aviation Medical Officer training and research. The unit is staffed by a mixture of uniformed and civilian personnel who bring with them diverse skills in Aviation Medicine, Human Factors and Aeronautical Life Support.



No. 92 Wing is the first Maritime Wing in the history of the RAAF, and was formed at RAAF Base Edinburgh on July 1, 1977.

Previous to this, maritime and reconnaissance commitments were met by two independent maritime squadrons.

RAAF 92WG AP-3C Orion and P-8 Poseidon

aircraft flying over South Australian waters.

The co-location of the two squadrons enabled considerable savings in labour and facilities by combining the two units under the one umbrella of a Maritime Wing – No. 92 Wing.

A training and support squadron was required to conduct all Wing training and to provide the

software and operational support. Accordingly, 292 Squadron was formed on October 27, 1980.

No. 92 Wing has a permanent detachment at RAAF Base Darwin supporting surveillance of Australia's north-west and northern approaches as part of OP RESOLUTE.

The Wing operates the AP-3C Orion maritime patrol aircraft and is now in transition to the newly acquired P-8A Poseidon aircraft.

92 Wing's roles include anti-submarine and anti-surface warfare for which the aircraft are equipped with torpedoes and Harpoon anti-

shipping missiles. The Wing is also responsible for long-range intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance and maritime attack, and search and survivor supply missions.

The Wing Headquarters provides the officer commanding with the operational planning and intelligence to command and coordinate all Wing activities.

During 2018-19, 92 Wing Headquarters, No. 11 Squadron, No. 292 Squadron and LOGOPS will relocate into new purpose-built facilities to support the P-8A Poseidon aircraft operations.

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NO. 92 WING

NO. 10 SQUADRON

No. 10 Squadron was formed at Point Cook, Victoria on July 1, 1939. In late 1939, No. 10 Squadron accepted the Sunderland Mk 1 flying boats and, with the outbreak of war, was deployed to the United

Kingdom, conducting U-boat patrol operations alongside RAF units. With the cessation of hostilities, the squadron was disbanded on July 23, 1946. No. 10 Squadron was reformed in Townsville in March 1949 and operated a variety of aircraft, including Lincoln Mk30 and Mk31 P2V-7S Neptune. In 1977, 10 P-3C Orion aircraft were purchased and the squadron was transferred to RAAF Base Edinburgh.

Currently, No. 10 Squadron operates the AP-3C Orion, performing a multitude of tasks including Peacetime Intelligence Collection, Search and Survivor Supply and Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance roles.

In addition, No. 10 Squadron works extensively with the Royal Australian Navy in anti-submarine and anti-surface warfare roles

and maintains a long-standing contribution to operations with Maritime Border Command. Teams of 10 squadron aircrew, maintenance and support personnel regularly deploy to a wide variety of operations and exercises within Australia and overseas.



NO. 11 SOUADRON

No. 11 Squadron is a maritime strike, patrol, reconnaissance and response squadron. Previously flying the venerable Lockheed-Martin AP-3C Orion, No. 11 Squadron has transitioned to

flying operations conducted with the latest generation in maritime strike aircraft, the Boeing P-8A Poseidon. Roles conducted by the unit include Overland Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR), Maritime ISR, Maritime Strike, anti-submarine warfare, anti-surface warfare, and Search and Rescue. Delivery of the first P-8A Poseidon occurred during November 2016 with the fleet destined to grow to 12 platforms by 2020.



NO. 292 SQUADRON

No. 292 Squadron is an operational conversion unit based at RAAF Base Edinburgh. The squadron was formed on January 1, 1977 as the Maritime Analysis Training Squadron

and renamed No. 292 Squadron on October 27, 1980. Throughout its history it has formed part of No. 92 Wing and been responsible for training aircrew to operate the RAAF's Lockheed AP-3C Orion maritime patrol aircraft. It is also responsible for training AP-3C Orion maintenance personnel. The centrepieces for aircrew training are the high-fidelity Advanced Flight Simulator for pilots and the Operational Mission Simulator for ACO and AEA aircrew. Both simulators are able to give the students realistic training with various levels of complexity.

No. 292 Squadron will remain part of No. 92 Wing following the replacement of the AP-3C fleet with the P-8 Poseidon. It will begin the first local training course for P8 in 2018.

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NO. 20 SQUADRON (WOOMERA)

No. 20 Squadron was established at RAAF Base Woomera on April 1, 2015. Its role is to deliver operational airbase support to Woomera Test Range by operating the military airfield at

Woomera. 20 Squadron is a small unit, currently 11 personnel, but that number is routinely augmented to as many as 160 personnel in order to support large-scale exercises.

The base is home to 130 civilians and their

families as well as the members of 20 Squadron. It is a small and very remote community but, despite that, a very close community.



NO. 24 SOUADRON

No. 24 (City of Adelaide) Squadron is one of 12 operational squadrons within 96 Wing, Combat Support Group. Its mission is to deliver permanent airbase capability at RAAF

Base Edinburgh while supporting expeditionary operations. It achieves this mission utilising the skills and experience of not only permanent Air



Force members, but Australian public servants and Air Force Reservists. 24 Squadron is responsible for key functions including the Air Base Command Post, Base Aviation Safety, Road and Air Movements, Mechanical Equipment Operations and Maintenance and operation of the Defence Fuel Installation – Aviation, as well as Chaplaincy and Physical and Recreational Training. 24 SQN has a proud history having served with distinction in World War II in Papua New Guinea flying dive bombers and later in the Dutch East Indies flying heavy bombers.



NO. 3 SECURITY FORCES SQUADRON

3SECFOR SQN was formed on July 4, 2013, and provides command and control of all Ground Defence, Security, Police and

Airbase Protection personnel at Edinburgh and Pearce, with detachments being established as required in Woomera, Curtin and Learmonth.

The squadron is responsible for providing physical force protection and weapon training of base personnel at these locations. This includes the employment of Military Working Dogs, security governance and policing to achieve a secure operating environment.

3SECFOR SQN also contributes to very short notice expeditionary effects, independently and as part of a Contingency Response Squadron to support national and international operations, with personnel continually deploying to various locations around the world.



NO. 1 REMOTE SENSOR UNIT

IRSU conducts surveillance of Australia's northern approaches by collecting, analysing and disseminating data into the ADF's

Common Operating picture. 1RSU operates the Jindalee Operational Radar Network (JORN) Over-the-Horizon Radar (OTHR) remotely as well as the Air Force's only tactical space-based surveillance systems.

1RSU was formed in July 1992 and in January 1993 commenced operations using the Jindalee radar at Alice Springs for surveillance tasks. In 2003, a further two OTHRs were commissioned in Longreach, Qld and Laverton WA, completing what is known as the JORN.

1RSU is staffed by Air Force and Navy members and civilian contractors, operating 24 hours a day.

THE 1ST BRIGADE

A growing capability in South Australia

THE IST BRIGADE has a long and proud history of service to the nation, and has called many places home.

Primarily based out of Holsworthy Barracks, Sydney in the post-Vietnam era, the Brigade relocated to its current home at Robertson Barracks, Darwin in the mid 1990s. The Brigade comprises the following units:

- A Brigade Headquarters
- 8th/12th Regiment, Royal Australian Artillery
- 1st Armoured Regiment
- 5th Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment
- 7th Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment
- 1st Combat Engineer Regiment
- 1st Combat Signals Regiment
- 1st Combat Service Support Battalion
 Since 1999, the 1st Brigade has deployed

more than 3,000 members in peacekeeping roles in Timor Leste and the Solomon Islands as well as support to humanitarian and disaster-relief operations in the region. Most recently, the brigade has seen extensive active service in conflict zones such as Afghanistan and Iraq. While the Australian Army remains committed to retaining its presence in the Northern Territory for some time, the 1st Brigade has grown its presence in South Australia. In 2011, the 7th Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment (7RAR) and a contingent of combat support, maintenance and health personnel relocated to purpose-built facilities in the Edinburgh Defence Precinct.



Today, some 820 soldiers from 7RAR, A Squadron, 1 Armoured Regiment and the 1st Combat Service Support Team call Adelaide home. The 1st Brigade will continue to be centred in Darwin, with the Headquarters and five of its seven units. This equates to twothirds of the military strength of the Brigade. In 2018, approximately 330 personnel from the 1st Armoured Regiment will relocate from Darwin to Adelaide. This means that medium capabilities based on tanks, armoured personnel carriers and reconnaissance vehicles will be located in Adelaide with easy access to the expanded all-year training area at Cultana. It also means even more opportunities for the RAAF and Army to develop their

To support the relocation and growth of 1st Brigade units in Adelaide, Army's infrastructure has also grown. This includes the construction of a new headquarters building, enhancements to armouries and support nodes. Edinburgh is also at the forefront of future enhancements to Army's new Armoured Fighting Vehicle fleet. By January 2018, all current infrastructure works and relocation activities will be complete and approximately 1,150 soldiers of the 1st Brigade, along with their families will call Adelaide home.

1ST ARMOURED REGIMENT

interoperability at Edinburgh.

1st Armoured Regiment defeats enemy forces and protects friendly troops through firepower, manoeuvre and shock action and provides the cornerstone of Army's Foundation Warfighting ability; physically and intellectually.

The regiment trains to achieve world's best practice in armoured warfare, across the spectrum of operations. It achieves this by being brilliant at the basics of mounted and dismounted combat, with a focus on providing world-class Tank and ASLAV troops able to deploy at short notice to provide critical combat weight to the combined arms fight. The regiment aims for excellence in the execution of Battlegroup operations, through the ability to plan, command and control the combined arms team under conditions of sustained close combat, at the tempo required to defeat a modern, near peer or hybrid threat. Members of the regiment aspire to professional mastery, to provide Army's highend warfighting ability. This is achieved through robust, realistic training, dedicated officer, NCO and soldier training programs to enhance professional development, and contributions to future warfare and future structure debates. The Regiment is positioned to defeat Australia's enemies and provide force protection to friendly troops, through provision of armoured combat weight and expertise to the combined

arms team, with officers and soldiers who have a high degree of readiness, depth of expertise and a will to win.

7TH BATTALION, THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT

Known as "the Pigs", the 7th Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment is an infantry unit of the 1st Brigade. Located in Horseshoe Lines at RAAF Edinburgh, it is the largest of the ADF permanent units based in Adelaide. The battalion has a proud history since its formation on September 1, 1967. Withdrawn from the Army's establishment in 1973, it was re-raised in 2006. Since its rebirth, it has become one of the most deployed of all Infantry Battalions in the Royal Australian Regiment, having seen operational service in two tours of Afghanistan and, most recently Iraq and back to Afghanistan.

In early 2017, the Chief of Army directed that 7 RAR return to its mechanised infantry capability. This will see 7 RAR becoming the most powerful, mobile and dynamic Battalion in the southern hemisphere.



↑ A 7RAR sniper team moves into position during an operation in Southern Afghanistan.

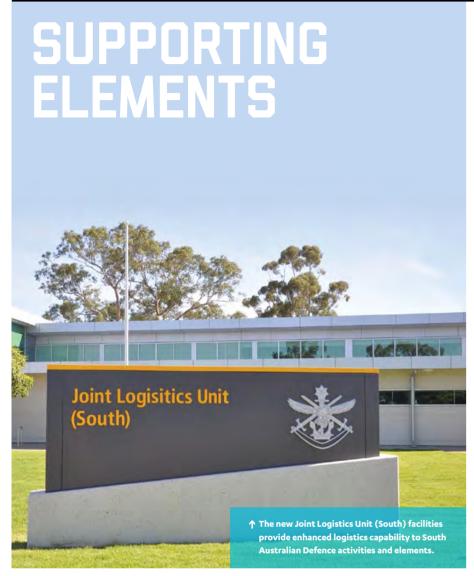


↑ Soldiers from 7RAR and 1st Armoured Regiment conduct live-fire training at Cultana, SA.



↑ New Home — The current 1st Brigade Headquarters (Southern Detachment) building will become the new Regimental Headquarters for the 1st Armoured Regiment when they relocate in late 2017.

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1 JOINT LOGISTICS UNIT (SOUTH)

1 Joint Logistics Unit (South) is a highly effective, fully integrated team of skilled logisticians delivering essential logistics services to our regional and national dependencies. Together with Defence industry partners such as Linfox, Broadspectrum and Serco, JLU(S) provides a range of essential logistics functions including: warehousing; distribution; materiel maintenance; loan and repair pools; combat kitting and issues; retail clothing; weapons storage and repair; hazardous goods management; electronic instrument repair; explosive ordnance services; regional procurement; and operations and plans support. JLU(S) supports combat elements from all three Services that are based or operating within South Australia including those exercising at training areas in Cultana, Woomera and Port Wakefield. JLU(S) is also the Primary Support Unit and Primary Maintenance Unit for several critical joint platforms and capabilities.

JOINT HEALTH UNIT (CENTRAL), EDINBURGH HEALTH CENTRE

The Edinburgh Health Centre, along with smaller clinics at Keswick and Woodside, provide the ADF garrison health support for the Adelaide area. Comprising approximately 90 Army, Air Force and Navy staff as well as APS and Contracted civilians, the Edinburgh Health Centre is part of Joint Health Unit Central

Australia managed by Joint Capabilities Group and Joint Health Command. The health centre, on McNamara Street opposite the 1 BDE parade ground, provides sick parade, dental, pharmacy, mental health and psychology services, occupational rehabilitation support and a 22 bed ward for ADF personnel.

Outpatients/sick parade: 7.30-9.30am (Mon-Fri), 10am-noon (Sat-Sun)

Inpatient Ward: All hours

Dental: 7.30am-3.30pm (Mon-Fri)

Dental: 7.30am-3.30pm (Mon-Fri)
Mental health: 7.30am-4pm (Mon-Fri)
Physiotherapy: 7.30-9.30am (Mon-Fri)
Pharmacy: 7.30am-3.30pm (Mon-Fri)
Rehabilitation: 7.30am-3.30pm (Mon-Fri)

ESTATE AND INFRASTRUCTURE GROUP

Estate and Infrastructure Group (E&IG) through base-services contractors provide estate and garrison services in support of both military and civilian units in the EDP. The sites supported include RAAF Base Edinburgh, DST Edinburgh, Edinburgh Parks and RAAF Base Woomera. Garrison services provided include facilities maintenance and new works, messing, grounds maintenance, cleaning, access control, fire and rescue services and commercial operations (at Woomera).

The contracted services are managed through national contract managers, with issues resolved at the local level through the E&IG Base Support Manager and team where possible. Contractor performance is managed through a monthly assurance process by regional E&IG staff with reporting provided to E&IG staff nationally. E&IG also delivers services nationally including customer service, emergency management, insurance, joint operations support, library and mail. These services are in most cases nationally managed but locally delivered. All E&IG services delivered to EDP customers are supported through regional staff at Edinburgh and the broader national E&IG team.

WIDE AREA AND SPACE SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS PROGRAM OFFICE

Wide Area and Space Surveillance Systems Program Office (formally OTHRSPO) was formed in 2003 and is part of the Air and Space



Surveillance and Control Branch within the Capability Acquisition and Sustainment Group.

WASSPO's primary role is to provide Wide Area and Space Surveillance through the Jindalee Over The Horizon Radar and various space surveillance capabilities to Defence. These capabilities enable Defence, and in particular RAAF1 Remote Sensor Unit, to conduct effective surveillance in support of the ADF's situational awareness. WASSPO is based at the Defence Science and Technology Edinburgh site. Its 82-strong workforce is a combination of ADF, APS and contractor personnel.

1 COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT TEAM

1 Combat Service Support Team (1 CSST) is a sub-unit of 1 Combat Service Support Battalion. It is unique in that it is geographically dislocated from the rest of the Battalion, and comprises elements of each logistic discipline to support the 1 Brigade Direct Command Units (1 Bde DCU) in SA. 1 CSST consists of a Workshop Platoon capable of medium-grade repairs, a Transport Troop capable of supply distribution including bulk water and fuel and heavy road freight, and a Warehouse Platoon that manages the supply chain for 1 Bde DCU in the region.

SA WING, WARRANT OFFICER AND NON COMMISSIONED OFFICER ACADEMY

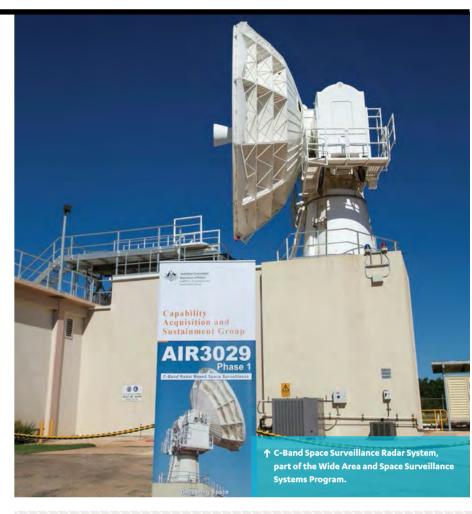
South Australia Wing, Warrant Officer and Non Commissioned Officer Academy (WONCO-A), led by Officer Commanding Major Brendan Thomas, is an independent sub-unit that manages four eight-week Subject 1 Corporal Army course each year. With the motto Lead, Mentor, Train, it aims to qualify Private in the All Corps requirements of command, leadership, management, operations and training for the rank of Corporal.

ARMY PERSONNEL SUPPORT CENTRE

The Army Personnel Support Centre has two support functions and capabilities at Edinburgh Defence Precinct.

The Army Personnel Administration Centre South Australia (APAC SA) provides uniform payroll and personnel administration support to dependant units within SA. Based at Building 941 at RAAF Edinburgh (near the front gate), It provides subject-matter advice to soldiers and commanders on Conditions of Service entitlements. APAC SA supports commanders as the conduit for Decision Briefs for DGPERS-A consideration as required, ensuring that the appropriate policy is matched with the request.

The Army Personnel Coordination
Detachment South Australia (APCD-SA)
provides governance assurance that all Army
personnel are separation ready by providing
effective support, co-ordination, administrative
oversight, and command to assist our people and
their families through the transition process.



SURVEILLANCE AND RESPONSE SYSTEMS PROGRAM OFFICE

Surveillance and Response SPO (SRSPO), previously Maritime Patrol SPO, forms part of Capability Acquisition and Sustainment Group (CASG) Air Domain. SRSPO provides Sustainment support to the P-3 Orion, P-8 Poseidon and future Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, and is the acquisition agency for Project AIR7003. SRSPO also provides sustainment support for all Aeronautical Life Support Equipment to Army, Navy and Air Force across 18 different aircraft platforms. The underpinning workforce to achieve this intent is achieved through a combination of ADF, Public Servants and Contractors.







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Based at Edinburgh Parks 2, APCD - SA acts as a direct point of contact to coordinate and assist Army personnel and their families through the transition process. (this is an APAC-SA function)

Trade Transfer and Retention Warrant Officers (TTRWOs) assist Army personnel by providing advice on Corps transfer, trade transfer, officer training (ADFA and RMC), Service transfer (RAN and RAAF) and the transfer from SERCAT 7 to another SERCAT. Contact details for the TTRWOs can be found on the HO APSC website or on the APCD-SA website: http://drnet.defence.gov.au/ army/APSC/SA/Pages/APCD-SA.aspx

Member Support Coordinators assist Army units and Administrative Commanding Officers to support members in Non Army Groups. They are able to provide all commanders with the additional skills and resources required to ensure the appropriate level of support is provided to wounded, injured and ill members.



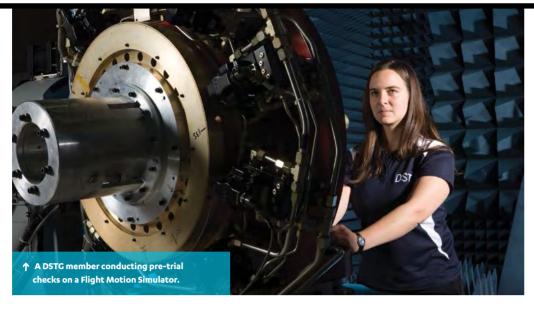
EDUCATION WING

Education Wing – South Australia provides educational support to ADF members in SA. The team of three Royal Australian Army

Educational Corps Officers provide the following: Language, literacy and numeracy

- skill development
- · Academic tutoring and proof reading
- Completion of Year 12 and pathways to higher education
- · Applying and preparing for university and TAFE courses
- Information on Defence educational support schemes
- Defence writing and formatting
- Instructor and assessor professional development

Education Wing is located in Building 1000 (Warrant Officer and Non-Commisioned Officer Academy), Chau Pha Road, RAAF Base Edinburgh, email: regionaleducationdet.sa@ defence.gov.au or phone 08 7389 2542.



ARMY SCHOOL OF ELECTRICAL MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Since 2013, the Army School of Electrical Mechanical Engineering (ASEME SA) has maintained a presence within the RAAF Edinburgh precinct, in the form of a regional On the Job Training (OJT) Cell. The cell manages and enables the up to 60 RAEME trainees as they complete the final phase of the their apprenticeship and transitions them from the training force into the trained force. The cell also manages the training Fitter Armourer, Vehicle Mechanic, Technician Electrical and Technician Electronic System trade groups.

It also has arrangements to assist in the supply of training environments for RAAF GSEFIT trainees, and is currently in discussions with the RAN to identify possibilities for future interservice opportunities.

The ASEME SA OJT Cell currently operates out of the HQ 1 BDE building, which has fostered a fantastic relationship between all Brigade units and ASEME; however, the cell will be relocating to be within the WONCO Academy.

Over the past four years, the cell has developed an extensive network of both civilian and military workplaces in the greater Adelaide region, which

provide in-depth technical experience and exposure that trainees can draw upon as they begin their careers within the corps of RAEME.

By the beginning of 2018, in line with the capability movements within the 1st Brigade. it is forecast that ASEME SA OJT Cell trainee numbers will surge, creating a larger ASEME footprint in the RAAF Edinburgh Precinct.

DEFENCE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY GROUP

The Edinburgh area has been used for Defence science and research since just after World War II. Various organisations have performed the role. Today, the Defence Science Technology Group (DST), as part of the Department of Defence, is the Australian Government's lead agency responsible for applying science and technology to safeguard Australia and its national interests.

DST employs some of Australia's brightest and most innovative scientists, engineers and IT specialists at the forefront of international defence research to deliver expert, impartial advice and innovative solutions for Defence and national security. DST has research facilities across Australia, including at our largest site in Edinburgh with more than 1,300 staff.

For more than 100 years DST and its predecessor organisations have delivered ground-breaking and innovative defence science, including notable achievements such as the development of the Black Box Flight Recorder, Nulka ship missile decov. Barra Sonobuoy, the Jindalee Operation Radar Network and the Laser Airborne Depth Sounder.

DST works closely with industry, universities and the scientific community to enhance our ability to find novel and innovative solutions to Australia's defence and national security technology challenges.

For more information or career opportunities with DST see dst.defence.gov.au

EDP COMMUNITY



Chaplains are available to support Defence members, partners and families on and off base. They provide confidential pastoral counselling across a range of issues from relationship crisis, to workplace conflict and practical support, whereby helping

The chaplains conduct a small service every Wednesday from midday at the base chapel. Every Tuesday, a prayer group meets at the base chapel at 9.30am.

defence families, partners and members deal

with the challenges of military life.

The chaplains also process RAAF Welfare Trust Funds for RAAF members. Further details can be obtained from your unit administrative staff or the base chaplains.

The on-call chaplain can be contacted on (Air Force) 0438 761 403, (Army) 0419 823 743, and (Navy) 0419 800 542. The Edinburgh chaplains are also on Facebook: facebook.com/ groups/1479788235650428

AIRMEN'S CLUB

Located in the western end of Building 805. adjacent the EDN OR/Airmen's Mess dining room and in close proximity to AAFCANS and the gym, this facility has entertainment options for military members and their family. It includes an outdoor barbecue area, children's playground and a large indoor area with entertainment options for all the family. The indoor area contains air hockey tables, arcade game machines, foosball table, table tennis tables, eight-ball tables, snooker table, and 3 AV areas for Free-to-Air /Foxtel viewing. The recreational facility has a snack and drink vending machine to allow 24/7 light refreshments and a bar that opens Wednesday to Saturday evenings.

The combination of barbecue area, children's playground and multiple entertainment options for everyone allows this facility to suit any family regardless of size or age.

SERGEANTS MESS

The Edinburgh Sergeants Mess is located on the northern side of the combined mess complex. The mess is strong and active with services provided to members on most days of the week and a Dining Out Night once a year for members and partners. Some of the services your \$90 mess fees will entitle you to include:

- Monday Muffins
- Tuesday Scones
- Wednesday morno's, including a selection of pastries, wraps, fruit, slices and cakes
- Alternating pay-day barbecues and Sergeants Mess CMC curry lunches. Coinciding with the pay lunch are fortnightly raffles and a members draw.
- Off pay-day Vietnamese Rolls
- 24/7 access to the coffee machine and, when available, biscuits.

The mess has close ties to the South Australian RSLs, Legacy and other Defence support agencies. The mess hosts representatives of these agencies at the Wednesday morno's, providing members with easy access to the organisations.

Further SGT Mess information can be found through the following sources: Defence Intranet http://drnet/raaf/EDNSGTM/Pages/Home espx;Face Book Group; and by visiting the Edinburah Sergeants Mess.

OFFICERS MESS

RAAF Base Edinburgh is home to more than 3,000 ADF personnel and takes great pride in offering an exceptional mess facility to all

officers' serving within the Edinburgh Defence Precinct. Our current membership offers the choice of being a financial or non-financial member. Facilities available to members include the dining room, ante room and bar, Sportsman's Bar, TV room, billiards room and outdoor barbecues. The Officers' Mess has a great social calendar and you will have the opportunity to join in on events such as the Spring and Autumn Ball, wine tastings, pay-week raffles, monthly theme lunches, Dining In Night's and morno's every Tuesday, just to name a few.

↑ The RAAF Edinburgh Gymnasium.

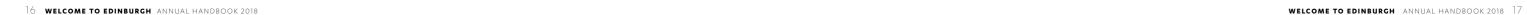
GYM

The RAAF Edinburgh Gymnasium (Building 800), on McNamara Drive adjacent to the commercial area, is open from 5.30am to 10pm and the pool from 6am to 9pm daily. Within the gymnasium, Defence members and authorised users have access to some of the latest fitness equipment available.

Along with the gymnasium and pool, there are also basketball, squash and tennis courts, as well as soccer, football, rugby, league and touch fields for Defence members and their families. All can be booked by contacting RAAF Edinburgh Physical Training Instructors (PTIs). Air Force and Army PTIs from 24SQN and 1CHB provide safe, structured, high-quality periodised training for Defence members in order to help them achieve and maintain a level of fitness appropriate to their military and specialist duties.







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SPORTING CLUBS

There are a number of sporting clubs available on RAAF Edinburgh for Defence members.

Edinburgh Ski Club. A social club that runs day trips and camping weekends. The club caters for all levels and abilities in skiing, wake boarding, wake skating, knee boarding, barefoot skiing, ski tubes. Camping weekends are also popular and offer a great way to socialise with a group of people with a common interest. EDP POC SGT Darrell Greig.

Edinburgh Sailing Club. The sailing club has recently been stood up. It will provide members and their families the opportunity to experience and learn how to sail whilst posted to EDN. There is also an opportunity for experienced sailors to hire sailing boats. POC FLTLT Kieran Blair and FLTLT Sacha Casken.

Edinburgh Volleyball Club. The aim of the club is to introduce and promote the sport of volleyball to the Edinburgh Defence Community. EDN volleyball provides training and competition to those that have an interest or have a passion for volleyball, no matter the skill level. Membership is open to full-time and

RAAF Edinburgh's modern purpose-built Retail

Area clusters in one convenient location: open

facilities, amenities, shopping, dining and retail.

On behalf of Defence and in parallel with the

community spaces, essential services, gymnasium

Army & Air Force Canteen Service's core purpose,

(AAFCANS) facilitates the provision of amenities

and services for the retail precinct. Services such

as post, banking and hairdressing are provided in

the Retail Hub by AAFCANS licensee businesses.

FOOD & BEVERAGE OUTLETS AAFCANS' three

mobile food vans service the Base community.

The Main Canteen is right in the centre of the

Retail Precinct and offers customers free Wi-Fi

snack on the go, catch up with friends, family or

colleagues over a coffee, or entertain business

visitors – all are welcome. The Canteen menu

includes freshly prepared meals, gourmet salads,

wraps and sandwiches, healthy snacks, delicious

cafe-style burgers, fresh pastries and more - all

made fresh daily. Dine inside in air-conditioning,

newspapers, magazines, drinks, confectionery,

beauty products, stationery and more. Contact

Main Canteen 7am-5pm weekdays, 08 7383 2529,

or outside on the deck. You'll also find

the Main Canteen for functions catering.

and Foxtel services. The Hanger Bistro is on

the Flightline and Café 733 is in the AWC HQ Building. You can drop in for a meal, grab a quick

food & beverage outlets and small fleet of

RETAIL AREA

reserve members as well as APS. No joining fee. POC FITIT Simon Gale.

EDINBURGH FORMATION WELFARE

RAAF Edinburgh has a formation Welfare service providing number of services for Defence members based at Edinburgh Defence Precinct. The organisation operates independently and is not linked in any way to official Defence business, nor does the Department of Defence fund any Edinburgh Formation Welfare activities The purpose of Edinburgh Formation Welfare is to provide and maintain recreational and Base services for staff and their families.

Edinburgh Formation Welfare sponsors many sport and interest groups on the base as well as operating the welfare store, boat and trailer hire, holiday accommodation and some canteen services. The role of Edinburgh Formation Welfare is critical in maintaining high morale, a sense of identity, promoting camaraderie and assisting those families new to the area to settle in. Further information is available from the website ednwelfare.com.au





↑ Australian Military Wives Choir, Adelaide

edinburgh@aafcans.gov.au; Hanger Kiosk 7.30am-2.30pm weekdays, 08 7383 2249; Café 733 8am to 1pm weekdays, 08 7383 2360

BANKING The provision of both major banking service providers, Defence Bank and The Australian Military Bank, offers members true convenience. They provide a full range of banking services, advice and resources.

Defence Bank 9am-4pm weekdays, 08 8259 6100, nicole.connor@defencebank.com.au The Australian Military Bank 9am-4pm

weekdays, 08 8259 3100 1600, edinburgh@ australianmilitarybank.com.au **EDINBURGH POST OFFICE** The Australia Post

branch provides a full range of postal products and services, including postal packaging and Post Office Boxes services. Open 8.15am-4.15pm weekdays, 08 7383 2102, the avery family trust@

CUTTIN IT LOOSE SALON Hairdresser/barber services are provided by our on-base salon facility. For both ladies and gents, Cuttin it Loose Salon offers everything from a quick cut to a full range of salon services. Drop in over lunch or after work or make an appointment for a salon treatment. 9am-6.30pm Monday to Thursday, 9am-2pm Friday, 08 7383 2220, cuttinitloose@mail.com

HVING IN ACCOMMODATION

While there is no family accommodation on RAAF Edinburgh, there is single living-in accommodation for officers, SNCOs and other ranks. This accommodation is modern, having been constructed in the past 10 years.



BARMERA SHACKS

Edinburgh Formation Welfare manages two separate two-bedroom shacks at Barmera in the Riverland, approximately 200km northeast of Adelaide. The shacks can each accommodate a family or group of six and are in one of SA's most popular aquatic playgrounds. Situated in the heart of the Riverland, Barmera is a beautiful town on the shores of Lake Bonney, a lake renowned for its sunsets. Lake Bonney is fresh water, fed from the Murray River through the Chambers Creek wetlands. The lake is shallow with a sandy bottom and is ideal for sailing, windsurfing, canoeing, kayaking (two kayaks per shack are available), skiing, jet skiing, boating and fishing. The towns of Berri, Renmark, Loxton and Waikerie are all within a half-hour drive of Barmera. The shacks can be hired year round for a modest cost. For information, bookings and enquiries please visit ednwelfare.com.au

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREAT

The Children's Christmas Treat held at RAAF Base Edinburgh has become somewhat of a tradition over the past 15 or so years. It has evolved from a relatively small gathering of families enjoying pony rides and small amusements to an event now involving close to 1,000 children and their parents and/or carers. These children belong to staff who work for the Australian Defence Organisation, uniformed, APS and Defence contractors within SA. The Treat aims to give something back to the families to compensate for the rigours and absences caused by Defence life. Additional children come from charity organisations; in the past including Camp Quality, Epilepsy SA, Can-Do for Kids and Deaf Can Do. More recently, the families have been coordinated through the Salvation Army network. In 2016, 50 such children and their parents/ carers came along to enjoy the fun. There is also a collection of food and gifts undertaken at the Treat that are distributed through the Salvation Army to those in need.

TRATERIN MILITARY

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY WIVES CHOIR. ADELAIDE

The Australian Military Wives Choir, Adelaide is a choir for women who support Defence Force

members. As a no-audition, no-experiencenecessary choir, it welcomes new members at any time during the year. Despite the word wives in the name, the choir welcomes any woman who has close links to serving ADF members such as girlfriends, partners, wives, mothers and sisters. It also welcomes female ADF members. The choir

South Australian DFA delegate Melissa Hughes. →

started in Canberra in 2012. Today there are more than 100 members nationally with the Adelaide choir starting in 2015.

If you would like to join the choir, email the coordinator at amwc.adelaide@gmail.com for rehearsal details. Rehearsals are held on the first, third and fifth Thursday of the month.

You can check out the Australian Military Wives Choir Facebook page and website amwchoir.com to learn more about the choir's music and this supportive community of women who all love singing.

NORTHEAST DEFENCE COMMUNITY

The North East Defence Community (NEDC) is a tri-service group run by a committee of volunteers who are either spouses or serving members. We provide a safe and friendly environment for all Defence members and their families to help foster friendships and be there as a support network for anyone posted to Edinburgh. Our community group has approximately 70 families as members and we are always happy to welcome newcomers.

The community group offers a variety of groups and events to cater for all demographics such as Bump to Baby for pregnancy up to two years of age, playgroups twice a week open to any age, fitness classes, PC gaming club, craft and book clubs. Annual and monthly events consist

of spouse nights out, wine/foodie tours, adult and children movie days/nights, professional adult and children cooking classes, trivia night, Christmas in July, Adelaide Cup, pot-luck dinners and school holiday programs. For further information, please see facebook.com/DefenceFamiliesofAustralia



DEFENCE FAMILIES OF AUSTRALIA

Defence Families of Australia (DFA) is an advisory body established in 1986 to advocate for Defence families. Its executive team is based in Canberra with several National Delegates in key locations around Australia. These delegates allow DFA to reach Defence members and their families at a local level. Defence families comprise great demographic diversity and are located all over the world.

The DFA representative for South Australia, Melissa Hughes, maintains close connections to a wide group of stakeholders in and outside of Defence. These include Defence Consultative Group South Australia, Defence Community Organisation (DCO), Defence Housing Australia, Toll Transitions and the Defence Relocations and Housing Managers (DRHMs).

She regularly briefs commanders, Defence chaplains and unit welfare officers on the needs of local Defence families and works closely with

Community Centres and other Defence and ex-



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Defence related organisations. Where possible, she visits South Australia's remote sites including Woomera. Her role provides an important link between the many organisations that Defence families may come into contact with.

Every year in August, DFA invites Defence Service Chiefs and key stakeholders together for a week-long conference in Canberra. At the most recent conference, Melissa had the opportunity to bring forward local issues that affect South Australian Defence families to the Hon. Dan Tehan MP. Minister for Defence Personnel and senior members of Defence. DFA has built its reputation as a trusted source to recommend and influence future policy that directly affects Defence Families.

The DFA team members are all current Defence spouses, which allows them to have a deep empathy in understanding the unique Defence lifestyle. DFA's aim is to improve the quality of life for Defence families by providing a recognised forum for their views and by reporting, making recommendations and influencing policy that directly affects families.

Defence families can contact DFA to represent them regarding an individual situation or to advocate an issue concerning many families. Your local DFA SA Facebook page

is facebook.com/DFASouthAustralia

Please phone 0428 555 147 or email Melissa at sa@dfa.org.au if you would like assistance or advice on local issues or if you have any concerns that you think need to be raised.

Follow DFA on its national Facebook page: facebook.com/DefenceFamiliesofAustralia or contact the national office on 1800 100 509.

DEFENCE SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT

Defence Special Needs Support Group (DSNSG) is a national not-for-profit, benevolent, volunteer organisation established to assist ADF families with a family member with special needs. Locally, Adelaide and Woodside families are supported through varied information pathways, advocacy and a wide range of events and activities. A number of extremely valuable workshops and conferences are subsidised throughout the year that local families can access. DSNSG offers regular events and a fantastic Christmas party. Families have had great times at Waterworld, the Adelaide Zoo and Winter Wonderland. DSNSG enjoys the support of and links with other local Defence community groups including DCO.

To find out what is happening in the Adelaide region email samantha.jones@dsnsq.org.au

For more information about DSNSG please visit dsnsq.org.au or to find out how we can support you, please call 1800 037 674 or email national.coordinator@dsnsg.org.au.



VETERANS AND VETERANS FAMILIES COUNSELLING SERVICE

The Veterans and Veterans Families

Counselling Services (VVCS) offers free and confidential counselling for war and servicerelated mental-health conditions, providing support for relationship and family matters that can arise due to the unique nature of military service. It has provided more than 1.6 million counselling sessions to more than 300,000 veterans and family members since the first centre opened in Adelaide 35 years ago. Today, VVCS has centres in every capital city and in a range of regional centres. Additionally, VVCS services are delivered through a network of outreach counsellors – ensuring that wherever you are in Australia, you can get VVCS support.

A service that understands life can change quickly – particularly for ADF families, VVCS has supported more than 27.000 clients in the past year alone. This support has included delivery of 97,770 face-to-face counselling sessions and 6,270 after-hours phone counselling sessions, right across Australia. For more information or to find out how VVCS can support your family, call 1800 046 011 (24/7) or visit vvcs.gov.au

WOMEN'S INTEGRATED NETWORKING GROUP

The Women's Integrated Networking Group (WINGs) program was developed in 2011 to facilitate mentoring and networking among women at each RAAF base. WINGs offers

topics on career development and growth in a friendly environment and provides opportunity to meet and network with other service women.

WINGs sessions at RAAF Edinburgh are held once a month for 60-90 minutes and are always over the lunch period to minimise impact on the workplace. Sessions are advertised by email to those on the WINGs Distribution list, and via ICs. To find out more or to be added to the WINGs email list, please contact Squadron Leader Anneka Deaton.

CADETS

The Australian Air Force Cadets (AAFC) is a youth development organisation set in a military and aviation environment, administered and actively supported by the Royal Australian Air Force. The AAFC offers a wide range of activities including aviation, aircraft recognition, fieldcraft and radio communications. As Cadets progress in seniority, they may be selected to undertake leadership courses toward promotion, gaining skills in management, public speaking and operational planning. Cadets can undertake formal flying training courses and can qualify to fly an aircraft solo at 15 (for gliding) and 16 (for powered) – the minimum legal ages. Studies completed through the AAFC hometraining curriculum can be recognised for the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE), and most activities can also be counted towards the Duke of Edinburgh International Award.

There are a number of local AAFC Squadrons serving the Adelaide region. To find your local squadron in SA, visit aafc.org.au/wings/6-wing/ For more information email paco.6wg@aafc.org.au



GIVING BACK TO OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

The Edinburgh Defence Precinct and its staff share important relationships with the local and broader communities and greatly contribute to the local community through various means.



EDP GATE COLLECTIONS

The Edinburgh Defence Precinct conducts Gate Collections through the year in support of community-support charities and not-for-profit organisations. They are normally conducted at the end of the day on a Thursday and provide an important mechanism for EDP staff to give back to the less fortunate people in their local community.

DEFENCE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Defence Administrative Assistance Program (DAAP) is a Defence-funded initiative where Defence partners with local community organisations to provide opportunities for people with disability to engage in meaningful work. At Edinburgh, DAAP services are being provided through Barkuma, a local not-forprofit organisation that assists people with a disability to live and work in the community. A number of units are employing Barkuma staff to do various office work that unit personnel are unable to find the time to complete.

DEFENCE BLOOD CHALLENGE

Every year Edinburgh Defence Precinct responds to the Australian Red Cross Blood Service call to give blood. Mobile blood bank vans are established at both RAAF Edinburgh and DSTG-E several times a year. Timings and locations are published in the EDP Information Circular in the lead up to the vans being on the sites.

DEFENCE LONG RIDE

EDP staff participate in the annual Defence Long Ride to raise awareness and funds in support of the Prostate Cancer Foundation.

BASE RUNS

RAAF Edinburgh routinely conducts base airfield runs to raise awareness and funds for local charities. They are a popular activity for Defence staff to get out of the office in support of their local community.

DEFENCE AID TO THE CIVIL COMMUNITY

In recent years, Edinburgh Defence Precinct personnel have provided important emergency support to local flood and bush-fire relief operations in response to requests for assistance from the South Australian Government.

Edinburgh ADF staff assist South Australian

State Emergency Service staff during floods

RAAF Edinburgh members marching in

north of Adelaide in 2016.



SUPPORTING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Having the major Defence presence in South Australia, the Edinburgh Defence Precinct has established an outstanding record for supporting community events in various ways.

COMMEMORATION SERVICES

While EDP ADF personnel participate as a priority for key national commemoration days such as ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day, they also support a variety of commemorations throughout the year.

MAJOR EVENTS

EDP staff support major events such as the Supercar 500 race held in Adelaide in early March, State Parliament openings and Australia Day. Such support is important to the success of the event as well as promoting the ADF.

CHARITY EVENTS

EDP staff support charity events conducted throughout the community, including:

- The Women's and Children's Hospital Foundation Fire Truck Pull and new Baker-Gordon Charity Shield as part of the organisation's Easter Fund Raising Appeal.
- The Tour de Fence, an 80km cycle from Edinburgh to the Torrens Parade Ground raising funds for The Repat Foundation and RSL Active
- The annual RSL and Legacy Appeals.







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THE EDINBURGH DEFENCE
PRECINCT has been proactively
working with our local indigenous
communities. The Kaurna people are recognised
as the traditional owners of land on which RAAF
EDN, DSTG-E and Edinburgh Parks are located.
In Woomera, there are a number of primary
indigenous groups who are recognised as being
traditional land owners.

EDP INDIGENOUS LIAISON OFFICER

To better develop a collective approach to indigenous activities within the overall Air Force and Defence indigenous strategy, and to connect the EDP with our indigenous community, EDP has established an Indigenous Liaison Officer (ILO). While being a secondary duty, the position is critical in linking the base with the local Indigenous community, promoting mutual awareness and education and being a point of contact for Defence indigenous personnel. The ILO supports bases executives, in particular the Senior ADF Officer EDP, in planning and conducting key indigenous activities such as the Indigenous Youth Program, Reconciliation Day and NAIDOC Week activities. The ILO also attends events involving the local indigenous communities as a representative of Air Force such as the Woomera Stakeholders Dinner.

The current EDP ILO is Ms Jordan Wanganeen, a local Kaurna person. If you are new to Edinburgh, are indigenous and want to be part of Edinburgh's exciting indigenous initiatives, Jordan is keen to hear from you.

INDIGENOUS SIGNAGE

During NAIDOC Week 2015, the Edinburgh Defence Precinct and Kaurna community came together to unveil new signs at the entrances to the DSTG-E and RAAD EDN sites acknowledging the Kaurna as the traditional owners of the lands. The signs, in English and Kaurna language, were unveiled in a ceremony where Kaurna Elders also presented the EDP SADFO with a traditional Kaurna shield that is now on display on the base.

INDIGENOUS YOUTH PROGRAM

The Indigenous Youth Program is a three-day Defence residential program designed to expose students to military aviation careers as well as life on an operational air base. The students participate in a wide range of activities, including a demonstration of ground defence training, maintenance hangars and other specialised work areas. RAAF Edinburgh hosts the program with 10 participants from across South Australia once a year. Over three days, after early morning starts, long days and visits to units on the third day, 10 shy kids are transformed into eager, loud kids who do not want the course to finish.

NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS

For the past three years, The Edinburgh
Defence Precinct has celebrated NAIDOC
Week, bringing Defence indigenous and
non-indigenous personnel together with local
indigenous community members to engage,
share stories and better understand each other's
cultures. Approximately 100 visitors from the

local Indigenous community come together with about 200 Defence staff to see dance performances, learn about notable Defence indigenous veterans and their legacy, and culture. The day culminates with the indigenous community representatives visiting Defence units and seeing Defence equipment first hand.

WOOMERA INDIGENOUS ENGAGEMENT

The Woomera Prohibited Area (WPA) encompasses the Traditional Lands of the Arabana, Gawler Ranges, Kokatha, Maralinga Tjarutja, Antakirinja Matu – Yankunytjatjara and Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara people. Defence acknowledges connection with country, culture and language with respect to the traditional custodians of these lands.

EDP units engage, develop and foster an enduring and positive relationship with the various groups in the spirit of coexistence.

ADF staff meet regularly with representative groups in both formal and informal capacities.

This includes attendance at functions such as the NAIDOC Gala Dinner and NAIDOC Youth Ball in Coober Pedy. Over the past few years, AWC has supported the Youth Ball through the conduct of a clothing drive, where personnel donated suits, formal dresses and accessories for the Youth Centre. ADF staff also conduct drop in visits to the Youth Centre to interact on a more personal level and organise community events in the Woomera area.

In 2015, ADF staff were invited to participate as regular members of the Maralinga Tjarutja Land

Council Committee, this opportunity provides Air Force with an ongoing mechanism to gain insight in to how Maralinga Tjarutja manages its lands and addresses community issues. It provides an important mechanism for discussion and cooperation with respect to access management of Maralinga lands that form a large part of the western WPA.

REGIONAL COMPLIANCE OFFICERS

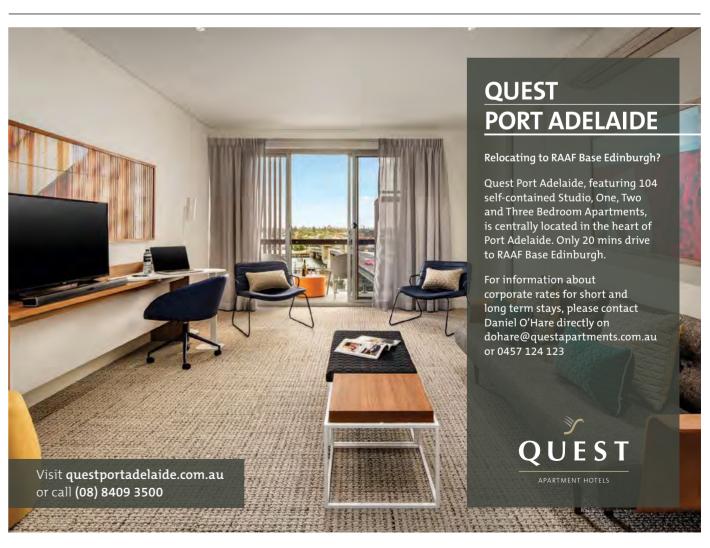
The Regional Compliance Officer (RCO) program is a CAF-endorsed Indigenous Specialist Reserve initiative designed to enhance Defence's relationship with those indigenous groups whose traditional lands form part of the Woomera Prohibited Area (WPA) and to provide employment and skilling opportunities to aboriginal people while maintaining connection with Country. Thus far, participants have come from the Kokatha Mula Nation, Antakarinja Matu-Yankunytjatjara, Maralinga Tjarutja, Arabana and Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara.

RCOs are employed under the Air Force

Ranges Directorate AFTR SQN within the Compliance Monitoring Team (CMT). The CMT's primary role is to provide a statutory-based compliance, monitoring and enforcement capability. The RCO contributes to the security and safety of the operating environment in

direct support of test and evaluation of war material. As an endorsed representative of their native title group, the RCO provides specific information and guidance to Defence and non-Defence personnel relevant to their respective language group and native title areas.





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SUPPORT FOR MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Defence Community Organisation offers a range of programs and services to help Defence members and their families.



The Defence Community Organisation (DCO) provides a range of programs and services to ADF members and their families. DCO has more than 170 staff Australia-wide and programs and services are delivered nationally and from local offices, in all states and territories, such as the one in South Australia at Keswick Barracks.

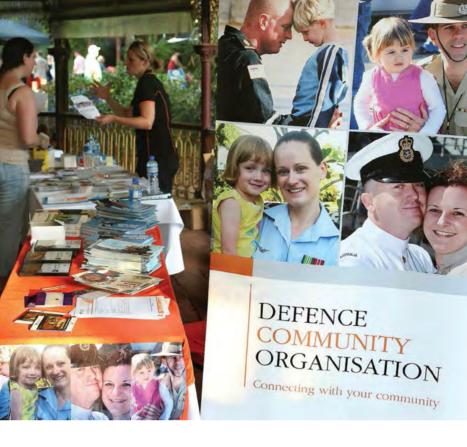
There's support available at every stage of life, from young recruits away from parents for the first time, to partners and children managing the challenges of military life, to the time members leave Defence. DCO is also there in times of need and any time in between.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAMILIES

There is a wide range of services and programs available to help you and your family to make the most of military life.

Defence Social Workers, Military Support Officers, Regional Education Liaison Officers and Family Liaison Officers can assist with:

- Support in times of crisis
- Information on Defence matters in general
- Deployment and mobility support



 Advise on community, recreational and interest groups

 Professional short-term counselling for personal relationships and family problems

- Specialist education advice and assistance
- Special needs recognition and review
- Courses, information sessions and support groups
- Employment and childcare assistance.

MEET YOUR LOCAL DCO SOUTH AUSTRALIA TEAM

The DCO team in South Australia is made up of military personnel and civilian staff, providing a range of assistance and information including support for children to settle into new schools, partner employment and help for families experiencing crisis or emergency. The team includes the following.

Military Support Officers are uniformed officers who help with advice and assistance with military matters and support local ADF commanders with member welfare support.

Defence Social Workers are qualified professionals who are knowledgeable about the ADF and the lifestyle of its members. Defence Social Workers are able to help members and their families address personal, relationship or Service related issues. They can

provide assessment, short term counselling services or referral to support and resources in Adelaide and the local area.

Regional Education Liaison Officers

are teachers who provide education support and advice to Defence families as they move around the country. They have an extensive knowledge about all the different state education systems.

Family Liaison Officers have extensive knowledge of the Adelaide area and help members and their families connect with the services and support they need. They are also proactive regarding welcome activities and assisting families settling into a new location.

Community Development Officers work to build mutual understanding and support between the Defence community and the broader community.

The DCO Adelaide office is at Building 60, Keswick Barracks, and arrangements can also be made to be seen at RAAF Edinburgh.

Call 1800 624 608 for an appointment.

fence.gov.au/dco

Follow DCO on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for updates and information on DCO Adelaide and email dco.southaustralia@ defence.gov.au to be added to the DCO SA Bulletin email distribution list.

IMPROVING QUALITY OF LIFE

Support DCO can provide includes:

24-HOUR SUPPORT

If you need support, help, or advice at any time, the Defence Family Helpline operates 24-hours a day, seven days a week and is staffed by qualified human-resource professionals including social workers and psychologist. Call 1800 624 608.

PARTNER EMPLOYMENT

Funding is available for initiatives that contribute to the immediate employability of partners when they relocate due to their ADF partner's military service.

DEPENDANTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Families who have dependants with special needs can get information and practical assistance to reduce the impact of relocation.

SUPPORT DURING DEPLOYMENT AND TIME APART

An integral feature of Defence life is time apart from families due to deployments, training or other Service requirements. DCO services seek to inform and prepare ADF members and families for these times and to make these experiences positive and strengthening ones for the family.

CHILDCARE

DCO provides children of mobile Defence families with access to individual case management for childcare placement.

CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

DCO has Regional Education Liaison Officers to provide advice to families, and school-based aides and mentors to support Defence children through changing schools and times of parental absence.

EMERGENCY AND CRISIS SUPPORT

DCO provides a range of practical and emotional support programs for families facing emergency or crisis, including assistance in time of illness, injury, domestic crisis or bereavement. Members and their families can access 24-hour support,

social work and assessment, or referral from the all-hours Defence Family Helpline.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

In the event of the death of an ADF member while in service, DCO works closely with Command, the unit and others to help give families support and guidance, and coordinate funeral arrangements.

COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Families seeking to connect with or contribute to their local community can get personalised advice or access our directory of Defence and community-run activities and events in our local area.

FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS

Not-for-profit community organisations running programs in support of Defence families can apply for financial support. There are a number of such groups operating in South Australia.

TRANSITIONING TO CIVILIAN LIFE

DCO provides a range of practical guidance and administrative support to help those planning to leave Defence to make a seamless transition to civilian life. It's an important process that families are encouraged to be part of.

SUPPORT FOR RESERVISTS

The families of Reserve members can access a broad range of support services, particularly when the Reservist is on continuous full-time service or away on deployment or exercise.

PARENTS

DCO offers information and support services for parents of ADF members to help them understand and manage the challenging aspects of having a son or daughter in the Services.

FURTHER INFORMATION

To access any of these DCO services, members and their families can contact the all-hours Defence Family Helpline on 1800 624 608 or see our website defence.gov.au/dco. You can also follow DCO on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to receive information and updates.

SMART FAMILY SOLUTIONS

The SMART suite of programs helps Defence families by providing them with the personal resources to manage the military way of life. They facilitate an optimistic outlook through psychological resilience and are aimed at helping deal with frustrations and challenging circumstances.

The **SMART** programs teach grounding techniques, progressive muscle relaxation, changing self-talk, problem-solving and expressing emotion. Delivered by local Defence social workers in small group sessions, the programs provide practical tips to help manage stressful situations. Information is also provided to connect participants with valuable local resources.

THE OPTIONS ARE:

FamilySMART

A series of group programs designed to help the partners of ADF members identify and build on their strengths, and to learn techniques to cope with the stresses and challenges of the military lifestyle.

TeenSMART

These workshops are for Defence teenagers to help them manage issues arising from deployment and relocation. During the workshops, Defence teens can meet and share stories about being part of a military family. They can learn ideas and tactics to help stay connected to parents while they are on deployment, and meet new friends when moving to a new posting. The workshop also covers things such as managing change, coping when feeling stressed out, tips for handling emotions and relaxation techniques.

KidsSMART

This is a set of four-week programs for primary-age children to help them manage issues arising from posting, relocation and deployment. The KidSMART mascots, Tyler Turtle and Sam Super, help kids learn how to manage change, stay connected with friends and meet new people. The workshops also cover things such as helping children to cope when feeling stressed or anxious, particularly during time of parental absence and deployment.



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WELCOME TO SOUTH AUSTRALIA **FAMILY EVENT**

Newly posted and existing Defence members and their families are invited to see what's on offer in South Australia and to meet representatives of the local community.

Visit information stalls and

community groups and organisations that will provide information about support, assistance and activities available in South Australia. There will also be fun activities for the whole family.

Area Manager Katie Cahill-Haslam (pictured) says that the Welcome to South Australia expo is a great opportunity for Defence families to get to know their local area.

"Being a military family can involve a lot of moving around," Katie said. "The event is a great opportunity to welcome new families to South Australia and help them get to know each other."

The Welcome to South Australia expo will be held in February 2018. Follow DCO on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram for updates and information about the event.



Welcome to South Australia **Defence Community Organisation**



ADF members and their families are invited to join us for a twilight expo at Adelaide Zoo.

Save the date — 16 February 2018

10 Sollow us on social media and go to our website for updates www.defence.gov.au/dco/events

Defending Australia and its National Interests





↑ Poole family with their bears.

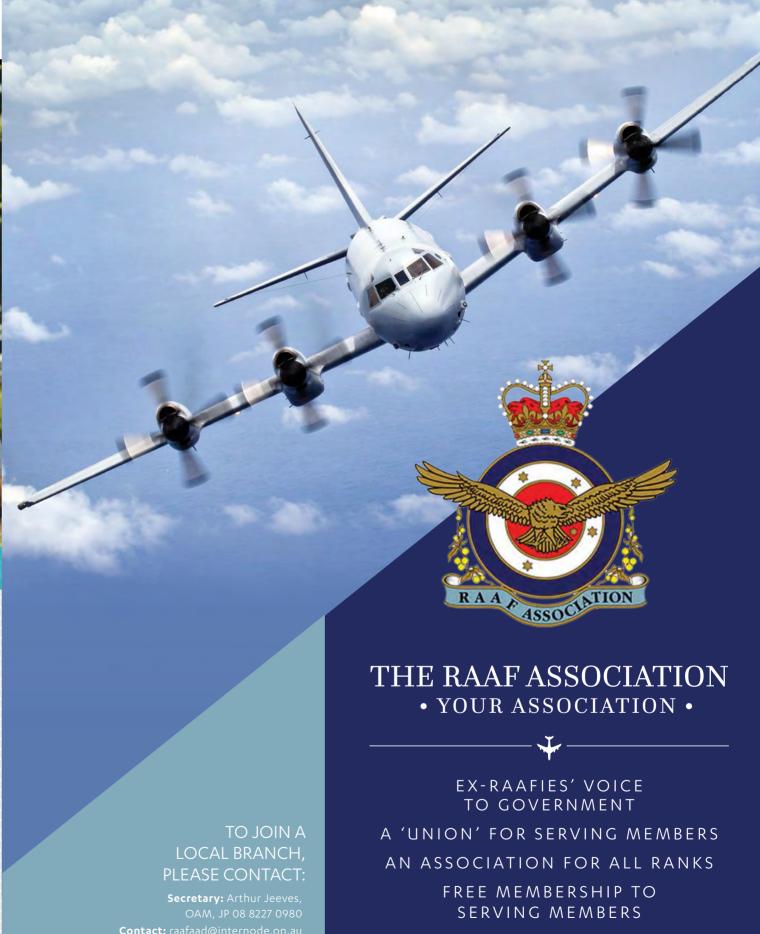
SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN

Communicating with children about deployment is important to help them cope with one parent being away. DCO provides a range of tools to help you work through this with your kids.

BOOKS There is a range of children's books, including the Sapper Pat, Pepper Penguin and Tyler Turtle series, which are designed to help young children understand more about military life and develop coping strategies for parental absence.

VIDEOS There are two informative online videos available about deployments, which you are encouraged to watch with your children. Going Solo – Dealing with Absence in Defence Families outlines strategies and ideas for helping younger children and families cope with a parent's absence during training or deployment. Don't Forget its Bin Night: Stepping up when Mum or Dad is Away examines the impact of deployment on families with teenagers and presents mechanisms for older children to both cope with the parents absence and see the possibilities for personal development it affords.

TEDDY BEARS DCO produces uniformed teddy bears —one each for the three Services. The bears are given to the young children of military personnel who have deployed. You can also order them from the Defence Family Helpline or from your South Australia Area Office when discussing deployment and absence from home support for your family.





MATES LOOKING AFTER MATES

RAAFA RAAFA



Looking after the health and welfare of both past and present members of the RAAF is a task taken on by RAAFA.

IN 1919. THE AUSTRALIAN Government ran a competition for the first Australian flight from England to Australia. The prize was claimed by a crew comprising men who had served in World War I – brothers Captain Ross Smith and Lieutenant Keith Smith, together with Sergeants Shiers and Bennett. They landed at Mascot on 10 December 1919 after an epic flight of nearly 28 days, to both national and international acclaim. Sir Ross Smith and Sir Keith Smith were South Australian and are now buried in North Cemetery, North Adelaide. In June 1917, the RAAF and RAAF Association SA commemorated the 95th anniversary of Sir Ross Smith's passing.

As one of the many celebrations of this momentous, pioneering flight, a group of former Australian Flying Corps (AFC) members wanted to entertain their former comrades, now Sir Ross Smith and Sir Keith Smith, and their crew at an informal dinner in Melbourne.

It was following that dinner that attendees agreed to form the Australian Flying Corps Association (AFC Association) in Victoria,

year the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) was formed from the AFC.

Similar AFC Associations were established over the following months in the other states.

Throughout the subsequent inter-war years, the AFC Associations were linked with the aim of keeping the former members of the AFC together through reunions and similar functions. As a national organisation it became known as The Australian Flying Corps and Royal Australian Air Force Association, and is also referred to as the Air Force Association, or RAAF Association (RAAFA).

ADVOCACY - MATES LOOKING AFTER MATES

An important role of the Air Force Association was remembering mates who had not returned. In addition, as the Association aged, it became evident that some members were not travelling as well as others. So another important aspect of its role was to raise funds to look after those who needed assistance, mates looking after mates. This role has expanded today to include an advocacy service, which assists members with

and it was formally established in 1921 – the same claims for disability that have been caused by their Air Force service.

> Why should members need help in claiming their entitlement to government compensation for injury incurred from their Air Force service?

Simply put, the legislation is complex (as indeed is most legislation and that's why we have tax accountants and consultants). A number of acts of parliament legislate the forms of rehabilitation and compensation to which members may be entitled, and there is substantial interaction between the acts. Accessing entitlements is therefore best supported by people who know their way around the legislation.

This is not to say government is unhelpful. On the contrary, the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) has been established specifically to assist those who have served in our armed forces. However, the DVA cannot be the organisation that assists in the submission of a veteran's claim, and then determine the result of the claim, as this would create a conflict of interest and possible biased decisions.

← Members of the crew stand in front of the Vickers Vimy that was used in the first flight to be completed from England to Australia in 1919. From left: Sir Keith Smith, Sir Ross Macpherson Smith, Sergeant Jim Bennett and Sergeant Wally Shiers.

The solution is to conduct courses to train volunteers from the Air Force Association (and other ex-service organisations) to be advocates.

Once trained, advocates undertake ongoing and tiered courses to keep them current with changes in legislation, and to increase their expertise and level of representation in the event of reviews and appeals.

All this is done through the DVA-funded Advocacy Development and Training Program (ADTP).

RAAFA has about 20 ADTP-trained and authorised pension and welfare practitioners (generically called advocates) to assist people in preparing claims or appeals.

While other ex-service organisations also have trained advocates, we know advocates who are ex-RAAF are better equipped, through their service background, to help RAAF and ex-RAAF people than an ex-Army or ex-Navy person in another ex-service organisation.

RAAFA is also developing a national electronic advocacy service to make access to support easier, and is seeking to develop relationships with the 30 or more unit- or vocation-specific groups of ex-RAAF personnel to help members of those ex-service organisations access these advocacy services.

People who are interested in becoming advocates, or who wish to find out more about their entitlements, are invited to contact the RAAF Association SA Division



JOIN US

Those interested in being part of the group of mates looking after mates are invited to contact one of their local branches. For serving members, RAAFA membership is free. For more information or to download a membership application form, go to raafasa.org.au or email raafaad@internode.on.net. You can also visit the national website at raafa.org.au

INFLUENCING GOVERNMENT

One of the most important functions of ex-service organisations (ESO) is to represent to government issues that are affecting both serving and ex-serving members. This activity is commonly called lobbying.

When the Federal Parliament moved from Melbourne to Canberra in 1927. there were only three recognised lobby organisations: business, the Australian Medical Association and the RSL. Now there are more than 200 registered lobby organisations and more than 600 reaistered lobbvists.

It is in this environment RAAFA, and indeed all ESOs, need to operate to have their voice heard among all the others, and clearly size matters.

Diminishing size is becoming a problem for ESOs because of the age profile of their memberships. Individual ESOs can never wield the power of an effective community-based RSL with its background

and geographical spread across the country (but even the RSL, the largest of all ESOs, is have problems recruiting new members).

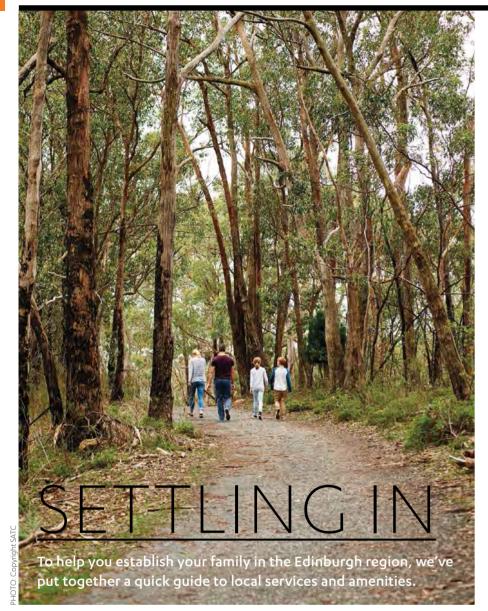
To address the problem, 11 smaller ESOs have banded together to form the Alliance of Defence Service Organisations (ADSO), which uses direct and indirect lobbying to attempt to influence government decisions. RAAFA is proud to be a member of the ADSO.

However, member organisations within an alliance such as the ADSO will not always agree on what is important. So, just as the ADSO relies on membership numbers to influence government, the ability of RAAFA to hold sway in the ADSO again depends on our numbers and our contribution to the Alliance.

We need new blood to carry on the good work of those who have gone before us in supporting ex-service members in need and to lobby government on behalf of both serving and ex-serving personnel.



FAMILIES FAMILIES





THE EDINBURGH DEFENCE **PRECINCT,** including RAAF Edinburgh, Defence Science Technology Group-East and

Edinburgh Parks, is located in Adelaide's outer northern suburbs, about 25km north of the Adelaide city centre and 4km from Elizabeth City Centre.

LOCAL COUNCILS

RAAF Edinburgh sits in the City of Salisbury and borders the City of Playford, so it is likely many personnel with a posting here will live in one of these two local council areas. Other nearby local council area include Gawler (gawler sa.gov.au),Tea Tree Gully (<mark>teatreegully.sa.gov.au</mark>) and Adelaide Hills (ahc.sa.gov.au).

THE CITY OF SALISBURY

Council Municipal Offices, 12 James Street, Salisbury. Phone 08 8406 8222. salisbury.sa.gov.au The City of Salisbury extends from St Vincent Gulf to the Mt Lofty Ranges foothills. It includes more than 30 suburbs and covers some 160 square kilometres.

Salisbury City Centre has shops, most major banks, restaurants, cafes and a cinema complex. Major community events include an Australia Day Family Picnic, Christmas Parade and Salisbury Secret Garden – the Northern Hub of the Adelaide Fringe. Council produces a comprehensive annual directory of services and facilities in the area. See salisbury.sa.gov. au/Live/Community/Community_Information

THE CITY OF PLAYFORD

Playford Civic Centre, 10 Playford Boulevard, Elizabeth. Phone 08 8256 0333.

The most northern local government area of metropolitan Adelaide, the City of Playford

covers 346 square kilometres and includes 35 suburbs. It's commercial hub is the Elizabeth City Centre, where you'll find a large shopping centre and most banks and services. Major community events include Australia Day and Carols in the Park.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Trains run between Gawler Railway Station and Adelaide Railway Station via Smithfield, Elizabeth, Salisbury and Mawson. A number of buses also service the area. All Adelaide Metro buses, trains and trams accept the reloadable Metrocard, Adelaide Metro's official public transport app, metroMATE gives real time public transport information. To find the app, timetables, maps and transport information, visit adelaidemetro.com.au

LIBRARIES

The City of Salisbury has five library branches providing free lending and online resource to members. As well as a huge range of adult and children's fiction and non-fiction books, the libraries have audio books, magazines, Playaways (pre-loaded digital audio books), Blu-Ray discs, CDs, DVDs, games (held at Mawson Lakes Library), toys (held at Para Hills Library), and sports equipment (held at Salisbury West and Mawson Lakes libraries).

Ingle Farm Library

Beovich Road, Ingle Farm. Open Mon-Wed & Fri 9.30am-5.30pm, Thurs 9.30am-8pm, Sat 9.30am -3.30pm, Sun: 1.30pm-4.30pm. Closed on public holidays.

Len Beadell Library

55 John Street, Salisbury. Open Mon-Wed & Fri 9.30am-5.30pm, Thurs 9.30am-8pm, Sat 9.30am-3.30pm, Sun 1.30pm- 4.30pm. Closed on public holidays.

Mawson Lakes Library

2-8 Main Street, Mawson Lakes, Open Mon, Wed & Fri 9.30am-5pm, Tues & Thurs 9.30am-7pm, Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 2-5pm. Closed public holidays.



Para Hills Library

Wilkinson Road, Para Hills. Open Mon-Wed & Fri 9.30am-5pm, Thurs 9.30am-7pm, Sat 10am-1pm. Closed on public holidays.

Salisbury West Library

Hollywood Boulevard, Salisbury Downs. Open Mon-Wed & Fri 9.30am-5.30pm, Thurs 9.30am-8pm, Sat 9.30am-12.30pm. Closed on public holidays. salisbury.sa.gov.au/Learn/Libraries for more information

The City of Playford Library Service consists of two branches in Elizabeth and Munno Para, as well as the Mobile Library Service and the Home Library Service.

Playford Civic Centre

10 Playford Boulevard, Elizabeth. Open Mon-Wed & Fri 9am-5pm, Thurs 10am-7pm, Sat 10am-2pm.

307 Peachey Road, Munno Para. Open Mon-Wed & Fri 9am-5pm, Thurs 10am-7pm, Sat 10am-2pm, Sun 1-4pm.playford.sa.gov.au/library

PARKS

Salisbury has nearly 200 parks in with 140 play spaces. Park features include fenced play areas, barbecues, picnic areas, fitness equipment, dog parks, BMX tracks, skate parks, sports facilities,

and tennis and basketball courts.salisbury.sa.gov. u/Play/Community Facilities and Parks

Playford has more than 1,000 hectares of open space consisting of playground parks, sports reserves and trails. Its most notable

- Fremont Park, near the Elizabeth City Centre, which features a large lake with a fountain and waterfalls, a rotunda and two colourful playgrounds to capture any child's adventurous spirit.
- Stebonheath Park, Davoren Road, Andrews Farm, has 3.6 hectares of wetland, board walks, bridges and play equipment.
- Para Wirra Recreation Park is a beautiful bushland threaded with walking trails, wildlife including emus and western grey kangaroos and a sports oval. Dogs are permitted on leads.

playford.sa.gov.au

DOG-FRIENDLY PARKS

As part of its drive to reduce the incidence of dog attacks in the area, Salisbury Council maintains and enforces a By Law requiring all dogs to be leashed in public places (including roads and footpaths) except for parks and open spaces marked with signs permitting unleashed exercise from 6.30pm to 8am daily. Council also provides nine fenced, dog-friendly parks where owners can exercise their dogs unleashed at any time. These parks can be found at the following locations:

- Baltimore Reserve, Oleander Drive, Parafield.
- Canterbury Drive Reserve, Canterbury Drive. Salisbury Heights
- Dry Creek Linear Park (Technology Park). Park Way, Mawson Lakes
- Golding Oval, Corner of Redhill Road and Kalina Avenue. Para Vista
- Happy Home Reserve, between Waterloo Corner Road and Salisbury Highway, Salisbury North
- Jenkins Reserve, Saints Road, Salisbury Park
- Kingswood Crescent Reserve Dog Park, Bolivar Road, Paralowie
- Paddocks. Maxwell Rd. Para Hills
- Unity Park, South Terrace, Pooraka. **Playford** has three fenced dog parks, all with water facilities, bins and seating:
- Jo Gapper Activity Park, Blackburn Road, Hillbank
- Stebonheath Dog Park, Davoren Road. Andrews Farm.
- Pooch Park, Jabez Way, Blakeview.





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RECREATION FACILITIES

Parafield Gardens Recreation Centre,

Corner Kings and Martins Road, Parafield Gardens. The centre features air-conditioned stadiums with three full-size indoor sports courts and a large multi-purpose activity area. dardensrc.com.au

Ingle Farm Recreation Centre, Corner Beovich Road and Roopena Street, Ingle Farm. A multi-court, regional recreation centre with a broad range of activities and services for the community. inglefarmrc.com.au

Salisbury Recreation Precinct, Waterloo Corner Road, Salisbury North, Features include floodlit tennis courts, 25m and 50m swimming pools (open during the warmer months only), reserve walks and a clubroom. salisburyrecprecinct.com.au

Aquadome, Crockerton Road, Elizabeth. A complex with a 50m pool, a 25m pool and a leisure pool with beach entry and water features, a 110m waterslide, spa, steam room, gym, crèche and cafe. aquadome.ymca.org.au Mayfair Ride Safe Park, Mayfair Drive, Andrews Farm. The City of Playford's Ride Safe

Park is designed to enable children to learn to ride their bikes and scooters and become familiar with road rules in a safe environment.

playford.sa.gov.au

St Kilda Boat Club and Marina, Fookes Terrace, St. Kilda. The marina is equipped with a boat ramp, boat channel, hard stands, marina berths, secure car park, clubrooms and slipping facilities. communitywebs.org/StKildaBoatClub

THEATRE & MUSIC

The Shedley Theatre, Playford Civic Centre, is home to the Out of the Square Matinee Series, school holiday productions and annual performances from local amateur theatre groups and schools. theshedley.com.au Tea Tree Players Theatre, Tilley Recreation

Park, corner Yatala Vale Road and Hancock Road, Surrey Downs. teatreeplayers.com

Northern Sound System, the City of Playford's youth development facility, is located in Elizabeth and uses music to engage with young people. northernsoundsystem.com.au

WALKING & CYCLING TRAILS

Little Para River Trail (16.5km), which runs from the hilly escarpments in the east of Northern Adelaide to Barker Inlet in the west. Remnants of natural landscapes along the Little Para River's edge include eucalyptus woodland and native golden wattle. The trail is a mix of sealed and unsealed trails and links with the Dry Creek Trail.

Dry Creek Trails (14km), a network of walking and cycling trails following Dry Creek and its reserves from Wynn Vale and Valley View through Mawson Lakes to the Little Para River Trail near Barker Inlet, through Salisbury and neighbouring council areas.

Cobbler Creek, off the Groveway, Salisbury East, has a number of trails including Mia Tappa Circuit (2.4km), Babbler Loop (3.6km), Porosa Hike (3km), Valley Circuit (4.2km) and Mike Green Trail (3.3km)

Stuart O'Grady Bikeway (22.6km) is a shared-use trail that runs parallel to the Northern Expressway.

Wynn Vale to Valley View Walking Path

(6.3km), a wide shared-use path meanders along the Dry Creek corridor from Wynn Vale Dam to Vaucluse Reserve, Valley View.

Smith Creek Trail (3km), a family-friendly 3km path that winds its way from Smithfield Plains, near the train station, to Stebonheath Park at

Gawler Rivers Path (8km) follows the North and South Para Rivers, skirting the town centre. See walkingsa.org.au for maps and more trails.

SHOPPING

Elizabeth City Centre, 50 Elizabeth Way, Elizabeth. Big W, Coles, Harris Scarfe, Target, Woolworths, specialty stores, food hall and cinemas. Open daily except public holidays. elizabethcitycentre.com.au

Hollywood Plaza, corner Spains Road and Winzor Street, Salisbury Downs. Target, Coles, Woolworths and approximately 65 specialty shops. Open daily except pubic holidays. nollywoodplazashopping.com.au

Ingle Farm Shopping Centre, corner Walkleys & Montague Roads, Ingle Farm. Kmart, Coles, 100 specialty shops and a food court. Open daily except public holidays. inglefarmshopping.com.au Munno Parra Shopping City, 600 Main North

Road, Smithfield. Coles, Kmart, Foodland and a range of retailers and specialty stores. Open daily except public holidays. munno.com.au Parabanks Shopping Centre, 68 John Street, Salisbury. Big W, Harris Scarf, Woolworths, Coles and a range of specialty shops. Open daily except public holidays. parabanks.com.au

Westfield Teatree Plaza, 976 North East Road,

Modbury. Myer, Harris Scarfe, Big W, Kmart,



Target, Coles, Woolworths, Aldi, specialty stores, food hall and cinemas. Open daily except public holidays. westfield.com.au/teatreeplaza

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The Northern Adelaide Local Health Network includes two large public hospitals: Lyell McEwin Hospital, Haydown Road,

Elizabeth Vale, phone (08) 8182 9000

Modbury Hospital, Smart Road, Modbury, phone (08) 8161 2000

For more information see sahealth.sa.gov.au

CHILDCARE

There are a variety of options for childcare in the Northern Adelaide area. Turn to our Education section for information. In addition, some useful contacts are:

Family Day Care Australia on 1800 621 218 Child Care Access Hotline on 1800 670 305

SCHOOLS

The Edinburgh posting has a wide range of schooling options including public and private schools, selective schools, independent schools, TAFEs and universities. It is important that you decide on your housing arrangements prior to finalising your schooling choices. Defence does not regard a choice of school as grounds to limit your search for a property. For information on schooling in South Australia turn to the Education section in this guide or visit the SA Department of Education website at decd.sa.gov.au

The University of South Australia Mawson Lakes

HIGHER EDUCATION

Campus is a specialist science and technology institution that capitalises on its proximity to Technology Park. unisa.edu.au TAFESA has a number of campuses in Northern Adelaide, including Salisbury, Elizabeth, Parafield, Teatree Gully, Gilles Plains and Regency Park, offering a range of courses and training programs. TAFESA Parafield, at Parafield airport, is dedicated to specialised training of pilots (underpinning knowledge and theory only) and Licensed Aviation Maintenance Engineers. tafesa.edu.au

UTILITIES

You will need to arrange your own utilities such as electricity, gas, pay TV, internet services or telephone. You should contact your local service providers, or you may like to take advantage of the free Fast Connect service, which will arrange for the disconnection and reconnection of utilities on your behalf. Contact them on 1300 661 464 or see fastconnect.net.au or access the service via Online Services on the Defence Housing Australia website at dha.gov.au.

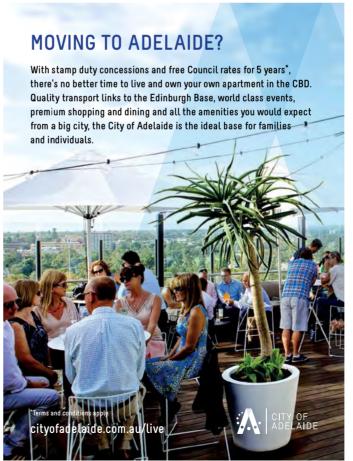
FLOOD, FIRE & EMERGENCY

In the event of a life-threatening emergency call 000 to connect to Police. Fire and Ambulance. For assistance or information for:

- floods or storms call 132 500 or go to ses.sa.gov.au
- bushfires call the Bushfire Information Hotline 1300 362 361 or go to cfs.sa.gov.au
- Alert SA brings together and displays realtime events and warnings across the state including: fire, flood, storm, earthquake, power outages, road closures, traffic and transport disruptions. There is also a free app available. alert.sa.gov.au

MORE INFORMATION

To find particular services, from childcare to health services to sports teams, visit sacommunity.org and search by council area.







An online resource for ADF members and their families to find information on their posting location.

www.defencecommunityhub.org.au

A joint initiative of Defence Community Organisation, Defence Families of Australia and Defence Housing Australia.









MOVING HOUSE can be both an exciting and daunting prospect - some big decisions need to be made, the most important one

being where you are going to live. Children's education, distance to work for both the member and spouse/partner, health care, lifestyle preferences and the amenity of available housing are all factors that need to be considered.

RENTAL ACCOMMODATION

Defence Housing Australia (DHA) provides housing and related services for Australian

Defence Force (ADF) members and their families. DHA's portfolio comprises modern freestanding houses, townhouses and apartments in selected locations.

The majority are off-base, integrated throughout the local community, in close proximity to Defence bases and establishments, as well as a range of amenities and services.

DHA maintains the currency of its portfolio by upgrading existing properties (on and off-base), sourcing new properties through a variety of construction activities, acquiring properties through traditional real estate

markets and directly sourcing and leasing properties from private owners.

DHA HOUSING OPTIONS

DHA offers a number of accommodation options for both families and singles, including unaccompanied members with dependents, the major one being Service Residences (SR). Eligibility for DHA accommodation and details of options that are available can be viewed on dha.gov.au/ housing. If you own a home in your current posting location and it is suitable for you to live in, you will not be eligible for a SR.

FINDING A DHA HOUSE

As soon as you know you require a Service Residence, call DHA on 139 342 to get a username and password to access DHA's Online Services, an online tool that will allow you to select your new home. A link to Online Services can be found at dha.gov.au/housing, service-residences/step-2-find-a-property

UTILITY CONNECTION

You will be responsible for establishing and paying your own electricity, gas, telephone and internet accounts for your new home. DHA offers a quick, hassle-free means of doing this on their website, see dha.gov.au/ ousing/service-residences/step-3-move-ir

MORE INFORMATION

For information on DHA Service Residences, application forms and to access Online Services, see dha.gov.au/housing/serviceresidences

PRIVATE RENTAL

If DHA cannot provide you with suitable accommodation, you may be eligible for Rent Allowance, see dha.gov.au/housing/ rent-allowance/step-1-check-your-eligibilit Rental properties in the region can be

ABOUT DEFENCE HOUSING AUSTRALIA (DHA)

Established in 1988. DHA is a Government Business Enterprise that delivers its products and services in a commercial environment with a Services Agreement as the contractual vehicle in place between Defence and DHA. It provides quality, environmentally sound and economic housing that fits community needs, while achieving financial results that meet or exceed shareholder and investor expectations.

Defence Housing Australia

- manages approximately 19,000 properties in all states and territories of Australia
- allocates DHA-managed properties to about 16,500 ADF members
- administers Rent Allowance (RA) to about 14,000 ADF members
- allocates on-base accommodation for about 11,000 ADF members (31,000 rooms/40,000 beds).



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sourced from local real estate agencies or on any of the following commercial websites:

- realestate.com.au/ren
- domain.com.au/rent
- rent.com.au
- realestateview.com.au/rental-properties
- rentfind.com.au/rentals

While application for Rent Allowance must be made through DHA, ongoing management of your rental property, including signing the lease, payment of rent, maintenance and repair of the property is a matter between you and your landlord or the property agent.

HOUSE-HUNTING TRIPS

House-hunting trips allow you to visit a new posting location to find a Service Residence or home for which rent allowance is payable. The scheme has mutual benefits for both the ADF and the member. Details can be found in the Defence Pay and Conditions Manual – see defence.gov.au/PayAndConditions/ADF/Chapter-7/Part-1/Div-4.asp.

BUYING A HOUSE

You may feel that it's time to enter the housing market in your new locality, or you may wish to sell your existing home in your

losing locality and purchase in the gaining locality. In either case, you may be entitled to financial assistance.

- The Defence Home Ownership Assistance Scheme pays a monthly subsidy on a member's home-loan interest. The scheme is administered by the Department of Veterans' Affairs. For more information see dhoas.gov.au.
- Members selling and/or buying a home may be eligible for the Home Purchase or Sale Expenses Allowance, which reimburses reasonable buying and selling costs. Details may be found in the Pay and Conditions Manual, see defence.gov.au/ PayAndConditions/ADF/Chapter-7/Part-3/ Div-2 asp

When you are looking to purchase a property, remember that unless you have sufficient funds, you will need to make sure your bank will provide finance. This is especially important when buying at an auction, because you will need to commit financially if you make the winning bid.

Banks advertising in this magazine are very supportive of Defence personnel and will offer obligation-free home purchase advice to members.

COMMUNITY HUB

To help members and their families settle in to their new locations, Information about schooling, health care and lifestyle are available on the Defence Community Hub, a collaborative project by Defence Housing Australia (DHA), Defence Community Organisation (DCO) and Defence Families of Australia (DFA). The Community Hub also has links to DCO's website where members and their families can find a range of support and resources, as well as information about the local DCO office and the services they provide. Members can access the Community Hub through their Online Services dashboard or via defence community bub organice.







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Many serving men and women around Australia have found Defence Health is the best option to cover their partner and children. They even have policies to cover 'children only' when both parents are serving.

Defence Health CEO, retired Major General Gerard Fogarty says the fund has committed to a 10-year strategic plan to further enhance support for members of the ADF and wider Defence community.

The strategy has already delivered a broader range of products and services tailored to the needs of serving families and their extended family.

Because of your service, your mum and dad, brothers, sisters – and of course your own partner and children – can take advantage of the great value cover at Defence Health.

Private hospital cover gives the family access to timely medical treatment, by a doctor of their choice. And extras cover helps fund the important general treatment – such as dental, physio and optical services – that Medicare does not rebate.

Defence Health recently launched a dental

network to give members with extras cover access to lower cost dental care. At a network dentist, Defence Health members will save at least 15 percent off the usual dental fee.

The Defence Health ADF Total Package is firmly focused on families. Children can receive one free mouthguard, custom-fitted by a dentist, every year until they turn 21. And unlike other funds, there's no lifetime limit on the benefits paid for orthodontic treatment.

The premiums are very competitive too – with the added bonus of national pricing for ADF families. Plus there's a 10 percent discount for 12 months for discharging personnel.

It makes sense. Protect your family's health with the insurance that's tailor-made for Defence.

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EDUCATION

Childcare

Choosing the right childcare and early learning service can be a difficult decision and will depend on your family's needs and the environment in which your child will feel most comfortable.

AS WELL AS PROVIDING care, childcare and early learning services provide an opportunity for your child to develop social, emotional and learning skills. A range of care and play-based learning options

A range of care and play-based learning options is available for babies and children up to six years old. Some childcare providers also offer beforeand after-school care to school-aged children.

Childcare may be offered by private providers, community groups, government agencies, individuals, babysitters or nannies.

When deciding what type of care is best for your child, you may want to ask yourself:

- How many hours of care do I need? The whole day? Just mornings? Just afternoons? Just a few hours a week? Or just occasionally, like when I have an appointment and need someone to look after my children?
- Do I want my child cared for in a home environment or in a centre?
- What kind of qualifications and experience do the staff members have?
- Does the service offer a preschool program?
- What learning and play opportunities do I want my child to have?
- What kind of routine will my child have?
- Do I want the service to provide lunch? Can I have a look at a sample meal plan?
- What is the carer-to-child ratio?
- Can I claim the Childcare Benefit and Childcare Rebate if I choose a certain childcare and learning service?

LONG DAY CARE

Generally available all day or on a part-time basis until children start school, long day care is offered by government, private, community or non-profit organisations. In most cases, it is provided at an early childhood centre, which may be called a childcare centre, early learning centre, kindergarten or preschool. Long day care may also be provided by a carer in your home – through a nanny or babysitting services or through the Family Day Care scheme in the carer's home. mychild gov.au



FAMILY DAY CARE

Also known as home-based care, this involves a professional carer looks after your child in their home. It is. The hours of care are flexible and carers may offer full-time, part-time or occasional care options. Some professional carers offer overnight, weekend or vacation care. Family day care is small-group care for a maximum of four children under school age, plus three school-age children.

For more information email
DECSFDCBusiness@sa.gov.au or phone 08 8343
6533 or 1300 551 890. To find Family Day Care see
careforkids.com.au/child-care/sa

PRESCHOOL

In South Australia preschools are also known as kindergartens and some private preschools are known as early learning centres. In preschool, children learn through play-based programs designed and delivered by qualified teachers. Preschools may be run by government, private or community providers for children who will be starting school within the next year (four to five year olds). If your child turns four before May 1, they can start preschool on the first day of term one in that year. If your child turns four on or

after May 1, they can start preschool on the first day of term one the following year. Children usually attend up to four sessions per week for up to four terms. Preschools may be a standalone centre, part of a school or located with another childcare service.

See sa.gov.au/topics/education-andlearning/early-childhood-education-and-care

OCCASIONAL CARE

Occasional Care offers professional care for children on a casual basis. In South Australia, occasional care is generally offered through government preschools and in some childcare centres, preschools, family day care homes, nanny and babysitting services or through the Inhome Care Program. This service is suitable for families who do not need childcare on a regular basis but would like someone to look after their children occasionally, for example when they have a medical or other appointment. With this type of care, you only pay for the hours you use. See occasional-child-care.com.au

WAITING LISTS

Some childcare services use waiting lists to manage high demand and places are allocated

to families with the greatest need for childcare. Where demand for childcare is high, all approved services with the exception of Occasional Care must adhere to Priority of Access Guidelines (available at dss.gov.au) to ensure there is a fair childcare system.

CHILDCARE REBATE

The Australian Government provides families with two types of financial assistance to help cover the costs of approved childcare: the Child Care Benefit and the Child Care Rebate.

The Child Care Benefit is income tested and is usually paid directly to approved Child Care Services to reduce the fees that eligible families pay. You can apply for the Child Care Benefit online or in person through Centrelink. To apply online, visit the Department of Human Services website, humanservices.gov.au.

An additional payment, the Child Care Rebate helps families cover the out-of-pocket costs of childcare and it is not income tested. Even if your family income is too high for you to receive the Child Care Benefit, you may be eligible for the Child Care Rebate. It covers up to 50 percent of out-of-pocket costs, up to \$7,613 per child, per year. See mychild.gov.au



FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information and to find services in your local area visit the MyChild website mychild.gov.au. For help deciding which service is best for you, call the MyChild Hotline on 13 36 84.

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can choose to send your child to a government (public school), independent or Catholic school

or preschool. It is compulsory for children to be enrolled in a school by their sixth birthday and the start date for school for all children is the first day of Term 1. All young people under the age of 17 years are required to attend fulltime schooling, training or work for at least 25 hours a week.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Government or public primary schools are all co-educational. Most children attend four terms of preschool and four terms of reception. Public primary school usually covers the period from reception to Year 7. Private schools tend to include Year 7 as the first year of high school and Catholic schools are switching over to the same system.

Children usually attend a school near their home and those living within in the area or zone around the school have priority in enrolment. However parents can send their children to another school if it has vacancies. A number of public primary schools are

There's a lot to learn about how primary schools and high schools function — especially as different states have different arrangements in place. Read on to find out about South Australia.

located on the same site as a high school and are generally known as R-12 schools (reception to Year 12). Some schools offer services from birth to year 12.

In South Australia, public primary schools have one intake date. If your child turns five before May 1, they can start primary school the first day of term 1 of that year. If your child turns five on or after May 1, they can start primary school the first day of term 1 of the following year. Children must start at school by their sixth birthday.

FINDING A SCHOOL

Starting school is a major milestone for children and their families, so the decision you make about their education is import.

The schools directory on the SA Department for Education and Child development website (decd.sa.gov.au) will help you find public primary schools in your area as well and provides zoning and other information.

To help you choose the best school for your child, look at the school websites for information about performance, mission, staffing, funding and resources. Request copies of annual reports, behaviour management policies and school rules. You can also get information and compare

schools at the My School website (myschool. edu.au). Once you have a shortlist, make an appointment to meet the principal and staff and see the school facilities.

STARTING SCHOOL

Before starting school, children are usually invited to visit their new school so they can become familiar with it. Some schools set up buddy systems with older children.

ADJUSTING TO A **NEW SCHOOL**

If your child is transferring to a new school, the principal will have processes to help them adjust, such as buddy systems. Even for students who are looking forward to it, a change in school may cause distress. Signs of stress include irritability, reluctance to talk, sleep disturbance, stomach aches, head aches and not wanting to go to school. The teacher or principal can provide support and advice if your child is having difficulty settling in.

HIGH SCHOOL

In South Australia the last year of primary school is year 7. Parents who want their child to attend



a specific South Australian public high school will need to register their interest during year 7. The Year 7 to 8 transition process generally runs between April to May of the year prior to your child starting high school. When the process opens each year, all public primary school students will have the forms and information distributed to them by their school.

Parents whose children are attending nonpublic schools can download forms from this page or collect a transition pack from their nearest public high school.

The year 7 to 8 transition process is a registration of interest managed by the education department on behalf of schools. This process will allocate students to a high school, but is not an enrolment to the school. Final enrolment is subject to the consideration and acceptance by the high school.

The central process is completed around the end of term 2. After this time, high schools will enrol students as per their regular enrolment process.

If parents miss the Year 7 to 8 transition process, they can contact a secondary school directly regarding enrolment.

Your child will be considered for placement at each school you have applied for, in order of choice. However, popular metropolitan high schools may offer placement for only a small number of non-local students.

If parents do not want their child to go to their allocated school, they can approach other secondary schools directly. If there are available spaces, the school may accept a request for enrolment.

Parents can transfer their child to a South Australia public high school at any time during the year, if the new school is able to accommodate the request. Transfer enquires should be made directly with the school.

SENIOR YEARS

The Australian Curriculum is taught in government schools for reception to Year 10 subjects. The curriculum covers English, maths, science, humanities and social sciences, the arts, technologies, health and physical education and languages.

Years 10 to 12 students study towards the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE). SACE provides pathways to work

and further education with some subjects counting towards higher qualifications offered through vocational education and university. See sace.sa.edu.au

Students can choose to incorporate SACE

- a school-based apprenticeship or traineeship
- an Industry Pathway Program
- a flexible learning option (FLO).

FLEXIBLE LEARNING OPTION

Flo is a student enrolment strategy aimed to assist schools and the wider community in supporting successful engagement and retention of young people in secondary schools identified at significant risk of disengaging from a mainstream school-based learning program. The program is available in all areas of the state. It involves undertaking appropriate learning programs (SACE, Australian Curriculum, VET), a school-managed Flexible Learning and Transition Portfolio (FLTP) and the provision of individual case management.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning

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SCHOOL DATES FOR 2018

Dates apply to South Australian public schools. Dates for Catholic and independent schools may vary.

PERIOD Term 1 School Holidays

Term 2

Term 3

Term 4

School Holidays

School Holidays

School Holidays

Monday 29 January Monday 16 April

START

Monday 30 April Monday 9 July

Monday 23 July Monday 1 October

Monday 15 October Monday 15 December **FINISH** Friday 13 April Friday 27 April Friday 6 July

Friday 20 July

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Friday 14 December

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EDUCATION



DEFENCE COMMUNITY
ORGANISATION (DCO) provides
information, resources and
programs to help with the transition
between schools and education systems when
families move, and provide support for the
unique needs of Defence children.

Its Regional Education Liaison Officers are experience teachers who advise families and schools on education issues and Defence student wellbeing. School-based aides and mentors support Defence children through the process of changing schools and during times of parental absence.

It also offers a wide range of other education support services, including in-school support staff, financial assistance for education costs incurred by relocation, resources for relocating students and information about the different state and territory schooling systems.

REGIONAL EDUCATION LIAISON OFFICERS

Regional Education Liaison Officers (REDLOs) are experienced teachers who give education

support to Defence families as they move around the country, providing information, advice, referral and specialised assistance.

REDLOs are located in each state and territory and have extensive knowledge about the local schools and education systems as well as the unique needs of Defence children.

The assistance REDLOs provide to families includes:

- informing families about local schools and education systems
- helping families, students and teachers to manage the transition to a new school
- linking families with special education providers, resources or support agencies according to their children's individual needs (including special needs students)
- working with schools to ensure a supportive education environment and to raise awareness of issues facing Defence children
- informing families about Defence support services available, such as financial assistance under the Education Assistance Scheme.
 To contact your nearest REDLO, call the Defence Family Helpline on 1800 624 608.

EDUCATION SUPPORT

Defence families can access a range of financial support to help minimise the disruption to schooling caused by posting and relocations. The aim is to provide students with educational stability or short-term assistance to help overcome any immediate difficulties with education or emotional wellbeing as a result of relocation.

Tutoring Members who move to a new location and have school-age children may be entitled to 14 weeks of tutoring in any subject that has been identified by the school as representing a gap in your child's learning. This applies to primary and secondary students within the first 18 months of enrolment at a new school.

Boarding school allowance You may choose to have your child attend boarding school, so they do not have to relocate with you and disrupt their education. In this instance, where the child is in the critical year of schooling (Years 9-12), you can access financial assistance for the compulsory tuition fees and accommodation costs of the school.

Tertiary accommodation If your dependent is studying at a tertiary institution and their chosen course is not available in the new posting location, financial assistance may be available for accommodation costs for the student to live near or at the tertiary institution. This applies only to full-time undergraduate students and is capped at a maximum of three years.

Students with special needs Practical assistance is available for dependants with special-needs. This includes assessment, therapy, tuition and additional support where students had received these services in their old location and aren't able to access them at their new posting.

Dependants with special needs may also be entitled to reimbursement of private schooling costs if a necessary special program is only available at a non-government school.

Reimbursement of a lost scholarship If a student has to give up an education scholarship or bursary due to changing schools, they may be reimbursed for their education costs to the remaining value of that scholarship.

Reunion travel If your child is studying at

a location distant from your posting, you may access funds towards the child's travel expenses to come to your location for a reunion. The child must already be receiving education assistance and will be entitled to one return journey each calendar year.

For more information about these services, contact the Defence Family Helpline, or your local REDLO

DEFENCE SCHOOL TRANSITION AIDE PROGRAM

The Defence School Transition Aide (DSTA) program provides support to the children and families of ADF members, particularly when moving in and out of a school on posting or when a parent is absent from home.

Under the DSTA program, in-school Defence aides (primary) and mentors (secondary) support Defence students transitioning from school to school and during times of parental absence. Aides and mentors help schools, families and children to develop strategies to successfully integrate into the school community. Defence aides and mentors are based within primary and

secondary schools across Australia to provide support to the children of mobile Defence families. Their role includes:

- assisting children and families to integrate into the new school and local community
- coordinating appropriate welcome and farewell activities
- smoothing the transition from school to school and between different education systems (including minimising the impact of relocation on learning outcomes)
- monitoring the social, emotional and academic wellbeing of Defence students
- helping students develop self-confidence, self-reliance and resilience
- referring students to services or school community programs that meet their needs
- enhancing awareness and appreciation of the unique Defence lifestyle in schools and communities
- providing support to children during times of parental absence.

To find out which school have aides and mentors, contact the all-hours Defence Family Helpline on 1800 624 608 or visit defence.gov.au/DCO



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FROM WORLD-CLASS WINE REGIONS TO THE CULTURE OF ADELAIDE, FRINGED BY BEAUTIFUL BEACHES AND THE MOUNT LOFTY RANGES, THERE'S PLENTY TO EXPLORE AROUND EDINBURGH



ADELAIDE

WHETHER YOU'RE INTO FOOD AND DRINK,

the arts, sport or heritage, central Adelaide has plenty to offer. Surrounded by parklands, the compact city is laid out in a neat grid, which makes it easy to navigate.

GETTING AROUND

From the Adelaide Railway Station, it's easy to walk to most of the compact city's attractions and there is also a free city loop bus (City Connector), free city tram between South Terrace and the Entertainment Centre (adelaidemetro.com.au) and free bike hire through the Adelaide Free Bike hire scheme (bikesa.asn.au/adelaidefreebikes). Learn about the city's history on a self-guided heritage tour with the Adelaide City Explorer. adelaidecityexplorer.com.au

NORTH TERRACE

Stroll along tree-lined North Terrace to see many of the city's heritage buildings and cultural venues, including the Art Gallery of South Australia (artgallery.sa.gov.au), State Library (slsa.sa.gov.au), South Australian Museum, Migration Museum (migration. history.sa.gov.au), Centre of Democracy (centreofdemocracy.sa.gov.au) and Tandanya (253 Grenfell Street, tandanya.com.au), Australia's oldest Aboriginal-owned and managed multi-arts centre, which is just a short walk from North Terrace.



BOTANIC GARDENS

In the heart of the city, the beautifully maintained gardens cover 50 hectares and include the largest single-span glasshouse in the Southern Hemisphere and the historic Palm House, imported from Germany in 1875. A range of masterclasses, concerts and seasonal events run throughout the year. North Terrace, Adelaide. Open daily. environment.sa.gov.au/botanicgardens

ADELAIDE ZOO

Home to more than 2,500 animals and 250 species of exotic and native mammals. birds, reptiles and fish, the zoo covers eight hectares, bordered by the Botanic Park and River Torrens. Kids enjoy riding the iconic Popeye along the river to or from the zoo (thepopeye.com.au). The zoo offers a range of up close animal experiences including meeting the primates, zoo keeper for a day and an interactive experience with its star attractions, giant pandas Wang Wang and Fu Ni. Frome Road, Adelaide. Open 9.30am-5pm daily. adelaidezoo.com.au

RUNDLE MALL

In the heart of Adelaide, the Rundle Mall Precinct is the place for fashion, food and lifestyle shopping, with more than 1,000 retailers. Just to the south of North Terrace, it runs from King William Street to Pulteney Street around an open-air mall. Continue east along Rundle Street for boutique fashion, restaurants, cafes and pubs. rundlemall.com; rundlestreet.com.au

ADELAIDE CENTRAL MARKET

Established in 1869, the Adelaide Central Market is one of the largest covered markets in the Southern Hemisphere. More than 80 traders sell a huge range of local fresh food including fruit and vegetables, meat and poultry, seafood, cheese, bakery and small goods. The market also has some popular cafes and eateries. 44-60 Gouger Street Adelaide. Open Tue-Sat

adelaidecentralmarket com au

ADELAIDE RIVERBANK

Encompassing 380 hectares around the River Torrens, the Adelaide Riverbank is home to many of Adelaide's most significant buildings and spaces including the Adelaide Festival Centre, Adelaide Casino, Adelaide Convention Centre, Adelaide Oval, Government House, the University of Adelaide and the Botanic Park and the zoo. Public spaces around the Festival Centre and



railway station are currently being upgraded theadelaideriverbank.com.au

EATING OUT

Adelaide is known for its award winning restaurants and chefs. Some of the best places to grab a bite can be found on Gouger Street, Rundle Street and King William Road. Along Leigh Street, Peel Street and Ebenezer Place are small bar hotspots, with some of the coolest places tucked away in basements, behind secret doors and down unmarked alleyways. adelaidedining.com.au





MORE INFORMATION:

Adelaide Visitor Information Centre, 9 James Place, just off Rundle Mall,

BEACHES

STRETCHED ALONG ST VINCENT GULF,

Adelaide has a wealth of beaches within easy reach (most are less than 30 minutes from the CBD). The further up the gulf you go, the more protected the beaches, making them ideal for children. The city beaches are also popular for windsurfing, kite surfing and paddle boarding. South of the city, the water is more open and there are some surf beaches.

Catch the tram from the centre of Adelaide to historic **Glenelg**, just 12 kilometres away to enjoy the shops and cafes along Jetty Road and Holdfast Shores Marina or take the kids to The Beachhouse

Henley Beach has cafes and restaurants around a recently refurnished grassed square and a wide sandy beach.

Historic **Semaphore** has a long beach bordered by sand dunes and boulevards dotted with well-preserved art deco buildings.

The jetties at **Brighton**, **Glenelg**, **Henley Beach** and **Semaphore** are popular spots to

fish for tommy ruff, salmon trout, mulloway, bream and squid.

The **Outer Harbour Breakwater** is a good spot for snapper, tommy ruff, bream and garfish and **St Kilda**, at the northern end of the Port River, is a good fishing spot for bream, yellowfin whiting, mullet, salmon trout and blue swimmer crabs. The SA Fishing app has information on fishing in South Australia, pir.sa.qov.au/fishing/recfishingapp

Port Noarlunga, Christies Beach and the Fleurieu Peninsula beaches, south of Adelaide, are popular for surfing and body boarding.



NATURE & WILDLIFE

ADELAIDE DOLPHIN SANCTUARY

Home to more than 30 bottlenose dolphins, with another 300 dolphins visiting regularly, the sanctuary stretches from the Port River to Port Gawler and features a 10,000-year-old mangrove forest. Other wildlife includes stingrays, longnosed fur seals and endangered Australian sea lions. environment.sa.gov.au/parks

ADELAIDE INTERNATIONAL BIRD SANCTUARY

Stretching along more than 60km of coastline north of Adelaide, the sanctuary is a crucial habitat on a migratory route used by more than five million birds a year. The sanctuary includes several boardwalks. naturalresources.sa.gov.au

CLELAND WILDLIFE PARK

Home to 130 species of Australian wildlife, the park is part of the Cleland Conservation Park. Most of the animals wander freely and visitors can feed them, get some great photos and even touch them. 365 Mount Lofty Summit

Road, Crafers. Open 9.30am-5pm daily (except Christmas Day).clelandwildlifepark.sa.gov.au

MONARTO ZOO

About an hour southeast of Adelaide, this 1,500ha open-range zoo offers a safari experience with more than 50 species of exotic and native mammals, birds and reptiles. Explore on walking trails or a free hop-on hop-off shuttle. 3401 Old Princes Highway, Monarto. Open 9.30am-5pm daily (last entry 3pm). monartozoo.com.au

ST KILDA MANGROVE TRAIL

A 400m elevated boardwalk takes you through tidal salt marshes, mangroves and sea grass channels to a lookout across the Barker Inlet. Nearby St Kilda Adventure Playground has a flying fox, slides and a pirate ship. Cockle Street, St Kilda. Open 9am-4pm daily (except Christmas Day). salisbury.sa.gov.au

HEYSEN TRAIL

The 1,200km Heysen Trail extends from Cape Jervis, about 100km southwest of Adelaide,

north through the Adelaide Hills and Barossa Valley to Parachilna Gorge in the Flinders Ranges. Shorter sections can be done as day walks. heysentrail.asn.au

RAIL TRAILS

There are a number of shared-use paths on disused railway corridors, including The Barossa Trail (10km) between Tanunda and Angaston, The Riesling and Rattler Trail (54km), Clare Valley, and the Coast to Vines Rail Trail (37km) between Marino Rocks and Willunga. railtrails.org.au

• See the Settling in section for local trails.



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WINE

WITH MORE THAN 200 CELLAR DOORS

within easy reach, it's not surprising Adelaide claims the title wine capital of Australia. The Barossa Valley is just 40km from Edinburgh and other renowned regions are within easy reach.

NATIONAL WINE CENTRE OF AUSTRALIA

With a cellar that can store up to 38.000 bottles of wine, a restaurant, wine tastings with 120 different wines to sample and the state-of-theart, self-guided Wine Discovery Journey, this is the place to learn about Australian wine. Corner Botanic and Hackney Roads, Adelaide. Open 9am-pm daily; 11am-5pm public holidays. wineaustralia.com.au

BAROSSA VALLEY

With more then 150 wineries and 80 cellar doors, the Barossa is home to the biggest names in Australian wine, including Penfolds (Grange) and Henschke (Hill of Grace), along with well-known labels such as Wolf Blass and Jacob's Creek. The towns of Lyndoch, Tanunda, Nuriootpa and Angaston offer accommodation and restaurants and many of the wineries have restaurants or serve food platters at their cellar doors. Visitors

can sample wines from nearby Eden Valley at Taste Eden Valley in Angaston. Barossa Visitor Information Centre, 66-68 Murray Street, Tanunda. barossa.com

CLARE VALLEY

Famous for its Riesling, Clare Valley also produces fine shiraz and cabernets, along with other varieties. It has some of SA's oldest wineries: Sevenhill Cellars was established in 1851 Clare Valley has more than 40 cellar doors and stretches along a 40km corridor between the towns of Auburn and Clare. The Riesling Trail cycle path follows the valley. Clare Valley Wine, Food & Tourism Centre,

ADELAIDE HILLS

One of Australia's best cool-climate wine regions, the hills region has about 50 cellar doors, along with restaurants, produce markets, cheese, honey, craft beers, cider and boutique spirits. Add in winding roads through rolling hills historic towns and orchards and the hills make a great day trip or weekend break. Adelaide Hills Visitor Information Centre, 68 Main Street, Hahndorf. adelaidehills.org.au

MCLAREN VALE

Less than an hour's drive south of Adelaide, McLaren Vale has more than 70 cellar doors where you can try great shiraz, grenache, cabernet sauvignon, chardonnay and other varieties, along with olives, cheeses, craft beer and more. It is flanked by hills and stunning beaches and is also home to cafes, restaurants and farmer's markets.

McLaren Vale & Fleurieu Visitor Information Centre, Main Road, McLaren Vale. mclarenvale info



MUSEUMS

MUSEUM OF SOUTH **AUSTRALIA**

Five floors of displays along with special exhibitions and a range of programs for all ages. Free entry. North Terrace, Adelaide. Open 10am-5pm daily. samuseum.sa.gov.au

ADELAIDE GAOL

One of Adelaide's oldest remaining colonial public buildings, Adelaide Gaol operated from 1841 until 1988. Gaol Road, Thebarton. Open 9am-5pm daily. environment.sa.gov.au/adelaidegaol

ADELAIDE OVAL

A major venue for Australian Rules football and cricket, Adelaide Oval offers guided tours (fees applicable), the Bradman Collection, with footage and personal items related to Don Bradman, and an interactive museum. The Adelaide Oval Roof climb offers a great view. Open 9am-4pm daily (except public holidays & event days). roofclimb. com.au:. adelaideoval.com.au

TRAMWAY MUSEUM

Ride historic trams from Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney and Ballarat and learn about the history of the Adelaide tramway system. St Kilda Road, St Kilda. Open noon-5pm, Sundays and public holidays. trammuseumadelaide.com

NATIONAL RAILWAY MUSEUM

Australia's largest railway museum with more than 100 exhibits. 76 Lipson Street, Port Adelaide. Open 10am-4.30pm daily.

SA AVIATION MUSEUM

A variety of aircraft, engines, propellers, historic displays and memorabilia are on display. 66 Lipson Street, Port Adelaide. Open 10.30am-4.30pm daily (except Christmas Day).saam.org.au

ANNUAL EVENTS - 2018 -

Moonlight Cinema Until mid-February. Botanic Gardens. moonlight.com.au/Adelaide

Tour Down Under January 13-21. Australia's premier cycling event staged in and around Adelaide. tourdownunder.com.au

Crush January 26-28. Showing the wine of the Adelaide Hills. crushfestival.com.au

Adelaide Fringe February 16-March 18. Southern Hemisphere's largest open-access arts festival. adelaidefringe.com.au

Adelaide Festival March 2-18. Annual arts festival with a program of theatre, music, dance and visual arts. adelaidefestival.com.au

Adelaide Writer's Week March 3-8. adelaidefestival.com.au

WOMADelaide March 9-12. Botanic Park. World music festival, womadelaide.com.au

Adelaide 500 Early March dates TBA. Supercars hit the streets of Adelaide. clipsal500.com.au

Special Olympics Australia National Games April 16-20, 1,000 athletes with intellectual disability

will compete in 11 sports. specialolympics.com.au





Adelaide Cabaret Festival June 8-23. An eclectic program highlighting local, national and international artists. adelaidecabaretfestival.com.au

Adelaide Beer and BBQ Festival, July dates TBA. Adelaide Showground. adelaidebeerfest.com.au

Winter Reds Weekend July dates TBA. Adelaide Hills wineries. winterreds.com.au

South Australian Living Artists (SALA) Festival, August. State-wide festival of visual art. salafestival.com

Royal Adelaide Show, September school holidays, dates TBA. Adelaide Showground, Goodwood Road Wayville. Ten days of fun with animals, fun-fair rides, show bags and more. theshow.com.au

OzAsia Festival, September/October dates TBA. King William Street, Adelaide. International arts festival focusing on Asia. ozasiafestival.com.au

Christmas Pageant. November 10. Annual pageant through the Adelaide CBD. cupageant.com.au

Australian International 3 Day Event. November TBA. East Parklands, Adelaide, Australia's premier equestrian competition, comprising dressage, cross country and show jumping. australian3de.com.au

Adelaide Motorsport Festival, December TBA, Victoria Park, adelaidemotorsportfestival.com.au

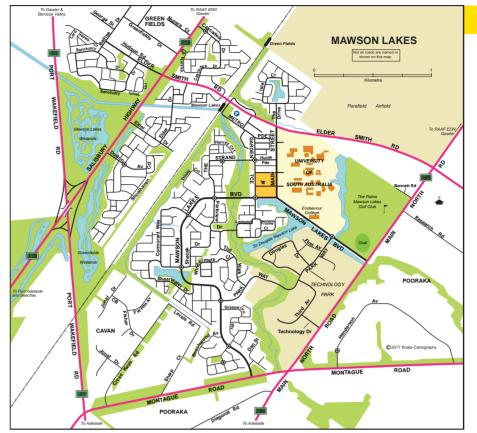
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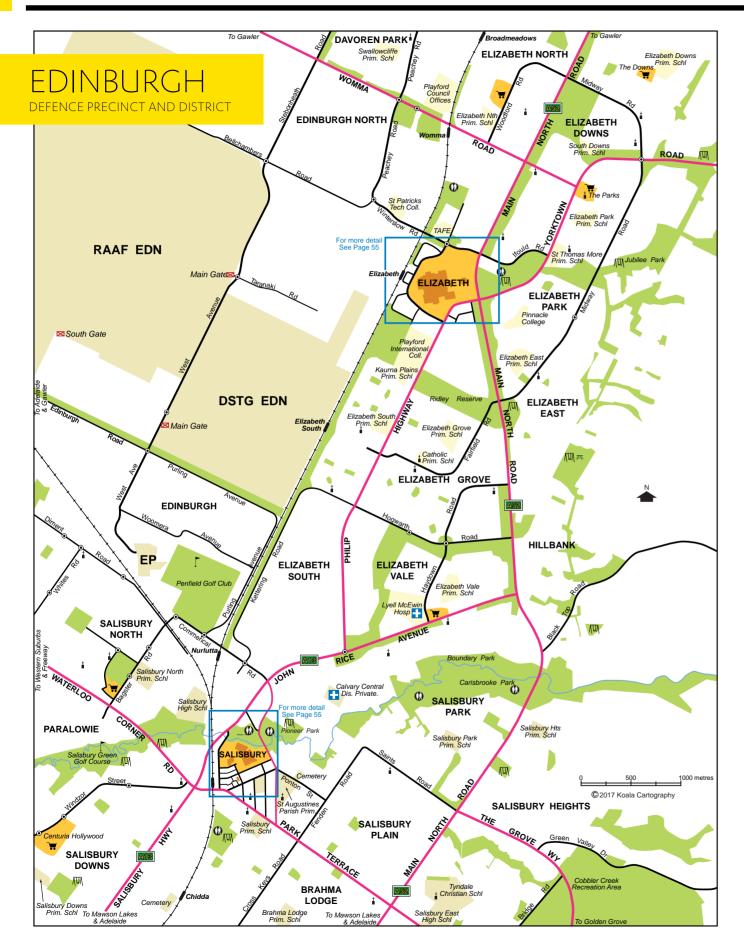


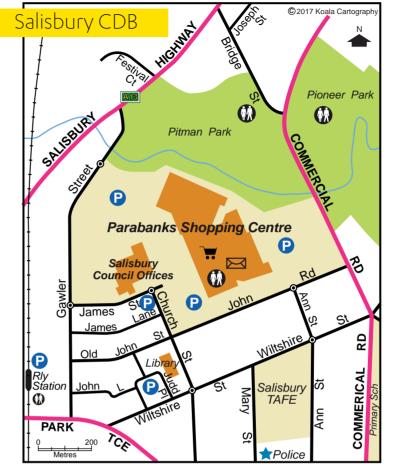




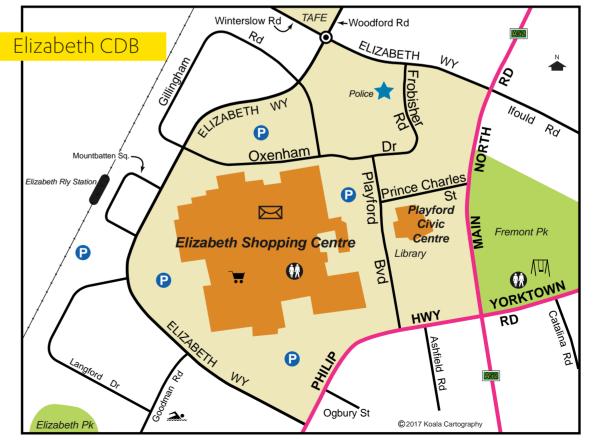
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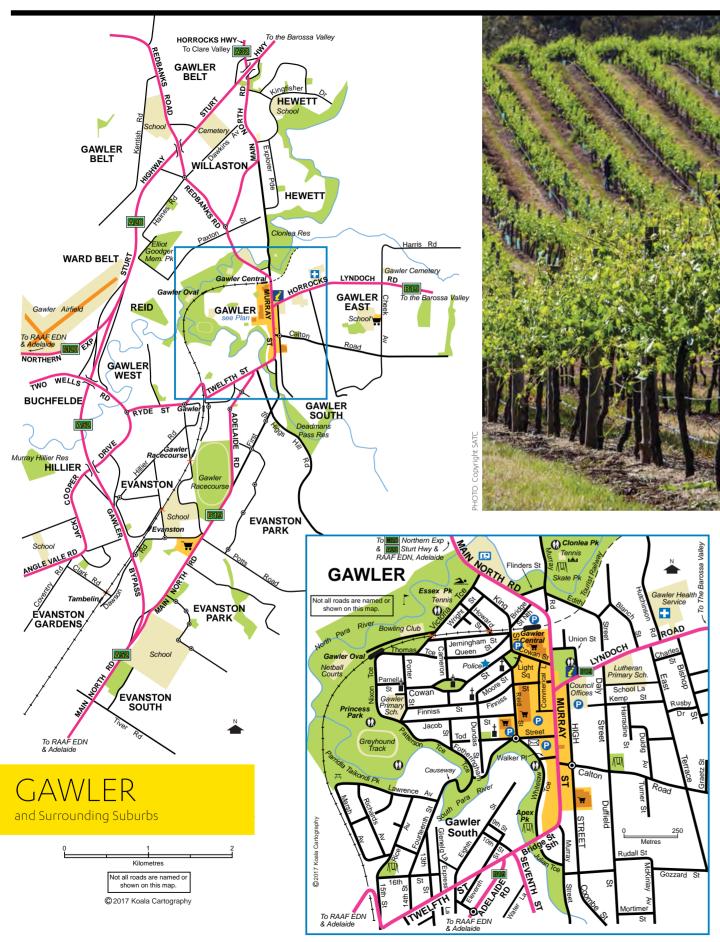






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WELCOME TO WOOMERA



woomera, the fourth, the largest and most isolated of the Edinburgh Defence Precinct sites is located approximately 450km north of

Adelaide. Since its establishment on April 1, 1947, the Woomera Range has been known as the Woomera Rocket Range, Woomera Instrumented Range, the Woomera Test Facility and the Woomera Test Range. In July 2013, the entire facility was renamed Woomera Range Complex (WRC) comprising Woomera Test Range (WTR), RAAF Base Woomera and Woomera Village.

Operated by Air Force Test Ranges Squadron (AFTRSQN), the Woomera Test Range (WTR) is a highly-specialised Defence "test" range capability. Due to its specialist role, the WTR operates under separate and highly specialised Defence Force Regulations, including special Federal Legislation specifically guiding the use of Woomera for "the testing of war materiel". Under Project AIR3024, the WTR will be transformed into the "next-generation" Woomera Test Range, expected to be finalised by mid 2020.

RAAF Base Woomera (WMA) was established on January 15, 2015. Managed by 20SQN through Combat Support Group, the role of RAAF Base Woomera is to provide direct support to the operation of the Woomera Test Range.

Woomera Village, largely supported by Estate and Infrastructure Group, Department of Defence, manages the garrison support facilities for the Woomera Range Complex.

HISTORY OF THE WOOMERA RANGE COMPLEX

In April 1947, the Anglo-Australian Project was formally established heralding the immediate commencement of work to construct what was to become the world's largest and one of its most secretive military test sites during the Cold-War period from the mid 1940s to the mid 1980s. Missile testing commenced in 1949.

During the height of the Cold War in the 1950s and 60s, more than 6,000 people lived and worked at the Woomera Rocket Range. During this period, the Range was one of the busiest rocket launching facilities in the Western world, and second only to Cape Canaveral in the USA for the number of annual rocket launches.

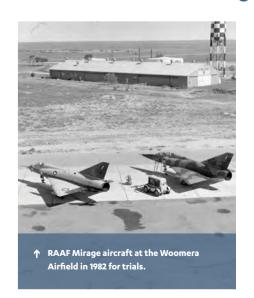
Weapons designed by the Joint Project and tested at Woomera include the Sea Wolf, Rapier, Sea Dart, and Bloodhound surface-to-air missiles, the Black Knight research rocket, the Blue Steel nuclear stand-off missile, the Malkara anti-tank missile, the Ikara anti-submarine missile, and the GAF Jindivik target aircraft. Australia's first satellite, WRESAT, was

THE REMOTE WOOMERA
RANGE COMPLEX IS THE
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launched from Woomera in 1967. The Joint Project ran until 1980.

The Woomera Rocket Range was renamed Woomera Instrumented Range on March 1, 1991 when the RAAF Aircraft and Research Development Unit (ARDU) became responsible for the management of what was, at the time, the only real remaining operational element of the old range. From 2006 to 2008, the operational elements of the range were briefly known as the Woomera Test Facility (WTF). The entire complex was renamed on July 1, 2008 to Woomera Test Range (WTR), and on July 1, 2013, changed to the Woomera Range Complex (WRC). Significant early events at Woomera include:

- The centre line of the airfield was surveyed by Len Beadell in April 1947
- The name Woomera was suggested by Group Captain A.G.Pither in mid 1947
- The RAAF's No.2 Airfield Construction Squadron began construction in late April 1947
- The first aircraft (two RAAF DC-3s) to use the airfield, landed at Woomera on July 4, 1947.



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in location at Woomera, providing technical,

tasks. Edinburgh based personnel deploy to

detachment as operational tasking requires.

HOUSING & ACCOMMODATION

Housing in Woomera is not managed or

Defence's service provider. There are no

messing arrangements at Woomera.

four-bedroom furnished houses.

coordinated through DHA, it is managed by

Broadspectrum, which is contracted by E&IG,

Temporary accommodation at The Eldo

Hotel can range from one- to three-bedroom

Civilian visitors to Woomera also have the

Woomera Traveller's Village. Defence members

on exercise or attachment will need to liaise

option to stay at The Eldo Hotel or at the

furnished hotel units or apartments, to three- or

operations liaison and compliance monitoring

Woomera regularly to supplement the permanent

↑ Squadron Leader Simon Bartlett

NO. 20 SQUADRON

Number 20 Squadron

was established at RAAF base Woomera on April 1, 2015. Its role is to deliver operational airbase support to the Woomera Test Range by operating the military airfield at Woomera. No. 20 Squadron is a small

Unit, currently 11 personnel, but that number is routinely augmented to as many as 160 personnel in order to support large-scale exercises.

As Commanding Officer, No. 20 Squadron, Squadron Leader Simon Bartlett is responsible for delivering operational airbase support at Woomera. This involves delivering all the engineering, logistics, safety and management services required to support flying operations.

Squadron Leader Bartlett also acts as Deputy to the Senior Australian Defence Force (SADFO), Air Commodore Joe lervasi who is based in Adelaide. As Deputy SADFO Woomera, Squadron Leader Bartlett is the most senior Defence Member in Woomera, requiring both command, management and ceremonial responsibilities.

AIR FORCE TEST RANGES SOUADRON

Air Force Test Ranges Squadron (AFTRSQN) is responsible for the day-to-day conduct of activities on the Woomera Test Range. Approximately 55 RAAF uniformed and civilian personnel make up AFTRSQN. The bulk of AFTRSQN personnel are based at RAAF Base Edinburgh. AFTRSQN has 14 permanent staff

← F/A-18 Hornet aircraft on the Woomera Airfield hardstand for missile trials.

with 20SQN ABCP in the first instance for any accommodation requirements.

Permanent accommodation is within the township of Woomera, which has many houses managed by Broadspectrum.

Permission is rarely given to live outside Woomera on a posting to this location. The houses are modest for a MWOD and small for a family. Housing allocations are considered on a case-by-case basis determining the best fit possible for the family unit.

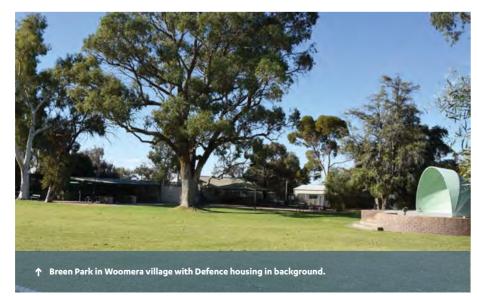
A standard house comprises:

- Three or four bedrooms
- Living/lounge room
- Dining room
- Toilet and bathroom
- Laundry
- Small and basic outside entertaining area
- Single car carport, not garage, and a shed.
 Houses are being refurbished to a baseline standard. However, the homes will be not equivalent to a standard DHA home.

A renovated standard-configuration house usually comprises:

- Replacement of vertical blinds with a single roller blind
- Replacement of old and deteriorated floor coverings
- Central heating/airconditioning
- Solar hot water (with a booster for winter)
- Repainted outside entertaining area with shade cloth roofing.

As the houses are small, you can apply through your DHA case manager, on an individual basis, for storage of excess furniture and effects.



RENT, ELECTRICITY AND WATER

As Woomera is a Defence town, the Broadspectrum Housing Office manages the charges for these services. 20SQN Orderly Room manages the charge commencement for the deduction of rent. There is no option to arrange an external provider for electricity and water and gas is not available.

TELEPHONE LAND LINES AND INTERNET

Most houses in Woomera have a telephone point. As some houses have access to data internet services (ADSL 2.0) via the phone line, some houses also have internet connection via various providers. However, many houses do not. Data speed is limited depending on users on the bandwidth and distance from the node. Some Woomera based personnel have a Telstra package that seems to work okay with the hotspot tethering from a mobile. It has a few connectivity issues but is generally dependable, although costly.

MOBILE PHONES

The mobile service/reception at Woomera is limited so check with your serviceprovider for coverage in remote areas of Australia. Coverage drop out occurs in various areas along the roads especially from Port Augusta to Roxby Downs.

FOXTEL

FOXTEL is available subject to availability of equipment. Dishes are not provided with houses and there is nil entitlement to a dish or mounting and orientation.

As most permanent members will be moving into refurbished houses and the MWD(U)s into furnished apartments/houses, there is no guarantee there will be dishes on your roof.

FOXTEL options include:

- Bringing a dish with you if FOXTEL will allow you to bring it from your current house
- Purchasing a dish at Woomera through FOXTEL. As Woomera is remote, FOXTEL requires self installation of the dish. Outback Data can be contacted to provide installation services (08) 08 8673 7029.

Once you have been identified for a posting to Woomera, it is recommended you contact the Broadspectrum Housing Office on (08) 8674 3260 to confirm if the house allocated to you will have a dish. Any contracting or purchasing of FOXTEL products or installation costs are at the member's expense.



THE TOWNSHIP OF WOOMERA comprises a local (very small) village store, an information centre/cafe and a 10-pin bowling alley, all found in the Woomera Heritage Centre. There are

↓ The Eldo Hotel is open for dinner daily.



↑ Woomera Rocket park Woomera Rocket park

also social venues and clubs, including: an RSL, a sports club (Sporties), darts club, pistol club and golf club.

Town folk include Defence (ADF/APS) workers for 20SQN, AFTRSQN, E&IG and civilian contractors in their support.

The Eldo Hotel is open for dinner daily. The Heritage Centre cafe is open for breakfast and lunch from 7am to 3pm (functions can be arranged for after hours).

There is a roadhouse at Pimba called Spuds that does very basic meals and is open from 6am to 10pm with meals all day. The roadhouse is 8km from the village and sells the only fuel locally. Sporties and the RSL are open for dinner or drinks on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday.

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FDP WOOMFRA YOUR GUIDE TO THE AREA







The **Australia Post Office** has limited services and several computer/internet terminals for hire (in location). Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm.

The Village Store (more like a corner store) is open daily (check for hours), but most people shop at Roxby Downs (76km north) or Port Augusta (180km South).

The Medical Centre in town is manned by a nurse five days a week and a doctor visits twice a week. Defence personnel are administratively managed in Woomera.

Woomera Theatre (above left) and Woomera Area School

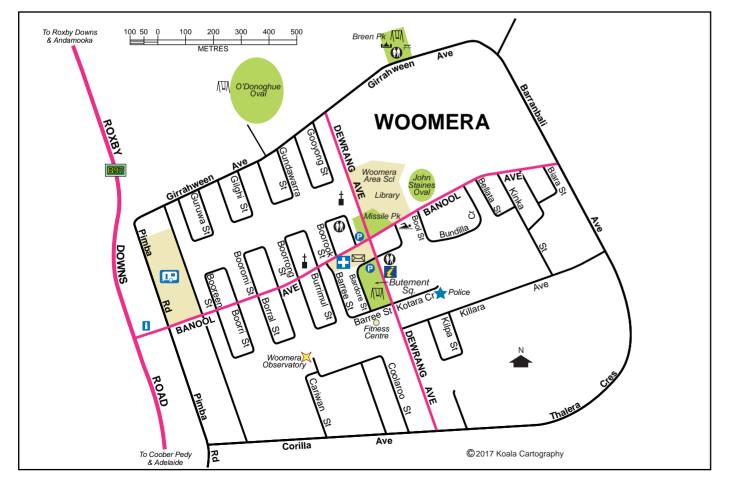
Woomera Community Library has a wide range of books, movies, online magazines, e-books and online software training.

Sporting facilities include two football ovals. a gymnasium (Defence personnel have swipe access from the Heritage centre), outdoor basketball courts, a golf club, a shooting club, a darts club, an indoor squash centre and an outdoor swimming pool (open seasonally). There is no running track, however the circumference of the town is little over 5kms and is all bitumen.

Woomera Area School is located within the township and currently has nine students. For enquiries, contact the school principal, Mr Tony Holden on 0438 600 054 or email tony.holden561@schools.sa.edu.au

There is no public transport in or out of Woomera, no hire cars, no buses, no trains, no civilian air transport. There are also no church services in Woomera.

The closest town is **Roxby Downs**, 76km north of Woomera. It has a number of clubs, a Woolworths, Mitre 10, a cinema, several football clubs, hairdresser and churches.



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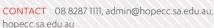


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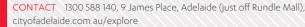


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