



**CORPS MEMORANDUM
GOVERNING THE OPERATIONS OF THE
ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS**

**No 025: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
ASSOCIATIONS**

General

1. The following is the list of Associations within the Corps. Membership of these includes serving as well as retired and ex-members of the Corps along with others as approved by each individual Association.

2. The following is the list of Associations associated with RA Sigs. Membership of these includes serving as well as retired and ex-members of the Corps along with others as approved by each individual Association.

a. **Queensland.**

- i) RA Sigs Association (Queensland)
- ii) Signals Vietnam Veterans Association (Queensland)
- iii) RA Sigs Association North Queensland

b. **New South Wales.**

- i) RA Sigs Association (New South Wales)
- ii) 6 Division Signals Association
- iii) 7 Division Signals Association
- iv) 8 Division Signals Association
- v) 9 Division Signals Association
- vi) 2 Corps Signals Association
- vii) New Guinea Air Warning Wireless Company Association
- viii) Australian Special Wireless Group Association
- ix) 18 Dispatch Rider Section
- x) Beach Signals Association
- xi) L of C Signals Association
- xii) 2 Division Signals/ 8 Signals Regiment

c. **Australian Capital Territory.**

- i) RA Sigs Association (Australian Capital Territory)

d. **Victoria.**

- i) RA Sigs Association (Victoria)
- ii) 3/66 Club Signals 3 Aust Division 2AIF Association
- iii) 6 Division Signals Association
- iv) 7 Division Signals Association
- v) 8 Division Signals/6 Line Section Association

- vi) 9 Division Signals Association
 - vii) New Guinea Air Warning Wireless Company Association
 - viii) Australian Special Wireless Group Association
 - ix) Signals Vietnam Veterans Association (Victoria)
 - x) 126 / 301 Signals Squadron Association
 - xi) 4 Division Signals Association
- e. **South Australia.**
- i) RA Sigs Association (South Australia)
 - ii) 21 Australian Infantry Brigade Signal Section
 - iii) 7 Division Signals Association
 - iv) 9 Division Signals Association
- f. **Western Australia.**
- i) RA Sigs Association (Western Australia), incorporating the following organisations:
 - ii) 2 Division Signals
 - iii) 6 Division Signals
 - iv) 7 Division Signals
 - v) 9 Division Signals
 - vi) 11 Division Signals
 - vii) Armoured Division Signals
 - viii) Fortress Signals
 - ix) Korea Signals Units
 - x) South Vietnam Signals Units
- g. **Tasmania.**
- i) RA Signals Association (Tasmania)

Contacting Associations

3. Names and addresses of Presidents and Secretaries of these Associations may be obtained from the SO2 Head of Corps RA Sigs.



**CORPS MEMORANDA
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Amendments

1. Proposals for amendment or additions to RA Sigs Corps Instructions are to be submitted to SO2 Head of Corps RA Sigs, Signals Cell, Training Command – Army, Simpson Barracks, MACLEOD VICTORIA 3085. Amendments to content of a minor nature within individual Memorandum will be ratified by Head of Corps and Significant Amendments or Inclusions are to be ratified by the Corps Council.

 2. Amendments will be promulgated on the RA Sigs Corps Website and the Issue No in the Index below will confirm most recent updates. Units are to ensure they confirm they are reading from the most recent copy by referring to the RA Sigs Corps Website. Significant changes to the Memoranda will be notified at each Corps Committee meeting.
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Distribution:

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**CORPS MEMORANDUM
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No 001: DESCRIPTION AND SCOPE OF CORPS MEMORANDUM

Introduction

1. The Corps Memorandum is the means by which Corps domestic policy and other matters of enduring interest to the Corps are promulgated. These memoranda are not intended to take the place of any current Army instructions and are intended as a guide to matters of Corps interest not dealt with under other Army instruction, or in amplification of the Corps aspects of these instructions.
2. The Corps Memorandum is approved by the Head of Corps, in consultation with the Corps Committee.

Scope

2. Corps Memorandum will be issued as required to provide information on the following subjects:
 - a. Corps ceremonial;
 - b. The RA Sigs Corps Fund;
 - c. Dress regulations affecting the Corps which are not specifically covered by the Army Standing Orders For Dress;
 - d. Awards specific to the Corps;
 - e. Corps Badges, Signs, Flags, Insignia, The Corps Banner and Centrepiece as well as other distinctive items;
 - f. General Corps matters relating to history and tradition;
 - g. Recognition of Service to the Corps,
 - h. Mess etiquette within the Corps; and
 - i. Information to guide the Corps in building prestige and maintaining tradition.

Presentation

3. SO2 Corps is responsible for the administrative procedures relating to and distribution of Corps Memorandum.
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Distribution

4. SO2 Corps - RA Sigs will ensure the Memorandum is available for all members on the RA Sigs Corps Web Page. Several printed copies will be made available for key personnel, however the issue to units will be via the Web Page.

Conclusion

5. The good management, morale, tradition and standing of the Corps depends on the wide dissemination of, and compliance with, the policies relating to the Corps. Corps Memorandum play an important role in assisting in these matters. All members of the Corps are to be acquainted with the contents of Corps Memorandum and are to comply with both the letter and spirit of these Memorandums.



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No 002: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS HISTORY

THE HISTORY AND TRADITIONS OF THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS

HISTORY OF SIGNALLING

General

1. From the earliest times, communication has been necessary in war and many of the present forms of signalling have some counterpart in the past. Twenty-two centuries ago the Carthaginians used torches arranged in groups of five, an early form of signalling code.
2. During the battles between the Greeks and Persians, a polished shield answered the purpose of a crude heliograph, and signals by flags or even smoke date from a remote period. Carrier pigeons were used to convey messages in the time of Solomon and by the Greeks at the ancient Olympic Games.

The Dispatch Rider

3. Up to the middle of the nineteenth century, the principal method of communication was undoubtedly the dispatch rider since even great battles like Waterloo were fought on fronts of three kilometres or less. Consequently the dashing and gallant ADC is an important and picturesque figure of those days. The Duke of Wellington gained great advantage from his mounted orderly officers, whose experience on the hunting field made them very quick across country.

Pheidippides

4. The prototype of dispatch riders was Pheidippides the Athenian, the swiftest runner in all Greece.
5. Greece was engaged, in the sixth century BC, in a decisive struggle with the great oriental power of Persia. The victory of the latter would have been an overwhelming calamity to Western civilisation, but the small army of Greeks defeated the hordes of Persia at Marathon. It was desirable that the glad news be sent post-haste to Athens, 26 miles from the battlefield. Pheidippides was chosen and he made the journey with unheard of speed (and in full armour). So great had been his exertion that on delivering the message 'Rejoice, we have conquered', he fell dead.

Mercury

6. Pheidippides was the greatest dispatch rider - the modern marathon race has its title from his journey- yet the type and pattern of the true signaller is undoubtedly 'Mercury' or 'Hermes'.
 7. Mercury was originally the Roman god of commerce and good fortune. When the Romans conquered Greece they adopted the god Hermes, and they, realising he had much in common with their own god of fortune, brought him into their pantheon under the name of Mercurius.
 8. Mercury, or rather Hermes, is a versatile and loveable god. He is lord of the wise - of the power that brings good luck to man. Above all, he is the messenger of the gods, as his dress proclaims; on his head is the Petasus, or felt hat worn by travellers; in his hand is the caduceus or herald's staff. This staff was the symbol of a message and was wound about with white ribbons, signifying peace. The intertwined serpents are a latter interpretation of the same idea. The staff conferred immunity; that is, the bearer of the message was sacred. His golden sandals, which are winged, complete him, denoting swiftness.
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9. Mercury possesses certain characteristics, such as a love of stealing, which are not commendable. Similarly he had duties, like the bringing of dreams and the conducting of the dead to Hades, which happily, signalmen are not expected to perform. Nevertheless in his swiftness, his sureness, his prudence and readiness in all situations, and, above all, his good humour when in difficult circumstances, Mercury is not a bad model.

10. Mercury came into the Corps because his statuette was carried on the staff of the drum major of the telegraph battalion of the Royal Engineers. He is often referred to as 'Jimmy' and his badge is worn with pride as the reward of athletic prowess.

The Ideal

11. While Mercury well represents some of the signalman's characteristics, the ideal of the signalman is contained in the word 'THROUGH'. To realise this, it is necessary to consider the work signals perform on active service.

12. Communications are vital to the conduct of modern warfare; without them the finest army is helpless, the finest battle plan unworkable. On the receipt or non-receipt of a single message, may depend victory or defeat. The responsibility resting on the signalman in war may thus be enormous. The duty of members of the Corps is to get the message 'through' at whatever cost or difficulty, realising that the lives of their comrades and the success of the operations may depend on their determination.

THE BIRTH OF AUSTRALIAN ARMY SIGNALS

The Background History

13. Australia has the unique distinction of having had the first regularly formed signal unit in the whole of the British Commonwealth.

14. In 1869 there existed in New South Wales and Victoria two small 'Torpedo and Signal Corps'. These continued until 1882, when they were disbanded. In 1885 a 'Signalling Corps' composed of one officer and 12 other ranks, existed in South Australia and remained active until 1901.

15. Before the advent of self-contained signal units, the complement of signallers was on a regimental basis, each unit having on its establishment a proportion of regimental signallers. Great attention was paid to the training of these personnel; prizes and badges were awarded to those qualifying at what was known as a signalling school. Instruction was imparted by a staff officer designated 'Inspector of Signalling'. After the inception of the Commonwealth Forces an 'Australian Corps of Signallers' was formed on 12th January 1906.

16. The Corps then consisted of 11 Companies, which were located as follows;

- a. Sydney 1,
- b. Perth 1,
- c. Newcastle 1,
- d. Fremantle 1,
- e. Melbourne 2,
- f. Hobart 1,
- g. Brisbane 2,
- h. Launceston 1, and
- i. Adelaide 2.

17. The Corps remained as a self-contained unit until the introduction of universal training in 1911, when it was merged with the Australian Engineers. In 1912, signal troops and companies formed a portion of the Corps of Australian Engineer and were known by such names as '15th Engr (Sig Tp) or '23rd Engr Sig Coy (Engrs)'. These designations were retained until 1916, when the term (AE) was substituted for (Engrs) in the title.

18. This continued until the divisional organisation was introduced in 1921, when the terms 'Cav Div Sigs' and 'Div Sigs' were introduced for the first time. Coincident with this change in nomenclature, all signal units separated from the Australian Corps of Engineers and in 1925 the Australian Corps of Signals came into being. Thus began the evolution of the 'Australian Corps of Signals', which reached a total strength of 24,000 all ranks in the Second World War, 1939-1945.

Birthday of the Corps

19. RA Sigs regard 12th January 1906, the date on which raising instructions for the establishment of the 'Australian Corps of Signallers' were promulgated, as the birthday of the Corps.

Titles

20. The full title of the Corps is 'Royal Australian Corps of Signals'.

21. The short title is 'Royal Australian Signals'.

22. The abbreviated title for all uses is 'RA Sigs'.

Corps Day

23. On 10 Nov 48 His Majesty, King George VI conferred the title 'Royal' on the Australian Corps of Signals. This day is recognised as 'Corps Day' and commemorative functions should be held as near as possible to 10 Nov each year.



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No 003: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS

CORPS BADGE

Corps Badge

1. The Corps Badge, approved in 1946, is described as:
 - a. The figure of Mercury on a globe, the latter supported above by a scroll bearing the motto "Certa Cito", and a boomerang below bearing the inscription "Australia". A crown, detached surmounts the whole.
 - b. Mercury faces his right.
2. The badge, as described, is approved for wear on all types of military headdress.
3. The badge, as described, is also produced with Mercury facing his left. Two badges, one left, one right, less crowns are approved for wear as collar badges on various forms of dress. Mercury faces inwards when so worn.





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**No 004: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
CORPS MOTTO**

- **Introduction**
- 1. The Corps Motto is the Latin, ‘Certa Cito’.
- **Aim**
- 2. The aim of this instruction is to describe the Corps Motto, its meaning and use.
- **Description**
- 3. The Corps Motto is described as a maxim adopted by the Corps, which best expresses the guiding principle bonding the officers and soldiers of the Corps to achieve their individual and collective objectives, whether it be in time of war, in the peacetime work place, on the sports field or in the home.
- **Translation**
- 4. The strict translation of the Latin ‘Certa Cito’ to English is simply “Swift and Sure”, signifying the aim of the signal service that communications be carried out with maximum speed and certainty.
- 5. The Corps Motto is to be used on such occasions as a verbal or written call, to express the guiding principle to unite the Corps, or sections of the Corps, to achieve their individual or collective objectives for the task at hand.



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No 005: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS

CORPS COLOURS

Aim

1. The aim of this instruction is to provide information concerning the use of RA Sigs Corps Colours and guidance on the type of occasions and location at which the Colours may be shown.

General

2. The Corps has two sets of colours, one utilised in battle (tactical colours) and one for domestic purposes.

Tactical colours

3. The tactical colours are white over blue. These colours are used for unit identification signs on vehicles and the marking of communications centres and tactical installations. The white symbolises the white of the ribbons wound on the Caduceus of the God Hermes (the symbol of the messenger) and the blue represents the Royal Colours. These colours combined make a striking contrast, suitable for easy identification for tactical purposes.



Domestic colours

4. For all other purposes the colours of the Corps are:

a. Light blue - 3/7 depth

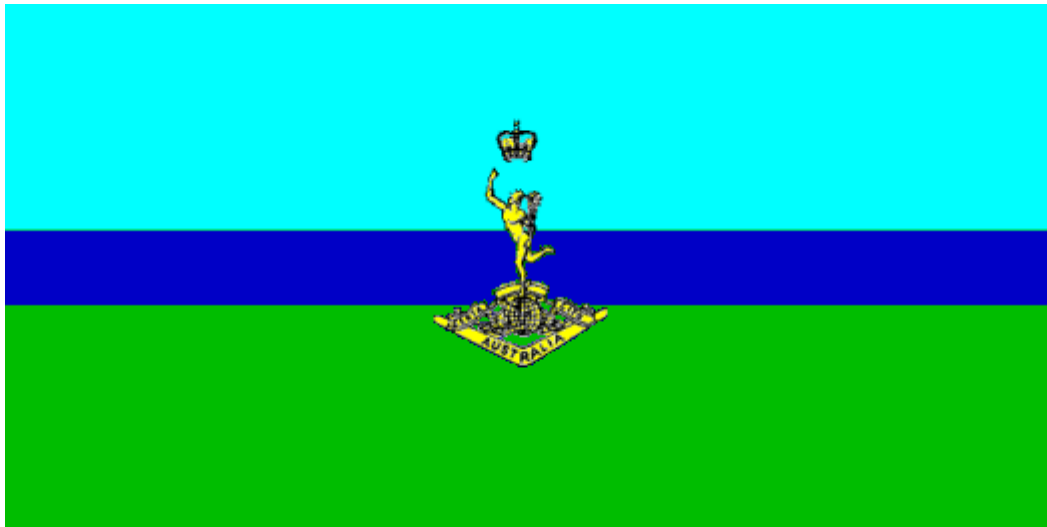
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b. Dark blue - 1/7 depth

Over

c. Dark green - 3/7 depth

5. The domestic colours represent the three media of communications; through the air, over the sea and over the land.





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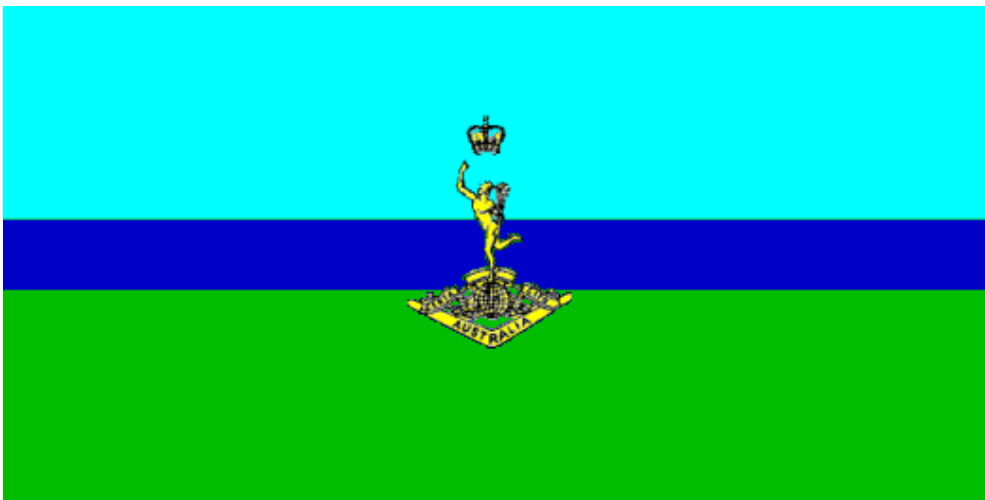
CORPS FLAG AND PENNANT

Aim

1. The aim of this instruction is to provide information concerning the use of RA Sigs Corps flags and pennants and guidance on the type of occasions and location at which the flags and pennants may be flown.

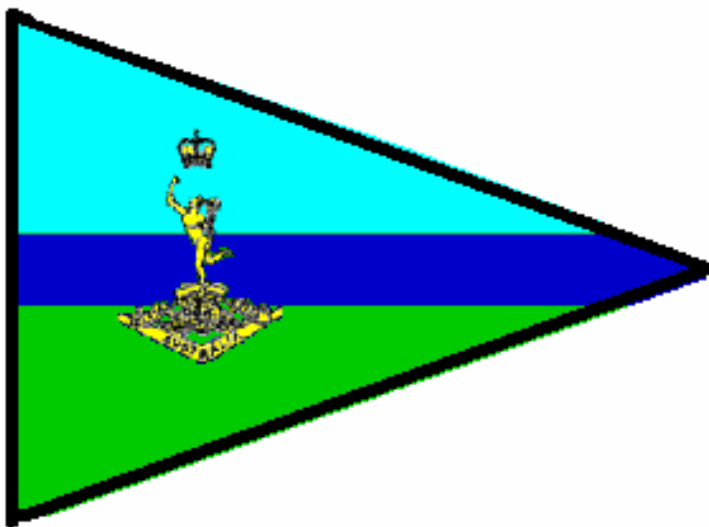
Corps Flag

2. The Corps flag consists of the Corps colours, in the ratios shown for the domestic colours. The colours are flown horizontally. In the centre is the Corps badge in gold (deep chrome yellow). The overall height of the badge should be half the breadth of the flag. Mercury faces the hoist. The Corps flag may be flown by units as approved by the Ceremonial manual.

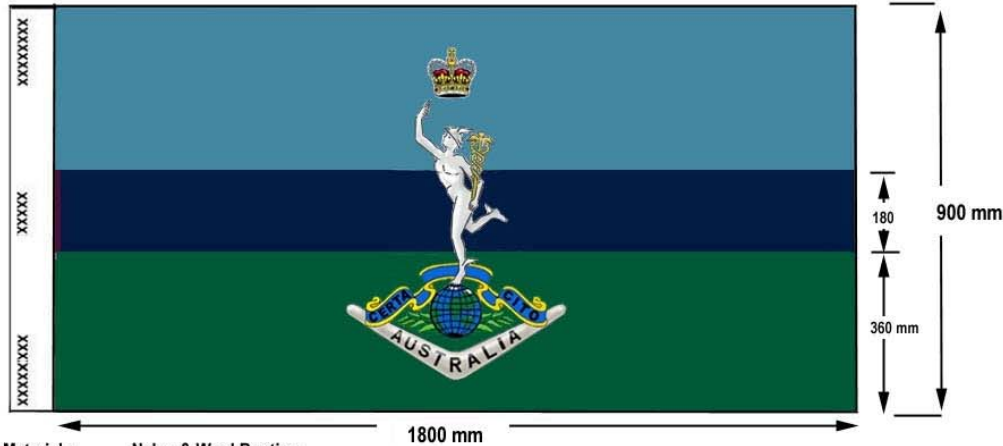


Corps Pennant

3. The Corps Pennant is formatted the same as the Corps Flag, however in a pennant shape.



THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS FLAG



Material : Nylon & Wool Bunting
 Style Designator : 1A Rectangular

Colours :Field Colours

Light Blue PMS 549C-550C
 Dark Blue PMS 281 C
 Bottle Green PMS 554 C

Scroll: Royal Blue PMS 288 C
 Gold PMS 130 C
 Old Gold PMS 131 C

World : Royal blue and Dark Green PMS 349 C

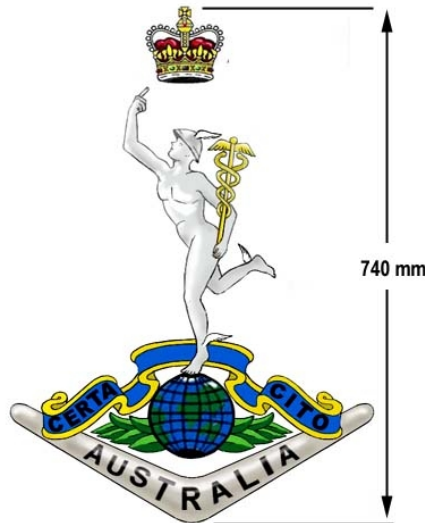
Leaves : PMS 349 C & PMS 360 C

Boomerang
 & Mercury : Silver grey PMS 877 C

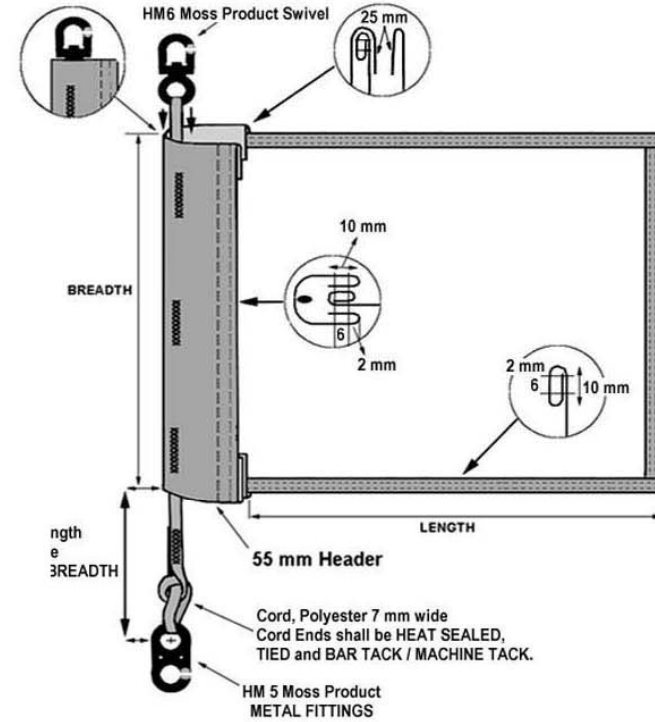
Crown Colours :
 As per St. Edward's Crown Colours.

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Production Information for Flags



Fully sewn Flag.

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No 007: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS CORPS TIE

RASIGS Corps Tie

1. The RASIGS Corps Tie may be worn with civilian attire by:
 - a. serving officers and other ranks of RASIGS,
 - b. ex-members of the Corps, and
 - c. other persons authorised by the SO2 Corps.
2. The current Corps tie consists of a series of the Corps colours superimposed on a dark blue background. The band of Corps colours slopes from right shoulder to left hip.
3. The current alternate tie, consisting of multiple Corps badge motifs in gold and silver upon a dark blue background, may also be worn.
4. A third design was produced recently to supercede the preceding two tie designs. This contemporary design consists of a Navy blue tie with a 'Jimmy' embroidered in gold and silver.
5. The ties may be purchased from the Corps Shop.



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**No 008: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
CORPS PRAYER**

Reference:

- A. LWP Pers 1-1-2, The Army at Worship

Introduction

1. The Principal Chaplains Committee - Army has authorised a prayer for the Royal Australian Corps of Signals, hereafter known as the Corps Prayer.

Aim

2. The aim of this instruction is to present the Corps Prayer and describe its meaning and use.

The Prayer

“Almighty God, You communicate your truth to us in every age,
giving light and understanding to our human condition.
Grant that we, the members of the Royal Australian Corps of Signals,
may be open to receive Your word so that our lives will communicate Your truth.
Sharpen our skills that we may faithfully transmit the messages entrusted to us.
We offer ourselves to serve You and our country, and to promote peace in our world,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.”

Description

3. The Corps Prayer ascribes to God the energies symbolised in the RA Sigs motto, and asks for the spiritual counterpart to mark the performance of our officers and soldiers, and so produce a Corps conspicuous for its swift and sure delivery of communications.
4. The Corps Prayer has been adopted by RA Sigs for use on unit church parades and other appropriate occasions where members of the Corps are gathered for religious purposes.

Background to terms

5. A common term that was used in the past was Corps Collect instead of Corps Prayer. These terms mean the same thing and hence the word collect is no longer used. A Corps Prayer/Collect simply is a prayer that gathers or collects up the essential aspects of the particular prayer need and puts them in a formal structure (prose) that can be used thereafter for all occasions when a church service or funeral for a Corps member occurs. Corps prayers are only said at religious services. The Principal Chaplains, in conjunction with respective Heads of Corps, set them. Many are based on the British Army Corps prayers. They belong to a time when God, King and country were all of a piece, however the close associative relevance is lessened in this day and age.



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**No 009: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
CORPS GRACE**

General

1. The RA Sigs Corps Committee has approved the proposal that the Corps should have its own Grace for use at RA Sigs Corps functions.

Aim

2. The aim of this instruction is to present the Corps Grace and describe its meaning and use.

Use of the Corps Grace

3. The Corps Grace is said at formal dinners. All RA Sigs messes are encouraged to use the Corps Grace at appropriate RA Sigs functions.

Description

4. The Corps Grace is similar to the Corps Prayer, in that it takes up aspects of Communications and Signals functions and uses them to express religious ideas and themes to ask for divine help to fulfill the Corps' purpose, to serve the state and fulfill God's will for creation.

Corps Grace

5. "Lord, You are the giver and sustainer of life. Help us to communicate this reality as we share these gifts together, in friendship and service, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."
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**No 010: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
REGIMENTAL MARCHES**

REGIMENTAL MARCHES

Aim

1. The aim of this instruction is to provide information about the RA Sigs Marches.

REGIMENTAL QUICK MARCH

Description

2. The Regimental Quick-March of RA Sigs is a combination of the old English traditional air 'Begone Dull Care' and the Australian folk song, 'Click Go The Shears'. The affiliation between Royal Signals, whose march is 'Begone Dull Care' and RA Sigs is perpetuated.

Playing the Corps March

3. The RA Sigs March is to be played on RA Sigs Parades, suitable Corps or RA Sigs unit occasions.

Approval

4. The RA Sigs Marches are approved in the Army Ceremonial Manual Volume One.

History

5. Most British regimental marches have a story behind their selection for the particular regiment. A story concerning the selection of the RA Sigs march has been perpetuated and, although no foundation can be found to substantiate it, it is at least appropriate.
6. Signals are invariably associated with commanders of units or Army formations. The mere fact of their close association with senior officers and the problems of providing them with good communications when required, naturally makes the signalman a worried man. The signalman allegedly drops his cares and worries as he marches on parade to the tune of his regimental march.

REGIMENTAL SLOW MARCH

Description

7. The Regimental Slow-March of RA Sigs is "Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal". This is a special march composed by the Royal Signals Director of Music in honor of the then Colonel-in-Chief, the late Princess Mary.



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**No 011: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
CORPS TOAST**

General

1. RA Sigs is one of the few Corps in the Armed Services privileged to possess two Corps toasts, which are honored on all formal occasions. At all Corps Dining nights it is customary for the following toasts to be proposed;

- a. The Loyal Toast,
- b. Toast to our Colonel-in-Chief, and
- c. Other toasts may be proposed as appropriate to the conduct of the Dinner.

The Loyal Toast

2. When the port has been passed the Dining President calls the table to order by saying, "Dining Vice-President". The Dining Vice-President will rise and say "Gentlemen" or "Ladies and Gentlemen". This indicates to the assembly that they should also rise. Glasses should remain on the table.

3. When all have risen and everybody is silent, the Dining Vice-President then proposes the Loyal Toast "The Queen". If the band is in attendance the first four bars and the last four bars of the National Anthem are then played. At its conclusion, or in response to the Dining Vice-President if there is no band in attendance, all present will repeat "The Queen" raise their glasses from the table, drink to the toast and resume their seats.

Toast to our Colonel-in-Chief

4. Directly after officers have resumed their seats after the Loyal Toast the Dining President will call "Dining Vice-President". The Dining Vice-President will rise and say "Gentlemen" or "Ladies and Gentlemen". When all have risen and everybody is silent, the Dining Vice-President then proposes the toast "Our Colonel-in-Chief, The Princess Royal", all present will repeat "The Princess Royal" raise their glasses from the table, drink to the toast and resume their seats.

Other Toasts

5. On special occasions other toasts may be drunk (see Customs of the Army). At annual Corps Dinners a toast may be proposed to "The Royal Australian Corps of Signals". This should be followed by a toast to "The Signal Corps of the Commonwealth" and "the United States of America". These toasts follow the Loyal Toast and the toast to our Colonel-in-Chief. Traditionally at Corps Dinners the toast to the Corps is proposed by a guest RAE officer. This marks the close bond between the two Corps.



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**No 012: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
COLONEL IN CHIEF**

History

1. The Colonel-in-Chief is a traditional appointment that stems from the days of old when a Lord of the land would raise and maintain a force of troops in the service of the sovereign.
2. In June 1937, Her Royal Highness the Princess Mary, The Princess Royal, CI, GCVO, GBE, TD, DCL, LLD, became the first Colonel-In-Chief of the Royal Australian Corps of Signals when she accepted the appointment of Colonel-in-Chief. In 1965 Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal passed away.
3. To commemorate the memory of our Colonel-in-Chief a special slow march was composed by Royal Signals Director of Music. The slow march is called 'Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal'.
4. Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne, The Princess Royal, GCVO, was appointed the second Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Australian Corps of Signals on 11th June 1977, after the position had been vacant for some twelve years. On the 13th June 1987, Princess Anne was granted the title 'The Princess Royal'.

Today

5. The Commandant, Defence Force School of Signals, is responsible for the safekeeping of the following mementos:
 - a. **Princess Royal Salver.** RA Sigs is affiliated with the British Army Royal Corps of Signals or the under Royal Warrant of 5th August 1920. At the conclusion of the Second World War, 1939-45, Her Royal Highness, Princess Mary, The Princess Royal, on behalf of the Royal Corps of Signals, presented to a representative of the Australian Corps of Signals (then Major K.R. Colwill), a silver salver, as a memento of the splendid co-operation that had existed between the Royal Corps of Signals and the Australian Corps of Signals throughout the Second World War 1939-1945.
 - b. **The Princess Royal Trophy.** The Princess Royal Trophy (a solid silver statuette of 'Jimmy' on a wooden base) was presented to the Australian Corps of Signals in 1939. It was used as a trophy for a competition between Signal Corps units until 1967.
 - c. **The Princess Royal Clock.** The Princess Royal Clock was presented to the Colonel-in Chief Royal Australian Corps of Signals, Her Royal Highness Princess Mary, the Princess Royal, in 1951, on behalf of the Corps by COL A.D. Molloy. Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal, graciously entrusted the clock to the care of the Royal Australian Corps of Signals. For many years the clock was on display and in use in the office of the Commandant Defence Force School of Signals. It was the responsibility of the School of Signals Duty officer to wind the clock daily.
6. The above mementos now form part of Corps Property and are held for safekeeping either in the RA Sigs Officers Mess or the Corps Museum, Simpson Barracks.

Toast to Our Colonel-in-Chief

7. See Corps Memorandum No 11 for details on drinking a toast to her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal.

Communications to Our Colonel-in-Chief

8. All communications to Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal from the Royal Australian Corps of Signals must be cleared by the Head of Corps. This applies even when the Representative Colonel Commandant is the nominated originator. In practice, the Head of Corps in the name of the Representative Colonel Commandant originates standard greeting messages.

Greetings to Our Colonel-in-Chief

9. Individual units or branches of the RA Sigs Association will not send greeting messages to Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal, unless it is a special or unique occasion and then only with the prior concurrence of the Head of Corps.

10. Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal, has graciously intimated that when greetings are sent to her on the occasion of annual gatherings, such as the Corps Dinner, they should be sent to Buckingham Palace. From there they will be redirected, if necessary. Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal, also wishes these greetings to be sent by post in telegraphic form to reach her at least a week in advance, so a reply may be sent in time to be read out at the dinner or gathering concerned.

11. The following forms of telegraphic message are suitable for sending greetings to Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal.

Corps Dinner (10th November)

12. 'For Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal. The Representative Colonel Commandant and Officers of your Corps at their annual dinner at _____ on _____ send their loyal and humble greetings to your Royal Highness'.

Her Royal Highness' Birthday. (15 August)

13. 'For Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal.
All ranks of your Corps send you loyal and affectionate birthday greetings.

Representative Colonel Commandant
Royal Australian Corps of Signals'.

Christmas Cards to our Colonel-in-Chief

14. A Christmas card on behalf of all ranks of her Corps will be sent to her Royal Highness. The Princess Royal, by the Head of Corps. The costs of production of the card and its dispatch will be borne by the RA Sigs General-Purpose fund.

15. The Representative Colonel Commandant may also send a personal card to her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal.

Photographs

16. Requests for signed portraits are to be submitted to the Head of Corps. The Head of Corps, will send approved submissions to Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal.



**CORPS MEMORANDUM
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**No 014: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
HEAD OF CORPS RESPONSIBILITIES**

Introduction

1. Chief of Army Directive 05/01 dated 17 May 01 directed the re-establishment of Heads of Corps (HOC) to represent the Corps as the senior advisor for Corps capability and heritage.

Aim

2. The aim of this instruction is to detail the role, function and responsibilities of the HOC.

Role

3. The role of HOC is to represent the Corps as the senior advisor for Corps capability and heritage. HOC represent CA as the authority for the capability each Corps provides to Army.

Function

4. The HOC function is represented in each Corps by the appointment of a senior officer as HOC. This is an extra-regimental representational appointment. The HOC is assisted by the appointment of the following staff,

- a. Deputy HOC,
- b. Corps RSM,
- c. SO2 Corps, and
- d. SO HOC RA Sigs.

Responsibilities

5. **Head of Corps.** The HOC is responsible to CA for:
- a. Representing the Corps as the senior advisor for Corps capability and heritage;
 - b. Representing the Corps at Army and Corps activities;
 - c. Coordinating Corps affairs through Corps and regimental Committees;
 - d. Conducting at least biennial Corps Conferences IAW the CA Directive 05/01,
 - e. Briefing the ACMC on capability advice and other outcomes of Corps Conferences to ensure Corps issues are represented and considered at the Executive level;
 - f. Coordinating Corps and unit histories; and
 - g. Promoting Corps traditions.
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6. **Deputy Head of Corps.** The Deputy HOC is responsible for:
 - a. Assisting HOC to represent the Corps as the senior advisor for Corps capability and heritage;
 - b. Providing a first point of contact for matters involving Corps capability and other routine Corps issues;
 - c. Coordinating Corps Conferences;
 - d. Administering Corps HOC funds; and
 - e. Providing administrative assistance to HOC through SO2 Corps.

 7. **Corps RSM.** The Corps RSM is responsible for:
 - a. Representing the Corps as the senior soldier;
 - b. Assisting HOC in representing Corps interests at Army and Corps activities; and
 - c. Supporting and assisting HOC in the performance of all other Corps and HOC functions and duties as appropriate.

 8. **SO Head of Corps and SO2 Head of Corps.** The SO Head of Corps and SO2 Head of Corps are responsible for:
 - a. Initial POC for all routine Corps issues;
 - b. Coordination of annual Corps Conferences, Corps Committee meetings and Corps special events;
 - c. Performance of duties as Secretary and Treasurer of the Corps Committee;
 - d. Managing Corps Funds, Corps Property, Corps domestic matters;
 - e. Providing administrative assistance to DHOC;
 - f. Representing COMDT on RA Sigs Corps Museum matters;
 - g. Maintain regular contact with DHOC, PA HOC and HOC;
 - h. Coordinate production of Corps Website;
 - i. Coordinating presentation of certificates, letters and plaques for retiring Corps members; and
 - j. Coordinating farewell messages for farewell dinners of retiring Corps member.
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**No 015: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER CORPS**

Royal Corps of Signals

1. RA Sigs is affiliated with the Royal Corps of Signals of the British Army under a Royal Warrant dated 5th August 1920. At the conclusion of the Second World War 1939-1945, Her Highness, Princess Mary, The Princess Royal, on behalf of the Royal Corps of Signals presented to a representative of the Australian Corps of Signals a silver salver 'as a memento of the cooperation that has existed between the Royal Signals and the Australian Corps of Signals throughout the Second World War 1939-1945'.

Exchange of Greetings with Other Signal Corps

2. The Head of Corps, on behalf of the Corps, exchanges greetings with the Commonwealth and US Signal Corps on appropriate occasions such as Corps Days, anniversaries and special occasions.

3. Occasions for Exchange of Greetings with other Signal Corps are:

- a. 24 Mar - RNZ Signal Corps Day;
- b. 21 Jun - USA Signal Corps (formed 1860);
- c. 28 Jun - Royal Signals Corps Day (formed 1920, known as Princess Royal Day);
- d. 1 Oct - US Army Signal Center (established 1919);
- e. 24 Oct - Anniversary of the founding of Signals in Canada in 1903;
- f. 15 Nov - Royal Malaysian Signal Corps Birthday (1952); and
- g. 2 Dec - Fort Gordon USA (established 1941).

4. In addition to the exchange of greetings with other Signal Corps, the Head of Corps, on behalf of the Representative Colonel Commandant and all ranks RA Sigs, can convey birthday greetings to the Colonel-in-Chief, Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal, Princess Anne to celebrate her birthday on 15 August.

Exchange of Toasts between the Signal Corps of the Commonwealth and the United States of America

5. Royal Signals has proposed that Commonwealth Signal Corps should drink a toast annually, on, or near Remembrance Day to the Signal Corps of the Commonwealth, thereby perpetuating the close association between the various Corps during two World Wars. RA Sigs have also agreed to the toast including the Signal Corps of the United States of America.

6. It is suggested that Defence Regions and the Corps Messes should include this toast in ceremonies conducted annually to mark RA Sigs Corps Day on or about 10 Nov.



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**No 017: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
CORPS SHOP**

General

1. The RA Sigs Corps Shop is established at the Defence Force School of Signals, Simpson Barracks, Macleod, VIC, 3085.

Purpose

2. Through the sale of Corps related items the Corps Shop fosters Corps identity and provides funds for the RA Sigs General Purpose Fund.

Management

3. A Corps Shop Management Committee is to be established by the Commandant, Defence Force School of Signals. The President of this committee will be appointed in writing by COMDT DFSS as an Extra-Regimental appointment as an officer serving in the Simpson Barracks area.

4. The Committee will be responsible for;

- a. the day to day operation of the Corps Shop,
- b. ensuring that all items of stock are adequately insured,
- c. proposing articles for inclusion in or deletion from Corps Shop stock,
- d. ensuring that items bearing the Corps insignia or colours are of high quality,
- e. advertising and promoting Corps Shop articles,
- f. maintaining records of all transactions, and
- g. producing a report on Corps Shop activities each year.

Audit

5. An audit of the Corps Shop accounts is to be conducted on 1 September each year. An audited statement of the books of account as at 31 August each year shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Corps Committee by 30 September each year.

Disbursement of Accumulated Funds

6. The level of operating funds to be applied to the Corps Shop is to be based upon previous and forecast trading transactions and recommendations made by the President of the Corps Shop Management Committee. The limit of operating funds for any one year is to be agreed by the Head of Corps on behalf of the Corps Committee. Amounts exceeding this value are to be disbursed to the RA Sigs General Purpose Fund on 1 October each year.



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**No 018: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
CORPS PUBLICATIONS**

General

1. Esprit de Corps was fostered through the publication of the RA Sigs Newsletters and the Corps Magazine 'Signalman'. The general purpose of these publications is to draw together the members of a wide variety of units and elements of the Corps. They also kept members informed of current Corps domestic and professional matters.
2. In keeping with modern times, the content of these publications will now be published electronically on the RA Sigs Web Site.

RA Sigs Newsletter

3. The Head of Corps published, from time to time, an RA Sigs Newsletter. The main purpose of this Newsletter was to keep members of the Corps informed on current Corps happenings, significant events, personal achievements and personnel movements. Short articles of general interest in both technical and personnel fields were considered for publication. The content of this Newsletter will now be published electronically on the RA Sigs Web Site.

Signalman Magazine

4. The Signalman magazine was the magazine of the Royal Australian Corps of Signals. Its aims are to promote a sense of professionalism within the Corps, develop our knowledge of its history and traditions, and acquaint all members of Corps activities.
5. Due to funding and staffing constraints, the Signalman magazine is currently no longer in print. The content of the Signalman magazine will instead be available electronically on the RA Sigs Web Site and when funding allows, an annual RA Sigs Yearbook may be considered for production in the future.



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**No 019: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
CORPS OFFICERS' MESS**

General

1. The Royal Australian Corps of Signals Officers' Mess (hereinafter referred to as the Corps Officers' Mess) is located at Simpson Barracks, MACLEOD Victoria.

History

2. On 8 Nov 57, LTGEN Sir Ragnar Garrett, KBE, CB (then GOC S Comd) opened the first Corps Mess, at that time co-located with the School of Signals Officers' Mess at Balcombe, Victoria.
3. This Mess was closed as the Corps Mess and transferred in spirit with the School of Signals to Watsonia in 1971. On 1 Oct 73, the Watsonia Barracks Officers' Mess was re-designated as the Royal Australian Corps of Signals Officers' Mess by MAJGEN C.A.E. Fraser, CB, CBE.

Constitution and Local Rules

4. The Constitution (and any local rules made thereunder) is subject to and should be read in association with current Defence guidelines and directives.

Composition

5. The Mess is a Combined Mess for officers serving within Simpson Barracks.

Membership

6. A member of the Mess is to be an ordinary, affiliated or honorary member as defined in the Constitution.

Mess Appointments

7. The Commandant of the Defence Force School of Signals is to be the Commanding Officer of the Mess. The PMC is to be an RA Sigs Officer appointed by the Commanding Officer of the Mess.

Administration

8. Commercial Contractors administer the Mess for the day to day functioning of the bar and accommodation through a Mess Manager appointed by the Contractor. The Mess Committee determines policy and provides guidance to the Mess Manager to ensure the Mess is run in accordance with the Mess Rules and the terms of the Contractors contract to provide certain services.

9. Overnight accommodation and casual meals are available at reasonable rates. Bookings are necessary through the Officers' Mess. The address of the Mess is:

RA Sigs Officers' Mess Simpson Barracks MACLEOD VIC 3085
Telephone - (03) 9450 7316

Corps Functions

10. The following functions, and other occasions which might be deemed appropriate (and declared as such by the Corps Committee from time to time) will be known as Corps Functions;

- a. a dinner held during meetings of the Corps Committee,
- b. a dinner held during RA Sigs Corps Conferences,
- c. a dinner held in conjunction with Corps Day activities,
- d. functions held to mark the retirement of senior officers, and

e. functions held to honor distinguished visitors.

11. Whilst it would be desirable for all Corps Functions to be held in the Corps Mess, the fact that a particular function is necessarily held elsewhere in no way invalidates the standing of the occasion as a Corps Function. Presentations, which might be made on such an occasion, will be regarded as presentations to or from the Corps.

12. The Deputy Head of Corps, or delegate, acting on behalf of the Corps Committee, exercises broad policy control over the procedural and financial arrangements for Corps Functions, but in doing so will necessarily work in collaboration with the appropriate Mess management authorities.

Corps Property

13. Responsibilities for Corps property are detailed in the Corps Committee Constitution.



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**No 020: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
CORPS SERGEANTS' MESS**

General

1. The Royal Australian Corps of Signals Sergeants' Mess (hereinafter referred to as the Corps Sergeants' Mess) is located at Simpson Barracks, Victoria

History

2. The first Corps Mess was co-located with the School of Signals Sergeants' Mess at Balcombe, Victoria. This Mess was closed as the Corps Mess and transferred in spirit with the School of Signals to Watsonia in 1971. On 10 Oct 74, the Watsonia Area Combined Sergeants' Mess was re-designated as The Royal Australian Corps of Signals Sergeants' Mess by COL B.H. Hockney (then Director of Communications).

Constitution and Local Rules

3. The Constitution (and any local rules made thereunder) is subject to and should be read in association with Defence guidelines and directives.

4. The day to day management of the Corps Sergeants' Mess is the responsibility of the Mess Committee.

Composition

5. The Mess is a Combined Mess for Warrant Officers, Chief Petty Officers, Flight Sergeants, Staff Sergeants, Sergeants and Australian Defence Organisation civilians serving within Simpson Barracks.

Membership

6. A member of the Mess is to be an ordinary, affiliated or honorary member as defined in the Constitution.

Mess Appointments

7. The incumbents of the following appointments will assume the Mess appointments indicated:

- a. President of the Mess Committee - Corps RSM; and
- b. Commanding Officer – Signals Training Advisor & Employment Category Sponsor, Signals Cell.

Administration

8. Commercial contractors administer the Mess for the day to day functioning of the bar, catering and accommodation through a Mess Manager appointed by the Contractor. The Mess Committee determines policy and provides guidance to the Mess Manager to ensure the Mess is run in accordance with the constitution and the services that are to be provided under the civilian contract.

9. Overnight accommodation and casual meals are available at reasonable rates. Bookings are necessary through CSI (W). The address of the Mess is:

RA Sigs Sergeants' Mess Simpson Barracks MACLEOD VIC 3085
Telephone - (03) 9450 7297.

Corps Property

10. Responsibilities for Corps property are detailed in Corps Committee Constitution.



**CORPS MEMORANDUM
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No 022: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS BANNER

Aim

1. The aim of this instruction is to provide information concerning the use of the RA Sigs Corps Banner and guidance on the type of occasions and location at which the Banner may be displayed.

General

2. On the 10th September 1980, approval was given by Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne, our Colonel-in-Chief, for the Corps to carry a banner bearing her cipher. The banner is to be known as “The Princess Anne Banner”.

3. The banner was presented at a parade at Simpson Barracks on 29th November 1986, on behalf of Her Royal Highness by His Excellency the Governor General, The Right Honourable Sir Ninian Stephen, AK, GCMG, GCVO, KBE.

The Banner

4. The banner and it's accoutrements consist of the following:

a. **Commonwealth Property;**

- i) Banner,
- ii) Ensign belt,
- iii) Tassle,
- iv) Crown,
- v) Pike,
- vi) Two rifles,
- vii) Two bayonets, and
- viii) Two scabbards.

b. **Corps Property:**

- i) Sword – presented by LTCOL F.B. Wood, MBE; and
- ii) Sword – presented by RA SIGS Association Victoria.

5. Commonwealth property is to be accounted for in accordance with MEMA and Corps property is to be accounted for in accordance with this Corps Memorandum.

Custody

6. The Commandant of the Defence Force School of Signals is the custodian of the banner and is responsible for its security and maintenance. The banner is to be permanently displayed in the Defence Force School of Signals when not being paraded on ceremonial occasions.

Appropriate occasions for use

7. As a general principle, approval to use the banner will only be given for parades associated with significant and important Corps events. Such occasions could be significant unit birthdays, freedom of entry parade and Corps day parades involving a number of Corps units.

8. The corps banner may be displayed at Regimental dinners. It may be used by units out of the Simpson Barracks area at unit cost.

Conditions of the Loan

9. The following conditions apply when approval is given for the loan of the banner to a unit for a ceremonial occasion;

- a. The banner and accoutrements are to be transported in the transit case specifically made for the purpose:
- b. The banner is to be escorted in transit by a minimum of two personnel, between the unit and the freight forwarding company.
- c. The borrowing unit is responsible for arrangement of the escorts and provision of any travel and subsistence funding associated with the movement of the banner and its escorts, and
- d. The borrowing unit is responsible for the care, accounting and security of the banner and accoutrements from the time of its removal from the Defence Force School of Signals to its subsequent return.

Approval for use

10. The Commandant of the Defence Force School of Signals is the approving authority for use of the banner. Requests for the use of the Corps Banner are to be submitted to the Commandant through the Corps RSM.

Banner booking procedure.

11. User unit is to bear the cost of transport of the banner, except where the banner is used for Corps activities authorised by the DHOC.

12. Email the Corps RSM to determine the banner is available for the period you are requesting.

13. If available; write a minute/message to DHOC (thru Corps RSM) including the following:

- a. Complete duration of loan;
- b. Method of travel (air or pick up);
- c. Type of activity the banner is being paraded at (ie. Dinner, unit parade, freedom of entry, etc);
- d. Unit POC, including phone numbers;
- e. Unit QM/RQMS/RESWO (name and phone number) to arrange payment of movement of banner; and
- f. If moving banner by road, the overnight location ie ALTC Armoury

14. If there is a conflict in bookings the DHOC will determine who has priority of booking.

15. Corps RSM can be contacted on (03) 9450 7505 for further details.

Parade procedures

16. Procedures for handling the banner, on parade, are contained in the Drill Manual and the Ceremonial Manual.



**CORPS MEMORANDUM
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**No 024: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
CORPS MUSEUM**

General

1. The RA Sigs Corps Museum is established at Simpson Barracks, Macleod, Victoria. It is a sub-unit of the Army History Unit (AHU).

Composition

2. The Museum contains items of communications equipment, documentation and other items associated with RA Sigs and other Signal Corps throughout the world.

Purpose

3. The Museum is designed to enable all serving and retired members of RA Sigs, other arms and services and members of the general public to see a display of the vast range of communications equipment and other general Signals items used in the past, during war and peace.

4. The display serves as a valuable training medium for Signals units located in Southern Region and as a reminder to visitors of the marked advances made in communications over the years. It also acts as an important focus of tradition for personnel newly enlisted in the Corps.

Management

5. Members of the museum staff are Signals Corps subject matter experts. A Museum Manager, appointed by the Army History Unit is to administer and develop the Museum. A sub-committee, known as the RA Sigs Corps Museum Advisory Committee shall assist the Museum Manager. The Sub-Committee shall consist of;

- a. the Museum Manager as Chairman,
- b. one representative from the RASigs Corps,
- c. one representative from the Defence Force School of Signals,
- d. one representative from the Army History Unit,
- e. one representative from the Australian Army Signals Historical Foundation,
- f. one representative from the Corps Committee,
- g. one representative from the Royal Australian Signals Association (Vic) Inc.
- h. one representative from the Signals Vietnam Veterans Association,
- i. one representative from each ARA and GRES RA Sigs unit in the Melbourne metropolitan area
- j. the Museum Curator, and
- k. one representative from any other stakeholder that has been identified by the Museum Manager.

Advisory Committee Responsibilities

6. The Advisory Committee is responsible for advising the Museum Manager about:
- a. setting up displays which will enable the Museum to fulfill its role and purpose, as detailed in this document;
 - b. seeking ways and means of improving and increasing the range of items for display;

- c. the day to day development and operation of the Museum;
- d. seeking ways and means of raising funding for the museum; and
- e. any other matters identified by the Museum Manager.

Source of Items

- 7. Items for inclusion in the Museum are likely to be available from the following sources;
 - a. private collectors,
 - b. Museums and War Memorials,
 - c. disposal agencies,
 - d. overseas Signals Corps, and
 - e. obsolete and unserviceable equipment on issue to the Museum.
- 8. Members of the Museum Advisory Committee are to liaise between the Museum Manager and the stakeholders that the members represent.

Publicity

- 9. The Museum Advisory Committee is to arrange publicity for the Museum through the stakeholders that they represent and through service and civilian organisations both within Australia and overseas.

Funds

- 10. The Museum Advisory Committee may be asked to assist with the purchase of items for the Museum. For this purpose money can be sought from the Australian Army Signals Historical Foundation, service and civilian organisations, from the RA Sigs Corps General Purpose Fund and any other source that the Committee may identify.



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**No 028: ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF SIGNALS
DATES OF SIGNIFICANCE TO THE CORPS**

General

1. The following dates are considered to be of significance to RA Sigs.

January

1 Jan 65	144 Sig Sqn birthday
6 Jan 75	146 Sig Sqn birthday
12 Jan 06	Australian Corps of Signallers established

February

3 Feb 47	7 Sig Regt (EW) birthday
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March

1 Mar 40	School of Signals birthday
18 Mar 67	139 Sig Sqn birthday
24 Mar	21 RNZ Sigs Corps Day

April

Nil

May

14 May 47	6 Sig Regt birthday
15 May 2001	1 CSR
20 May 69	140 Sig Sqn birthday
24 May 45	133 Sig Sqn birthday

June

1 Jun 60	1 Sig Regt birthday
2 Jun 64	4 Sig Regt birthday
15 Jun 79	133 Sig Sqn Freedom of the City of Penrith
19 Jun ??	7 Sig Regt (EW)
21 Jun 1860	USA Signal Corps founded
24 Jun 75	4 Sig Regt Freedom of the City of Brisbane
28 Jun 20	"Princess Royal Day" - Royal Corps of Signals Corps Day
30 Jun 75	108 Sig Sqn birthday

July

1 Jul 75	142 Sig Sqn birthday
1 Jul 81	JTUM birthday
5 Jul 80	126 Sig Sqn Freedom of the City of Box Hill
14 Jul 92	1 Sig Regt Freedom of the City of Gympie
31 Jul 75	123 Sig Tp birthday

August

15 Aug 50	Colonel-in-Chiefs birthday
16 Aug 2003	3 CSR
19 Aug 62	LFSU Freedom of the City of Heidelberg
29 Aug 75	7 Sig Regt (EW) Freedom of the City of Toowoomba

September

4 Sep 64	SASR Unit birthday (152 Sig Sqn)
5 Sep 92	LFSU birthday
6 Sep 79	134 Sig Sqn birthday
15 Sep 75	615 Sig Tp birthday
23 Sep 80	6 Sig Regt and Queens Gurkha Signals Bond of Friendship

October

1 Oct 19	US Army DSigs-A established
13 Oct 61	301 Sig Sqn birthday
24 Oct 03	Anniversary of the founding of Signals in Canada-Foundation day

November

10 Nov 48	RA Sigs Corps Day
12 Nov 66	109 Sig Sqn birthday
15 Nov 52	Royal Malaysian Signal Corps birthday
29 Nov 86	Presentation of the Princess Anne Banner
30 Nov 65	104 Sig Sqn birthday

December

2 Dec 02	DFSS formed
6 Dec 65	103 Sig Sqn birthday