

Picture taken by CPL Ware on his hike before dawn on ANZAC Day—Mt Goolman.

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Prepared for Battle, Ready to Assist



CPL Pearsall with her two young boys taking part in "light up the dawn" on ANZAC Day.

SQNLDR Thompson's youngest son laid a wreath by the flagpole located in CPL Job and LACW Jocusen front garden ANZAC morning .



Blast from the Past



Women's Auxiliary Australian Air Force (WAAAF)

On the 06 May 1941, No 1 Women's Auxiliary Australian Air Force (WAAAF) Training Depot was established at Mayfield Avenue, Malvern, Victoria. First known as the WAAAF Training Depot, the depot was originally staffed by three officers, one nursing sister and 78 aircraftwomen who were responsible for training WAAAFs as teleprinter operators and in aircraft recognition as well as physical and recreational training. With the increase in the numbers of students and courses, the Depot moved to St Catherine's School, Toorak on 24 March 1942. In January 1943, the Depot was moved again, this time to Preston, where a physical and recreational wing was formed. The Depot also had staff working from 'Larundel', which had been converted to a mental hospital for service personnel. The Depot was often visited by journalists from the local papers and also war correspondents who took photos of the 116 women in training to boost morale and encourage recruitment. On 19 October 1945 the Depot was disbanded, and 'Larundel' handed over to a medical training unit. A total of 9,854 women were trained at the Depot in its nearly 3.5 years of operation.



This material is compiled from sources including the History and Heritage Branch–Air Force, the RAAF Museum, the Australian War Memorial, ADF Serials and Peter Dunn.

COVID-19 Update as of 02 May 20

PROTECT YOURSELF AND THOSE AROUND YOU

- Stay at home as much as possible
- Wash your hands regularly
- Cover your coughs and sneezes
- Avoid touching your face
- Keep 1.5 metres away from others (as much as you can)

COVID-19 Symptoms

Fever

A cough

Sore throat

Fatigue

Shortness of breath

COVID Safe App



What Restrictions will be lifted WEF 16 May 20

- Restaurants , pubs, clubs, RSLs and cafes can host 10 dine-in patrons
- Day trips up to 150km for recreational purposes
- Beauty therapies and nail salons can open with maximum 10 patrons (with an appointment)
- Libraries, skate parks, playground equipment and outdoor gyms will open with 10 patron limit
- Weddings can be attended by 10 people
- Indoor funeral will be expanded to 20 attendees, 30 if the ceremony is outdoors
- Public pools and lagoons can re-open
- Groups of up to 10 people can participate in outdoor, non contact community sport.

But there are three conditions:

1. You must practice social distancing
2. You must only be joined by the person who you usually live with or one other person who doesn't live with you
3. You must stay within 50km from your home.

PROMOTIONS

8592611 FLTLT Oran Harden

8634452 LAC Haiden Beltrame

8570251 LACW Rochelle Dalton

8633126 LACW Natasha Johnson

8633130 LACW Raba Nona

SPARTAN OF THE QUARTER

CPL Stephen Gailer 8532757

"You were assigned lead CPL for A34-008's R21 Servicing. Throughout this assignment, you have displayed a methodical approach to the R21 servicing. Using your in-depth technical knowledge you have worked through and solved multiple complex technical issues and have effectively engaged with NG engineers and FSRs to ensure full understanding and requirements of any problems faced. In particular your resourcefulness and engagement with NG's Engineer Mr Alex Drew was pivotal to quickly solving cockpit floorboard attaching hardware issues and has provided the foundation to address this issue across the C-27J fleet.

CPL Gailer, you are an extremely perceptive, hardworking individual who consistently provides an output far exceeding that of his peers, with actions emanating far more than that expected of a NCO. I have been most impressed with your ability to lead others and also work independently in the completion of any tasks assigned. You are widely recognised to be a hardworking & efficient NCO who on multiple occasions during 008's R21 worked outside of normal working hours to achieve tasks to keep 008 on schedule.

A34-008's R21 faced multiple frustrating setbacks, during these setbacks your resilience and dedication remained unchanged. Your self-discipline during this time positively influenced others and has set the benchmark for others to follow.

CPL Gailer, your dedicated approach, leadership and resilience was a key factor in achieving A34-008's R21 servicing. Without your effort, A34-008's R21 would have been further delayed and the aircraft would not have been available for tasking or potentially its deadline in Wagga for belly skin painting".

One for the Family

S'mores is an American campfire tradition that WGCDR Egan's Family grew to love during their time in the United States. While the actual origins of the S'mores recipe is unknown, one of the first recipes was in a 1927 Girl Scouts publication. As the temperature cools down, this is a great activity during isolation.

S'mores

Ingredients:

Arnott's Granita Biscuits

Marshmallows

Chocolate Squares (Lindt, Cadbury or Mini Choceur Bars from Aldi)

Method:

1. Prepare a campfire to produce some good coals (avoid lots of flames!)
2. Blister the marshmallows on some long forks/skewers over hot coals
3. Place the melted marshmallow onto a biscuit, layer with a square of chocolate and top with another biscuit
4. Squeeze together and enjoy!

One for the Kids to make

Super simple Rocky Road

Ingredients:

2x blocks of 250g Dairy Milk Chocolate

2x blocks of 250g Dark Cooking Chocolate

1 packet of Natural Confectionary snakes (chop into small pieces)

1 packet of Pascall Marshmallows (chop into small pieces)

½ cup of cashews – optional (chop into small pieces)

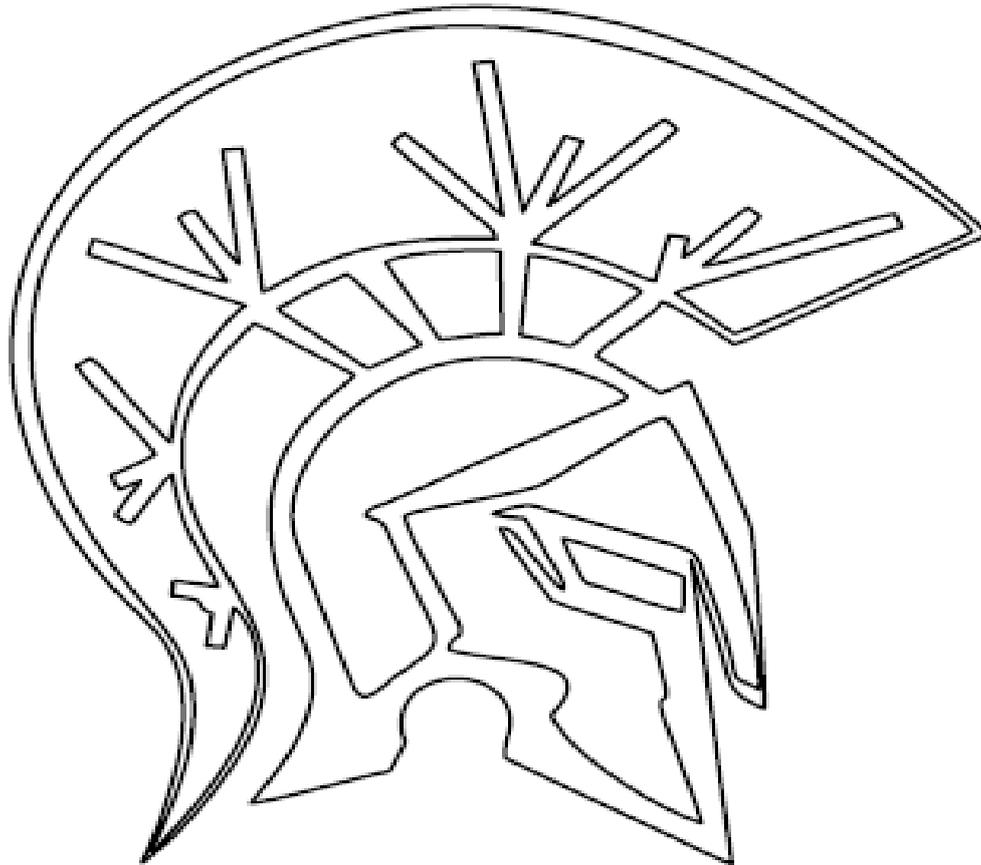
Method:

1. Melt the chocolate over low heat in a small saucepan, stir continuously until melted.
2. Add all the ingredients into a large bowl and pour the melted chocolate over the top
3. Stir all the ingredients together, then pour into a greaseproof tray and place in the fridge
4. Serve once chocolate is completely hard.



FAMILY/KIDS CORNER

Did you know colouring helps to develop and strengthen the hand muscles, which later helps with activities like typing and lifting objects.



35 SQN

Leave a Puzzle—Take a Puzzle

An area will be set up in the downstairs lunch room for you to borrow/trade Jigsaw Puzzles with SQN members. There will be signs printed to determine which pile is for borrowing and which pile is for trading. You must leave a puzzle to take a puzzle. This will be an honesty system.

Your Friendly Admin Section

During COVID-19 the Admin Section split into two shifts, with two members at any time manning the Orderly Room and the other two WFH. This is rotated each week between our Team.

During this time we have seen a decrease in incoming correspondence and over-the-counter enquiries, which has meant we have been able to dedicate time to those rainy day, back-burner type projects such as:

- Update all of Admin Section Bench Level Instructions
- Update 15 pages on 35SQN Website
- Commenced a 100% audit on every member's electronic file
- With the new F/Y nearly upon us, an audit has begun on all expenditure within the SQN
- Scanning of personnel records dating back to 1982—116 files in total.

In other news, we have been able to resurrect and publish the Wallaby Whispers Newsletter to keep members and families informed of SQN activities and COVID-19 information. SGT Pretorius attended a Justice of the Peace Course to obtain his JP qualification to offer an additional service to SQN members. LACW Dalton completed the first ever online PME Level 1 Residential Course, followed by ACW Hull who is currently on the second online PME Course.

Training Flight will be the section topic in the next issue

Spartan Baby Announcement

Hugo Linnett

Born on 11 Apr 20,
weighing in at 8lbs
and 54cm long.



Message from Duggie

Hugo, Alysa and myself would like to say a special heart felt thank you to the people of 35 SQN. Thank you for all the texts, phone calls and signal messages I received congratulating us and welcoming Hugo into the world. We are so touched to have so many people from the SQN contact us. I'd like to make a special mention to the Training Flight Pilots and the entire Loadmaster group for all generously opening your hearts and wallets to chip in for a gift hamper, the amount of items we received was amazing. Thank you to WOFF Scottie Jones for initiating the idea, and CPL Jo Fletcher for spending her valuable time to go out and purchase it all. Finally I'd like to thank the CO for his personally addressed letter and "Spartan suit" he sent for Hugo, we're very grateful and appreciative for you to take the time to send us that.

Thanks again everyone, stay safe and I'll see you all in a few weeks.