



**2021 ANZAC ROUND  
SATURDAY 24<sup>th</sup> APRIL**



VS



**BRIGHTON RUFC  
BRIGHTON OVAL  
CNR HIGHET AVENUE & BRIGHTON ROAD  
HOVE**

# JUSTIN COURTNEY

CHAIR, RUGBY UNION SA

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Rugby Union SA is very proud to be able to participate in the RSL ANZAC Sporting Medal program.

For the tenth year, the ANZAC Memorial Match is to be played between the Grand Finalists from the previous season, during the round closest to ANZAC Day as a tribute to those brave men and women who have served our Nation and the ANZAC spirit.

Today the player voted best on ground will be awarded the Michael von Berg MC OAM– RSL ANZAC Day Medal. On behalf of Rugby Union South Australia, I would like to extend a warm welcome to Michael, who has made an outstanding contribution to Rugby in South Australia across many roles over a number of decades. Michael currently holds the role of President of Rugby Union SA.

I would like to thank the RSL for enabling Rugby Union South Australia this prestigious opportunity and for their continuous support. Also, I would like to thank the Government of South Australia for their donation of a perpetual trophy of the ANZAC Memorial Match.



*2020 ANZAC Medal Winner, Josetaki Tuilawaki (Brighton)*

# ANZAC MEMORIAL MATCH

## ORDER OF SERVICE

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**Carl Jones:** Welcome

**Mickey O'Brien (Uncle Mickey):** Acknowledgement of Country

**Carl Jones:** Asks all to stand for the Observance of Remembrance

**Michael Von Berg MC OAM:**

Reads the Ode of Remembrance:

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

**We will remember them (Repeated by ALL)**

**Last Post:** WO2 Alwin Kidney

**One Minute Silence**

**Rouse**

**ALL: Lest We Forget**

**Carl Jones:** Please remain standing for the Australian and New Zealand National Anthems

# MICHAEL von BERG, MC OAM

## ANZAC DAY MEDAL

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Michael graduated from the Officer Cadet School, Portsea, in December 1965. He was posted to the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion (The Tiger Battalion) of the Royal Australian Regiment as a Platoon Commander. In 1966 whilst serving with the Battalion in Vietnam he was tasked in establishing the first Reconnaissance Platoon in the Australian Army. The platoon's activities and operational history have been recorded in the publications "Vietnam Task", "Vietnam Vanguard", "Crossfire" and the Ch 9 documentary "The Eyes of the Tiger". For his leadership and courage under fire, Michael was awarded the Military Cross (MC) for a three-and-a-half-hour action in extracting one of his seriously wounded section commanders, who sadly died after being recovered.

Michael's subsequent military postings were The Special Air Service Regiment, Commandos, Special Operations, Ministerial Inquiries, Adjutant and Company Commander. Over this period, he completed numerous specialist courses with a strong bent for water borne operations. During his period of military service, he represented the Army and Services in five sports, which included rugby as the Army's blue-ribbon sport. He resigned his Commission in 1973 and lived and worked overseas in various countries for a twelve years period, where he also played and coached at senior level.

Upon his return to Australia, he took up a senior executive position in Adelaide and has been a committee member and coach of three South Australian clubs, Brighton, Old Collegians and Burnside. He was an accredited Level 3 Coach and has coached the State Schoolboys, Under 21's and the Black Falcons. At State administrative level he was Chair for 10 years, the ARU delegate for 12 years and at National level the only South Australian to have served as a Director of Australian Rugby. He is a Life Member and Hall of Fame Member of Rugby SA and in 2000 he was awarded The Australian Sports Medal and in 2015 The Medal of the Order of Australian (OAM) for his services to rugby.

Michael is still very much involved with the military and veterans. He is the Chair and National President of The Royal Australian Regiment Corporation; The Ex-Service Round Table of DVA in Canberra; The Strategic Governance Board of DVA, Advocacy, Training and Development Program and has

recently completed his six-year term of The Prime Ministers Advisory Council on Veteran Mental Health. He is a regular guest presenter and speaker at Battalion, Corps and Specialist Courses level, both in Australia and overseas.

His speaks on leadership, jungle warfare, human intel and reconnaissance, morals, and ethics in warfare, with a strong emphasis on mental health, resilience, PTSD, peer to peer support, suicide and self-harm prevention.

Michael is retired and when not involved in rugby or veterans' matters, he spends time fishing, reading, writing, cooking, and appreciating a good red wine with his family and friends.

## ANZAC DAY MEDAL WINNERS

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2012 – Rory Shepard (Old Collegians)

2013 – James Brown (Brighton)

2014 – Gary Mann (Old Collegians)

2015 – Tom Hankey (Burnside)

2016 – Alex Rokobaro (Old Collegians)

2017 – Gary Mann (Old Collegians)

2018 – Nichel Lam Sam (Burnside)

2019 – Pita Nakarawara (Brighton)

2020 – Josetaki Tuilawaki (Brighton)

# CATHERINE WALSH

DIRECTOR VETERANS SA

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Before joining Veterans SA in April 2020, Catherine Walsh enjoyed a career in the Commonwealth Public Service managing programs, governance and informing policy across the Defence, Finance and Veterans Affairs portfolios. Catherine's last position was as a senior executive and head of HR at the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Catherine's first career was also in service of the Australian community, as a Royal Australian Air Force intelligence officer. Catherine was the youngest to attend the Australian Defence Force Academy at age 16, and in January 2003, deployed as part of the inaugural headquarters established to support the P3 maritime patrol aircraft in the Middle East. During her Air Force career, she studied Arabic, provided strategic intelligence to support whole of Government decision making, and served as an aide-de-camp to the Governor-General. Catherine remains part of the contemporary Air Force through her reserve work as a ground crew member for the RAAF Hot Air Balloon.

Catherine holds tertiary qualifications in law and Human Resources management, and a Certificate IV in Training and Assessment.

# DON “SCOTTY” ALLEN

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Enlisted in the Royal Australian Navy 17 October 1964. In 1966 he completed his Clearance Diver Course at HMAS RUSHCUTTER, NSW

1967, following his training as a Clearance Diver, Scotty was posted to the US for 12 months to commission HMAS Brisbane - a US built ship to support with the USN Vietnam Conflict.

In 1968 Scotty joined HMAS Perth and experienced front line conflict, providing Navy gunfire support to the Australian and US troops off Vietnam.

## SA RUGBY

Scotty arrived in Adelaide from Scotland in 1963, he played at Southern Suburbs Rugby Union Club. During his time at Souths he represented South Australia at U16's and U18s age groups.

Since leaving the RAN don has managed many State Representative teams from U12s through to the Black Falcons.

# ANZAC MEMORIAL MATCH

## PREMIER GRADE

### ROUND 3

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Jacob France	1	Tim Dawes
Rhys Fishwick	2	Nicholas Howlett
Jaden Phillips	3	Henri Pardoe
Logan Melville	4	Joshua Groves
Alexander Wood ©	5	Jeshua Graham
Nathan Satala	6	Andrew Burgess
Nicholas Simpson	7	Hugh Scott
Rhys Gurd	8	Harry Hosegood ©
Connor McCarty	9	Thomas Merrin
Max Priestly	10	Trent Ormsby
Sebastien Stocks	11	Liam McDonough
Jack Jenkins	12	Chris Bartlett
Pita Nakarawa	13	Tristan Coetzer
Treymaine Butler	14	Will Sadler
Joel Plummer	15	Alexander Rokobaro
Thomas Lowe	SUB	Jack Champion
Mitchell Wenck	SUB	Tyler Ryan
Kai Wilson	SUB	Maxwell Monfries
Daniel Heggie	SUB	Ben Viljoen
Xavier Tasi	SUB	Alex Walding
Robert Ferguson	SUB	Josh Walding
Cameron Field	SUB	Andrew MacFadyen
Travis Collier	SUB	Gareth Roberts
Richard Wasley	Coach	Robert Smedley
Kevin le Roux	Coach	Will Travers
Tom Roberts	Manager	Tom Secker
Referee	Peter Jackson	
Asst Referees	Phil Jones & Rabin Bhandari	





# ANZAC DAY LEST WE FORGET

“AT THE GOING DOWN OF  
THE SUN AND IN THE MORNING,  
WE WILL REMEMBER THEM”



## RUGBY UNION SA 2021 PARTNERS



## FRIENDS OF RUGBY PARTNERS

