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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Albert Coates Memorial Trust provides tertiary level scholarships for health professionals in regional Australia.

The Trust honours the life of Sir Albert Coates through publications, education programmes and associated educational awards.

Trust programmes are supported by donations, bequests and fund-raising activities.

ABOUT THE ALBERT COATES MEMORIAL TRUST

The Albert Coates Memorial Trust is a volunteer-run, Ballarat-based organisation which, since 1998, has raised funds to present scholarships for medical purposes, with a strong emphasis on regional areas. The scholarships are awarded in areas of interest and relevance to the life and achievements of Sir Albert Coates, the Ballarat-born surgeon of the Thai-Burma Railway.

During World War 1, Albert Coates served in Gallipoli, Egypt and Flanders as a medical orderly and with the Intelligence Corps. At 46 he volunteered for duty in World War II and went as Senior Surgeon with the 2/10th AGH of the 8th Division to Malaya.

Captured by the Japanese in Sumatra he was taken to Burma. As a surgeon on the infamous Thai-Burma railway, he saved hundreds of lives and gave inspired leadership to those with whom he served.



TRUSTEES 2018



Roger Trudgeon MA
Hon. Secretary



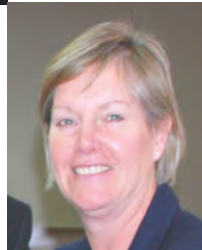
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REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

DON MOSS OAM FRACS FACS
HON. CHAIR

One hundred years ago, Albert Coates returned from his service as a stretcher bearer in WW1 at Gallipoli and the Somme. Despite never attending secondary school, he achieved entry to Melbourne University School of Medicine. He subsequently graduated with 1st class honours, a truly remarkable result.

He subsequently trained as a surgeon and worked at Royal Melbourne Hospital, until enlisting as surgeon in the Army during WW2. Seventy-five years ago, he was caring for many thousands of POW's on the Burma end of the infamous Burma Thailand railway. While widely admired by the POW soldiers, his work was not widely recognized in the community.

Twenty years ago, a group of community members in Ballarat set up the Albert Coates Memorial Trust, to remember Coates by educational publications and educational awards in his name. The Trust holds an annual Oration in conjunction with Federation University in Ballarat, and has also set up eight training scholarships in nursing and medicine in conjunction with a number of Universities and the Department of Health.

These scholarships have gradually expanded the awareness of Sir Albert's contributions, and are substantially supported by funds from the Australian Legion, a service organization. While the programme is in the name of an extra-ordinary Australian surgeon, Coates himself would be pleased that it goes towards the education of the future generations of doctors, nurses, paramedics and others.

The Coates Oration in October 2017 was delivered by Hon Tim Fischer AC, who spoke of the significant leading figures and their relative roles in bringing WW1 to an end (Monash, Churchill and others).

The annual luncheon address in May 2018 was given by Judge Sara Hinchey, Senior State Coroner in Victoria. She explained the roles of the Coroner in an entertaining address. Both events attracted large audiences, and were valued educational events for the community.

Sadly, the Treasurer for the Trust, Bruce Clark OAM, died recently after a short illness. Bruce had been a Committee member since 2012, and was Trustee and Treasurer from July 2015-2018. His financial acumen will be missed.

The committee members continue to work hard to further the work of the Trust. With the gradual increase in the numbers of scholarships, the work involved keeps them all well occupied! We appreciate the support of all donors and supporters of the ACMT, and those able to attend the various events.

Don Moss
Hon. Chair



SECRETARY'S REPORT

ROGER TRUDGEON MA

HON. SECRETARY

During the year the Coates Trust developed another new scholarship, significant donations were received and increased attendances occurred at Trust functions. The administration of the growing number of scholarships is spread amongst the committee with different members attending the interviews and selection panels for the scholarships.

Membership of the trustees of the Coates Trust saw the retirement of Marie Pryor and the appointment of Shirley McIver. Shirley has served on the committee for some years and has been a great support in the preparation for the lunch functions and a thoughtful contributor to the Trust. Through 2017/2018, Don Moss served as Chair of the Trustees and the committee, with Bruce Clark as Treasurer and Roger Trudgeon as Secretary. The sudden death occurred in August, 2018 of Bruce Clark, a trustee and the Trust's Treasurer since 2015 and committee member since 2012. Bruce's financial background saw the Trust reviewing its management of funds, investment strategy and operating processes. Bruce and Beverley Clark were regular attenders at Coates functions and we acknowledge them both for supporting the work of the Trust.

Chair, Don Moss, concluded negotiations with Deakin University to provide a scholarship to second year students in their Doctor of Medicine course. Students undertake a medical internship and the scholarship assists with the costs involved. The first award will be presented in March 2019.

Mount Pleasant Primary School continues to conduct the Coates project with Year 6 students each year with prizes for the best project by a girl and a boy and two honourable mention prizes. We thank Sebastopol Bowling Club for donating the first prizes, and Robyn and Arthur Coates for the additional prizes. The exhibition of all the student projects was held in the library at the school, with students and family members able to view the exhibition in the time before the Year 6 graduation presentation on the last day of school. We thank Principal Phil Gladman and Year 6 teacher Paul McAloon for their unwavering support and the students for their energetic contribution in creating such interesting projects.

The Trust works closely with the Veterans' Branch of the Department of Premier and Cabinet to work through matters of mutual interest in our relationship with the

Victorian Veterans' Council (VVC). The Coates Trust receives the majority of its funds through the VVC and staff keep us informed about the allocation of the interest earned from the funds originally provided by the Australian Legion of Ex-Service Men and Women which are invested through the VVC.

The Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission (ACNC) sets standards for charitable organisations and the Coates Trust complies with the various operational and annual reporting requirements. Reports are submitted online by the secretary, including financial reports and details of the Trust's administrative changes and activities.

A priority for the committee is the financing of the Trust scholarships. We thank the Australian Legion of Ex-Service Men and Women for their generous financial contribution which funds the majority of the scholarship programme. The Trust was very pleased to receive a major donation from the Leckie family which will be employed to develop a further scholarship in the coming year. Federation University Australia, the University of Melbourne, the Australian Catholic University and the University of Notre Dame provide much appreciated support of Trust scholarships and related events. W&D Finance and the Ballarat Club each funded scholarships, helping broaden the programme.

In an effort to reduce administration costs, the Trust has encouraged supporters to receive newsletters by email and we now have about half the mailing list changed to emails. We thank those who can use this option for helping us in this way.

The Coates Trust depends on the collaboration and commitment of the committee members and many others beyond it to achieve its objectives of providing scholarships and raising awareness of the legacy of Sir Albert Coates. Thank you to the committee and our support group for all you do. The Coates Trust Committee meets each month at Ballarat Legacy and we are greatly indebted to them for providing the boardroom for our meetings. Thanks to Alison Freeman for her excellent catering services. Sadly Alison has had to give up her catering work and we miss her friendly support and excellent sandwiches. High Tech Printing Services continues to provide great support and we thank Ben, Karen and Jason for their excellent work.

Roger Trudgeon
Hon. Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT



RUDY NOVOTNY
HON. ASSISTANT
TREASURER

BRUCE CLARK OAM
HON. TREASURER



In the presently slow and relatively low interest bearing financial climate the ACMT is pleased to report a very significant increase in donations for the financial year, which had a positive impact on our Surplus/ Equity and will flow through to future additional scholarship allocations.

All donations received during the year are gratefully acknowledged. These were numerous and significant. In particular the Trust acknowledges the ongoing support of the Australian Legion of ex-Service Men and Woman through the Victorian Veterans Council.

Furthermore, it is appropriate to highlight a \$50,000 donation from the Leckie Estate, to be utilized for a future scholarship programme (being developed).

By comparison with the previous year donations have increased by 184.51%.

For the Financial Year the Income of the Trust has increased by 137.80%, Equity is up by 42.03%

Consequently, the Trust is fortunate to have a \$73,890 Scholarship carryover into the new financial year (see Audit Report for details).

Both the Oration and the Luncheon have been financially rewarding.

Our reporting responsibilities with the ATO, Australian Charities and Not- for -profit Commission and the Victorian Veterans Council (Legion) are all up to date.

Furthermore, our AUDITED Accounts are attached to this report, it is appropriate to thank Sam Maskell CPA for making himself available, on a voluntary basis.

For further financial details please refer to the following pages.

Bruce Clark, Hon. Treasurer
Rudy Novotny, Assistant Treasurer

FINANCIAL REPORT

ACMT- Financial Report 2017- 2018 (Summary)

Objectives	Outcomes
To provide substantial Scholarships at Primary, Tertiary Graduate and Post-Graduate Levels, focussing predominantly on the Medical and Nursing Professions.	10 Scholarships awarded totalling \$28,960
To seek Donations and Income at Private, Institutional and Corporate Levels to sustain ongoing Scholarships.	Total Income for the financial year \$116,881 <i>Donations</i> \$101,127 <i>Interest</i> \$6,226 <i>Functions</i> \$8,974 <i>Book Sales</i> \$300
To minimise Operating costs of the Trust.	Total Expenses- excl. Scholarships \$11,799 <i>Oration & Luncheon</i> \$6,683 <i>Printing</i> \$1,934 <i>Misc. Other</i> \$3,182
To continue to grow the Trust's Equity.	Total Equity 257,220 <i>Increase</i> \$76,121

DONATIONS

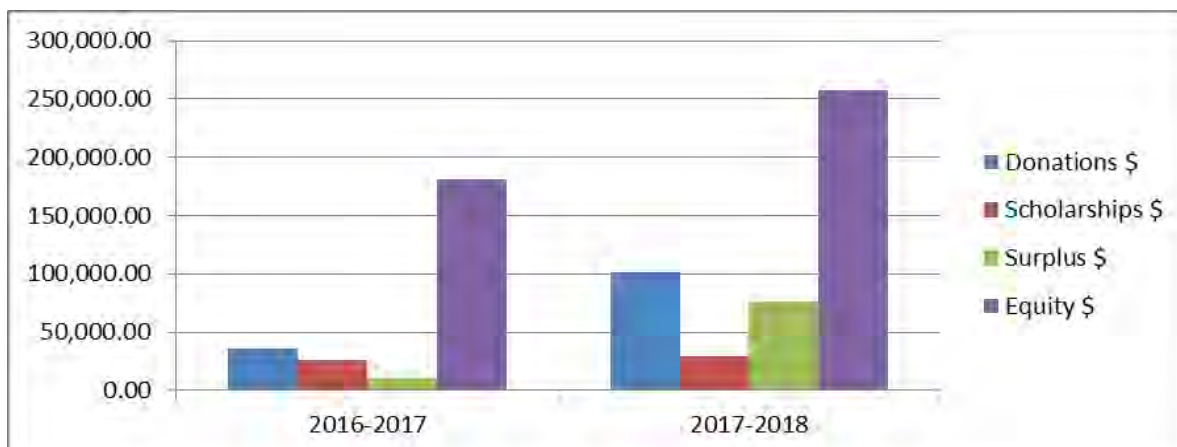
ACMT- Donations received Financial Year 2017- 2018

Total \$101,127

Donor	Purpose	Amount \$
Patricia Fiskén	ACMT- General	500
Sebastopol Bowling Club	ACMT- General	600
Various	ACMT- General	965
Sharon Moss	ACMT- General	1,000
Wal Gherardin	ACMT- General	2,000
Julie Chandler	ACMT- General	2,000
John Davis	ACMT- General	2,500
W & D Finance	Bio Medical (2)	6,050
Anonymous	ACMT- General(2)	10,000
VVC/ Australian Legion	Nursing and Medical	25,512
Leckie Estate	Scholarships being developed	50,000

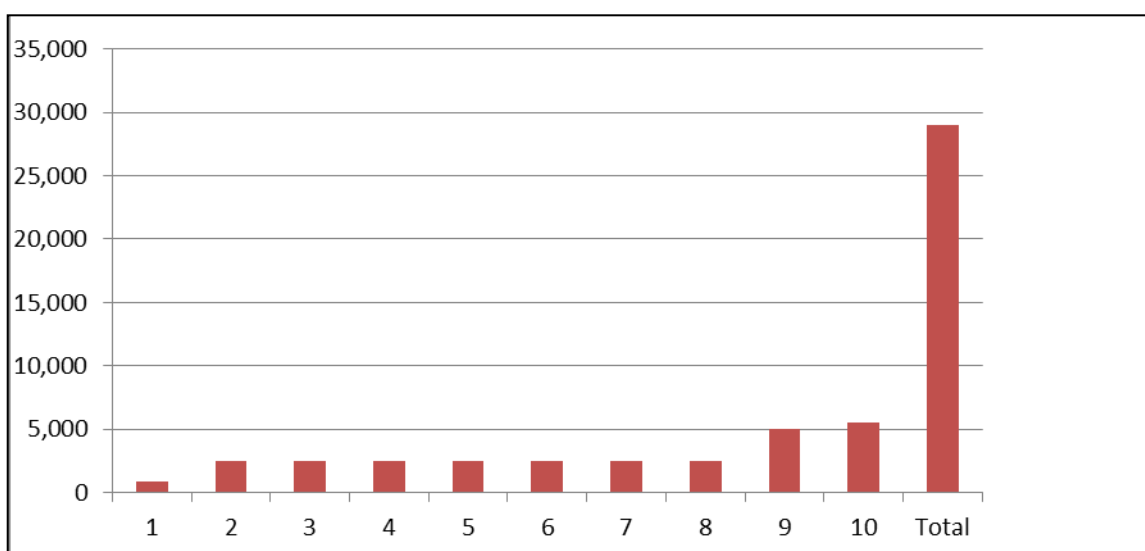
FINANCIAL COMPARISONS

ACMT- Financial Comparison 2017- 2018 with Previous Year



SCHOLARSHIPS SUMMARY 2017-2018

ACMT - Scholarships 2017-2018 Total \$28,960



Source	Type	Institution	Amount
ACMT/ Private	Coates Projects	Mt Pleasant Primary	\$900
Ballarat Club/Pryor	Visual Arts	Federation Uni. Ballarat	\$2,500
W & D	Biomedical	Federation Uni. Ballarat	\$2,500
VVC/ Legion	Nursing	Federation Uni. Ballarat	\$2,500
VVC/ Legion	Medical	Notre Dame Uni. Ballarat	\$2,500
VVC/ Legion	Medical	Melb. Uni. Rural- Clinical	\$2,500
VVC/ Legion	Nursing/ Paramedic	Aust. Catholic Uni. Ballarat	\$2,500
VVC/ Legion	Medical	Notre Dame Uni. Ballarat	\$2,500
VVC/ Legion	Surgical	Melbourne Uni. RACS	\$5,000
VVC/ Legion	Master of Nursing Pr.	Deakin University	\$5,560



AUDITOR'S REPORT

SAMUEL C. MASKELL CPA
HON. AUDITOR

Albert Coates Memorial Trust

23/07/2018

AUDITOR'S/ TREASURERS REPORT FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2017-2018

The Statement of Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet for the ACMT is properly drawn up and gives a true and correct view of financial affairs and operations for the Year.

The Total Equity of the Trust as at 30/06/2018 is \$257,220.42, (Including the James Pryor Fund of \$17,891.17). The above also includes a projected ATO/ GST credit of \$212.28, of which \$20.00 is being claimed back for the June 2018 quarter.

Income & Expenses (Summary).

	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	Change
Income	\$49,150.45	\$116,881.00	+137.80%
Expenses	<u>\$37,971.95</u>	<u>\$40,759.44</u>	+7.34%
Surplus	\$11,178.50	\$76,121.56	+580.96%
Donations	\$35,544.00	\$101,126.95	+184.51%
Scholarships	\$26,470.00	\$28,960.00	+9.41%
Equity	\$181,098.86	\$257,220.42	+42.03%

Comments and Financial Highlights for the audit period:

- Donations from the VVC have marginally declined in the reporting period, due to lower Interest Earnings. However Private Donations have been exceptional!
- The Trust is fortunate to have a \$73,890 Scholarship carryover into the new financial year (VVC/ \$22,040, Ballarat Club \$1,350, Leckie Estate \$47,500, W & D \$3,000). This is critical for Cash Flow as Scholarships payments are already commencing in the new financial year!
- The Trust has NO financial Liabilities to report.

10 Scholarships/ Awards for 2017/18

			\$28,960
▪ Ballarat Club/ Pryor	Visual Arts	Federation Univ. - Ballarat	\$2,500
▪ W & D/ ACMT	Biomedical	Federation Univ. - Ballarat	\$2,500
▪ Private/ ACMT	Coats Projects	Mt Pleasant Prim School	\$900
▪ VVC/ Legion	Nursing	Federation Univ. - Ballarat	\$2,500
▪ VVC/ Legion	Medical	Notre Dame Univ. -Ballarat	\$2,500
▪ VVC/ Legion	Surgical	Melbourne Univ. RACS	\$5,000
▪ VVC/ Legion	Medical	Melbourne Univ. Rural Clinical	\$2,500
▪ VVC/ Legion	Nursing	Deakin University-	\$5,560
▪ VVC/ Legion	Nursing/Paramedic	Austr. Catholic Univ. - Ballarat	\$2,500
▪ VVC/ Legion	Medical	Notre Dame Univ. -Ballarat	\$2,500*

*paid, recipient will be announced later in 2018!

Sam Maskell

Samuel Maskell- CPA
Hon. Auditor

Bruce Clark
Hon. Treasurer.
Deceased 24.08.2018

Rudy Novotny

Rudy Novotny
Hon. Asst. Treasurer

SCHOLARSHIPS

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE
&
ROYAL AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE
OF SURGEONS



The Scholarship was awarded to Dr Roland Shannon, presented by Roger Trudgeon (ACMT) and received by a member of the faculty in his unavoidable absence.



The recipient of this year's scholarship was **Dr Roland Shannon**.

The occasional address was presented by **Prof Geoff McColl**, (pictured above) Head of the Melbourne Medical School and Professor of Medical Education and Training.

He spoke about the development and implementation of the new Melbourne MD. He is currently the Chair of the Australian Medical Council's Medical School Assessment Committee.

The presentation of certificates for completion of the Graduate Diploma in Surgical Anatomy was held on Monday, 4 September, 2017, at University House, University of Melbourne.



Don Moss (ACMT), Roger Trudgeon (ACMT), Prof. Mark Edgar (University of Melbourne), Prof. Geoff McColl (University of Melbourne).

THE RACS SCHOLARSHIP
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AUSTRALIAN LEGION OF
EX-SERVICE MEN AND
WOMEN

Roger Trudgeon spoke about Albert Coates, his life and association with Melbourne University and the work of the Trust.



At left: Assoc. Prof. Chris Briggs and Roger Trudgeon. Prof Briggs retired from his role of co-ordinating the Graduate Diploma in the past year but continues to support the programme.



Prof. Mark Edgar conferred the awards on behalf of the University.

SCHOLARSHIPS

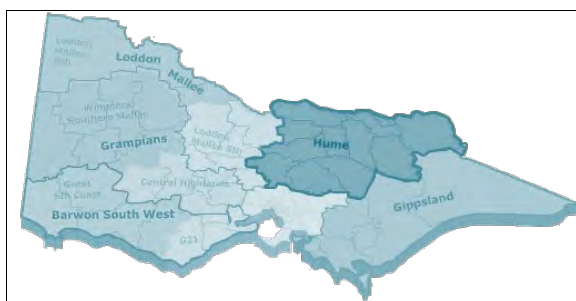
AND SPONSORS

2017 - 2018



Sponsor: Australian Legion of Ex-Service Men & Women

Regional Nursing Scholarships administered by
the Department of Health Victoria — Hume
Region



Sir Albert Coates Regional Nursing scholarships Graduate Certificate in Emergency Nursing

Recipient: Jessica Noordewier

Value: \$11,120

School of Nursing, Midwifery and Healthcare - 2nd Year undergraduate scholarship Federation University Australia (Ballarat)

Recipient: Christine Lewis

Value: \$2,500

Sir Albert Coates Surgical Scholarship, University of Melbourne, Rural Health Academic Centre

Recipient: Anne Jian

Value: \$2,500



Jamie McDonald (Director of Marketing, Advancement and Community Engagement), 2017 awardee Jacqueline Nguyen Khuong, Don Moss (Chair of the Albert Coates Memorial Trust).

Sponsor: W & D Finance

School of Applied and Biomedical Sciences - W & D Finance Biomedical Scholarship, Federation University, Ballarat

Recipient: Gemma Rodgers

Value: \$2,500



Sponsor: The Ballaarat Club

School of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences - Jim Pryor Visual Arts Scholarship, Federation University, Ballarat *scholarship awarded after financial year.

Recipient: Kirsty Tonkin

Value: \$2,500



Sponsor: Australian Legion of Ex-Service Men & Women continued...

Doctor of Medicine, University of Notre Dame Australia

Recipient: Ariaah Steel

Value: \$2,500

Ariaah is currently studying in the Ballarat Clinical School. Her elective involves her working in the Gove District Hospital in Arnhem Land, Northern Territory, serving the local indigenous community. This hospital is a thirty bed acute facility. Ariaah will rotate through various areas of the hospital including emergency, surgery and medicine. On a previous visit to this region she was involved in the building of the Galupa Community Safety House, with the aim that this may help reduce the high levels of youth suicide. Ariaah's great uncle was an Australian veteran in WW2.

Nursing/Paramedicine Scholarship Australian Catholic University, (ACU) Ballarat

Recipient: Kimberley Morris-Flynn

Value: \$2,500



Pictured: Roger Trudgeon (ACMT) Shirley McIver (ACMT and speaker for the Trust at the ACU presentation), Kimberley Morris-Flynn, student awardee.

A WORD FROM PAST AWARDEES



Hi All, I hope all is going well. I just wanted to let you all know that I have been officially made an offer, and as of my appointment day on the 9th July, I will be part of the defence force officially. I not only wanted to let you know but have another opportunity to say thanks again and that I am grateful for all the help and support you've given me on my journey to get here.

Thanks again,
Amber Duncan



Dear Roger and the Albert Coates Memorial Trust,
I would like to advise I have completed my RIPERN course and wish to once again convey my sincere gratitude to the Trust for the support provided to me to be able to complete this.

Without the Albert Coates Memorial Trust I would not have been able to do this. As the first RIPERN in our community I look forward to being able to provide increased support as part of the healthcare team servicing the Foster and surrounding districts.

Kind regards,
Vanessa Jenkins

Dear Roger,
I just wanted to ... sincerely thank you and the Trust for the scholarship I received last year which enabled me to undertake Postgraduate Study.

Sincerely,
Amy Aeschlimann

Anne Jian



Anne is a second year student studying at the Ballarat Clinical School, University of Notre Dame Australia. She has been accepted to undertake a four week elective in the department of neurosurgery at Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Glasgow. Her scholarship will contribute towards travel and living costs.

Anne has always been interested in the neurosciences and is keen to see more neurosurgery during her elective. Glasgow has a large trauma load in neurosurgery.

Anne has already done some research in neuroscience at the Florey Institute and has been an active member of the neuroscience student group. She was aware of the early work of Sir Albert Coates in the field of brain surgery.



Hello Roger,

We finally got our results for the first semester on the 4th of July and happy to report that I have done well and can proceed onto the next semester!!!!

So excited for the next semester, I am working in Resus on my own now, and start triaging next month. Nervous about that though, don't know how I feel about putting numbers on people's emergencies but am getting more confident and have an awesome support network at work. Any questions please let me know. I also just want to thank everyone again at the Albert Coates Memorial Trust for allowing me this opportunity to learn and begin to become a senior member of the

Albury Base Emergency Department. I will be forever thankful and would not have been able to take this opportunity without all of you.

Kind Regards,
Jessica Noordewier

THE COATES ORATION 2017
SPONSORED BY
FEDERATION UNIVERSITY
AUSTRALIA
IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE
ALBERT COATES
MEMORIAL TRUST



The Hon. Tim Fischer AC presented the 2017 Oration on October 10th at Federation University. He spoke on the topic: **One Hundred Years Ago Who Won World War One?** Mr Fischer suggested that eight key people had played a part in bringing WW1 to an end. These included Arthur Currie, Winston Churchill and Sir John Monash.

He described each individual's contribution. His suggestion was that the Americans were not the prime factor. They had come in towards the end of the war. Included in this presentation was a brief biography of Sir John Monash and the argument for his posthumous elevation to Field Marshal.

AWARDEES 2017



Hon Tim Fischer AC, Cassandra Brown, Liam Hanrahan, Lauren Matthews, Jacqueline Khuong, Lizanne Siqueira, Amber Duncan, Don Moss, (ACMT) Roger Trudgeon (ACMT).

Hon Tim Fischer's address title contained the poem:

Arthur Currie and the CEF,
John Monash and the all
volunteer AIF,
Munitions Minister Churchill
and the new tanks,
but not so much the late on
parade yanks.



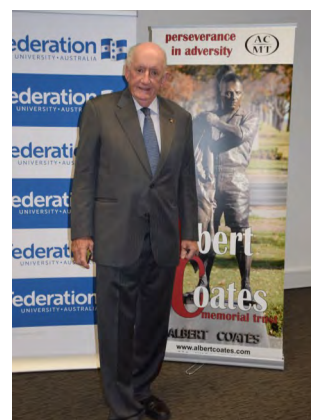
Prof. Sam Henson, Head of Campus, Federation University, Ballarat.



Jamie McDonald, Director of Marketing, Advancement and Community Engagement, Lisa Scicluna Currie, Awardee, School of Nursing, Don Moss, Chair, ACMT.



Roger Trudgeon, Secretary, ACMT, spoke on behalf of the Trust congratulating the students on their achievements.



Hon Tim Fischer

COATES ORATION 2017

The Oration Dinner was held after the Coates Oration, at the Albert Coates Complex, Federation University Australia, Mount Helen Campus.

Don Moss, Chair ACMT, congratulated the awardees and spoke on behalf of the Trust.

Lt Col Laureen Grimes spoke on behalf of the **Victorian Veterans' Council (VVC)**, announcing the 2018 grant. The VVC administers the funds from the Australian Legion of Ex-Service Men and Women invested to support the work of the Trust.

The Trust values the long time support of **W & D Finance** and the **Ballaarat Club** in financially supporting two scholarships at Federation University.

A highlight of the Dinner was a report by three scholarship recipients who thanked the Trust for its support and spoke of their experiences with internships which were financially supported by the Trust.



Lt. Col. Laureen Grimes, Member of Victorian Veterans' Council & Roger Trudgeon, ACMT.

Lt. Col. Laureen Grimes spoke at the Dinner on behalf of the VVC .



Bill Bahr, Manager, Compliance and Systems, W & D Finance, with Liam Hanrahan, recipient of the W & D Finance Scholarship for Biomedical Sciences, Federation University. W & D Finance is a long time financial supporter of the work of the Trust.



Jamie McDonald, Amber Duncan, Albert Coates/ Australian Legion of Ex-Service Men and Women in Nursing/Paramedicine at ACU, Don Moss.



Cassandra Brown, Lizanne Siqueira, Albert Coates Memorial Trust Scholarship, University of Notre Dame Australia.



Peter Ridsdale, President, Ballaarat Club presented Lauren Matthews with the James Pryor/Ballaarat Club Visual Arts scholarship, Federation University.



LUNCH WITH SPEAKER 2018

LUNCHTIME TALK WITH JUDGE SARA HINCHEY

Judge Hinchey outlined the role of the Coroner in the community of Victoria, and explained how the system works. The Coroner has a particularly important task investigating specific reportable deaths and fires.

Judge Hinchey returned to her home town to give a lunchtime talk for the Coates Trust on 1 May 2018. She was eloquent, informative and entertaining to the large audience, that included many from the medical/nursing and legal professions.

Of the 45,000 deaths in Victoria each year, some 6500 are reported to the Coroner's office. Judge Hinchey explained the role of the state's 10 coroners, to ascertain certain facts about the death, and make recommendations which may prevent similar deaths in the future.

Of the total deaths reviewed, most are finalised by investigation and a written finding. Only 100 lead to a full inquest. Of the whole, 40% are "natural deaths", 33% the result of accidents, suicides 11%, medical/surgical complications 5%, other causes 10% and only 1% are homicides.

Judge Hinchey also outlined the results of the review of heroin overdose deaths that lead to the recommendation for a medically supervised injecting facility.

She talked about common misconceptions of what coroners do and explained the range of cases investigated and how findings from these cases are used to improve the safety of the public. Her talk was well received and clarified the important role of the Coroner in our community.

The luncheon was held at Pipers by the Lake.



L to R: Sarah Lia and Noelle Hinchey.



Bob Bennett and Barbara McPherson.



Alison Novotny.



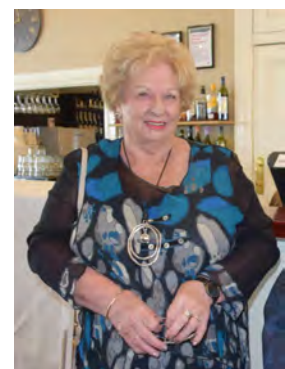
Shirley McIvor, Coates Trustee, addressing the lunch guests.



L to R: Pat McQuinn and Maisie Cunningham.



The Luncheon was enjoyed by a large gathering at Pipers by the Lake, Wendouree.



Lyn Brooks.

The Mount Pleasant Primary School

MUSEUM IN A SUITCASE

PROJECT

2017

YEAR 6 STUDENT PROJECT WINNERS

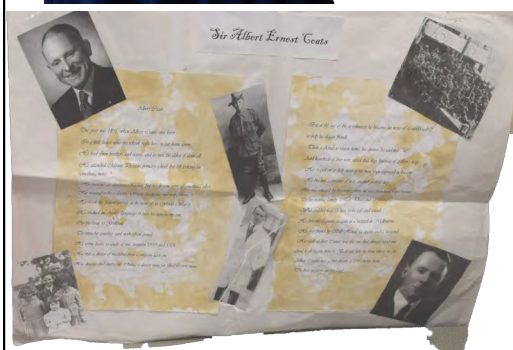


Each student presented their project at a Presentation Day.

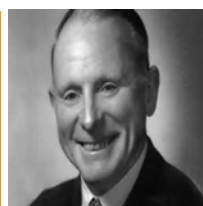
Maddie Warren (left) wrote a poem and recited it, made a picture, an award certificate and a video. Her poem told the story of Albert Coates' life starting at the Mount Pleasant PS. Maddie was awarded 1st Prize.

Aengus Tregonning

(right) made a video and boxes, with information and pictures, about Albert Coates. The video showed a timeline of Coates life. Aengus was awarded 1st Prize.



The Albert Coates Trust thanks Year 6 Teacher, Paul McAloon, Co-ordinator, Jenny Dyer, and Principal, Phil Gladman, for their on-going support of the project.



ALBERT COATES SHORT TIMELINE



Albert Coates was courageous, honourable, and unpretentious. He became renowned for his dedication, skill and wisdom. He worked tirelessly to help the sick and dying prisoners of war on the notorious Burma-Thailand Railway.

1st Prize - \$300

Highly Commended - \$100



Rowan Moore created a video whereby two buttons which were on a board could be pressed to show facts about Albert Coates on a screen. Rowan was awarded Highly Commended.

Kira Burnett wrote facts about Albert Coates on pieces of cloth and sewed them to this coat. They told the story of Albert Coates' life. Kira was awarded Highly Commended.



Sir Albert Coates attended Mount Pleasant State School



[Click here for a random Albert Coates Fact](#)

Generously sponsored by the Sebastopol Bowling Club and Robyn & Arthur Coates



Photographs/text: Elizabeth Trudgeon

SPONSORS

The Albert Coates Memorial Trust is grateful for the support of organisations which have sponsored scholarships and the many individuals who have given financial and practical support.



Victorian Veterans Council



The Australian Legion of Ex-Service Men and Women has been the most generous contributor to the Trust's work through a major corpus of funds administered by the **Victorian Veterans' Council**.

These funds underpin very significant awards in rural emergency and critical care nursing and training for Rural and Isolated Practice Endorsed Registered Nurse certificate (RIPERN) and a number of other scholarships offered by the Trust.



W & D Finance continues to generously support the sponsorship of the Biomedical Science scholarship at Federation University Australia.



Since 2000, **Federation University Australia (Ballarat)** has been a key supporter in helping coordinate the promotion, selection and presentation of three Coates Trust scholarships.

In presenting the Coates Oration, it has kindly sponsored the production of invitations, mail outs and other costs. The Trust gratefully acknowledges the ongoing generosity of the University.



Since 2001, the Trust has worked closely with the **University of Melbourne** and the **Royal Australasian College of Surgeons** in formally presenting the Sir Albert Coates Scholarship in the Postgraduate Diploma in Surgical Anatomy.

The graduation ceremony at University House and social gathering afterwards is a great opportunity for Trust members and Coates family members to meet with academic staff and graduates of the course.



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