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Air Chief Marshal

Sir Angus Houston AK, AFC, (Ret'd)

Tuesday, 13 November, 6pm

Coates Oration 2018

'Leadership Matters'

The oration is a free event



Air Chief Marshal Sir Angus Houston AK, AFC (Ret'd) was Chief of the Defence Force from 2005-2011. He was awarded the Knight of the Order of Australia in January 2015 for extraordinary and pre-eminent achievement in service to Australia, through distinguished service in the Australian Defence Force, continued commitment to serve the nation in leadership roles, particularly the national responses to the MH370 and MH17 disasters.

After the Oration the Coates Trust will hold its Annual Dinner.

Bookings & prepayment are essential for the dinner

Date: 13 November, 2018

Time: 7.30pm

Place: Federation University Australia
Mount Helen Campus

Albert Coates Complex Building U

Cost: \$58

Booking enquiries: Neil 0438 422 455 or
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Photograph above: Roger Trudgeon, (Hon Secretary Coates Trust), Kimberley Morris-Flynn, (ACU awardee), Shirley McIver, (Coates Trust).

ACU recipient of the Albert Coates Memorial Trust/Australian Legion of Ex Service Men and Women scholarship, 2017.



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

Rural and Isolated Practice Endorsed Registered Nurse - RIPERN



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

Graduate Certificate in Emergency Nursing



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 peoples emergency's 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

2018 Scholarships

This year the Trust will distribute a growing number of tertiary level scholarships across several different universities.

Albert Coates/Australian Legion of Ex Service Men & Women, Australian Catholic University, Ballarat 2018

Recipient: Kimberley Morris-Flynn

Scholarship: \$2,500

A scholarship of \$2,500 to assist second year students of nursing and paramedics with costs incurred in their professional practice placement at the end of the year.

Kimberly Morris-Flynn is a 2nd year student in the Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Paramedicine in the ACU Ballarat campus. She is a volunteer CFA fire-fighter, and has worked as a 1st responder Paramedics at the Victorian Emergency phone centre. Her maternal grandfather was a veteran on the Kokoda trail in WW2.

Kimberly is keen to complete her training, and hopes to work long-term in a regional area.

University of Notre Dame

Recipient: Aria Steel

Scholarship: \$2,500

Aria Steel is a current medical student 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. Aria has already been involved in work aiming to reduce the high levels of youth suicide in that community.

Melbourne University Rural Training School

Recipient: Anne Jian

Scholarship: \$2,500

Anne is a 2nd year student studying at the Ballarat Clinical School. She is to undertake her elective in the department of neurosurgery at Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Glasgow. Her scholarship will help pay for her travel and living expenses during her elective programme.

Federation University, Ballarat

Three scholarships each \$2,500

1. School of Biomedical Science - **Gemma Rodgers**
2. School of Visual Arts - **Kirsty Tonkin**
3. School of Nursing - **Christine Lewis**

Scholarships at Federation University are awarded to students who achieve high academic results despite challenging circumstances.



Lunch with speaker Judge Sara Hinchey



Judge Sara Hinchey
speaking at the lunch.

Judge Hinchey returned to her original home town to give a lunchtime talk for the Coates Trust on May 1. 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.

Her talk was well received and clarified the important role of the Coroner in our community.



Dr Sam Digby speaking at the ceremony.

University of Melbourne/Royal Australasian College of Surgeons Coates' scholarship in Anatomy for 2018

The presentation of certificates for completion of the Graduate Diploma in Surgical Anatomy was held on 3 September at University House, Melbourne.

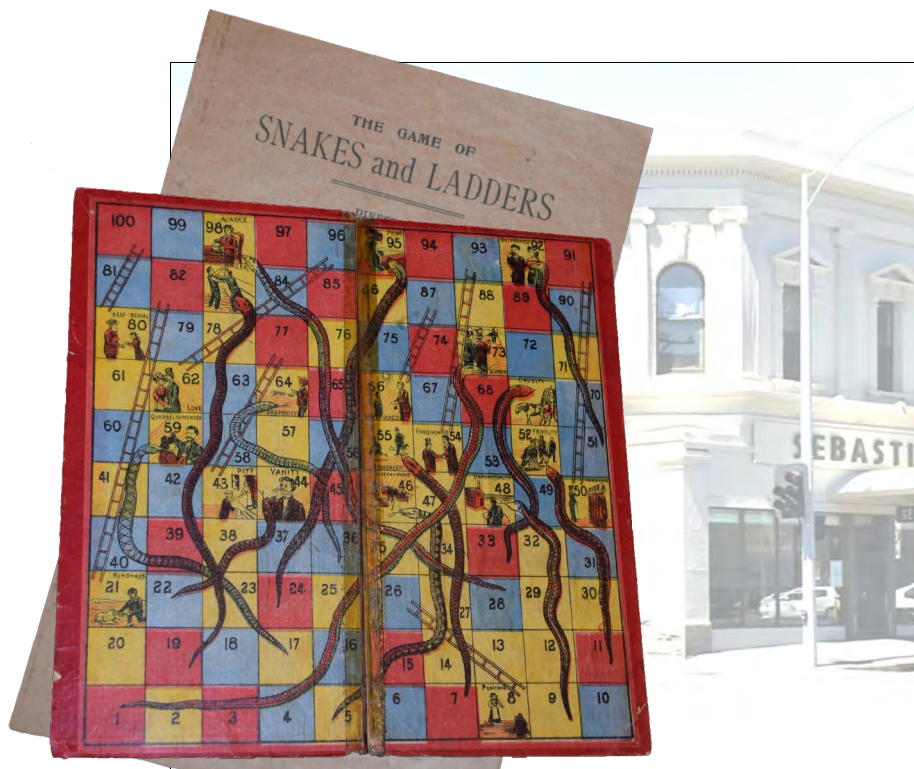
Some 97 students completed the course for 2018, as the course continues to attract marked interest. Sir Albert Coates was strongly involved in teaching anatomy at the University, as James Stewart lecturer in anatomy and acting Professor of Anatomy, early in his medical career. He would be delighted in the resurrection of interest in the subject.

The occasional address was delivered by Professor G Ian Taylor, a world authority in free vascularized grafts. Ian emphasized the role that knowledge of vascular anatomy had played in the use of free grafts in many areas of reconstructive/plastic surgery.

The Coates scholarship was presented to Dr Sam Digby.

Below L: Don Moss, Dr Sam Digby, Prof. G Ian Taylor, Roger Trudgeon. R: Prof Ian Taylor.





Recently this game of Snakes and Ladders was presented to the Ballarat Historical Society by Val Newman. It was produced at the Ballarat Litho & Printing Company which was on the corner of Mair and Lydiard Streets, now Sebastiaan's Cafe.

When Albert Coates was 14 he was fortunate to join the Ballarat Litho and Printing Company and indentured as a book binder at six shillings a week. He learnt the skills of printing and bookbinding. This allowed him to attend a night school set up by Leslie Morshead, a teacher at Mount Pleasant PS, and to eventually gain five distinctions in the 1913 Junior Public Examination which qualified him for enrolment at Melbourne University. At the printing works Albert was often to be found reading the books that had been left for binding.



Vale Bruce Clark OAM

We are sad to report that Bruce Clark, the Treasurer of the Albert Coates Memorial Trust, has recently died. Bruce joined the Committee in 2012, and his financial background was most helpful. He became a Trustee and Treasurer in July 2015, and served in these roles until his recent untimely death. He was a major contributor in many roles in the Ballarat community, and had been awarded an OAM for his service. Our thoughts are with Beverley and the family.



The Albert Coates Memorial Trust is a volunteer-run, Ballarat based organisation which, since 1998, has raised funds for scholarships in nursing, paramedicine and medicine.

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The Mount Pleasant Primary School Museum in a Suitcase project - 2017 Awards



Each student presented a project at a Presentation Day. Four students were awarded prizes: Maddie Warren (1st prize) wrote a poem and recited it, made an award certificate and a video, Aengus Tregonning's (1st prize) project was a video featuring a timeline of Albert Coates life, Rowan Moore (Highly Commended) made a video whereby two buttons which were on a board could be pressed to show facts about Albert Coates' life and Kira Burnett (Highly Commended) wrote facts on pieces of cloth and sewed them to a coat. The Trust thanks teachers Paul McAloon, Sage Pyke, Jenny Dyer and Principal Phil Gladman for their support of the project.

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