

The background of the cover features a photograph of a modern, multi-story office building with a glass and metal facade. The ANZ logo is visible on the top right of the building. The image is partially obscured by large, overlapping blue geometric shapes, including a large circle and a jagged, star-like shape. The text 'ANZROC VICTORIA' is written in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters within the jagged blue shape. In the bottom right corner, there is a dark blue semi-circle containing the date 'Sept 2025'. There are also some thin blue lines and shapes, including a small oval and a larger rounded rectangle, scattered in the lower right area.

ANZROC VICTORIA

Sept 2025

President's Report



Paul Tovey

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Welcome to the September edition of ANZROC's newsletter.

This month's lunch was held at Angliss Restaurant at the William Angliss Institute in the city. Nearly 70 members enjoyed a very nice 2 course meal and were entertained by a speaker during lunch. Our club member Stan Middleton was proposed as a speaker by Bob Lyon and Stan was kind enough to accept a very late invitation to speak to us. Stan was originally a Mildura boy who joined the ANZ as a 16 year old. He was also heavily involved in sport, but this was all put aside when he was called up for national service and subsequently served in Vietnam. This was followed by resuming his career at ANZ for a total of 30 years.

Stan was awarded the Order of Australia medal in 2019 for services to Vietnam vets and fund raising to help Vietnamese nationals who worked on the Australian bases during the Vietnam war. He leads a very busy life, so it was great of him to take some time to share some of his reminiscences and photos with us.

And a special mention to Sandy and Alan Lauder who made the trip up to Melbourne from Dromana to attend their first Angliss Restaurant lunch.

Our next lunch is at the Victoria Hotel Woodend on Thursday 9/10/25 and is usually attended by many of our regulars as well as members living up Woodend way. Also, the date of the 388 Museum tour and cocktail party has now been confirmed for the 23rd of October. Have a look at the "Next Event" section of this newsletter for more details about these events including the free train trip to Woodend.

It's nearly that time of year for payment of the annual club membership subscription. The subscription amount has remained unchanged for many years, and we have held the same cost again this year. Membership costs are; Members over 80 years of age no cost, Country Members \$10, Metro Members \$20. Early October you will receive a subscription reminder email with an attached invoice.

The 950 members of the Victorian ANZROC club receive a range of benefits which include the monthly newsletter, the opportunity to join, or retain membership of the ANZ Staff Club at an annual subscription of \$28.50 (current staff pay \$130), opportunity to attend monthly lunches as well as the heavily subsidised Christmas lunch held at the Art Centre, golf events and occasional other social events including Mansfield. Please note that you must be a financial member to attend the Christmas lunch.

Keep well and I hope to see you at one of our upcoming events

Paul

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Stan - guest speaker



Susan Stan Phi

Membership



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Spring Golf Tournament

After a couple of false starts, I am happy to advise that the ANZROC Spring golf tournament is now booked for Thursday 16 October at the Morack golf course. This year's tournament is a 12-hole Stableford event, with tee times approximately 9 – 10 am. The event fee is \$60, which includes golf, a post round lunch (single course) and prizes. For those that require cart hire, the cost is \$29 for a shared cart. If you are interested in joining us at this year's tournament, contact our Membership Officer – John Stapleton via email membership@anzroc.net.au, prior to 30 September.

Charity Golf Day @ Keysborough Golf Club

Following the success of last year's event, an invitation has been extended once again for ANZROC golfers to play in the Noble Park – Dingley Rotary Club charity golf day at the Keysborough Golf Club. The event is scheduled for Monday 10 November, with a 12:30 pm shotgun start. The event entry fee is \$110 per player, with the fee covering the cost of green fees, gourmet buffet dinner

and a number of trophies and prizes. Attendees are also able to bid at the post round charity auction, where there are numerous quality items and services up for tender. Players are entered in teams of four, so you can either arrange a four-ball or put your name forward and I will arrange for you to join other golfers in an ANZROC team. If you are interested in participating in the Charity Golf Day @ Keysborough, contact our Membership Officer – John Stapleton via email membership@anzroc.net.au, prior to 5 November.

New Members

We welcome the following new members to the club:

- Roderick Hill
- Emine Bilal
- Robert Blake
- Karen Hardman
- Angelo Di Giallordano
- Stewart Craig
- Tony Addabbo
- Andrew Baird
- Wayne Greer

Member Welfare Report

Our Welfare Officers Joan Nathan and Jill Kassan are here to help you where they can. Let us know if there are any concerns you have which you think ANZROC might be able to help you with or refer you to someone who can.



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Other States and UK Retired Staff Clubs

Reports on activities of the ANZROC clubs in other Australian States, New Zealand and the United Kingdom are periodically updated on our website as newsletters are received.

The link to the most recent newsletters received is:

<https://www.anzroc.net.au/external-links>

Bereavements

DRUMMOND-WILLIAMS M.O. (MURIEL) 99 YEARS 2/09/2025

Our member Val Goldsworthy was contacted by Muriel's niece Louise who advised that Muriel passed away at Monash Hospital on 2/9/25 at the age of 99. Val said Muriel had been PA to some of ANZ's CEOs. Muriel had been looking forward to getting her 100th birthday card from the King but just fell short. Val said "When Muriel's name comes to mind, I immediately think of the essential qualities – discretion, loyalty, ever-pleasant demeanour, clearly skilful at her duties and helpful to other staff. Muriel was a much-valued Secretary for long-serving General Managers of the ANZ Bank (Mr. Hugh D T Williamson and Sir Roger Darvall). Muriel and I enjoyed occasional chats; discussions were always on the bright side of life. Vale Muriel."

Kerry Dark emailing from Brisbane "It is with sadness that I learned my former work colleague and dear friend of 60 years passed away earlier this week following her 99th birthday.

We enjoyed regular contact on the phone, and I was grateful that I had the opportunity of speaking with her just days prior to her passing.

Muriel joined The Bank of Australasia and spent her entire career working with senior executive, particularly as personal assistant to the Chairman, Sir William Vines, and Managing Directors Mac Brunckhorst and John Milne prior to her retirement. Muriel had a wonderful sense of humour and many amusing stories to relate involving herself and the many contacts she came across during her time with the organisation. Following her retirement from ANZ, Muriel married for the first time and enjoyed many happy years with her partner Bill who also died in recent years at age 99."

GLEESON D.F.(DENIS) 87 YEARS 24/08/2025

Dianne Gleeson emailed "My father, Denis Gleeson, passed away on 24th August, aged 87 years. "



RYAN MAVIS
105 YEARS
10/09/2025

Paul Power, nephew of Mavis advised us that Mavis passed away suddenly on Wednesday 10/9/25 aged 105 years. Paul said, "Mavis had fond memories of her time working with friends and colleagues over many years at ANZ." Eamon Veaney searching through past ANZROC archives reported "We were sad to hear that our oldest member Mavis Ryan passed away aged 105. Mavis had celebrated her birthday in February 2025. Born in Melbourne on 7th February 1920, Mavis attended Sacred Heart College in Geelong after her Railway family moved there in 1927. She enjoyed a career spanning twenty-eight years with ANZ, initially joining The Bank of Australasia in Malop Street, Geelong. Mavis was eventually transferred to the Advance department in the ANZ Divisional Office (V & T) situated at 351 Collins Street, Melbourne. She also enjoyed three and a half years at 2 Martin Place Sydney, before being appointed to Personnel Department at 394 Collins Street, Melbourne Headquarters. On the opening of the new ANZ Headquarters at 55 Collins St, the Personnel Department moved to that location, and it was from here, that Mavis eventually retired in 1981. On retirement, Mavis, together with a

long-time school friend, spent 5 months travelling Europe. Mavis lived independently in a unit in Belmont, a suburb of Geelong. An avid reader, her local library provided her with regular deliveries that assisted her to keep up with current events, both nationally and internationally. We send our condolences to Mavis' family."



SANDERSON
B.S.(BRUCE)
84 YEARS
17/08/2025

Ken Crawford emailed "Sad news to pass on to members. Bruce Sanderson passed on Sunday, 17 August 2025, at the age of 84, unexpectedly at Epworth Richmond. Bruce was a busy social man who liked to attend our regular meetings. Vale Bruce."

Joan Nathan emailed: Bruce Sanderson was a thorough gentleman and just so kind, a huge loss to the ANZ Retired Officers Club. He was a regular at the ANZROC Luncheons. He also belonged to the Rover Car Club and was President of the Club. Bruce was suffering from a nasty virus when I spoke to him a couple of weeks ago. Such a shock, his passing was so sudden. Our deepest sympathy to his wife, family and friends.

I attended the Funeral of Bruce Sanderson, and it was a wonderful celebration of his life. His family mentioned how much he enjoyed coming to the ANZROC luncheons. Bruce joined ANZ at Launceston and was then transferred to Melbourne. A large group of members of the Rover Car Club attended. Bruce's cask was taken out with Bagpipes which was quite beautiful, Bruce always watched Tattoo and really liked the bagpipes. I have given a Sympathy card to the Funeral Parlour who will pass on to Mavis, Bruce's wife." Eamon Veaney emailed "Sorry to hear of Bruce's passing. He was a lovely guy who always tried to support our lunches."



**PEARSON NEVILLE
(BIRDIE) 81 YEARS
14/9/2025**

Cheryl Pearson let us know that Neville passed away peacefully on Sunday September 14th. Neville was a long standing ANZROC Committee member and Ex-President.

He was involved in many sporting activities at ANZ including golf, basketball, Wagga interstate event and the football club. Neville will be missed by his many friends at ANZROC. Our deepest condolences are extended to Cheryl and her family. The funeral will be held at 11.30am on 25/9/25 at Cumulus Reflection Space Bunurong Memorial Park 790 Frankston-Dandenong Road Dandenong South.

Our condolences are extended to the families and friends of Muriel, Denis, Mavis, Bruce and Neville

Honorary Members Birthdays



David BARR (80)

Peter BEARSLEY (83)

Graeme CAMERON (82)

Don CAMERON (86)

Peter CHUBB (87)

Travis CLARK (83)

George COOPER (96)

John CROUGH (84)

John CURRIE (86)

Bruce EMMETT (83)

Ian EWERT (94)

Mark FLOWER (80)

Graham HOLT (87)

Geoff HORTON (80)

Chris JAMES (84)

Malcolm JAMES (83)

Barry KING (84)

Jim LATHAM (86)

Rolf LOEBERT (86)

Fay MCPHERSON (84)

Ray NICHOLSON (86)

Tony NIMMO (86)

Alan PEARCE (90)

Dietmar REICHERT (81)

Bevan ROULSTON (83)

Peter RUSSELL (89)

Des SHADY (80)

Ron SMITH (97)

Peter R SMITH (81)

Ken STAPLETON (81)

John SUDHOLZ (86)

Rupert THOMAS (88)

Peter TRELEAVEN (87)

ANZ Bank Notice Board

ANZROC COCKTAIL PARTY AT ANZ GOTHIC Branch, 388 Collins Street.

Our Cocktail party has been approved by the Gothic Museum committee for 23rd October and we are now finalising arrangements for the function to be held after business hours suggested between 5pm to 7pm.

The limit of 60 members accepting has been reached and the final details expected within weeks will be advised separately to those members, but we can expect some withdrawals due to timing and other commitments so if you are interested email editor@anzroc.com.au and we will set up a waiting list.

The cost of the event is expected to be around \$40/\$50 per person.

The event will be "members only"



Letters from Members

David Barr emailed “Hi Anita, Many thanks for your e-card and best wishes for my 80th birthday. Apart from a couple of arthritic knees requiring a Mobic tablet prior to golf twice a week, I am pleasantly surprised to be keeping good health. We decided to downsize in May from our 2 storey townhouse in Ringwood North and shifted into a single storey 3BR residence in a Stockland over 55s gated community at Clyde North. Hindsight is wonderful but should have done it years ago.

Because of the shift we were unable to escape Melbourne's winter this year and caravan to Mission Beach FNQ for the warmth. We have made some great A friends during our travels up there and are looking forward to catching up next year.”

Julia Bayer emailed “I'd love to come to William Angliss but will have to give my apologies for the September meeting as we are in Tomakin NSW having a holiday. The weather's no better here but it's a change from working in the garden. Have a great lunch and hope to see you next month. “

Joe Costanza emailed “Thanks, Anita, for the birthday wishes. I spent the morning playing golf with a few retired ANZ colleagues — John Stapleton, Mark Dinneen, and Sean Roche — along with two other friends.

In the evening, my wife and I went to Matsu, a Japanese restaurant known for its intimate dining experience. You sit at a small bar while the chef prepares each dish in front of you, sharing insights into the cooking process and some of their traditions. We enjoyed an 11-course meal made up of delicate, beautifully presented morsels — and despite the portion sizes, we left feeling satisfyingly full.”



David Crisp emailed “Hi Anita, Thanks for the birthday wishes. The email arrived promptly. I am keeping well and enjoying life on the Sunshine Coast Queensland. My wife has just had a knee replacement, so housework is the norm for me at present.”

Rodney and Kerry Dark emailed from Brisbane” Dear Anita and ANZROC Committee. Many thanks for your birthday greetings. Oh, how quickly the years fly by. Rodney and I are both well and enjoy catching up with ANZ Melbourne friends on their way through Brisbane to even warmer climes further north. Anita, your presentation on the Webinar about Privacy was excellent - so much good advice.”

Rick Dickson emailed "Once again Anita, thank you for my 90th Birthday wishes. I am ok and have decided to tick off another bucket list item. At the end of the month my wife and I will go on a 7-day tour to Birdsville which will include the famous Outback Birdsville Races. My very best wishes to my former Esanda work mates as I cherish my memories of our time working together in Esanda Finance"

Barb Gardiner emailed "Dear Anita and ANZROC Committee, thank you for my birthday greetings and good wishes. I am happy to report that I am still enjoying good health and life in general. The many and varied activities at U3A continue to keep me active in both mind and body (although the body has slowed down somewhat). Great to still see some familiar names in the Newsletter. Keep up the good work in keeping us informed."

Jeremy Grant emailed "Many thanks to ANZROC for the birthday greetings – another uneventful year has passed, so nothing to report."

Stephen Higgins emailed "Thank you Anita for my birthday wishes. Another year older and a little wiser. Ten years retired and enjoying every minute. Travel this year has been to Sri Lanka Gold Coast, and Fiji to celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary."

Ian Ince writes "To the Committee, many thanks for the birthday greetings. Not much to report this year. Another year older. I had a pre-birthday party at Frankston RSL with family and friends. The rest of the family and friends took me to the "Naked Racer" for celebrations on the day of my birthday. Many thanks for the messages and kind regards to all."

Richard Jones emailed "Anita - thank you, another year survived! 2025 started off with the deaths of my Assistant Secretary Maurice Wells followed days later by my predecessor Company Secretary Lawton Graham and I began to wonder at my mortality after a heart episode. I survived all that and was very pleased to read in the latest newsletter that John Millard was at the recent lunch. John managed the share registry in the Company Secretary's office and then managed the liaison with external registrars Price Waterhouse & Coopers & Lybrand. Again, thanks."

Ed Laity emailed "Dear Anita, my humble thanks for all the work you and your committee do, and for my birthday wishes. Both Judy and I are still enjoying relatively good health, however overseas trips to see one of our daughters in Chicago USA have been lagging since COVID and now our age. We now spend a great deal of time at our place by the sea at Phillip Island."

Cathie Mackiggan writes “Thank you Eamon for my birthday wishes. Always nice to be remembered on 15th August. I spent a happy day with friends. Regards to all.”

Linda Nayna emailed “Just a quick note to say how it is always appreciated and special to receive a virtual birthday card from ANZROC. It always brings back fond memories of my first day with the ANZ Bank in September 1982. It is extra special to say that I am still in touch with several of the people I worked with in 1982. I attached a Photo of my birthday. Best Regards,”



Ray Nicholson emailed “Thank you for your Birthday Wishes email Anita, which were very much appreciated. Surviving four years off 90 years of age is awesome. To celebrate the occasion, we went on a 7-day Flinders Ranges and Arkaroola Tour, the easy way with someone else driving. There were 16 in the group (maximum number), with us from SA and others from NSW, Queensland and Victoria. The advantage of a conducted tour is that they get into places individuals are not normally able to access. We left Adelaide in miserable weather but soon encountered clear blue skies with temperatures around 24 degrees most days. Highlights included overnight at Peterborough, the former rail hub South to North and East to West, but no more with the introduction of the Ghan rail. We had a great sound and light show on the history of the rail past. Visited some outback stations, Ediacaran Fossil Site, Leigh Creek mining area, Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary, and the Ochre Wall where the Aboriginal people accessed the coloured cliffs for body decoration material. We went down a now unused copper mine at Blinman then onto Wilpena Pound visiting various Georges and sites of interest. Probably the greatest highlights were the Ridgetop Tour (44 km return journey of narrow dirt road over very steep terrain which would test anyone's driving ability) But not to worry as private vehicles are not allowed to access. Flights over Arkaroola Sanctuary and Wilpena Pound were exceptional memories. If anyone wishes to know more details of the tour company, email me on rayjocni@theashbrook.com.au Thanks again Anita – you are doing an amazing job.”

Trevor Richards wrote “will you please pass on my thanks to Anita and the ANZROC committee for the Ecard for my 80th birthday. Much appreciated. Had a great celebration with my family at San Lorenzo Restaurant in Scoresby and a follow up party with friends at home the following Sunday. Since retiring from ANZ 25 years ago I have been blessed with good health and fitness. I am looking forward to the forthcoming Lawn bowls season. I have been a member of the

Glen Waverley Bowling Club since I retired in 2000 and will be inducted as a Super Veteran at the Club's opening next month. That's your reward, or sentence, for turning eighty."

Ian Roberts emailed "I am writing this diary note thanking Anita and the ROC committee for my birthday greetings which are always welcome. I was fortunate enough to make another trip to Japan in April for a tennis tournament and some visitations however it was all downhill shortly after my arrival. I picked up a nasty bug a few days after arriving in Japan and despite some local medical assistance I limped off to the tennis tournament in poor shape. Tennis ended fairly abruptly after a heavy fall on the court on the first day which caused me to withdraw from the tournament. A painful return to Melbourne then followed and after a few days I found myself in hospital with Covid and pneumonia.

That's about the highlight and the lowlight of my year and the end of the gloomy message. I am now doing well with more tennis and some gym work to keep the body ticking over and I will probably end up doing it all again. Best wishes to all ROC members and friends... "

Mark Stankovich emailed "Many thanks to Anita, ANZROC President and committee for the good wishes for my 89th Birthday. During the year Fay and I had the good fortune of having two more great grandchildren added to our family. I am happy to say that the Newcomers joined us in my birthday celebrations this year. Dressed in Magpies jumpers of course. With all the very best wishes and kindest regards."

Cliff Turner emailed "Hi Anita- many thanks for my birthday wishes email that you sent. Each year seems to go quicker than the previous one. We had a few weeks holiday in Sri Lanka this year which was magnificent. Health wise all good after 2 knee replacements, cataracts and new hearing aids so should be right now for the years to come."

Ray Wates emailed "Many thanks for my birthday wishes. I really appreciate the thought and work the committee does for us retirees. Always treasured. "

Mike Watts emailed "I was most impressed by the new format of our much-loved ANZROC Newsletter. Well done to all concerned."

And **Peter Chubb**, **Lou Costabile**, **Mike Elliott**, **Dermot Hardwick**, **Don Jeffrey**, **Peter Keating**, **Fay McPherson**, **Rob Newman**, **Gina Ondarchie**, **Glyn Parry-Jones**, **Gloria Waldron**,

Other Matters

MEMBER PRIVACY

We've recently updated the ANZROC Victoria Privacy Policy to reflect our ongoing commitment to respecting and protecting members' personal information. As part of this, we want to remind members that the newsletter is publicly available. Any information included can be read by people outside the Club, so please think carefully about what personal details you would like shared when submitting items for publication.

Our aim is to support members while also safeguarding everyone's privacy. If you'd like to read the updated policy, it's available on our website

<https://anzroc.webflow.io/> or by writing to The Secretary ANZROC (Vic) PO Box 579 Malvern VIC 3144.

To learn more about privacy and pick up some useful tips, you can also watch the recording of our recent webinar here:

<https://vimeo.com/1099067164/6d557d999d>

ANZ INTEREST RATES

INTEREST RATE ON ELIGIBLE RETIRED OFFICER CHEQUE ACCOUNTS:

Less than \$20,000	2.40%
More than \$20,000	3.07%

Next ANZROC Event

The October lunch will be held in the Victoria Hotel in Woodend on Thursday 9/10/25. This is a great old “country” pub built in 1861 and is just a couple of minutes' walk from Woodend railway station.

Many members meet at Southern Cross railway station for the 10.06 am train and go up to Woodend as a group. This train allows time to have a look around the township of Woodend and maybe enjoy an award-winning vanilla slice at Bourkies Bakehouse. If you would rather go straight to the pub, which opens at midday you can take the 11.06am train.

Our lunch is during Seniors Week, so rail travel is free. Just be sure to have your Seniors Card with you and tap on with your MYKI card before you board the train. Also, let Joan know when you book for lunch that you will be coming on the train so we can ensure there are seats for all. You will be able to select your meal from the menu and pay on the day.

Acceptances close 6/10/25

To register your acceptance for this event contact Joan Nathan on 0432 197 454 or email jknathan@bigpond.net.au.

If you do not wish to have your name published on the ANZROC website acceptances and apologies list, please let us know when advising your acceptance / apology.

ANZROC Events for the Remainder of the Year

Check upcoming newsletters for details of these events:

OCTOBER 9TH	Lunch at the Victoria Hotel Woodend
OCTOBER 15TH	Golf Day at Morack Golf Club
NOVEMBER 10TH	Golf Day at Keysborough Golf Club
NOVEMBER 13TH	Lunch and Annual General Meeting at ANZ Head Office 833 Collins Street
DECEMBER 1ST	Christmas lunch at the Arts Centre

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