

# List of Names of RASigs at FSPB Coral and Balmoral – Updated May 2018

## 104 Sig Sqn

### **Advanced Party/Step-Up Station (By Chinook – 12 May 1968)**

Maj Norm Munro – OC (Also at Balmoral for small period)  
L/Cpl John (Suitcase) Koosache – Radio Operator (WIA – 16 May) Deceased  
Sig Phillip (Phil) Clohesy – Radio Operator  
Sig Rowan (Stretch) Gamble – Lineman (WIA – 13 May)  
Sig Terrence (Rocky) Rochester – Linesman  
Sig Anthony (Bum) Aikman – Driver/Batman Deceased

### **Main Body (By Air (Chinook and Huey) and Road 12/13/14/14 May)**

Capt Graham Arnold – 2IC  
W02 Ron (Bluey) Still - SSM  
2Lt Frank Elrington - Admin Officer  
Sgt Lawrence (Gunna) Cunneen - Sgt CommCON (Codes for TF Comd) Deceased  
Sgt Scott (Scotty) Laycock – Sgt Q Store

2Lt Ken Twining – Radio Tp Comd Deceased  
Sgt Max Hardy – Radio Tp Sgt Deceased  
Sgt John Taylor – Radio Sgt  
Sig Ken Greenwood – Radio Operator  
Sig Ken (Blue) McDonald – Radio Operator Deceased  
Sig Allan Trezise – Radio Operator - TBC

Cpl Allan Lohrisch – Radio Operator (TF CP)  
Sig John Baum – Radio Operator (TF CP)  
Sig Bernard Gibson – Radio Operator (TF CP)  
L/Cpl Graham Christie – Radio Operator (TF CP) – 12 May with HQ Advance Party  
Cpl Terry (Tab) Hunter – Radio Operator (TF CP) – 12 May with HQ Advance Party  
Sig James (Jimmy) Crichton – Radio Operator (TF CP)

L/Cpl Michael O'Connor – Radio Operator (Brig Radio Op)

Sgt David Thompson – Line Sgt Deceased  
Sig Michael Evans – Linesman  
Sig Alex Young – Linesman (KIA – 16 May)  
Sig Robert Ezzy – Linesman Deceased  
Sig John Glazebrook – Linesman Deceased  
(Line also manned the SWBD)

Sgt Sidney (Danny) Kaye – Comcen Sgt Deceased  
Cpl Harold (Harry) Hope – Comcen Deceased  
Cpl Leslie Douglas – Comcen  
L/Cpl Malcolm (Mal) Fegusson – Comcen/Radio Operator  
Sig Hugh (Scottie) Hutton - Comcen  
Sig Ralph Bilsby – Comcen

Sig Ian Crosthwaite – Comcen (WIA – 16 May)  
Sig Malcolm Greenhalgh - Comcen

Cpl Tassie Dell – Cook  
(Tassie completed his tour with 12 Fd Regt leaving 104 in July 1968)

W02 Mick Moylan – F of S Deceased  
Sig Stanley (Monty) Montefiore – TG Mech  
Sig Alan (Thomo) Thomson – Tech Elec Deceased

Sig Patrick (Pat) Kiely – Driver  
Sig Alan (Bally) Ball – Driver  
Sig Robert (Bob) Lowick – GD

### **Replacement/Additional (After 16 May)**

Capt Peter Hamilton (Comcen Troop, Comd)  
Cpl Denis (Rabbit) Hare – Draughtsman (Sector Defence)  
Cpl Dennis (George) Donohue – Radio Operator  
Cpl Peter Blackman – Tech Elec (Send to Balmoral to repair 3RAR Swbd)  
Sig Gordon Sanderson – Radio Operator (3RAR replacement later at Balmoral)  
Sig Ken Cox – Radio Operator (TF CP)  
Sig Malcolm (Mal) Bennett – Linesman  
Sig Robert (Huey) James – Linesman  
Sig Rodney (Rod) Palin – Linesman  
Pte Wally Wojciechowski – Cook

### **104 Sig Sqn with other Units**

#### **1RAR Radio Det (Deployed to FSPB Coral)**

Cpl Rod Lumb – Radio Operator (Det Comd)  
Sig Robert (Bob) Parkyns – Radio Operator  
Sig Kevin Smith – Radio Operator  
Sig Robert (Rob) Rowe – Radio Operator

#### **3RAR Radio Det (Deployed to FSPB Coral to FSPB Coogee and then FSPB Balmoral)**

Cpl Bob Ellis – Radio Operator (Det Comd) – Medevac  
Sig Tom Spring – Radio Operator (CO, 3RAR)  
Sig Gordon Robertson – Radio Operator  
Sig David Ellis – Radio Operator  
(Gordon Sanderson came in a few days after the deployment to Balmoral)

#### **Engineers**

(Two confirmed with 1 Fd Sqn by George Hulse – Names?)

#### **161 Independent Reconnaissance Flight (Based at Phu Loi)**

Sig David Tiernan – Radio Operator

#### **VHF Retrans Bearcat**

(104 Sig Sqn Radio Retrans Det – Redeployed to Coral as Retrans was not needed)

## **Radio Operator to hold bridges for tanks**

Sig Peter (Rosie) Thorne – Radio Operator  
(22/23 May 1968 with 3 Cav)

## **LO Radio Operator**

Sig Peter Liddle – Radio Operator  
(LO Officer at Supporting HQ/FSPB/)

## **547 Sig Tp (By Air)**

### **First Det (Inserted by Air deployment)**

SSgt Jim Brill – (Det Comd) **Deceased**  
Sgt Fred Hawkes – Op Sig **Deceased**  
Cpl Tom Williams - (Int Corp)

### **Second Det (Replaced First Team by Air after 5 days)**

Cpl Ken Trewartha - (Det Comd)  
Sig Snowy Turner – Op Sig  
Cpl John Hunter (Int Corp)

### **LO's**

Maj Peter Murray – OC  
Capt Steve Zagon – 2IC (Int Corp)  
(Both In/out number of times – Couriered product from Dets back to Nui Dat for Analysis)

## **110 Sig Sqn (Road with Main Body)**

### **RR Det**

Sgt Ray McIntosh – RR Tp Sgt – during setup for first few days  
Cpl Malcolm (Mal) Stevens – RR Det Comd **Deceased**  
Sig John MacDonald - Tech Elec  
Sig Barry Sullivan – Tech Elec **Deceased**

### **HF RATT Det**

Cpl Trevor Chell – Ratt Det Comd  
Sig Ken Short – OKR (Replacement because someone got sick after 2-3 days)  
Sig Robert (Smokey) Dawson  
Sig David Cochrane (Medevac ) **Deceased**

### **Cipher Codes**

S/Sgt Graham (Doc) Orchard (Delivered codes to FSPB Coral)

**Note: FSPB Coral evacuated airlift started late on the 5 June and road/air convoy on 6 Jun 68. Road overnight at Bearcat arriving Nui Dat 7 Jun 68**

- **Deceased added 4 May 2016 (On going)**