

List of Names of RASigs at FSPB Coral and Balmoral – Updated August 2021

104 Sig Sqn

TF Advanced Party/Step-Up Station (By Chinook (Step-Up) and Huey (TF CP) – 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

Cpl Terry (Tab) Hunter – Radio Operator (TF CP)
L/Cpl Graham Christie – Radio Operator (TF CP)

Main Body (By Air (Chinook and Huey) and Road - 13 and 14 May)

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

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) Deceased
Sig James (Jimmy) Crichton – Radio Operator (TF CP)

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

Sgt David Thompson – Line Sgt Deceased
Sig Michael Evans – Linesman Deceased
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) Fergusson – 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
Sig Donald (Don) McKenzie - Comcen
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) **Deceased**
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 Raymond “Snowy” Turner – Op Sig **Deceased**

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 **Deceased**

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 May codes to FSPB Coral)
Cpl Kevin (Chook) Fowler ((Delivered June codes to FSPB Coral) TBC

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

Updated, etc

4 May 2016 - Deceased marked [All]

6 Aug 2018 – Don McKenzie name added [104]

20 Oct 2018 – Scotty Laycock and Mick O'Connor (Deceased) [104]

14 Dec 2018 – SnowyTurner (Deceased) [547]

29 June 2021 – Bernard Gibson, Tom String and Alan Thomson (Deceased) [104]

9 August 2021 – Ray McIntosh (Deceased) [110], Kevin Fowler name added (Photos in AWM) – Role? [110]