



Order of the Day

from the

Representative Colonel Commandant and Head of Regiment

Centenary of Locating Artillery

The 1st of July 2025 holds great significance for the Royal Regiment of Australian Artillery, and especially for our Gunner colleagues in the Locating, Surveillance and Target Acquisition community, as we mark the 100th anniversary of the raising of the 1st and 2nd Artillery Survey Companies Australian Garrison Artillery on 1st July 1925.

In this centenary year it is important to acknowledge the proud service “locators” have rendered since then. They have risen to every challenge, sacrificed and rendered unwavering service in support of the nation. This history of service and sacrifice is carried forward by the men and women of 20th Regiment RAA who are proudly adding to the legacy left them by their predecessors.

This milestone was marked on 22nd June 2025 with an impressive parade during which 20th Regiment was also presented with the “*Theatre Honour, Iraq 2003 – 2011*” for its long, dedicated and distinguished service in Iraq. The lasting link between 20th Regiment and the Iraq War was further preserved with the formal naming of the unit lines “Terendak Lines” after Camp Terendak in Southern Iraq from where they operated.

The parade also formally acknowledged the re-raising of 133rd Battery, RAA with the presentation of the Battery Flag to the current Battery Commander by Major Allan Harrison (Ret’d) who commanded the Battery in 1987 when it was disbanded. The re-raising of 133rd Battery highlights the continued and growing importance of surveillance and target acquisition to the modernisation of the Artillery and the future of the Australian Army.

We congratulate all “locators” past and present for all they have achieved in reaching this 100th Anniversary and wish them all the best for the years ahead as they *Seek to Strike*.

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1st July 2025

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1st July 2025

Gunners: Accurate, Responsive, Dependable, Joint

