



# THE SPITFIRE ASSOCIATION

*“Keeping the memory alive”*

Patron; Air Vice-Marshal Mark Skidmore (Ret'd)



## INFORMATION BULLETIN 5 – 19, 6 November 2019

### 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Spitfire Association was held at the York Club in Sydney on Wednesday 30th October with the attendance of 12 members of the Association and apologies from six members.

The Ode was recited by the President and a minute's silence observed in memory of the passing of members, particularly in the past 12 months.

President Geoff Zuber highlighted the initiatives being undertaken with the transition of the Association from an Ex-serviceman's Group to a new outlook on the future. The emphasis will move from an Association of Spitfire pilots and "Keeping the memory alive" to "Keeping the spirit alive".

The President then expanded on this with some detailed information regarding the Spitfire Memorial Defence Fellowship and the recently developed Battlefield Tours to Europe in 2020 to be hosted by the President and the Association's Historian, Adam Lunney.

Full details of the President's report will be included in the Christmas Newsletter, which will be sent to all members.

The election of office bearers was then held and I am pleased to advise that the following members were elected to the Committee of the Spitfire Association for the 2019/2020 year;

President - Geoff Zuber

Vice-President – Peter Radtke

Secretary - Chris Veitch

Treasurer - Bob Pierce

Historian - Adam Lunney

Events Co-ordinator - Denise Hobson

Committee Member – Harvey Marchant

Committee Member – Leon Waxman

Committee Member – Imogen Waring

Phil Nickols was endorsed to continue as the Website Manager and Denis Smith has agreed to continue to sell Spitfire memorabilia from the Spitfire Association store.

After some further General Business, the meeting closed 4.10pm.

### SPITFIRE GLOBAL - BATTLEFIELD TOURS - MAY 2020

The Spitfire Association has set up a specialised tour company, Spitfire Global and is pleased to offer two fully escorted battlefield tours to Europe in May 2020. The "Dambuster's Tour" and the "Normandy Tour" are to be run consecutively in May 2020. The tours will be escorted by the President of the Spitfire Association, Geoff Zuber and the Association's Historian, Adam Lunney.

This is an exciting new initiative of the Spitfire Association and full details of the tours, including dates and costings and the booking form are contained in brochure attached to this Information Bulletin and will also be available on the Spitfire Association web site at [www.spitfireassociation.com](http://www.spitfireassociation.com)

These tours are not just for members but also for friends and relatives including the general public, so in the interest of our Association please pass this information on to as many people as possible to ensure the success of this the first of the Spitfire Global tours.

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