

the Commissioner allowed him to pick those he wanted.

"It's been a marvellous career and I've had so many jobs that I have undertaken and I've enjoyed them all. I have a full expectation that the AFP will continue to strengthen. I know of no corruption in the ACT and if there was there is only one way to deal with it . . . harshly."

He is extremely proud that his only son Wayne joined the ACT Police in 1972. He and his wife Margaret, whom he married in 1950s, have also two daughters both living in Canberra — Diann, 31, a teacher educator, and Gail, 28, a nurse.

His plans for the future?

He's taken up golf but on his admission is too healthy to sit around in retirement. He has been too important a cog in ACT Policing not to find something worthwhile soon.



Inspector Horrie Grangel (deceased) with First Constable Val McConaghy outside the Canberra Police Station, Jolimont Building, Civic, mid 1950s.

POLICE HISTORY

by Chief Inspector Don Bosman

In the past the history of policing has generally been sadly neglected and it is only in recent times that social historians, police officers and other interested parties have been motivated to record, for posterity, the policing role.

In 1985, in England, a Police History Society was founded and a year later Ray Bedford (Australian Federal Police — Brisbane) was nominated as the Australian representative and was instrumental in forming the Australian Branch of this Society. The Branch is going forward in leaps and bounds and it is a credit to his efforts that three Australian Branch journals, of a very high standard, have been published to date.

While serving on Christmas Island in 1982 I found some photographs in the police station depicting police activity on the island. In my efforts to date

and identify the photographs I became completely engrossed in the historical aspects of policing and as a result produced the publication entitled 'Christmas Island 1958-1983' covering the period since Australia obtained a mandate to administer the Territory.

To produce a collection of information with supporting photographs in nine months, in time for the 25th anniversary, was quite a task but without the full support of former serving police officers the publication would still be on the drawing board. It is with this support in mind that I make this appeal to all past and serving members of both the former Australian Capital Territory and Commonwealth Police to assist in coming forward with material that can be used either in the AFP Museum and/or in future proposed publications. Indeed any photograph of significance to policing in Australia would be of interest and may be of value in a wider, national context.

I recall when I was on the island I made a similar appeal and suggested Islanders search for photographs that they may have stored in shoe boxes. However, I received a number of comments that the proper place to retain photographs was in albums. So if you do have photographs of interest in your albums (shoe boxes) please come forward to assist us in this all important project. It is important, however, that you endeavour as far as possible to identify both the date, the circumstances, the scene and individuals encaptured in the photos.

In preparation for the anticipated rush, a member of the AFP Museum Committee has been appointed in each Region who will ensure that all photographs contributed will be reproduced and the original/s returned to the owner.

AFP Museum representatives are:
ACT Region: Const. Cheryl Richardson.
Eastern Region: Station Sergeant Vince Dainer.
Southern Region: Senior Sergeant Colin Arnold.
Tasmania Region: Senior Sergeant John Jennings.
Central Region: Inspector Brian Guest.
Western Region: Inspector Richard Maughan.
N.T. Region: Senior Constable Murray Geale.
Northern Region: Senior Constable Ray Bedford.



A typical 'shoe box' find that would interest the AFP Museum, supplied by Senior Sergeant Vern Chandler of himself (far left) on duty on Norfolk Island in 1975.