

Crab Day Memorial

The Association is keen to discover the fate of the 21st Intake "Crab Day" memorial from Balcombe that was built in honour of the two 21st Intake Apprentices who died on Crab Day 1968 (Peter Russell and Joe Pearce). It comprised two mounted guns and a plaque at the C Company flagpole ([see photo](#)). At the time, C Company was at the top of the road that entered the northern end of the Parade Ground.

When the School moved to Bonegilla, it is understood that the plaque was moved to near a stairway in one of the trade buildings. Since the School closed at Bonegilla, the plaque seems to have disappeared.

The guns may be those that are now mounted at the front of the Army Museum at Bandiana ([see photo](#)). If anyone knows what happened to the items from this memorial, or the origin of the guns, please access the FORUM (21st Intake Crab Day Memorial) and place your comments. You'll need to login so, if you don't want to login, then please send an email to the Webmaster.