

2/3 AUSTRALIAN LIGHT ANTI-AIRCRAFT REGIMENT ASSOCIATION.

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The following members paid their subscriptions at the last re-union but their addresses were not recorded. The Secretary would appreciate advice from anyone aware of the address of any on this list -

ADMAN F.  
ARCHER L.B.  
BARRETT MICK.  
BROWN R.E.  
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HARRISON H.  
NEEDS J.W.  
RICHARDS G  
SIM A.J.  
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If you know of any other members who are not receiving the bulletins, let the Secretary have their names and addresses.

Any GG about the chaps is always appreciated and helps to make our bulletins better and brighter.

Finally, help to keep the show going with your sub. If you are not financial for the year ended 31st March 1947, send your 5/- sub. along.

Your Committee takes this opportunity of wishing you the Compliments of the Season.

Yours sincerely,

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Secretary.