

## history & heritage notes

## Lieutenant Colonel Guy BAGOT LVO



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Guy Montague Bagot was born in Sydney in 1946 and was educated at St Ignatius College, Sydney to 1963 and then at the Royal Military College, Duntroon 1964-67. On graduation from RMC he was commissioned into the Royal Australian Infantry Corps.

He served In South Vietnam from October 1968 to December 1969 – initially commanding 8 Platoon C Company 9 RAR, later serving as an ARVN Company Senior Advisor, and then as 2iC and OC of C Coy 9 RAR. On return to Australia, in addition to regimental duties with 8 RAR and 8/9 RAR, he instructed at the Jungle Training Centre, Canungra in the early 1970s and 80s. In 1971, he was appointed Army ADC to the Governor General (Sir Paul Hasluck) for a year (and accompanied His Excellency as the guest of honour at a Club Dinner in that year). He then served in Malaya (commanding the Butterworth rifle company in 1973), and on exchange to Germany and the United Kingdom where he also attended the British Army Staff College, Camberley in 1978/79.

In early 1982, while serving in Army Headquarters, Canberra, he was appointed Equerry to HM The Queen, and later accompanied Her Majesty to Australia for the Royal Tour (including the 1982 Commonwealth Games in Brisbane). His service was recognised by his appointment as a Lieutenant in the Royal Victorian Order (LVO).

He left the Army in 1984 and settled with his wife, Stella, and four daughters in Mudgeeraba. He became a licensed securities dealer, worked in this capacity in the family firm from 1984-1998, and remains chairman.

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He served as the Secretary / General Manager of the United Service Club from 1985-1992. This was a period of considerable change in the Club's long history of which, along with some exceptionally good presidents and committees, he was proud to be a part. He maintains an active interest in the Club's affairs to this day.

For nearly 30 years he has been a senior technical official with Swimming Australia - participating in events at international, national, state and local levels. He was also a Baton Bearer for the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games Relay.



Captain Bagot (centre) as Senior ARVN Advisor in South Vietnam 1969

## During his tenure, Colonel Bagot served Presidents Adams, Brown, Greville, Overett and James

Sources included:

- Interview with Colonel Bagot January 2020
- United Service Club, Queensland: The First Century, 1892-1992 by Flight Lieutenant Murray Adams and Lieutenant Colonel Peter Charlton
- Club Meeting Minutes, Annual Reports and sundry documents