

## THE NSW LANCERS MEMORIAL MUSEUM.

### LANCER BARRACKS PARRAMATTA.

Sunday 25/8/2024.

Even though winter is still with us one could be forgiven for thinking summer had arrived early...26 degrees certainly makes for a lovely day, especially with good company!

Destination today was Lancer Barracks in Parramatta, the longest continuously operational military facility in Australia since colonial days...an enjoyable day was about to happen for all those on hand!



Getting there did pose a few problems for some of our members leading to unguided/misguided tours through Parramatta...sat nav directions were a little hazy...but all arrived safely albeit at staggered times.



Members with John, our informant.

History.

The Barracks was constructed between 1818 and 1820 and is now a Class A National Trust Building.

The Memorial Museum charts the story of the 1<sup>st</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> Royal NSW Lancers from its inception in 1885 'till the present day.

The museum has on display King's banners from 1904 and 1924, the Lancers at war, personal diaries, Turkish maps, saddlery and weapons, a collection of vehicles used by the Regiment since it lost its horses, and much more.





.....and some of us couldn't wait for a free ride!



President and editor.



Cam doing her bit for posterity.

Some of the heritage listed buildings.

Impressive indeed!



Lunch was at the hotel next door and the least said the better but the crew was fed! Nevertheless discussions on many and varied themes ruled supreme, from DNA, food, elections et alia!



....and some of ours.



Another fun and sociable outing was experienced by all.



Thanks once again to our vice president and events director, the inimitable Mark Hertz.

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