



VIETNAM VETERANS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA SOUTH AUSTRALIA BRANCH INCORPORATED

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Darryl Knapp Memorial Education Bursary

Introduction

1. There are many children of Vietnam veterans who are finding it very difficult to continue higher education because of the lack of funds, and in a number of cases their education ceases altogether because of insufficient financial support. These children deserve the same opportunities as other members of the community. To assist in some small way the State Branch funds a \$2000 per annum education bursary.
2. The aim of this AI is to provide sufficient information to all VVAA members so that it is clearly understood how the bursary will be funded and what the selection criteria will be.

Detail

Bursary Title

3. The bursary has been named after Darryl Knapp who served with 6 RAR in Vietnam and who was instrumental in getting the funding for this Bursary prior to his death on the 12th June 2004.

Funding Arrangements

4. The AVCAT Scheme will set aside an appropriate amount each year.

Eligibility Criteria

5. To be eligible to receive the bursary the individual must have applied for the Australian Veteran Children Assistance Trust Scheme (AVCAT) on the approved application form and meet the need for assistance criteria.

Selection Process

6. The objective of the Australian Veteran Children Assistance Trust Scheme (AVCAT) is to enable recipients to obtain the qualifications needed, appropriate to their abilities, to enter their selected career. Because of the limited funds available there are more applicants than eventual recipients of Trust grants; therefore, the Trust selection committee will recommend a South Australian applicant worthy of assistance but unsuccessful for a Trust grant because of insufficient funds. The State Executive, under normal circumstances will accept the (AVCAT) recommendation.

Bursary Payments

7. Subject to State Executive approval of the AVCAT recommendation at the February State Executive meeting, the State Secretary will advise the successful applicant of their selection and together with the funding amount as provide by AVCAT is to be enclosed with the letter. The recipient is also to be advised that a certificate presentation evening will be conducted in May followed by a further grant in July subject to confirmation that the recipient is continuing his or her education.

Duration of Bursary

8. The current recipient of the VVAA State Branch Education Bursary will automatically continue to receive the grant each year of their studies subject to confirmation of satisfactory progress. The payments will cease on the completion of the approved course of education or on failure to continue with the approved studies.

Selection of further applicants

9. Owing to limited funds the VVAA bursary will only apply to one student at a time. Therefore, there will be no further selection required until the current recipient completes their course of training or fails to continue with their approved studies. In either event, the State Secretary will advise the selectors of the Vietnam Veterans Trust Education Assistance Scheme that a further candidate for the VVAA South Australian Branch, Darryl Knapp Memorial Education Bursary can now be selected.

Authority

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