

## MEDIA ALERT Saturday, 22 October, 2016

## Descendants of local WW1 servicemen to meet for first time

Descendants of more than 200 servicemen whose names appear on an historic World War One honour board will meet for the first time today.

Marion Council has brought together more than 80 descendants of servicemen listed on the Edwardstown Honour Board for an event at Warradale Barracks following an Australia-wide search.

The event will include a display of photographs of servicemen and their war records. Serving soldiers will read out stories they have researched about nine of the servicemen.

Descendants will also share stories during morning tea and have been invited to bring memorabilia, including medals and letters.

The event is being held in the lead up to *A Day on the Khaki Green* which will showcase army vehicles and equipment and include entertainment and food stalls.

The event also commemorates the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of the Somme.

A full list of the 206 servicemen named on the board can be viewed on the City of Marion website marion.sa.gov.au

**WHAT:** More than 80 descendants of World War One

servicemen will share stories, view photographs, war records, presentations and the honour board

**WHEN:** Today, Saturday, 22 October. Presentation

from 10.30am to 11am followed by morning tea

**WHERE:** Warradale Barracks – Stan Watson Building,

Oaklands Rd, Oaklands Park

WHO: Descendants of servicemen, serving soldiers and

City of Marion staff who researched servicemen's

records, RSM Andrew Crook

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