

**Operation Crown Association (OCA)  
Constitution, Aim & Key Objective  
(Amended 2 April 2017)**

**Background**

1. The OCA was formally established in March 2011, at the National Arboretum Staffordshire, by a group of service veterans who had served on Operation and/or Post Crown during 1963-68 in NE Thailand.
2. It was agreed that full membership of the OCA was to be attained by a one-off fee, which would include the issue of an OCA lapel pin badge. This fee was initially set at £10 but would be reviewed annually by the Committee and currently stands at £15. Associate members would also be welcome without fee payment but would not have any voting rights.

**The Committee**

3. It was proposed and agreed that the Committee, as a minimum, would consist of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Webmaster, albeit any one member of the Committee could hold two or more of these appointments if circumstances dictated.
4. Further members, or their partners, may be voted on to the Committee at any time, on a temporary basis if necessary, to overcome additional responsibilities such as Event Management and Branded Merchandise Procurement & Sales.

**Aim**

5. The aim of the Association is to re-unite all those UK, Australian & New Zealand servicemen who had served together in NE Thailand on Operation and/or Post Crown during 1963-68  
This is to be achieved by means of:
  - a. A website and any related media supplemented by personal networking
  - b. The marketing, selling and wearing of promotional branded clothing, and
  - c. Well-advertised reunion events with, ideally, three per year in both the UK and Thailand with one of these including an AGM and Treasurers Report.

**Key Objective**

6. The key objective of the Association is to become belatedly recognised by both the UK and Thailand Governments for the valuable work and contribution made towards Thailand's development programme and the country's local community during a period of communist insurgency and embryonic political unrest with targeted assassinations. In the event of Government recognition failing, the production of a Commemorative Medal by the OCA is to be considered.

**Funding**

7. Association funding would be sourced from membership fees, merchandise profits, raffles, voluntary contributions and donations with a bank account being opened with HSBC, Salisbury. The account was transferred to Lloyds, Hanley in Oct 2016.

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