

THE TRACKERS



Laraine Glocke

I was 17 when I was employed as equipment operator at the STADAN (Satellite Tracking and Data Acquisition Network). The primary function of the Goddard Range and Range Rate System was to provide precise range, range rate, and angular data for the orbit determination of satellites and spacecraft in the region from near earth to lunar distances and beyond. I truly hope you will enjoy meeting and listening to our Trackers and have a wonderful weekend.



Col Foster

I joined the Carnarvon Tracking Station (CRO) in mid 1968 as an equipment operator. I was assigned to the section that tracked the Manned Space Flight Network, that being Unified "S" Band or otherwise known as USB. My duties were to operate 5 recorders that logged all the major events of the Apollo, Alsep & Skylab tracks or any other space craft listed by NASA to track. I did my time from 1968 to 1974 and enjoyed every single day at CRO.



Lorraine Sartori
(nee Rooney)

I was employed on 19th March 1964 as an Administrative Assistant. My duties included recruitment, security clearances, transport rosters and numerous other tasks including ordering meals from the Port Hotel for the Courier to deliver to site. Only now do I realise just how important our role was in those days. Back in July 1969 when I was assisting the NASA Doctor monitoring the machine recording Neil Armstrong's heartbeat, blood pressure and respiration rate, I never really thought much about it.



Tito Teraci

I worked at the Tracking Station from 1964 to 1975 as a Test Equipment Technician, calibrating and repairing over 1200 pieces of Test Equipment plus RF Command Antenna Console Operator 1964-1966. 1966 – 1975, Xerox Technician. I was one of the last three in 1975 who walked out of the Carnarvon Tracking Station Gates for the last time. "An End of an Era".