

MEDIA RELEASE



The Hon **David Hawker** MP
Federal Member for Wannon



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SEND A MESSAGE TO THE TROOPS

As Western Victorians get into the full swing of the festive season, Federal Member for Wannon, David Hawker, is urging us to remember those Australians serving in wars waging in different parts of the globe.

“The men and women of the Australian Defence Force are doing an amazing job and many of them will be away from their families for Christmas,” Mr Hawker said.

“We have troops serving in trouble spots like Afghanistan, East Timor and the Solomon Islands.

“You can show your support and send goodwill over the Christmas season by sending a message to the troops via email at messagesothetroops@defence.gov.au.

“Messages can also be faxed to (02) 6266 7701. The fax and the email are managed by the Department of Defence,” Mr Hawker said.

“At this time of year it is especially important to remind our troops they are in our thoughts.”

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