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## **Cooee South Australia – Become a digital volunteer**

Almost one hundred years ago **Coo-ee** was the message as South Australians were called to enlist to fight for King and Country at the outbreak of World War 1.

Today The State Library of South Australia launches a campaign calling for volunteers who will contribute to the commemoration of the Centenary of ANZAC.

The digital volunteers will have first-hand experience of the history of World War 1, as they participate in an online initiative to correct, tag and enhance the reports in South Australian newspapers published during the Great War. The State Library's collection is digitised and available in the National Library's Trove, where the volunteers will discover historic photographs, articles, and books.

"This initiative provides the South Australian community with an opportunity to gain new insights into the Great War, and at the same time as valued volunteers provide a service that benefits the Library and the rest of world through the internet. This continues the spirit of volunteering founded in the first Coo-ee" said Director of the State Library Mr Alan Smith.

Manager, Online Projects Andrew Piper said "We're calling on South Australians to contribute to the Centenary of ANZAC by inviting people to get started with digital volunteering and work on some of our World War I collections. By correcting text of South Australian newspapers in Trove, to help make digital collections more visible and accessible online so that everyone can use and share them, now and in the future. Unlike the first World War 1 volunteers the digital volunteer requires a computer with internet access. This also means that no matter where the citizen resides, they can contribute to the end result."

**Cooee South Australia** is an ongoing project that will present some of the most exciting and treasured collections for volunteers to engage with and share their unique knowledge and stories online. For more information on how to get involved, find "Cooee South Australia" on [www.slsa.sa.gov.au](http://www.slsa.sa.gov.au) or email:

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### **MEDIA NOTE:**

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**Photograph opportunities to be arranged with Andrew Piper**

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**Attached: Collection Poster**