

SIMON SAUER, AM CSC

MATES4MATES CEO | BIO

Simon Sauer joined Mates4Mates after serving for 26 years with the Permanent Air Force.

He joined the Air Force in 1989 and graduated from the Royal Military College (of Australia) Dec 1990. Serving in a range of positions up and down the East Coast of Australia with postings to Amberley (Brisbane), Holsworthy & Moorebank (Sydney), Canberra and East Sale. Simon saw operational service in Kuwait, East Timor and Afghanistan.

He was made a Member of the Order of Australia in the January 2010 Australia Day honours', after previously being awarded the Conspicuous Service Cross in the June 2006 Queen's Birthday honours'

Simon served as the Commanding Officer of Operational and Training Units at RAAF Base Amberley. He spent most of the period 2004 to 2015 training and preparing predominantly Air Force Security personnel for domestic and offshore Security tasks and operations. This culminated with Simon serving as the last Base Commander of the Airbase at Tarin Kowt in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan - during the drawdown and withdrawal of Coalition Forces over the period Jul to Dec 2013.

Simon's last job in the RAAF was as the Chief of Staff / Deputy Commander, Combat Support Group.

He has a Master's Degree in Management (Defence Studies).

In June 2015, Simon commenced as the Chief Executive Officer of Mates4Mates, transferring to the Air Force Reserve in July 2015.

ABOUT MATES4MATES

- Mates4Mates supports current and ex-serving Australian Defence Force members (and their families) who have physical or psychological wounds, injuries or illnesses as a result of their service.
- The Mates4Mates' Mission is to provide enduring physical and psychological support to the Military Family.
- Mates4Mates is a not-for-profit charity initiated by RSL (Queensland Branch) and is an independent, apolitical and non-religious organisation.

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