

# Destination Australia

## Post WW II Odysseys

### of Polish Soldiers



An exhibition telling the little known story of comradeship and friendship forged in Tobruk in 1941 between Polish and Australian soldiers and which impacted on Australia's post-war migration.

**Open from Sunday, 18 August 2019 to 25 August 2019**  
**11 am to 3 pm**

**At Tobruk House**  
**44 Victoria Avenue, Albert Park, VIC 3206**

**Free entry**

In 1947/48 Australia accepted 1,500 Polish military who were part of the Polish free forces in the UK and who decided not to return to Poland which was in the Soviet sphere of influence. Thanks to the lobbying and support of the Australian Rats of Tobruk on behalf of their comrades in arms in 1941, this special group of men were the prelude to the large post war migration of displaced Poles to Australia. This exhibition presents the little known story of Australian-Polish relations.

**Polish Museum and Archives in Australia**

**Rats of Tobruk Association**

