



106 Fd Wksp RAEME Association Inc.

Unit Reunion

Hobart

3rd-5th October 2014



PICTORIAL REPORT

106 FD WKSP RAEME ASSOC Inc - HOBART REUNION IN PHOTOS

Some Photos from the Meet and Greet – Friday 3rd October 2014



Peter Hull

Pat & Rosemary Downey



Left to right: Frank Owen Margaret Wauer
Matt & Val Lawson

Frank was re-elected to the Association Management Committee at our AGM.
(Frank is Adelaide based)

Testimonial from the Website Forum (So well put – saves me having to pen this myself)

To Pat and Rosemary

You did a great job of the reunion despite not having a lot of help and your serious health problems. Dee and I thoroughly enjoyed meeting up with so many who we only see at reunions, but that is the whole point. The Meet & Greet, Dinner and Peppermint Bay lunch were all most enjoyable and despite Dee not being all that well, we both really enjoyed the weekend in Hobart and the accommodation at Wrest Point.

Notwithstanding the above, it was still good to get back home and even the 5 hour layover in Melbourne Airport was bearable.

For your information, Dee is slowly improving but it will be a few days yet before she is able to enjoy good health I fear.

Now we will look to the future, Frankston in 2016 and Brisbane for ANZAC Day 2018. John, I hope that your plans fall into place and you are able to successfully negotiate our place in the ANZAC Day March.

Best regards to all and age gracefully.

Frank and Dee Owen

12/10/2014



Fudd Varga

Ollie Wauer



Len Herron

Doug Goetze

Brian Carter

The Meet and Greet

Pat and Rosemary Downey welcomed all the visitors to the Meet and Greet Function on Friday 4th October. The function was held in the Derwent Room of the Wrest Point Casino Hotel. The facilities were good, the hosts were gracious, the visitors were happy, the food was good, the service excellent – so it made for a great social night.



Another happy Lot.....left to right
Laurie and Gay Clark
Terry and Dot Dillon
Lou Schafferius



Left to right
Milton & Wendy Pearson, Fran Varga Deidre Owen

Milton was re-elected to the Association Management Committee and volunteered as the lead organiser for the next reunion in 2016.
 (Based Mornington Pen. Vic)



Ned Schafferius
 Wake up Ned!



Reg Brown Terry Jeisman Noel Newton
 He did it.....



Dennis Norman (Magic) Kevin Cuneo



Peter Hull Norm Daley

Magic

Dennis was invited to put on a "magic" performance at the Dinner function on the Saturday night. I cannot report that the performance was breathtaking but I can say he was extremely well received despite the friendly barbs he received from the audience during his performance.

Thanks a million Magic.



Frank Maloney

Allan Butler



Rolly Lanham

Ned Schafferius

Blue Saunders



Dennis Norman and wife Pam

Dennis was re-elected as Webmaster on the Management Committee at our AGM.
(Dennis is Sydney based)



John Strachan

John was re-elected as the Association President at our AGM
(John is Brisbane based)



The Venue at Wrest Point Casino Hotel

It wasn't five star, but...

The function room was great – plenty of room and all the facilities needed like audio visual, bar (most important) etc. It was a place where we felt we could be casual and comfortable. The accommodation was very good, the various dining areas were all good, the gaming facilities provided a welcome distraction at times and the hotel service generally was first class.

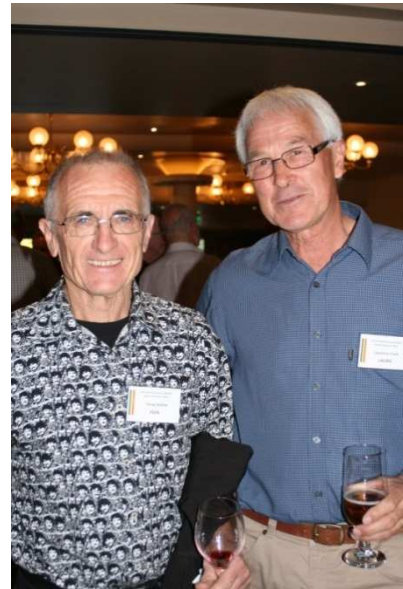
Very good venue selection. Thank you Wrest Point.



Ian Campbell

Pam Norman

Liz Campbell



Doug Goetze

Laurie Clark



**Left
David Boyes**

**Right
Ian Currey**



Jean and Max Farrow

Kerry & Steve Cartner

Jean & Kerry



At the Reunion Dinner, Steve presented a booklet that he had compiled on the Long Son patrol in 1970. There will more on the website on this later on. Thanks Steve.



Left to Right
Susan & Tony Stafford
Steve Cartner **Phil Bond**

Phil was re-elected Secretary/Treasurer of the Association at our AGM (Phil lives in Brisbane)

Steve was elected to the Association Management Committee (Mandurah, WA based).



Ron & Kath Coxon



Front: Frank Ellingham **Back : Alan & Eleanor Culph**
Allan Tonkin **Tony Hannan**

The Management Committee's thanks are extended to **Ron and Kath Coxon** for their support for Pat and Rosemary Downey in preparing everything for the very successful Hobart reunion. Because of their experience in the management of major veteran associations over many years their advice and direct assistance was invaluable. Well done Ron and Kath.



Left to right across both photos:
John Hynes **Bruce Sansom** **Geoff Smith** **John Bailey** **Helen & John Dusting**

John Bailey was re-elected Assistant Secretary/Treasurer on the Association Management Committee at our AGM. (John is Brisbane based)



Left to right across both photos:
Ned Schafferius Rolly Lanham

(Need names please)

Getting Fed by
Hotel staff



Barbara & Graham Bleakley Enzo Iannuzzi



Left to right: Colleen Carter Lorraine Newton
Allan & Margaret Butler

Apologies to those who I have missed in the photo taking – a few, but I think some were seriously avoiding me. Next time or send a photo in.

The photos above show everyone was in fine spirits. The feel of the night WAS very, very good.

Reunion Dinner (Saturday 4th October)

The Dinner also went extremely well.

There were the normal speeches, some slide shows, a presentation by Steve Cartner and some words volunteered by Max Farrow and John Hulls.

Thanks to those who presented.

To see some photos taken at the dinner click [here](#) to take you to a slide presentation compiled by Dennis Norman.

The Management Committee again thanks Pat and Rosemary Downey, with assistance from Ron and Kath Coxon, for organising two great nights.

Peppermint Bay Cruise (Sunday 5th October)

The following photos are a selection from the cruise.

Another well organised and pleasant event.

Thanks again Pat and Rosemary for suggesting and organising this one.

OFF TO PEPPERMINT BAY SUNDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2014



On our way to Peppermint Bay



Graeme Truscott

**Some Tourists
It really wasn't that cold? Cool but not cold.**





Enjoying the sights?



Tourists or deck hands?



Nearly at the Bay



Arrived



A really sumptuous Lunch



The grounds at the tourist facility at Peppermint Bay

AGM at the Reunion Venue (Saturday 4th October 2014)

Every two years we conduct our AGM during the Unit reunion because we get a good roll up of our paid up members. This was again the case this year.

In summary, the Association is in good shape and its priority remains the widening of the membership to other than Vietnam veterans. Our new website is designed as a tool to be more useable for the younger brigade but does not exclude the past historical record for the older members.

Attending members were given a presentation of the features of the new website by Fudd Varga and Dennis Norman. The site is now live and for sure there will be some teething problems as is usually the case with all things new.

We resolved to conduct a reunion in 2016 at a new facility in Frankston (Victoria's turn) with CSM Milton Pearson heading the call as organiser. The reunion will be later in November – clear of school holidays and the Melbourne Cup. More on this down the track.

We also indicated that we will aim to conduct the 50th anniversary of the foundation of 106 in Brisbane hopefully in conjunction with 106 Fd Wksp 7 CSSB; a little earlier than the 1 November establishment date, possibly by a combined association/unit assembly in the Brisbane Anzac Day March in April 2018. Again, more later after some negotiations are concluded.

Our 2014/2015 committee remains unchanged. All are mentioned in the text in this report except for Claude Palmer (Brisbane) who was unable to attend this reunion.

Thanks to the Committee and all the other helpers for this event.

John Strachan
President

13/10/2014

AT WREST POINT CASINO HOTEL HOBART TASMANIA 3-5 October 2014

