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SOLDIER and CRAFTSMAN

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## **Les Bailey – Life Member – 100 years young Les shares his birthday with the Corps of RAEME – 1<sup>st</sup> December**



*Les cuts the Birthday Cake assisted by COL John Lee (Retd)*

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi fellow Spanners, in July 2010 I made reference to the short amount of time left before the AGM and this year is no different. Where did this year go? Our Anzac activities were an improvement on last years, and the reunion held the week before Anzac Day due to it also being Easter was better attended Than previous years and also attracted some of the Vietnam fellas who indicated that they did not know that it was such a good event and that they would be back next year. The march a week later was well attended and despite our efforts to provide details of the association to both the RSL and the ABC the TV commentator still failed to get it right. We were also joined on the march by Brigadier Polly Morans son ,who indicated that he never knew his father being called Polly. Despite our efforts to find the reason for this nickname we were not able to find its origins but no doubt it came from the time that he commanded the 2/2 Advanced Field Workshop as a Major.during WW2.

Our Plaques have now been mounted at our new tree at the shrine and look good mounted on the new concrete plinths and when the new leaves appear in the spring (the tree being deciduous) it will look even better.

The Presidents Lunch held on the 22 May at the Clayton RSL was well attended and included 7 widows as guests of the President and a good time was had by all. Could we please ask that members reply by the nominated date to enable the caterer to set up and serve the required number of meals without us constantly amending the attendances. This is essential as now we are not able to use military accommodation or stores and have to utilise service clubs to meet our requirements.

The week after Anzac day on the Sunday I attended the Jewish Ex Service Assoc. Anzac commemoration service at Mt Scopus College which was also attended by the Chief Of Army an ex student of mine from the AAS Balcombe, and also the Surgeon General of the Army (a reservist Maj Gen) and Maj Gen F.E Poke Comd 3 Div Retd. and then was requested to lay a wreath on behalf of the association and have my photo taken with this high ranking group .

In June I represented the association at the RACT/RAASC pilgrimage to the shrine along with Alan Rogers and Bruce Williams and renewed many old friendships from the Sturt St Depot.

Your committee and I have spent many hours in responding to the newly appointed President of the RAEME Association commenting on his proposals in regard to how the national association should work and which we feel are at variance to the Corps Instructions. This an ongoing project.

Finally to Reserve Day Parade will have been held on

the 3<sup>rd</sup> July at the Shrine by the time the Flash is published and I trust that you will have supported the Association on this important day in our calendar. Many thanks to the committee and their wives for the assistance they have given me during the past 9 months and also to Pat Marley for putting up with my lack of computer skills. (But I am Learning...Slowly) Arte et Marte

**John Boothroyd**  
President

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

**ANZAC Day Reunion:** The Anzac Day Reunion was held at the Clayton RSL, It was pleasing to see several Vietnam Veterans in attendance, we can only hope that more members will attend these days in the future.

**ANZAC Day March:** The Association was again invited to attend the after March function run by the Sgts Mess Victoria Barracks.

Our appreciation to CPL Peter Zimmerman from 3 Rec Coy for being our driver for the day allowing members to have a small drink or two, the transport vehicle was once again supplied by 3 Rec Coy which was appreciated by our members

Several members who were unable to walk travelled in the vehicle.

We understand that the VBSM supplied the BBQ for a gold coin donation with the money being donated to a charity.

**The Presidents Luncheon;** Approximately 50 members and their wife's attended with the deceased Association members widows being the guest of the President, it was great to see two ex-serving WW1 AEME ladies in attendance.

**Alan Rogers**  
Secretary



## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

It is that time of the year again when we send out the reminders for the annual dues.

Fortunately the dues have remain the same for some years due to the good management of the Association's funds by the Committees of Management, both current and past.

All we ask is prompt payment on receipt of your account.

**Gus Allen**  
Membership Officer

## WELFARE REPORT

The following members are reported sick:

Ed Sullivan,  
Ken Beatty,  
James Carnes,  
Peter Bassett,  
Ian McGrath,  
John Talbot,  
Ray Cuddehy,  
John Dean,  
Aldo Gerzina

Lyle Butling is now out of hospital and recovering from his operation.

**Dennis Clarke**  
Welfare Officer



## BANDIANA CHAPTER REPORT

Since the last Flash was published there have been no activities in our Chapter. A number of our members have gone north for the winter, or overseas, or cruising the Pacific or a combination of those.

We will encourage our members to attend the Corps Conference activities on 19 – 21 October in particular:

19 Oct – All Ranks BBQ;

20 Oct – Officers Dinner; and

21 Oct WO/SNCOs Dinner.

Our Annual Dinner will be on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November at the SS & A Club in Albury.

**Andy Turner**  
President: Bandiana Chapter



**Geoff Doak**  
28 January 2011

**David Lambert**  
15 April 2011  
Served Vietnam A Squadron 3  
Cav LAD 1968 - VM

**Major Stewart Meiklejohn**  
11<sup>th</sup> Intake Army Apprentice  
Electrician  
28 March 2011

**WO1 Anthony (Tony) Kendrick**  
11th May aged 84

**Malcolm (Mal) Bugg**  
April 2011

**Shirley Foord (wife of Rex)**  
22 June 2011

## SOCIAL REPORT

### President's Luncheon

The past few months have been slow from the point of view of social Activities, but in saying that you will note here & elsewhere there are reports relating to the **Presidents Luncheon** and in our humble opinion it went well and was also well attended and from what we hear it was enjoyed by all. The George Foster room at the Clayton Sub-Branch was well appointed with excellent atmosphere, good food, beverages and excellent service as well from the staff, all part of the day.

One thing that was really well received was the amount of apologies both from members and widows for this day so with our continued notifications to members, it appears that they are being read and this is good stuff.

### ANZAC DAY FUNCTIONS

But indeed prior to that we had our **ANZAC Day functions**. Wreaths were laid at the Clayton RSL ANZAC Day Service and the Dawn Service, also held at Clayton RSL. After the Dawn Service a very hearty gun-fire breakfast was supplied by the Sub-Branch and on completion we headed off to the March in Melbourne.

We had a reasonable turn up for the March and afterwards many of us headed into Victoria Barracks where we enjoyed a lovely sunny afternoon with a BBQ lunch supplied by the Vic Barracks Sergeants Mess and at a very small charge for beverages of most types were available. Our numbers grew again this year and hopefully the trend will continue as the pleasant afternoon in Victoria Barracks was most enjoyable and we thank the PMC **WO1 Stuart Todd, his Committee and Members** for their hospitality. So come along next year if you are attending the March but remember you don't need to march to come to the Barracks, just let us know and arrangements will be made **for you or your family to gain entrance and enjoy the comradeship of the members attending the barracks**. (But read the notices published prior to ANZAC Day). This note relates to all of our Chapters as well and for those in Country Victoria or the RAEME Vietnam Association members of whom we had a good roll-up to the barracks this year. If you are in Melbourne at that time and wish to March with the Association or the Vietnam boys let us know and you will be made most welcome. **Remember at all ANZAC Day functions we encourage our members to bring your family & friends if you wish.**

### AGM SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

The AGM is to be held in the **"George Foster Room" at the Clayton RSL Sub-Branch (Just two minutes walk from Clayton Station if you need to use public transport)** as we did last year and lunch will again be in the Members bar and provided at no cost to members.

Beverages of course can be purchased and to obtain members discounts for bar prices be sure to bring your RSL card with you. The date for this event is Sunday the **28<sup>th</sup> August and the club opens at 11.00am onwards** more on that in other parts of the News letter.

### BUS TRIP OCTOBER 2011

At the moment we are now in the process of organising the bus trip for later in the year. The trip is to be over 3 days (**Monday 10<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> October 2011**) (Details and Itinerary are included in this Lightning Flash) We have some advanced bookings (10 all told) as we compile this report and hopefully we can get our numbers this time as a lot of work has gone into organising and planning a trip for all to enjoy. The motel has been booked for us and as you will note breakfast and dinners are included as well as entrance fees to various locations. All-in-all this trip is **great value for money**. (See the included Itinerary). When we know who is attending we will do our utmost to arrange parking but for those in the Northern suburbs, and you know you are coming, the earlier we hear from you the more chance we have of arranging parking for vehicles hopefully at Broadmeadows (**Maygar Barracks**).

Those coming from the Eastern & Southern suburbs arrangements have already been made for parking of vehicles at **The South Eastern Masonic Centre 270 Hutton Road Keysborough** and you need to advise Sandra or myself on making your booking that parking is required. You will need to have your vehicle located in the centre prior to 7.30am. Once all is in place and we know who is going and where they reside we may be able to arrange other pick up points and rest assured we will do the best we can for all.

**Remember Family & friends are also welcome to come along on this trip.**

### LATE REPOSE TO FUNCTIONS

One of the disappointing things is the late response from some members for various functions and although **cut-off dates are clearly placed in our notices** for good reason, a number of members seem to overlook them. We must point out that although we do all in our power to support late comers, there will come a time when if you book after the cut of date we may have to say **"sorry it's too late"** and then it puts us in an embarrassing position of saying too late and then being criticized for not taking a late booking, so we urge you to please read the information we pass on and make your bookings prior to the cut of date to avoid disappointment. (Cut-off dates are there for a purpose and normally not set by us.)

**RAEME BIRTHDAY DINNER**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER 2011**

Later in the next Lightning Flash we will talk about the Birthday Dinner. This year it is moved to the first Friday in December being the 2<sup>nd</sup>, this is the closest date to the RAEME Birthday. Place it in your diaries now and come along and enjoy. The venue is still being considered.

As this is the last social report before the AGM, **Sandra and I would like to thank all those members who have supported us during the past year.** Being involved in the social side of the Association (Although not new to us over the years) is still frustrating and to organise functions to suit 400 odd members is not an easy task as our Chapter Committees would agree. But to those who get behind our social activities you are the back bone of the Association and as above, Sandra and I say thank you for your support and hopefully each year with your help we will grow socially. Not sure yet if we are continuing on but over the coming weeks (all committee positions become vacant). Perhaps somebody with fresh ideas may like to nominate for this position. Both Sandra & I will come to a conclusion as to our further commitment to the task of social conveners during the ensuing weeks ahead, but whatever the case may be you should support your Association where ever you can as we will continue to do so in whatever capacity we hold (if any) with the Association now and into the future.

So see you at the AGM and on the bus trip to Warrnambool in October.

**ARTE et MARTE**  
**Bruce & Sandra Williams**  
**Social Conveners**

**Changing Address?**

**Mailing address or email address:**

All members are requested to notify the  
 Membership Officer Gus Allen of any changes

Phone 9802 5460

email; [gus\\_allen@bigpond.com](mailto:gus_allen@bigpond.com)

**Illness or Deceased:**

Notify either:

Dennis Clarke Phone 9848 6717

email: [eastern.auto@optusnet.com.au](mailto:eastern.auto@optusnet.com.au)

Or Alan Rogers Phone 9704 6700

email: [raeme.assn.vic@bigpond.com](mailto:raeme.assn.vic@bigpond.com)

**BLUEBELL**  
**VIET NAM VETERANS**  
**SOUTHERN CHAPTER**

**ANZAC REUNION**

ANZAC Re- Union held at Clayton RSL. saw a group of Viet Nam Vets swapping stories. Andrew Stilo travelled down from Kangaroo Flat and Terry O'Neill came cross town from Reservoir by train via the City.

**ANZAC DAY MARCH**

Great to see a good turn up of Veterans for the March, followed by the Re-Union at Victoria Barracks. Food and drink was a gold coin donation.

Great Value and an even better venue, sitting outside and enjoying the sunshine.

**The Opening of Stage One of the Viet Nam Veterans Commemorative Walk**

Around 500 people turned out for the official opening on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2011 at 2.30 pm.

This new Community Project will see all 62,100 names of service and women who served in Australia's longest war inscribed on the Memorial.

Victorian Minister for Veterans Affairs Hugh Delahunty mentioned the \$1.2 million committed to Stage Two of the development by the Government in his address. He along with Major General David McLachlan cut the ribbon to open the Commemorative Walk.

The local Member for Seymour, Cindy McLeish and Major General Peter Haddad unveiled the memorial cairn, which was adorned by four wreaths to commemorate Australians who fought and died in Viet Nam.

The assembled crowd was also addressed by Mitchell VVAA President Ross Stewart, Shire Mayor Graeme Coppel and Major General David McLachlan who also delivered The Ode.

Congratulations to the Mitchell Viet Nam Veterans in conjunction with the Mitchell Shire Council. You can help support by buying either a single paver for \$50, family double paver for \$100-00 or business paver for \$150-00.

**Presidents Luncheon**

It was held at Clayton RSL and a number of our widows attended.

Some had travelled down from the country to be there. Many thanks to our Social Secretary Bruce and his wife Sandra who do a great job organizing these events.

### **The Geelong VVAA Drop In Centre**

51 Swinborne Street Geelong North - Beside the Marine Center Open Hours 10.00 AM - 3.00 PM  
The Centre Manager is another RAEME Bluebell, Andy Treffry.

Vice President of Geelong VVAA is Les Harris who is also a Bluebell. Our last general meeting was held here and was well attended by members and several wives. We discussed looking at a number of banners for the workshops and LADs that served in Viet Nam. If the ANZAC Day March Committee, eventually decide to have us in vehicles for the March, we need to have our Viet Nam serving units represented by at least a banner. Following the meeting we dined at Geelong RSL.

**Next General Meeting - Wed 14<sup>th</sup> September  
Belgrave - Upwey RSL @ 1030 Hrs**

### **Viet Nam Veterans Week**

March at the Shrine Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup> of August  
1030 - 1130 Hrs. Marchers Form Up @ Northern Forecourt. No Gunfire Breakfast.. The Theme for 2011 V V Day will be RAAF Helicopter Ops.

**Viet Nam Service & RAEME Plaque Dedication at  
The Austin Repatriation Hospital Remembrance  
Garden Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August @ 10.30 AM**  
*(subject to confirmation)*

### **RE-UNION NOTICES**

**1Field Squadron Workshop = Melbourne ANZAC  
Week 2013**

**17 Construction Squadron Workshop = 2011- A 4 day Cruise out  
of Sydney.**

**1 Armoured Regiment LAD = Adelaide – Glenelg  
October 2011 Russell Cunningham - 5766 2413**

**102 Field Workshop = “Avondale” 601 Bray’s  
Road Gunnuawarra 30<sup>th</sup> September 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>  
October, 2011 Noel Lake - 03 5456 9246**

**1 Div S&T Workshop = Mildura March 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup>  
2012**

**Dennis Clarke: President**

## **FLAG PASSED TO NEW GENERATION**

Former Association President Geoff Maggs’ grandson Sean Maggs holding the RAEME flag at the front of the ANZAC Parade on the Serpentine/ Jarrahdale Shire Anzac Parade through Byford this year.

Also shown is Geoff’s old Ford Jailbar army truck that has been restored and brought out every ANZAC Day for the parade.



## LES BAILEY – LIFE MEMBER 100 YEARS YOUNG

Les was made a Life Member of the RAEME Association Vic Inc on the 26<sup>th</sup> August 2001.

Les celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday on the 1<sup>st</sup> December 2010 with family and friends and is the oldest member of the RAEME Association Vic Inc and is probably the elder statesman of the RAEME Associations nationally.



*Les with Wife Hazel at his  
100<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration*

### As told by LES

I was called up for universal training in 1927 and declared **unfit**. Later, I was called up again in 1928 and this time accepted as medically fit. Part of the training was an 8 day camp at Seymour in March 1928.

I took on the job as assistant cook with 14<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion. The camp cooking sites consisted of an Aldershot Oven, several rows of Dixie trench fire places & rows of 12 gallon Sewer Coppers fuelled by half green wood. Cooks at that time were paid extra duty pay 'and they earned it.

1928 was the final year of Universal Training as a change of Government abolished it and later introduced Militia Training on a voluntary basis. I was glad to see the end of Universal Training as most of us were treated badly.

I'll never know why, but one day I walked into the drill hall and joined the Militia. What a difference to be treated like a human being. I had a good life with the Militia, mainly in Cook Houses and treks with the old horse drawn

Cooker running behind stoking the fire box and working the brakes up and down the hills. A couple of highlights were taking over the of the Queenscliff Barracks and mounting a guard at night.

The Garrison Artillery was still there then, I would have loved to join them, but I had no hope, not being tall enough for starters.

The funeral of the late famous Captain Albert Jacka VC MC was a memorable occasion as I played a major part at the graveside and still attend the pilgrimages each year at the St Kilda Cemetery in Dandenong Rd

With the great depression in the 1930's, many lives changed including mine, at one stage I became a 'Swaggie' and my Army experience helped me through that hard time

During the war I served in New Guinea and Bougainville as a cook with my Battalion or attached to HQ 3 Div

After WW11 I enlisted in 105 Infantry Workshop on the 14<sup>th</sup> Sept 1948 at Powlett St East Melbourne as a Pte Cook & was promoted Cpl Cook 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov 1948. On 26<sup>th</sup> July 1950 I was promoted and became a Sergeant Caterer. I was later transferred to 3 Div Column RAASC Sturt St South Melbourne and for a short time was acting WO2 Cook. On 9<sup>th</sup> Sept 1954 I was transferred from 3 Fd Regt to 105 Inf Wksp Chapel St East St Kilda as Sergeant Cook. I was pleased to be back team as I had some of the best years of my life with RAEME.

## THANKS FOR SPANNER PACKS

This is just a short note to express the thanks of the Technical Support Troop for the gifts received in the Spanner Packs. I have attached some photographs of the opening and hope that they may help convey the gratitude we feel.

Even in this day and age, the soldiers still get a kick out of receiving traditional mail, and when it is filled with such 'goodies' as you provided it is especially welcomed. This may seem late, but I hope it does not diminish our thanks; the post does take some time to reach us, and the arrival of the packs was spread out over a couple of weeks.

Again, thanks for your and your supporter's generosity and support.

**Trent Groves**  
CAPTAIN



## *RAEME Craftsman Port*

\$20

2011

Commemorating the  
25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

(1986 - 2011)

of the presentation of the  
**RAEME PRICE PHILIP  
BANNER**

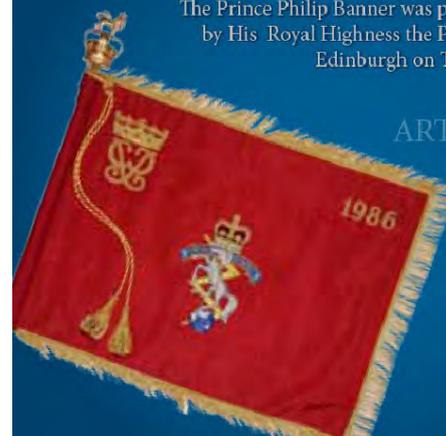
**CRAFTSMAN  
PORT**

1986-2011

RAEME PRICE PHILIP BANNER  
25TH ANNIVERSARY

The Prince Philip Banner was presented to the Corps  
by His Royal Highness the Prince Philip, Duke of  
Edinburgh on Tuesday, 20 May 1986,  
at Bandiana.

ARTE ET MARTE



750ml

This year's RAEME Craftsman Port is a delicious White Port from the well renowned Stanton and Killeen winery found in the respectable Rutherglen wine region.

The Port Bottle will be 750 ml and will be selling for \$20. This Port Bottle is ideal for collectors and the delicious white port is ready to drink.

*To order, see the Order Form on page 15*

**Reserve Forces Day Parade****Government House Drive****3rd July 2011**

*I urge all members of the RAEME Reserve both retired and the currently serving members to consider attending the Parade on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2011.*

*The Parade is to recognise the service of the partners of the CMF/Reserve members who endured the times we spent away on weekends, camps and of the weekly parades and for the presentation of the Reserve Forces Day Medallion to those partners who returned the appropriate notice.*

*As RAEME is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest Corps in the Army, I would appreciate it if all members, **no matter what rank**, could make an effort to attend the parade.*

**Requested dress for the day:** Jacket, / Suit with Association tie, Beret. **Medals:** Only officially issued Decorations, Campaign & Service Medals should be worn

**Form up:** Government House Drive : 0945hrs  
Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2011.

*Any queries can be directed to: John Boothroyd - 9704 6625 or Alan Rogers - 9704 6700*

*I look forward to your support on the day.*

*John Boothroyd  
President*

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# The RAEME Association (Victoria) Incorporated

Incorporation Reg No A 0022655Z

## Notice of 21<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

### ELECTION of OFFICE BEARERS

### and COMMITTEE MEMBERS;

**1130hrs SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2011**

CLAYTON RSL CARINISH Rd CLAYTON  
OPPOSITE CLAYTON RAILWAY STATION

#### AGENDA

- 1 ATTENDANCE
- 2 APOLOGIES
- 3 SILENT TRIBUTE
- 4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM 2010 AGM MINUTES
- 5 CONFIRMATION of 20<sup>TH</sup> AGM 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2010
- 6 PRESIDENTS ANNUAL REPORT and  
CHAPTER REPORTS as TABLED
- 7 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT as TABLED  
*(IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE Part 10*
- 8 SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS AS TABLED
- 9 AGENDA as SUBMITTED by MEMBERS
- 10 GENERAL BUSINESS
- 11 ELECTION of OFFICE BEARERS  
and COMMITTEE MEMBERS for YEAR 2011-2012
- 12 DATE for 22nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2012
- 13 CLOSURE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ELECTION of COMMITTEE POSITIONS WILL BE HELD  
WITHIN 14 DAYS of THE 2011 AGM



TO ASSIST IN CATERING; I \_\_\_\_\_ Member No \_\_\_\_\_

WILL/WILL NOT BE ATTENDING THE 2011 AGM

REPLY to the SECRETARY PO BOX 2118 FOUNTAIN GATE 3805

email: [raeme.assn.vic@bigpond.com](mailto:raeme.assn.vic@bigpond.com)

PHONE No 03 9704 6700

*RSVP by the 20th AUGUST 2011*



THE RAEME ASSOCIATION (Victoria)  
INCORPORATED

Incorporation No.A0022655Z.

ABN; 96 873 522 994

**COMMITTEE of MANAGEMENT**  
**NOMINATION FORM 2011-2012**

**Please Print**

I (Your Name) \_\_\_\_\_ M'shp No \_\_\_\_\_ being a financial member of the RAEME Association Vic Inc

**Nominate for the Position of:**

<b>President</b>	<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Member</b>
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PLACE CROSS IN RELEVANT BOX

I (your name) \_\_\_\_\_ M'shp No \_\_\_\_\_ Propose the above member for the Nominated Position

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I (your name) \_\_\_\_\_ M'shp No \_\_\_\_\_ Second the Proposal

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Only Financial Members may nominate, propose or second**

**Nomination forms may be downloaded from the Association Web site [www.vic.raeme.org.au](http://www.vic.raeme.org.au) or by contacting the Secretary (03) 9704 6700**

**Completed forms must be delivered to the Secretary not less than 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.**

**Separate Forms must be filled in if nominating for multiple positions**

**Note; Chapter Presidents are an Automatic Committee Member Rule 6.2 (c)**

**Secretary's use only**

Date received \_\_\_\_\_ All Financial Yes No

Secretary Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**RAEME Association Vic Inc****Warrnambool Coach Tour****10-11-12 October 2011****Day 1 - Warrnambool**

After boarding our coach at a prearranged time we will travel via Geelong to Colac where we will turn off the highway and head towards Blackwood Gardens Tourist Centre, situated in the western Otway Ranges at Lavers Hill. At the highest point of the Great Ocean Road, the Blackwood Gully site commands views out over the forest and the Southern Ocean to the south. We'll visit Port Campbell National Park for a view of the 12 Apostles (Now Only Eight), Loch Ard Gorge, London Bridge and the rugged cliffs which have made this area famous world wide. We continue on to Warrnambool and book in to our motel to freshen up before dinner at the Motel (Comfort Inn Central Court)

**Day 2 - Warrnambool Sightseeing**

After breakfast we commence starting with a local tour guide commentary on this historic Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village. this fascinating village This afternoon we will visit Gardens, the Botanical



cruise along the Hopkins River. is off to the famous Flagstaff Hill Sound and Light Show

a full day of sightseeing, taking us on a town tour with town. We'll then move onto A guide will take us through explaining its maritime history. Cannon Hill, Fletcher Jones Gardens, then take a delightful After an early dinner tonight it

**Day 3 - Mt Laura Lookout & Home**

After breakfast we bid our hosts farewell. We will then visit Warrnambool cheese and butter factory to sample some of the cheeses before travelling the Princes Highway to the Mt Leura lookout which is just out of Camperdown and gives a view over several of the crater lakes in the district. We'll proceed along the highway stopping en route for lunch. We should arrive in home at approx. 5.30pm

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**Cost of Tour (Per person twin share)**

**Cost \$250-00 per person**

**Single Supplement \$125-00**

**Limited Seating Available for non members**

**Bookings Close 1<sup>st</sup> September 2011**

**Includes**

2 Nights' accommodation, breakfasts, 2 evening meals, boat cruise tour guides, and entrance fees to Flagstaff Hill Village and sound & light show

**Does not Include**

Lunches, morning and afternoon teas & any entrance fees not listed



**For Bookings Contact Bruce Williams  
P/No 9561 8354 E-mail; [bruce.w1@bigpond.com](mailto:bruce.w1@bigpond.com)**

**I \_\_\_\_\_ wish to book No of Seats \_\_\_\_\_**

**Payment by Cheque, Cash, Money Order; EFT for \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**EFT; Bank NAB Berwick BSB; 083 547 A/C 28634 9442**

**Payable to: RAEME Assn Vic Inc  
6 Chestnut Crt Wheelers Hill 3150**

**BALANCE OF 2011 FUNCTIONS****AUGUST****Leslie Farren Award:**

Vietnam Veterans Day Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August  
Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital at 10.30am in The Remembrance Garden.  
Entry; Gate 9 Waterdale Rd Heidelberg West

**Long Tan Day;** Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>

Melbourne Shrine @ 1100hrs

**Annual General Meeting;** 28<sup>th</sup> August

Clayton RSL Carinish Rd Clayton 11.30am Opposite Clayton Rail Station

**OCTOBER****Coach Trip ;** Warrnambool 10-11-12<sup>th</sup>

Details in Flash and Association Web Site

**NOVEMBER****Remembrance Day;** 11<sup>th</sup>

Clayton RSL at 1015hrs

**Bandiana Dinner;** Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>

SS&A Club Albury

Details in October Flash & Association Web Site

**DECEMBER****Annual Birthday Dinner;** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Details in October Flash & Association Web Site

**JANUARY 2012****SHRINE PILGRIMAGE;** Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>

Details in January Flash & Association Web Site

**Association Web-Site:** [www.vic.raeme.org.au](http://www.vic.raeme.org.au)

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