

ROARING 40's

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Official publication for Apex 40 Australia Inc.
Apex 40 Australia Inc is the recognised body of affiliated past Apexians groups



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for the 2015 RORT in
Coffs Harbour ?**

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The Editors Word!

I would like to say thankyou to all those who have given me their best wishes for a speedy recovery over the last few months to help me through my illness. Unfortunately, I still have a lengthy road ahead, but I do have a lot of support from my family and medical staff.

In 2015, we are starting with an assault on electronic media including a revamped website that now loads pictures faster and has password protection to ensure only Apex 40 members can view "our stuff". Whilst, Mark Tramby has launched a Facebook page where members can share thoughts and photos helping to bring us all together quicker than ever before.

On a different note, The Coffs Harbour RORT is fast approaching and I would encourage all members (who have not done so far) to register sooner than later. Nepean Valley Apex 40 will meet with the venues and suppliers to make decisions in the near future on catering numbers and transport and for those reasons and to preserve the RORT program as presented we need your registrations.

This issue of the ROARING 40's is slightly larger than normal as to include notice of the New Zealand 41 Club Reunion, the 25th Anniversary of 41 Club in Noumea, The Apex National Convention in Blacktown, The Apex Foundation Annual Report and of course all the information about our Coffs Harbour RORT. I am aware, that not all members of Apex 40 have an interest in external events, but for the few people who do, it is important that they be informed and can decide to participate if they wish to.

Don't forget to keep sending in the Dinner Notices and other information that could be useful. web@apex40.com
www.apex40.com

Ken and Janice Wright
Nepean Valley Group
Editor Roaring 40's & Website





National President's Report

Brian Fulmer (Pam) - Maryborough

Compliments of the New Year & welcome to 2015. I sincerely hope everyone had a happy and safe festive season. As you would be aware the last edition was delayed for a while whilst our esteemed Editor was confronting a very deliberating illness. Ken has not fully recovered but is on the mend and with the Board's full support is continuing on with his role looking after the Website & Roaring 40's. Ken has made a number of changes and if you haven't visited the Website recently, I recommend you do so and I'm sure Ken would welcome any comments.

I know Ken would really appreciate receiving copies of your Group's newsletters, so if he's not on your distribution list please make sure your Dinner Notices/Newsletter go to Ken at web@apex40.com.

Late last year I had the opportunity to attend two very special events. The first was in September at Camp Mudjimba on the Sunshine Coast in Queensland, where I had the privilege of addressing the AGM on the role of Apex 40 Australia. This was a follow up presentation after my first at Alice Springs in 2013. The one issue that was noticeable at both AGM's, was the general lack of knowledge by the delegates of the existence of Apex 40 and the role we play in the "Continuing Fellowship" of past Apexians. The increased awareness of Apex 40's existence has been a key focus during my presidency.

You will note from the "addendum" in the last edition of Roaring 40's that the convention voted to lift the retiring age of Apexians. This change has caused some confusion and there are a number of comments out there that need to be corrected. Firstly, the constitutional age of retirement for the Association of Apex Clubs (Apex) remains at 45 years. The change that has been effected is to allow Clubs the individual right to lift their local retirement age on a Club by Club basis. A number of Clubs have not changed the "official" retiring age of 45 years. Secondly, those members who remain in their Clubs past 45 are subject to a number of restrictions on their involvement, such as representation on the National Board, etc.

The second event was to attend the Apex Foundation's AGM. Included in this edition is Stephen Bigarelli's Annual Report to the AGM, in which he refers to his address at our Rort in Victor Harbor and the realisation that he was in fact addressing some of the very Apexians who contributed to the creation of the Foundation and the funds that they now administer. At Stephen's kind invitation I was invited to also attend the Foundation's Board meeting the following day, at which Stephen was re-elected Chairman. Of worthwhile note, some four (4) members of the Foundation's Board are now members of Apex 40.

Nedd Golding (Apex National President) is also a member of the Foundation Board and this allowed for a meeting by the three Presidents at the conclusion of the Board meeting (Apex, Foundation & Apex 40). I am not personally aware of such a meeting occurring in the past. It was a very positive meeting with all parties fully acknowledging the role each of us has to play in the overall existence of Apex. With this in mind, we are currently in the process of developing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Foundation and Apex 40. I believe this will go to the Foundation's Board in March for ratification.

As a result of the Presidents meeting and at the request of Nedd Golding, we are now in negotiation to amend our existing MOU with Apex to create a direct pathway from Apex to Apex 40. If successful, we will need to amend our own Constitution at the Coffs Harbour AGM. Also as a result of the Presidents' meeting you will notice you are now receiving the "eApexian" as well as the Foundation's newsletters. In return, the Roaring 40's is going to the recipients of both of their member bases. In that way we can create a better awareness of each other's activities.

The other principal objective during my term was to ensure that Apex 40 Australia Inc. owned all its own intellectual property including our Trade Mark. Thanks to the strong relationship between Apex and Apex 40, Nedd's formal "letter of consent", as President of Apex Australia, was instrumental in us achieving such registration. I would also like to thank Lionel Mussell for supplying historical documents that also supported the case to overcome objections in registering our logo as a Trade Mark. I am extremely appreciative of both Nedd's & Lionel's contributions. A copy of the Trade Mark Certificate follows this report.

Due to the work by Secretary Col, we also own all web domains (.com; .net; .org) using the term "Apex 40". Such action prevented the owners of a brand of skateboard registering Apex 40 as a website for their commercial use.

Turning to the subject of our 2015 Rort; if you haven't already registered, now is as good a time as any. The Nepean Valley Group has done a great job putting the Rort and Post Rort Tour together on behalf of Apex 40 and deserves your support. According to the CSIRO, Coffs Harbour has the most liveable climate in Australia, and is nestled between a high mountain backdrop and dozens of beaches. Located midway between Sydney and Brisbane, Coffs offers a multitude of attractions, National Parks and local villages (Sawtell, Urunga, Dorrigo, etc) to visit. Its best known icon being the "Big Banana", as despite calling us Queenslanders "Banana Benders"; the principle economic activity in Coffs was growing Bananas.

So don't forget to "*Seal the Deal*" and get on to the website and register. Whilst you're there you might also like to register to gain access to "Members Only" sections of the website.

Whilst on the subject of registration, I understand Club 41 Noumea will issue a special "English" bulletin in February including their registration form for their 25th an-

niversary. Those that came to Adelaide will remember the “Three Ami’s” (Amigo’s) who were promoting this event for the 12th – 18th October, 2015. The Board will not be organising a “formal” tour as such but as I understand quite a few members, including our incoming President – Peter Ryall, are interested in attending. For those wishing to go, Coffs could be a good venue to “get your heads” together as to whether you wish to stay in the same accommodation. I understand the following locations are part of the Club 41 “group” deals:

CHATEAU ROYALE (Recommended by Club 41)

resa@chateau-royal.nc

Reservation code promo : CLUB41

LE LAGON

<http://www.lelagon.nc>

Reservation code promo : CLUB41 NC 2014

NOUVATA PARK HILTON

[http://www.hiltonhotels.com/fr_FR/nouvelle-caledonie/hilton-noumea-la-promenade-residences?](http://www.hiltonhotels.com/fr_FR/nouvelle-caledonie/hilton-noumea-la-promenade-residences?WT.mc_idzELWAPN0EU1WW2PSH3Search4DGGeneric&WT.srch1&utm_sourceAdWords&utm_mediumppc&utm_campaignpaidsearc)

[WT.mc_idzELWAPN0EU1WW2PSH3Search4DGGeneric&WT.srch1&utm_sourceAdWords&utm_mediumppc&utm_campaignpaidsearc](http://www.hiltonhotels.com/fr_FR/nouvelle-caledonie/hilton-noumea-la-promenade-residences?WT.mc_idzELWAPN0EU1WW2PSH3Search4DGGeneric&WT.srch1&utm_sourceAdWords&utm_mediumppc&utm_campaignpaidsearc)

Reservation code promo : CLUB41 NC 2014

LE MERIDIEN

www.lemeridien.nc

Reservation code promo : CLUB41

Last, but by no means least, don’t forget to diarise our 2016 40th Anniversary Rort next year in Geelong, the “birthplace” of Apex. I’m looking forward to hearing their presentation at the Coffs Harbour Rort.

You in Apex 40,
Brian Fulmer



Secretary—Treasurer's Report

Col Ramsay (Phyl) - Wynnum-Manly Qld

Hi to all members and welcome to 2015,

2014 was a great year for Apex 40, with many members enjoying the Adelaide Rort (special thanks to Brian for organizing) and many traveling further afield both before and after. This year the board has met every few months with the aid of Skype and Zoom as well as constant communication via both email and telephone.

The positions on the National Board are a great way to support Apex 40 with none of the roles being very time consuming or difficult; as we are, after all, a Social Group intent on “continuing the fellowship”. We are, however, required to remain within the guidelines of Fair Trading as per our Constitution. I would point out that we are all volunteers and we must ensure that we keep enjoying what we are doing on the Board.

Even the position of Secretary Treasurer has had its moments, but these too are settling down now that all the bits and pieces are in place.

As you can see by the following bank account details, Apex 40 is in a good financial state allowing me as Treasurer to suggest at the upcoming AGM that the annual membership fees be kept at the meagre amount of \$ 6.00. I must point out however that the last account (351301) is the working account for the upcoming Rort.

<i>Account Number</i>	<i>Account Name</i>	<i>Amount</i>
308848	Cheque Acc	10,289.32
308856	Rort Acc 1	2304.33
308864	Holding Account	14,859.29
351299	Rort Acc 2 Cheque	270.47
351301	Rort Acc 2 Holding	10,295.14
<i>Total Accounts</i>		32,962.46

A number of groups and MAL members are yet to pay their annual fees. These were due 31st January 2015. To those few who have not as yet paid, please do so now so I can close the accounts for the financial year and prepare a report for the AGM. Would all sub-committee treasurers please check that the amount you submit matches with the number of members paying.

See you all in Coffs Harbour at the Rort -15th to 18th of May.

YIA40,
Col Ramsay
Secretary Treasurer



Vice—President Report

Peter Ryall (Ann) - Wyong

Being a first time member of National Board has been a real learning experience for me, and I'd like to thank my fellow Board members for making me feel a part of the team and for their support and guidance in helping me understand my role in our wonderful organisation.

The Nepean Valley organising committee have been doing a great job in planning for the Rort in Coffs Harbour, and I'd encourage you to register as soon as possible to make life a little easier for them. Preparations are well under way for the 2016 Rort in Geelong, and you'll be hearing more about this in Coffs Harbour. To my knowledge, there have been no expressions of interest or thoughts about the venue for 2017. Please contact me if you have any suggestions.

Ann and I will be attending the Noumea 25th anniversary celebrations in October later this year and it would be great if we can muster a sizeable contingent to head over there and join in. I have been in contact with their Vice-President Alain Chambault and he tells me that full registration details (in English) will be available in February.

Our President Brian has done a fantastic job forging closer ties between Apex40, Apex Australia, and the Apex Foundation and I'd like to thank him for his efforts in establishing memorandums-of-understanding between our group and the other two. It will be my intention during my term as President to ensure that these ties are actively maintained. Can I encourage you to join the Apex Foundation – see their website www.apexfoundation.org.au

I look forward to seeing you in Coffs Harbour, and for those unable to attend, on our new Facebook page..

Peter Ryall



Apex 40 Facebook Group

Some years ago (pre being on National Board) I, created an Apex 40 Facebook page, and its currently has about 40 members, but at a recent National Board meeting I successfully moved a motion that we create an official Facebook page and this has now been done.

So if you are on Facebook (many of you are already) either search for Apex 40 Australia Inc OR click on the following link <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1543334949270004/> There is also a link on the webpage. www.apex40.com

So you are aware the new page is actually a “closed group”, anyone can search or find the group BUT only members can join (to be approved by one of four members on the National Board) and ONLY members can see what’s being said or any photo’s, so your security is quite safe with this group.

If you are not on Facebook (and do not think it’s something just young people do as in fact they have moved on to a thing called Instagram and Facebook now is very much populated by the over 50’s) it’s very easy to join, just Google Facebook or type www.facebook.com in your browser and click on the join button.

Unlike the organisations website where you cannot post photo’s (without first sending them to the Editor), or make any comments Facebook will allow both, and if you have a Smartphone you can even do it whilst at a lunch, meeting or at the forthcoming Rort.

Please think of it as “your way” to communicate with other members Australia wide. If you are confused in any way ask a member of the family to help, you can bet they are already on Facebook and will know what to do.

Good luck and hope to see you on the group soon.
Mark Tramby IRO





Apex Liaison & International Relationships Report

Mark Tramby (Rosemary) - XEPA-Great South East

Firstly it has been decided that the proposed 2016 Mass Tour will not be proceeding.

This is due to the members and sub groups not being able to commit to host international tourists around the time preceding the 2016 Rort in Melbourne.

In hindsight we now know that this is the wrong time of the year to try and operate one of these with most of you unable to commit that far in advance, and more importantly unable to commit due to being tied up travelling to the actual Rort itself.

So it was a great idea (or at least I thought it was) but logistically, and with the benefit of hindsight, it was ambitious to say the least and I'll leave the next board to decide if we try and undertake a tour such as this again perhaps at a different time of the year in 2016 or 17.

Secondly I refer you to Brian Fulmer's report on his historic first meeting of the Presidents of the three Apex entities, Apex Australia, the Apex Foundation and Apex 40.

Never before has there been such a united front between the three groups and I must say this is largely due to the work Brian has done in attending two Apex National Conventions (Alice Springs & Mudjimba), several major Apex get together's (Queensland) and the recent Apex Foundation meeting in Sydney where the three Presidents sat down for the first time.

His presentations, attendance, and socialising at these events has moved Apex 40 forward like never before as far as Apex Liaison goes.

And due to this our organisation has had a major promotion in the recent Apex-ian magazine and also in the Apex Foundation newsletter and it is hoped that

this will continue in the future plus it's hoped the Presidents will all attend our Coffs Rort and thus meet again in the near future continuing on the great work done so far.

Some of you will have heard that Apex has passed a rule change at the last Apex National Convention that allows their clubs to have an open age, how many clubs will adopt this we don't know, and how this will affect the flow on of members to Apex 40 we also don't know but you should also be aware that we are proposing to change our own rules to allow people to still be an active member of Apex Australia after they can join Apex 40 at forty years of age (changing the wording from "retired Apex members and their partners being able to join to active members over the age of 40 and their partners").

How many will actually do that is another unanswered question, but we hope some might.

Sadly Rosemary and I will be missing the Coffs Harbour Rort as we were asked to join a small group of our 4WD buddies in doing a trek up into the Kimberley just after the Rort so our departure for this will be prior to the date of the Rort and we will thus miss the 2015 event.

I hope to continue in my role for the 2016 and probably 2017 year (which will see me having done 4 years and at which point I must stand down) so I'd certainly appreciate your continued support to allow this to happen.

In the interim stay safe and enjoy your times in this great organisation of ours.

Yours in Apex 40

Mark Tramby



Coffs Harbour 15th to 18th May 2015

SEAL THE DEAL



Magical Coffs Harbour only 6 hours easy drive from Sydney or 4 hours from Brisbane. Home of the Big Banana and The Dolphin Marine Magic centre.

Welcome to your RORT City for 2015

Nepean Valley Apex 40 (with help from Blue Mountains CREST Apex 40) have planned an exciting weekend in one of NSW main coastal cities. Our Friday night venue is just across the road from our main accommodation centre "Park Beach Caravan Park" and our Saturday Night function at the Marine Magic centre is only 700m away.

Friday Night
Welcome Social at the Coffs Harbour Surf Club

Saturday morning tour of Coffs Harbour followed by lunch at the Caravan Park - In the afternoon you have free time to catch up on a yarn or to explore the city

Saturday evening we will entertain you with an interactive private show at the Marine Magic Centre followed by dinner and dancing all within the Magic Marine Centre Complex

On Sunday we will take you a whole 62km to the Dorrigo Plateau where you will enjoy the view looking back over Coffs Harbour and a chance to walk out on the sky walk at the Dorrigo National Park. This will be followed by the AGM and lunch at Dorrigo RSL. On the return trip we will stop at Bellingen (if time permits).

Sunday evening will be our traditional Dinner at the Coffs Harbour CEX club where we have line up a terrific meal served to you at the table - There will be music and dancing throughout the evening.

Monday Morning Farewell at the Coffs Harbour Surf Club where breakfast will be served with spectacular view over the ocean.

Don't forget the POST RORT which will be a all inclusive 4 night adventure taking in sights between Coffs Harbour and Port Macquarie. Included is a Hastings river cruise, Trail Bay Gaol, Timbertown, wineries, koalas and other historic towns.

* Subject to changes

Online registrations @
www.apex40.com



5 DAY POST RORT TOUR

Mid North Coast May 2015



Kempsey Motor Inn

DAY 1: Monday 18 May 2015

Depart Coffs Harbour at 9.00am and proceed south to the Historic Township of Bowraville. Here we will visit two of the best Museums in country NSW, first the Joseph and Eliza Newman Folk Museum where you can browse through the hundreds of displays of yesteryear. After morning tea feel free to wander down the street and visit some of the other interesting shops before visiting the Frank Partridge VC Military Museum. After an interesting morning we will make our way to Taylor's Arm to have lunch at the Pub With No Beer. From here we make our way to Kempsey to our accommodation for the next four nights where we are greeted by our hosts Dan and Pauleen. (includes Lunch at Taylors Arm, Breakfast & Dinner in Motel) *Kempsey Motor Inn 02 65621284*



Online registrations @
www.apex40.com

DAY 2: Tuesday 19 May 2015

Depart the motel at 9.00am. Today we explore the local area, firstly we head a short distance down the road to the Slim Dusty Centre where we can take a trip down memory lane into the life of the late great legend. After morning Tea we will drive through West Kempsey and visit Mesopotamia Deer Park for a Tour and Lunch. Our next destination is South West Rocks where we will do a tour of the town visiting Trial Bay Gorge and Horse Shoe Bay. After an interesting day we return to the Motel to relax and freshen up before Dinner. (Includes Lunch at the deer Park, Breakfast & Dinner at Motel)

DAY 3: Wednesday 20 May 2014

Depart the motel at 9.00am. This morning we are off to Port Macquarie for a tour of the town followed by a 2hr cruise including morning tea and lunch. After lunch a little bit of free time to browse the shops before heading off to Cassegrain Winery for a tour and tastings. On completion we return to the motel to maybe continue on with the wines and freshen up before dinner. (includes Lunch Cruise, Breakfast & dinner at the Motel)



Port Macquarie

DAY 4: Thursday 21 May 2015

Depart the motel at 8.30am. Today we visit Honeycomb Valley Farm at Nabic, a small family-owned sustainable farm with the motto "little farm, big picture". Here you will see the largest solar oven in Australia, gorgeous farm animals, the hens on holiday caravan park, the native bee sanctuary, ethnobotanical gardens, the farmgate shop in a recycled shipping container and enjoy morning tea on the beautiful viewing deck. Next stop is the Nabic Hotel for a delicious lunch. Following lunch we will travel back to the motel via the scenic drive past Laurieton, North Haven and bonny hills. (includes Lunch at Nabic, Breakfast & Dinner in Motel)



**Tour Cost (GST inclusive)**

\$765.00 per person twin share

\$170.00 single supplement

Tour inclusions:

- 4 nights accommodation**
- 4 cooked breakfast**
- 4 Motel dinners**
- 5 lunches**
- 5 Morning Tea's**
- Entry into all venues**

Numbers will be limited to one coach only—first infirst served. If in the event of insufficient numbers registering, the Post Rort tour will be cancelled and money refunded.

Online registrations to
www.apex40.com



2015 RORT Registration Form **APEX 40 Australia Inc.**

Nepean Valley Apex 40 welcomes you to register for the 2015 Rort in Coffs Harbour

Cheque attached or Electronic Funds Transfer

Your personal details

Preferred first name		Surname	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Preferred first Name		Surname	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Street Address		City/town	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
State	Country (if not Australia)	Postcode	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Sub Group or organisation		Email Address	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Phone number		Mobile	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	

Your RORT and Post RORT details

RORT Registration fee is \$350 per person with the final balance to be received by March 1st 2015. The deposit amount is \$110 per person.

How Many Registering	Amount Payable	Deposit you are paying	Balance of RORT to be paid by 1/3/15
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Post-Rort registration fee is \$765 per person (twin share) with a single supplement of \$170. The deposit amount is \$100 per person. Numbers will be limited to available seats on the coach.

How Many Registering for POST RORT	Amount Payable	Deposit you are paying	Balance of POST RORT to be paid by 1st March 2015
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Tell us any special Requirements

Balance To be paid by 1/3/2015

Mode of transport	Accommodation choice	Arrival Date	Departure Date
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

See next page for instructions

Instructions for RORTERS

This RORT is different to previous RORTS whereby there will be NO Early Bird Draw.

Instead we had decided upon a \$20 discount per person for all RORT'ers who had elected to pay their deposit by October 1st 2014. This time has now past and the registration fee is now \$350 per person with the Post Rort registration fee remaining unchanged. all balances must be paid by 1st March 2015. This will allow Nepean Valley Apex 40 to confirm numbers and make timely payments as necessary to our venues.

All amounts are expressed in Australian \$AUD.

Electronic Funds Transfer information

Bank details are -

Westpac Wynnum Qld
Account Name: Apex 40 Australia Reserve Rort 2
BSB: 034053
Account Number: 351301
Reference Info: Please use the last 6 digits of your home phone number as entered on the form

Where to send your Registration and Cheque

Please send it to

Apex 40 Inc

C/- B Spencer 5 Hunt Place

Werrington County NSW 2747.

Accommodation

Nepean Valley Apex 40 have made arrangements at the Park Beach Holiday Park in Coff's Harbour to hold a number of sites and cabins. The arrangement includes a 10% discount and for Post Rorters a \$10 a day powered site charge whilst you are on the Post Rort. It is your responsibility to make a booking at Park Beach regarding your site or cabin and pay separate deposits etc. Please call Park Beach Holiday Park on Tel 026648 4448 or 1800 200 555 - remember to ask for the 10% Apex 40 group discount.

If wish to stay at a Hotel then we can suggest the Breakfree Aanuka Resort which is a few km to the north. Again you will make your own arrangements regarding your accommodation stay. At this stage we have not negotiated a discount as we encourage you to stay at the Park Beach Holiday Park. The phone number for Aanuka is 02 6652 7555. Please be aware that this motel is some distance away and you may need transport, there are closer Hotels but these fall into the 2 star category or are listed as apartments.

Should you wish to contact Nepean Valley -

please email 2015Rort@apex40.com or

call Bryan Spencer on 02 9623 6820 - (61 2 9623 6820) or

Ken Wright on 0407473530 - (+61407473530)

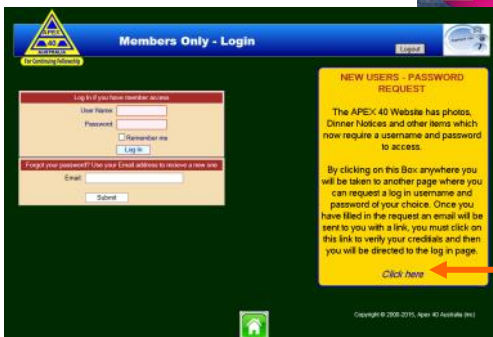
**Online registrations @
www.apex40.com**

Apex 40 Website

As time progresses and I become more familiar with WEB sites, I have undertaken a task (as slow as it maybe) to hide pictures, documents and dinner notices from the average WEB site explorer. Last year, we had an incident whereby a member's details were taken from one of the online dinner notices and used for SPAM. This should not happen anymore as I remove phone numbers and addresses, including email addresses from newsletters prior to uploading and making them available on the WEB site. However, I still believe it necessary to ensure that only Apex40 members can access most of our website and this is why I have protection in the form of included a username and password access to most our site. Items such as RORT registrations and general Apex40 information will still continue to be accessible without a password .

So changes are necessary to access the information as it becomes available and one of these changes is that you need to go to the members only page from the new look www.apex40.com page. After clicking on the members only icon, you will be taken to the login page, whereby you can request a login (Yellow square) or if you already done so you can start to explore the site after you enter your login name and password. When requesting a login, you can use any username and password, but the email address must be known by our National Secretary so we can validate you as an Apex 40 member. At the moment this is an automatic process, whereby an email is sent to the address that you entered and within that email is a link that you must click on to validate the process. If you have a problem, please email me at web@apex40.com or call me on 0407473530

Ken Wright
Web & Roaring 40's





Australian Government

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CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK

No. 1613171

I, **Fatima Beattie, Registrar of Trade Marks** hereby certify -

that the trade mark represented on this certificate was filed as Trade Mark No. 1613171 on **24 March 2014**. It is due for renewal on **24 March 2024** and **Apex 40 Australia Inc. ACN/ARBN 162 597 079** of **PO BOX 5204 MANLY QLD 4179 AUSTRALIA** has been entered in the Register of Trade Marks as the owner of the trade mark.

The trade mark is registered for the following goods and/or service:

Provision of social club services being services in **class 41**



The goods and/or services for which the trade mark is registered, plus any endorsement, additional owners or other information relating to the registration, are listed on the attached pages.

*Given under my hand and the seal of the Trade
Marks Office on 14 January 2015*



Fatima Beattie
REGISTRAR OF TRADE MARKS



CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL 2014 REPORT TO THE APEX FOUNDATION

As I start my second annual report as Chairman of the Apex Foundation, I keep thinking back to my early days in Apex. I joined just at the end of the era of big national service schemes, and still remember the older members of my club talking about some of the crazy things they did to raise funds for these schemes. They were proud of their contributions and the understanding that in some small way they were making a difference.

This was all bought back to me this year when I had the privilege of addressing the Annual General Meeting of Apex 40. As I spoke of the trusts that the Apex Foundation managed, I realised that I was speaking to the actual Apexians who raised these funds. The pride that the members of my club showed all those years ago, was the same as the members of Apex 40 showed in 2014.

Why is this so important? It is very simple as the Apex Foundation is continuing the work of so many past Apexians. Year after year we make distributions to our beneficiaries many of whom have been operating for over 30 years, and we will continue to do so for the foreseeable future. The Apexians of the past can still be proud that the work they did is still making a difference all these years after the funds were raised.

The Apex Foundation has had another very successful year in 2013-2014. The financial statements show an increase in asset size to just over \$8.8 million, and a net surplus of \$603,706. These are impressive numbers and show that the Foundation is in a healthy state.

The growth comes from increasing returns on our investments and the injection of new funds. What this enables us to do is to increase our yearly distributions to our beneficiaries, and this year grants of \$113,155 were made. In the last two years we have managed to grow our distributions by 45%. What these funds are used for is best seen in the reports from our beneficiaries in the following pages.

We continue to have the support of many generous donors, none more generous than past Apexian, Lindsay Carthew, who via the Carthew Family Charity Trust, once again contributed substantial funds to the Apex Under Privileged Children's Trust. Lindsay's contribution is clearly seen by anyone who has had the privilege to visit the Chalet at Smiggin Holes. The new veranda is just one of many projects that have been funded by Lindsay's contribution.

Last year I reported that the Copper Coast project was about to start. Now I can report that all

three accommodation units have been finished and are ready to be used. A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed with the Cancer Council of South Australia, who will manage the children with cancer who will use the units. As I have said on many an occasion the Apexians of the Copper Coast District can be extremely proud of their achievements to have this valuable community asset up and running.

This year is a milestone in the life of the Apex Foundation as we have accepted our first non-Apex related trust. The Cowled Foundation was transferred to the Apex Foundation during the year. The Cowled Foundation was established by Laurie Cowled, to provide ongoing scholarships for young women in regional Australia. We are honoured to be chosen by Laurie to continue her work in this area. Laurie is our guest speaker at our AGM and I encourage all to attend to hear Laurie's story.

During the year we bade farewell to Graham Henry and Chris Morahan as Board members. Graham did not seek re-election to the Board at last year's AGM, and for his service to the Apex Foundation he was awarded Honorary Life membership. Chris finished his term as Apex Australia National President and as such his role as a Foundation Director. We welcome the new National President of Apex Nedd Golding as our new Director representing the Apex Association.

As always the Apex Foundation owes its success to the work and support of many in the community. I must thank our two staff members, Sapna Agarwal and Phil Higgerson, who continue to provide support and expertise to the board in their roles. We must thank our office accommodation providers AON Insurance, who willingly allow us to have free office space in the Sydney CBD, and our many donors particularly Lindsay Carthew and our long-term supporter, Steadfast Insurance Group.

Lastly I must thank my fellow directors, who continue to work tirelessly for the Apex Foundation.

The success that we are currently enjoying just does not happen overnight, but is a result of an ongoing commitment to the Apex Foundation and in many cases, a commitment to the ideals of Apex, that go back to the very first day we all joined Apex.

Yours in Apex

Stephen Bigarelli
Chairman Apex Foundation



NATIONAL CONVENTION 2015

It will be great in 2148

Friday, Saturday 11 & 12 September 2015

Hosted by the Apex Club of Blacktown



Who should attend National Convention?

Any APEX member who is interested in networking with other likeminded people, and HAVING FUN. Apexians will attend from all over Australia and overseas and the National Convention offers an opportunity to find out what other clubs are doing and share both successes and failures.

Attendees will learn how to improve meetings, increase membership and encourage involvement from current members.

This is an opportunity to find out about National aims and objectives, and to have input to future decisions.

Program Friday

- 7.30am Registrations Open, Breakfast provided.
- 9am – 5pm Workshops at the Blacktown Showground (Kent Street Entry)
- 7pm – 10pm Informal Dinner and Drinks at the Blacktown Showground

Program Saturday

- 10am – 4pm APEX National Annual General Meeting and business sessions
 - Blacktown Workers Club, Campbell Street, Blacktown
- 6.30pm National Convention Dinner and National President Changeover (dress code Semi Formal)
 - Ballroom Blacktown Workers Club, Campbell Street, Blacktown

COSTS

Full Registration: \$185.00 per person

Inclusions: T Shirt, Breakfast, Morning & Afternoon Tea, Lunch, and Informal Dinner & Drinks on Friday
Morning & Afternoon Tea, Lunch and National Convention Dinner on Saturday

Social Registration: \$95.00 per person

Inclusions: Informal Dinner Friday and National Convention Dinner Saturday

National Convention Dinner Only: \$50.00 per person

Extra T-Shirts can be purchased at a cost of \$20

VENUES

Blacktown Showground, Richmond Road, Blacktown 2148 (entry via Kent Street)

Blacktown Workers Club, Campbell Street, Blacktown 2148

ACCOMMODATION

Travelodge, 177 Reservoir Road, Blacktown, Phone: 02 8822 2444 **\$105 per room per night**

This rate is available to the first 30 bookings, it is important to mention when booking that you are attending the Apex Convention.

Complimentary transport to the venues will only be provided for those staying at the Travelodge.

Alternative Accommodation in the vicinity:

Atura Hotel, Blacktown	Tel: 02 9421 0000
Prospect Hotel, Prospect	Tel: 02 9631 3461
Alpha Hotel, Eastern Creek	Tel: 02 8889 7700
Voyager Motel, Minchinbury	Tel: 02 8887 5222
Ibis Budget Wentworthville	Tel: 02 9769 1240

PAYMENT DETAILS

Please either send cheque/postal order with attached form

OR Electronic Funds Transfer to: Westpac Bank, Apex Club of Blacktown National Convention Account
BSB No: 032 179 Account No: 320 640

It is important that if paying by Electronic Fund Transfer you use your surname as the reference so payment can be allocated appropriately



DU 12 AU 18 OCTOBRE 2015

Venez danser... le tamouré au phare Amédée, partager le bougna coutumier à la tribu de Yaté, voguer sur le plus beau lagon du monde...

Enfin faire la fête jusqu'au petit matin sur un îlot juste pour vous...



Pour le 25^e anniversaire, mettez-vous la tête à l'envers !



Informations supplémentaires
pour organiser votre séjour ?
club41noumea195@gmail.com
club41noumea195.canalblog.com
club41noumea195

25^e anniversaire

12 au 18 octobre 2015

Rejoignez-nous...

sens dessus sens dessous

nouméa 195 nouvelle-calédonie

Réunion 3 - Cour de France

41 Club - 25th Anniversary Noumea
<https://club41noumea195.wordpress.com/page/2/>

➤ Votre voyage
Nous vous « évitez les tracas » !

- Vous organisez votre voyage vous-même en préparant votre itinéraire avec la compagnie de votre choix... et pourquoi pas un ticket « tour du monde » ?
- Vous préférez confier l'organisation de votre voyage à un professionnel :
 - fr.aircalin.com/paris-noumea.php
 - www.airfrance.com
 - www.caledoniaspirit.fr

➤ Le programme anniversaire
du 12 au 18 octobre 2015

Booking.com est le meilleur site, mais nous vous suggérons les 4 hôtels suivants :

- CHATEAU ROYAL***** (Anse vata : en bord de plage) : www.complexechateauroyal.nc
- LE NOUVATA***** (Anse vata : en bord de plage) : www.glyphotels.nc
- LE LAGON***** (Anse vata : en bord de plage) : www.lagon.nc
- LE BEAU RIVAGE**** (Bate des citrons : en bord de plage) : www.grands-hotels.cc
- LE « POST-TOUR »** : pour terminer votre séjour en apothéose !
 - Île des Pins : 1 journée ou plus...
 - Tour de Calédonie (3 jours minimum...)
 - Îles Loyauté : Lifou, Maré, Ouvéa : un choix corrélien !
 - Coup de chasse, coup de pêche... à la bonne franquette avec les copains « broussards » !

LUNDI 12	
18 h : COCKTAIL D'ACCUEIL offert par les 41 de Nouméa au club-house. • Remise des pochettes, tickets, infos touristiques... • Présentation de la semaine.	
MARDI 13	
9 h - 16 h : JOURNÉE DÉTENTE AU PHARE AMÉDÉE : La tête à l'envers dans le lagon, plonger, danser le tamouré, goûter la salade tahitienne, et dorrez-vous au soleil, ou couchez après l'ombre du Phare Amédée.	90 €*
MERCREDI 14	
JOURNÉE « ÉVASION BROUSSARDE » côte ouest : • Trophée golf sur le parcours de la Cuéniht. • Pour les non-golfeurs : visite du Fort Teremba, plage de Pui, baie des tortues... • Repas du midi style « broussard » tous ensemble.	60 €*
JEUDI 15	
• Journée « découverte de la culture et de l'histoire de la Nouvelle-Calédonie » • SOIRÉE SURPRISE « ATLANTIDE » : dress code tenue habillée. - Discours officiels et remises de fanions. - Remise du prix au gagnant du concours. - Animation traditionnelle et folklorique.	60 €*
VENDREDI 16	
9 h - 18 h : TOUR DES PISTES DU « GRAND SUD » et dégustation du bougna traditionnel en tribu à Yaté.	60 €*
SAMEDI 17	
• SORTIE SUR LE LAGON EN CATAMARAN • SOIRÉE FESTIVE « LA TÊTE À L'ENVERS » : soirée privée à l'îlot canard, musique et buffet jusqu'à l'aube pour le grand final du 25 ^e anniversaire.	60 €*
DIMANCHE 18	
• Brunch de départ au club à partir de 11 h.	60 €*



41 CLUB NEW ZEALAND
2015 REUNION – NAPIER
QUEENS BIRTHDAY WEEKEND
FRIDAY 29th MAY - MON 1st JUNE 2015



*May the hinges of
friendship never rust*

Greetings to all 41 club members and a very warm invitation to the 37th 41 Club NZ Reunion. Plans are well underway and as usual Hawkes Bay will host a weekend to remember with emphasis on fellowship and fun.

A few highlights to whet your appetite:

- Paul Fletcher will be our host entertainer for the weekend. Those who remember him from Napier and Nelson will recall the fantastic atmosphere he created and fabulous music to make the evenings great fun.
- A Train Journey with commentary around our lovely Art Deco City
- Aquarium visit (Swimming with the Sharks optional & extra)
- Art Deco tour and Earthquake film

THEME

SUPERGOLD – A super opportunity to renew golden friendships.

VENUE

The Venue for all activities other than the Saturday programme is the Kennedy Park Resort which is located in Storkey Street off Kennedy Road. The Resort was chosen as it offers both conference facilities and accommodation removing the need to drive.

All meals will be provided except breakfast on Saturday and Sunday. Cash bar operating all weekend.

ACCOMMODATION

There is a wide range of accommodation options available at Kennedy Park with something to suit everybody so go online and check it out under accommodation. We have negotiated a special rate of \$118 per night for a studio unit. Remember to quote **41Club** to get the better deal. Rates for other options will have to be negotiated directly with the resort.

Other motels in close proximity to Kennedy Park:

Deco City Motor Lodge
308 Kennedy Road
Napier.....06 8434342

Palm City Motor Inn
31 Georges Drive
Napier.....06 8350005

Bay Beauty Motel
1 Storkey Street
Napier.....06 2805174

ARRIVAL/DEPARTURES

Transfers to and from Napier Airport.

FREE service available courtesy HB members on presentation of your Gold Card.

HOME HOSTING

Limited Home Hosting is available.

To register your interest, please contact Peter Thompson 06 8441131 or Email: pdthomp@ihug.co.nz.

REGISTRATION

Full registration is \$240 per person.

Please complete and return the enclosed registration form by **1st APRIL 2015** to Peter Thompson at email address above, or post to:

15 Addington Place
Taradale
Napier 4112

Payment can be made

On line by Direct Credit to

Bank: ANZ Napier
Name : Napier 41 Club Reunion
Account: 060701 0014499 01

OR by Cheque made payable to Napier 41 Club

THE COMMITTEE HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD TO MAKE THIS A VERY SUCCESSFUL REUNION. NOW IT'S UP TO YOU TO JOIN US HERE AT NAPIER, THE ART DECO CAPITAL IN THE FRUIT BOWL OF NEW ZEALAND.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE HAVE AT LEAST 50 ATTENDEES FOR THE REUNION TO PROCEED SO PLEASE GET YOUR REGISTRATIONS IN EARLY.

We look forward to seeing YOU in Napier

Remember early birds get the best flight deals.



AROUND THE GROUPS

NSW

ALSTONVILLE APEX 40- *Approx 740km North of Sydney*

BYRON BAY OASIS —*Approx 760km North of Sydney*

CREST BLUE MOUNTAINS APEX 40— *100km west of Sydney*

Crest Blue Mountains enjoyed their annual getaway to Wolgan near Lithgow over the Christmas period. They are now planning their upcoming events including Anzac Day.



Crest Blue Mountains enjoying the Wolgan Valley over the Christmas Break

FORBES—*Approx 380 km West of Sydney*

GREAT 8 HUNTER VALLEY— *Approx 170km North of Sydney*

INVERELL—Approx 560 km North West of Sydney

Inverell Apex 40 meet every 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Australian Hotel for a really great meal and lots of lies and gossip.

We recently enjoyed our annual end of year excursion to the Graman pub – located 40kms north of Inverell on the Yetman road. The 24 of us were treated to country hospitality combined with country size meals.



The dinner group at the 2013 end of year function. Held in Bingara with a few of their old members . Bingara Apex was once a very active and proud club best known for the instigation and running of the very successful and still nationally recognised National Service Scheme - "Micro Surgery"



The Inverell group outside the famous Graman Pub

LAVINGTON—*Approx 560 km South of Sydney*

LEETON—*Approx 590 km South West of Sydney*

LISMORE—*Approx 740 km North of Sydney*

MANLY—*Approx 15km North East of Sydney*

Manly had an usual event happen to them over the Christmas break whereby their usual meeting place decided to close and never to re-open again. The hunt was on for a new venue, however the usual Peking Duck is not on the menu the new location.

MOREE—*Approx 640km North west of Sydney*

NEPEAN VALLEY— *Approx 60km west of Sydney*

Nepean Valley started the year with a lunch at the Nepean Rowing Club and enjoyed the fellowship of the 17 members that attended. With the exception of some business regarding the RORT the afternoon turned out to be very pleasant. The next meeting is a dinner and theatre combination at the Henry Lawson Theatre with a live play called “Deck Chairs”

WYONG — *Approx 100km north of Sydney*

In late November Wyong celebrated Christmas with a special Spit Roast at Enid and Allan Kember's Clubhouse. Sandy & Darrol missed out as they decided to go to Europe instead. Everyone had a great opportunity to move around and chat to all the others and had more than enough to eat.

More good news from the night is that Carolyn & Con Bartsos decided that they would like to join our group regularly, particularly after seeing the slide show and realising just how much we have enjoyed ourselves as a group over the last thirty years, welcome aboard no doubt you will enjoy the fellowship as we all have.

To start the new year, Wyong had twenty-one members at the picnic day on the Australia Day weekend. Thanks very much to Sandra and John for making their home available for the day. We all had a very pleasant day with too much to eat and plenty of stories

QLDCALOUNDRA—Approx 103km North of BrisbaneCURTIS COAST—Approx 530km North of BrisbaneHERVEY BAY—Approx 290km North of BrisbaneMARYBOROUGH —Approx 260km North of BrisbaneREDLANDS — Approx 40km south of Brisbane(Winner of the 2014 Penultimate Award)

At Redlands Christmas celebration they had 35 members enjoy an excellent venue and meal at CC's. We were able to have the privacy of the room on our own and the food was plentiful and tasty. Shirley and Ray Wilson quietly achieved the milestone of 80 during October and we were excited to

acknowledge the news at this meeting.



Shirley & Ray our latest OBE's



Redlands group enjoying Christmas lunch

WYNNUM—MANLY *Approx 20km east of Brisbane*

Had a very Happy Christmas and will start the new year with a luncheon at the “Fish on Fire” restaurant. They are also planning a day to a fully automated robotic dairy at Tamrookum. It is very interesting to see how the farm operates.

XEPA GREAT SOUTH EAST *Approx 50km south east of Brisbane***VIC****BENDIGO—Approx 153km North West of Melbourne**

“A big thank you to Peter & Elaine Dumont for a job well done as President, Secretary and Treasurer over the last two years. One of my happy memories is the informal meal at the Dumont’s house when they were first elected” says Kieran Ransom

Twenty five members attended our last get together, our Christmas Lunch at La Terrazza Huntly on 8th Dec. They really enjoyed the informal and friendly atmosphere and good food. It is a great venue for socialising both inside and outside in the patio area.

At this meeting:

Kieran & B Ransom were elected President – Secretary – Treasurer for the next two years.

Dennis & Glenis Roberts were elected vice President – Secretary – Treasurer .

The next meeting will be a Picnic in the Botanic Gardens late in February.

DANDENONG VALLEY—Approx 35km South of Melbourne**GEELONG APEX 40 — Approx 73km South West of Melbourne****MELBOURNE/GIPPSLAND— approx. 40km east of Melbourne**

At a recent meeting at the Bucatini Restaurant we had the pleasure of the company of Peter and Helen Greer, long time members of Redlands Apex 40 where Peter was Secretary for a number of years and Helen has been President of the Club. Peter and Helen have forsaken the Queensland summers, which they found a bit too hot, for the cooler climate in Victoria where they have settled at Sale in East Gippsland. While they are a good

distance from Melbourne, they do come here quite often and we hope they can make it to many of our future meetings.



The photo shows Peter between Alan and Nola



It is with great sadness that we record the passing of Leila Margetts, a member of Apex 40 since its inception. Although Leila and Fred moved to the Mansfield area many years ago, they remained members of Melbourne-Gippsland Apex 40 and attended meetings whenever they could, especially our birthday luncheons in later years.

MELBOURNE NORWESTERS—Approx 22km North West of Melbourne

SOUWEST (Warrnambool) Approx 270km South West of Melbourne

SUNRAYSIA — Approx 546km North of Melbourne

The last meeting was the AGM and Christmas party at the home of Robert and Judy Dean. It was great time to catch up with everybody prior to the Christmas break.

SA ADELAIDE HILLS—Approx 35km South West of Adelaide

TAS DEVONPORT —Approx 255km North (West) of Hobart

LAUNCESTON —Approx 200km North of Hobart

Keep sending in your pictures, club notices and general stories of interest so they can be shared with the rest of the Apex 40 community through our *Roaring 40's publication*.

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Name badges (\$10), Lapel badges (\$10) and Apex 40 Sticker (\$4), including postage can be obtained through the National Apex 40 Secretary.

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