

ROARING 40's

November 2015



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Apex 40 Australia Inc is the recognised body of affiliated past Apexians groups



Vice President Bryan Spencer presenting Jamie Vincent (Apex) with a cheque for \$2000 being the profit from the 2015 RORT at Coffs Harbour. The money will be spent on the Children's Chalet.

My two bobs worth!

Things have quieten down over the last few months and it appears, July to November is peak travelling time for our members including yours truly, although the several trips I made were to NSW destinations unlike others who have been going further afield. Reading through the dinner notices, it would also appear that quite a number of members have extra grand or great grandchildren - congratulations to all of you.

I should also remind you that Apex 40 has a Facebook page which allows members to share travel experiences and keep up to date with things that are going on ... The link is

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1543334949270004/>

In this issue, you will find information on the 2016 Rort in Geelong. This RORT is our 40th and we are all looking forward to the celebrations and I am sure with the combined efforts of Geelong, Bendigo, Melbourne Gippsland and Melbourne Norwesters we are in for a great time.

Don't forget to keep sending in the Dinner Notices and other information that could be useful. web@apex40.com
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Ken and Janice Wright
Nepean Valley Group
Editor Roaring 40's & Website



From

President Peter and Ann,

Secretary Col and Phyl,

Vice President Bryan and

Yvonne, IR Chairman

Mark and Rosemary,

Membership Chairman Bob

and Rita and finally

Roaring 40's Ed Ken and

Janice ... we wish you and your families a happy and safe time throughout Christmas and into the new year





National President's Report

Peter Ryall (Ann) - Wyong

Ann and I have recently returned from a wonderful trip through the Kimberley with my sister and Ann's brother. While at Geikie Gorge near Fitzroy Crossing I saw in the carpark a Landcruiser (Queensland number plates) with an Apex 40 sticker on the rear windscreen. By the time we had returned from our walk it had gone. Was it you?

Things are well on track for our 40th Rort in Geelong, and to help the hardworking committee I'd urge you to register sooner rather than later. I've asked our Vice-President Bryan Spencer to coordinate with the committee planning the 2017 Rort in Inverell. Bryan and Ken Wright met recently with Les and Yvonne Moulds from Inverell, and they have come up with an exciting draft program, with the tentative dates being March 17th, 18th, and 19th, 2017. The dates will be confirmed at the next National Board Meeting. Les and his committee will be ready with full details and registration details at Geelong next year.

It will be necessary for some minor changes to be made to our constitution and National Board is currently in the process of working on these, ready for your approval at the AGM in Geelong.

Early in September I had the pleasure of attending the National Convention of Apex Australia hosted by the Apex Club of Blacktown (NSW). New National President Jim McNall (Wide Bay, Queensland) took over from Nedd Golding (Clare, South Australia) whom we had welcomed to our Coffs Harbour Rort. There are some very strong Apex Clubs in parts of Australia, with about 1,500 members nationally, and it was heartening to see the enthusiasm shown by the delegates present. The age restriction rule has now been abolished, but it will be up to individual clubs to decide for themselves whether they retain the 45 year old age restriction or not. This will obviously have some impact on us, though it will be possible to be both an Apexian and a member of Apex 40 (we already have one or two members in this category). I thank the Apex Board for affording me the opportunity of making a presentation about our organisation at the business session. I was joined by

President's report Continued

Bryan and Yvonne Spencer at the formal dinner, with close to 200 in attendance. Bryan presented a cheque for \$2,000 to the Magic Castle committee for recladding work to be undertaken in January. This was the surplus from the Coffs Harbour Rort. I was thrilled that Bryan's organising committee had recommended to National Board that this money go to the chalet because I have fond memories of spending a few days as a member of Young (NSW) Apex Club in the late 1970s working on the chalet putting on the roof during its construction.

“Ann and I had a fantastic time in New Caledonia with Mark and Joanne Carter from Leeton at the 25th anniversary celebrations of Club 41 Noumea in October. Those guys certainly know how to party! I was able to do a fair bit of networking, and I'm hopeful that a few of them will be joining us in Geelong next year. There is also a possibility of some from France joining us as well, and a few Kiwis have also signalled their intention of coming across the ditch. Towards the end of November I'll be representing us at the Apex Foundation AGM in Sydney, and then in March next year I'm off to Wellington for the New Zealand Club 41 reunion. Plenty to keep me busy.”

Pete



President Pete in Noumea



Secretary–Treasurer's Report

Col Ramsay (Phyl) - Wynnum-Manly Qld

Hi to all,

As I reported in the last edition of the "Roaring 40's", there was a motion that the Board split the positions of Secretary and Treasurer was passed at the 2015 AGM and will be presented at the 2016 AGM for consideration by members".

Well, the good news is that considerable work has been done in this regard, and we, the National Board, will have the proposed changes ready to put to all the members at the upcoming AGM. Prior to the AGM, the proposed changes will be emailed and or posted to all of our financial members.

This is a good time to remind all Secretaries and Members that the annual membership fees **(\$6.00) come due on the 31st of January 2016**. You would all be aware that the Rort in 2016 at Geelong is being held from the **15th to the 18th of April**, only **15 days** after our close of financial year, 31st March 2016.

To assist me in finalising the financials as well as getting them Audited prior to the Rort, please get your membership details and annual fees to me as soon as if possible, even before Christmas would be great!.

When the last Roaring 40's was emailed, fifty six of the six hundred and seventy five emails were returned as invalid. Would all secretaries please ensure that the member details they send to me are correct and would all MAL's please send me any updates.

YIA40,
Col Ramsay
Secretary Treasurer



Vice President's Report

Bryan Spencer (Yvonne) Nepean Valley

Hello to all Members,

Firstly a “BIG” welcome back home to our National Secretary/Treasurer Col and Phyl from their lengthy sojourn.

I am pleased to report both National President Peter and I attended the Apex Australia National Convention Dinner held on Saturday, 12th September at Blacktown, N.S.W.

At the dinner it was my pleasant duty on behalf of Apex 40 Australia Inc. National Board and Apex 40 Nepean Valley (host of the 2015 Coffs Harbour Rort) to present a \$2,000 cheque for the Apex Children's Chalet which was the profit realised from the Rort due to “creative accounting”.

This gesture received grateful thanks with much acclamation. It was also very pleasing that the Apex Club of Chinchilla, Qld, donated \$2,000 raised from a project and not to be outdone another \$2,000 was donated anonymously. Jamie Vincent, Apex Chalet Chairperson, expressed much thanks, noting that the \$6,000 will more than cover the cladding work to be undertaken in January, 2016.

I am also happy to report Les Moulds (Apex 40 Inverell) has kept in contact with me in regard to the 2017 Rort and is “on track” at this early stage. We will continue to liaise as required.

Regards,

Bryan Spencer,
Vice President



Apex Liaison & International Relationships Report

Mark Tramby (Rosemary) - XEPA-Great South East

It was great to hear that our intrepid Apex 40 team attending the Noumea 41 25th celebrations had such a wonderful time, President Peter reckoned it was “the best party ever”.

I'm sorry that Rosemary and I couldn't make it but our lives are being driven currently by a serious family illness (not ours personally) which means making decisions to do anything in advance is quite difficult.

Elsewhere in the Roaring 40's you'll see the details for the 41 Get Together in Wellington New Zealand in March.

As you know it's only a short hop over the ditch, and airfares are as cheap as chips these days, so if you hanker for a bit of a overseas holiday, without venturing very far (and remember for those of you worried about expensive travel insurance when travelling remember you are covered in a reciprocal arrangement by Medicare in New Zealand), then this might fit perfectly into a NZ holiday, and in my opinion (after 40 odd years as a travel agent) probably the best time for travel to the land of the long white cloud.

If you need any further details, and would like to join President Pete in NZ (yes he has caught the bug) then the contact details are at the bottom of this report.

Cheers all and really hope to see you in Geelong in 2016.

Mark Tramby



41 Club New Zealand

41 REUNION 2016

DATES:

Evening Friday 18 March 2016
 Saturday 19 March 2016
 Sunday 20 March 2016
 Morning Monday 21 March 2016

WHY THIS DATE:

Because you can't beat Wellington on a good day

This weekend is the Cuba Street Carnival and Cuba Street is just around the corner from where we have booked our hotel.

The Wellington Festival of the Arts is on over this period with all the stunning entertainment that provides so why not stay a day or two extra to pick up on these additional stunning events.

World War One Exhibition at Te Papa masterminded by Sir Richard Taylor is very impressive.

After a couple of "research" trips to Courtenay Place our program is likely to be:

Friday

Get-together
 And/or Super Rugby 15 Rugby for those interested
 (Hurricanes v Stormers) at the Stadium

Saturday Morning

AGM at Parliament
 Tour of Parliament
 And./or shopping in Lambton Quay

Saturday Afternoon

At your leisure – just enjoy the vibrant Cuba Street
Carnival now called “Cuba Dupa”

Saturday Evening

7pm – 10pm	Dinner – prepaid as part of your registration
10pm – Midnight	Cuba Dupa for those with the stamina

Sunday

Tour of:

The World War One Exhibition prepared by Sir Peter Jackson at the War Memorial Museum in Buckle Street is also a must do.

The truly amazing Weta Workshop.

Early Sunday Evening

A few quiet drinks for all

Sunday Evening

Dinner & Dance
(Dress for the occasion - “A day on the red carpet”)

Monday Morning

Farewell Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION:

We have booked 20 rooms at the “Setup on Manners”.
These are serviced apartments and we already have
enough registrations to fill all of them. We can ask for
extra room but we have to get in quick as they are only
\$107 per room per night. We anticipate that accommo-
dation in Wellington is going to evaporate fairly quickly
now that the Festival of the Arts has announced its pro-
gramme of events.

Let us know your requirements ASAP

41 New Zealand Reunion Continued

COST:

We anticipate the registration fee to be the same as in recent years, namely \$200 per person (note Apex 40 members this is NZD, so about \$180 AUD)

Any suggestions/ideas are very welcome. Just email me –
peter@upperhuttlaw.co.nz

Regards

Peter Richardson

Chairman, Wellington Reunion Committee

Contacts: Phone: (04) 528 7165 (Work)
Phone: (04) 526 6008 (Home)
Mobile: 021 727 944
Email: peter@upperhuttlaw.co.nz

**Preferred accommodation for the 2016 Geelong RORT.
Just ask them for your Apex 40 Discount.**



1800 657 955 or 03 5243 3842



Forward Planning

Inverell Apex 40 have nominated for the 2017 RORT.

Inverell is located between Grafton and Mooree in Northern NSW.

Les, Bert and the team have planning well underway with many of the events already “locked in”. It is too soon to announce more details at this time, however if you want to enjoy great RORT and POST RORT put the weekend of 17-19th March 2017 in your diary now.



We would also like to remind members that the 2016 Rort is in Geelong and will mark the 40th Anniversary of the first RORT which was held in Ballarat.

Registrations are open either on line at [www. Apex40.com](http://www.Apex40.com) or on the form provided in this copy of the Roaring 40's.



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Welcome to Geelong and The Bellarine. Only a short drive from Melbourne, Geelong promises to be a relaxing retreat from the big city. With breathtaking views, sophisticated dining options and all kinds of entertainment on tap, there's so much to love about Geelong and The Bellarine.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation is abundant and varied throughout the Geelong region. We pride ourselves on our well-appointed accommodation, great atmosphere, prominent locations, friendly hosts, comfortable and inviting rooms with exhilarating attractions all at your doorstep.

Our accommodation also guarantees to suit specific tastes, budgets and needs, as they range from 4½ star elegance to 2 star comfort. Geelong offers in excess of 1000 hotel-motel rooms and serviced apartments within a short distance of the city centre, all of which guarantee you a good night's sleep.

Our preferred accommodation provider is Barwon River Tourist Park. A discount is available for Apex 40 members. This is also where coaches will pick up/drop off during Rort. Contact 1800 657 955 for bookings and further information.

Alternative accommodation is available at the Mercure Geelong contact 03 5223 6200 for bookings and further information.

TRANSPORT

Trains: There are frequent train services between Melbourne and Geelong through V/Line. The trip takes about an hour and you do not need to book. V/Line buses also operate from other towns (eg Ballarat) directly to Geelong. Timetables and more details available on www.vline.com.au or call 1800 800 007.

AIRPORT TRANSFERS:

- Tullamarine Airport (Melbourne): Gull Bus lines operates regular buses from Melbourne Airport to Geelong. Fares \$32 one-way per person. Bookings and information on www.gull.com.au or 03 5222 4966.
- Avalon Airport (Geelong): Regular flights to/from Sydney with Jetstar. Avalon Airport is just 15 minutes from Geelong. The Avalon Airport Shuttle will take you door to door to any motel/hotel in Geelong and costs \$18 one-way per person. Bookings and information on www.avalonairportshuttle.com.au or 03 5278 8788.
- Searoad Ferries: A car and passenger ferry service is available 7 days a week between Queenscliff and Sorrento, departing each hour on the hour between 7.00 am and 6.00 pm. Bookings and information on www.searoad.com.au or 03 5258 3244

For visitor information visit www.visitgeelongbellarine.com.au or phone 1800 755 611.





Welcome to Geelong and The Bellarine...

We want to welcome you to Geelong, on this the 40th anniversary of the first Rort that was held in Ballarat. Geelong as you would be aware, was the home of Apex, which is the very reason for us celebrating this weekend.

Geelong's name originates from the Aboriginal word 'jillong', meaning 'a place of the sea bird over white cliffs'. The city takes full advantage of its prime position on the shores of the north-facing Corio Bay.

Geelong is Victoria's second largest city and within a short drive from popular beach-front communities on The Bellarine, as well as being the gateway to the famous Great Ocean Road, which begins just south of Geelong at Torquay.

The city itself boasts a large commercial centre which extends down to the foreshore, offering visitors the chance to explore popular waterfront attractions such as the unique art deco Eastern Beach sea-bathing complex, a fully restored historic carousel, Steampacket Gardens and several coastal walks dotted with collections of bollards depicting historic characters. Elegant architecture, colourful gardens and parks, and the backdrop of Corio Bay are all symbolic of what locals refer to as the "city by the bay".

Geelong's central city and suburbs offer excellent shopping facilities, restaurants, nightlife and recreation on a par with any capital city. Locations of interest for visitors include the National Wool Museum, the Old Geelong Gaol, the Botanic Gardens at Eastern Park and a number of other museums, galleries and historical buildings. The Barwon River meanders through Geelong and its surrounding suburbs, fronted by a number of attractive parks and the scenic Buckley Falls in Fyansford.

And there's plenty to see and do in the surrounding areas. Queenscliff, a short drive away on The Bellarine, is a delightful historic seaside village. You'll be inspired by its architecture, ranging from fishermen's cottages to grand Victorian-era hotels.

2016 Rort Committee

PROGRAM

Friday 15th April

Welcome social and registration at the Geelong RSL

Saturday 16th

Bus tour of Geelong followed by morning tea provided by a local Service Club in Johnstone Park (Home of the Apex Monument)

Free time to wander down to the waterfront in preparation for our 3 hour luncheon cruise around Corio Bay

Saturday Evening

Dinner Dance at the White Eagle

Sunday 17th April

Guided Tour of the Wool Museum including morning tea at Denny's Kitchen

Then we will be based to the Clifton Springs Golf Club for lunch and our AGM

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Breakfast provided by a local Service Club



POST RORT TOUR

Following Breakfast, our Post Rorters will leave us to commence their Post Rort Tour. This includes accommodation and most meals.

Monday 18th April

We begin with a guided tour of the Heights Heritage House and gardens, to be followed by lunch in Geelong. In the afternoon, we will visit Narana Aboriginal Cultural Centre, which is an Australian cultural tourism and educational enterprise. Here we can have a leisurely stroll through the native garden with an abundance of bird life, and also the gallery/retail shop which displays a wide range of Aboriginal arts and crafts. We then check into the motel for the next two nights.

Tuesday 19th April

Today we will venture to Queenscliff. Upon arrival, we will take a 1 hour guided tour on the coach, where the guide will give commentary on the area and talk about places of interest. Lunch will be in Queenscliff. Following lunch, there will be time to wander the streets before travelling to Point Lonsdale for a look and then back to Geelong for free time and the evening meal.

Wednesday 20th April

We leave Geelong and travel to Winchelsea, where we will call into the Hasting Ostrich Farm for a guided tour, which covers the history of Ostrich farming, products, farming practices and learn all about these prehistoric birds. We then continue to Warrnambool, stopping on the way for lunch (own expense). Upon arrival in Warrnambool, we will be taken on a guided tour on the coach, with time available to browse the Visitor Information Centre, with spectacular views of Lady Bay & Breakwater. We then go and check into the motel for the next 2 nights. Our evening meal will be at the motel.

Thursday 21st April

This morning we will begin with a visit to the Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village. Whilst here we will explore Australia's most awarded maritime heritage precinct, climb the lighthouse, take in the views, and learn of the regions maritime history. Lunch will be at Macey's Bistro, and then we will enjoy a 75 minute cruise on the Hopkins river, with commentary and tea, coffee and biscuits. After the evening meal, we will return to Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village for the "Shipwrecked Sound and Laser Show". This allows us to join the last voyage of the 1878 clipper ship Loch Ard.

Friday 22nd April

After farewelling our hosts this morning, we will visit the Tower Hill State Game Reserve, which is nestled inside a dormant volcano, and today is a beautiful haven for wildlife. We then commence our journey back to Geelong via the Great Ocean Road, where we will stop and visit the 12 Apostles, and Loch Ard Bay. Time permitting, we may also visit a Cheese Factory on the way.



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Preferred first name

Surname

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Surname

Street Address

City/Town

State

Country (if Not Australia)

Postcode

*Agree to share details with
other 2016 RORT'ers Y/N*

Sub Group, MAL or Organisation

Email Address

Main contact phone number

Phone number whilst at RORT

RORT

RORT Registration is \$350 per person which is discounted to \$330 until 1st Feb 2016

No of Registrations on this form

A minimum deposit of \$100 per person is payable with this registration.

Full amount payable

Final Balance to be paid by 28th Feb 2016

Deposit you are paying today

Rort Balance

POST - RORT

POST RORT Registration is \$790 per person with a single supplement of \$175.

No of Registrations on this form

A minimum deposit of \$100 per person for the POST RORT is payable with this registration. Final Balance to be paid by 28th Feb 2016

Full amount payable

Deposit you are paying today

POST RORT Balance

Balance owing for RORT and POST RORT to be paid by 28th February 2016

Electronic Funds Transfer: Please enter the reference you will use when transferring funds from your Bank Account. If not sure just use the last 6 digits of your phone number.

Food allergies, mobility or other issues

Accommodation choice

Mode of transport

Arrival Date

Departure Date

For more information Contact
Bob Ireland on 0438 135 185

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Registration Information

The discount is only available to February 1st 2016 whereby the registration will increase to \$350 per person

The final balance is to be paid by February 28th 2016.

The RORT committee will not be responsible for travel or accommodation arrangements including airport transfers. .

The bank details for Money transfers is: **Bank: WESTPAC Account name: Apex 40 Australia Inc**
BSB: 034-053 Account Number: 308856

The Postal Address for Cheques and manual registrations is
Apex 40 Australia Inc, C/- 23 Somerleigh Crs, Greensborough VIC 3088

please endorse cheques to Apex 40 Australia Inc.

Barwon River Tourist Park has been chosen as the main caravan park offering powered sites with or without en-suites and plenty of cabins. The Park also offers a discount to RORT'ers. For those who require a motel then we suggest the Mercure.

Barwon River www.barwoncaravanpark.com.au Telephone 1800 657 955 or (03) 5243 3842
Address: 153 Barrabool Road, Belmont VIC 3216

Mercure Hotel: <http://www.mercure.com/gb/hotel-3033-mercure-geelong/index.shtml>
Telephone 03 52236200 Address: Cnr Myers and Gheringhap Sts GEELONG

Overflow accommodation choices are: City Southside Caravan Park or \ the Sherwood Forest Caravan Park

Should you have any further requirements or questions please contact the RORT committee:

Email: geelongrort@apex40 or call
Bob Ireland (H) 03 9434 2919 or (M) 0438135185

on behalf of the 2016 RORT Committee

Thankyou for registering
Bob Ireland, Max Cheney and Kevin Harvey

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

What's happening on the Apex 40 Facebook page



Sandra Dawson with Elizabeth Hammond and 2 others at The Backbencher

October 5

Look who we found in New Zealand



Julie Primmer shared Geelong In Historical Pictures's photo.

August 22

Can we live this up a bit next year?



National President
Peter Ryall
At
Wyong Apex 40 club
Dinner meeting tonight Thursday 28th May



A Young Michael Dawson at an Apex meeting



Vivienne Bradshaw

May 28

Tom and his amazing wonderful beautiful wife Lea. They look after our group like a mum and a dad.



Elaine Dumont

August 23

A gathering wouldn't be complete without Kevin Shirley and Merryll.



AROUND THE GROUPS

NSW

ALSTONVILLE APEX 40- Approx 740km North of Sydney

Barrie Lancaster, passed away on the 5/10/15.
Our sincere sympathy to Colleen and family.

BYRON BAY OASIS —Approx 760km North of Sydney

BLUE MOUNTAINS CREST APEX 40— 100km west of Sydney

One week in the mountains can be the difference between fire and snow.
This happened in August.



Blue Mountains weather in August and below Millthorpe

The group had a weekend away to Millthorpe (near orange NSW) where they had a relaxing and enjoyable weekend discovering the historic buildings throughout the town.

Some of the members families have grown with the addition of grandchildren



FORBES—*Approx 380 km West of Sydney*

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

INVERELL—*Approx 560 km North West of Sydney*

Bert, Les and committee have been hard at work planning the 2017 Rort and Post Rort. If you happen to have a caravan show or travel show , chances are that yo may see Les and Yvonne Moulds trying encourage to come to Inverell for their holiday.

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 their AGM in October. Manly Apex 40 is unique whereby they have their own incorporation and often fundraise for charity

MOREE—*Approx 640km North west of Sydney*

NEPEAN VALLEY—*Approx 60km west of Sydney*

Nepean have been fairly quiet with many members travelling over the past few months. The next event is scheduled to be a theatre restaurant with a Fawlty Towers theme.

WYONG — *Approx 100km north of Sydney*

(Winner of the 2015 Penultimate Award)

Wyong had 30 members (more than ever before) for their Christmas in July. They also had a huge weekend away Swansea Gardens., this was followed by their AGM.

QLD

CALOUNDRA—*Approx 103km North of Brisbane*

CURTIS COAST—*Approx 530km North of Brisbane*

HERVEY BAY—*Approx 290km North of Brisbane*

MARYBOROUGH —*Approx 260km North of Brisbane*

REDLANDS — Approx 40km south of Brisbane

The August meeting saw 38 of Redlands enjoy a delightful luncheon at Marcie and Charlie Irvin's and also welcome Don and Olwyn Connolly, past members of Sandgate Apex Club. As usual with any new introduction our Treasurer Ray promptly suggested they become members and took their fee to join! Don gave us a brief history of his Apex involvement and will be a great addition to our club



Redlands group enjoying a meeting at the Irvin's.

WYNNUM—MANLY Approx 20km east of Brisbane.

President John and Dianne cooked hamburgers at the beach for the mob in September and then for November they had a Melbourne Cup party with all the usual games etc.

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

Bendigo recently enjoyed a night at the trots and the following month they had a "I like Chinese" night



FROM Bendigo archives... They have a celebrity namely Miss Meryl McKenzie .. Winner of the Miss Red Cliffs Competition..

DANDENONG VALLEY—Approx 35km South of Melbourne

GEELONG APEX 40 — Approx 73km South West of Melbourne

MELBOURNE/GIPPSLAND— approx. 40km east of Melbourne

VALE FRANK MAINWARING



Throughout his life Frank was always a great believer in and contributor to his local community not only as an Apexian but through school committees sporting clubs and the church. In later life Frank endured a long struggle with his physical health but managed to come to Apex meetings whenever he could.

Melbourne Gippsland members remember Frank as a true gentleman with a very sharp wit who took great pleasure in the company of his fellow Apex members. we offer our sincere sympathy to Briony and family

Frank as born in 1927 and grew up on a farm near Stanley Tasmania

(The above article was from Melbourne Gippsland's August newsletter)

Melbourne Gippsland had a MELBOURNE CUP DAY BARBEQUE with Geoff and Lyn Angus being the hosts. That was the social highlight of the year and, a test of Geoff's great new backyard pergola. They had a "two-bob tote" running on the day.

MELBOURNE NORWESTERS—Approx 22km North West of Melbourne

SOUWEST (Warrnambool) Approx 270km South West of Melbourne

SUNRAYSIA — Approx 546km North of Melbourne.

Sunraysia have had some interesting meetings at the Red Door and the Brewery.

SA

ADELAIDE HILLS—Approx 35km South West of Adelaide

TAS

DEVONPORT —Approx 255km North (West) of Hobart

LAUNCESTON —Approx 200km North of Hobart

RORT Locations for the last 40 years

Year	Host Club	Location	Year	Host Club	Location
2015	Nepean Valley (NSW)	Coffs Harbour	1995	Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia)	Malaysia
2014	National Board	Adelaide	1994	Melbourne Gippsland (VIC)	Melbourne
2013	Maryborough/Xepa (QLD)	South Pacific Cruise	1993	Guildford (WA)	Perth
2012	Hervey Bay (QLD)	Fraser Coast (QLD)	1992	Grafton (NSW)	Grafton
2011	National Board	Nelson (NZ)	1991	Launceston (TAS)	Launceston
2010	Bendigo (VIC)	Bendigo	1990	Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia)	Kuala Lumpur
2009	Wyong (NSW)	Wyong	1989	Wynnum/Manly (QLD)	Brisbane
2008	Perth (WA)	Perth	1988	Riverland (SA)	Renmark
2007	Redlands (QLD)	Mackay	1987	Alstonville (NSW)	Alstonville
2006	Nepean Valley (NSW)	Penrith	1986	Morella (WA)	Perth
2005	Devonport (TAS)	Devonport	1985	Bendigo (VIC)	Bendigo
2004	National Board	Norfolk Island	1984	Devonport (TAS)	Devonport
2003	Sunraysia (VIC)	Mildura	1983	Melbourne Gippsland (VIC)	Marysville
2002	Redlands (QLD)	Cleveland	1982	Sunraysia (VIC)	Mildura
2001	Heywood & Portland (VIC)	Halls Gap	1981	Maryborough (QLD)	Maryborough
2000	Moree (NSW)	Moree	1980	Bendigo (VIC)	Bendigo
1999	Bendigo (VIC)	Bendigo	1979	Launceston (TAS)	Launceston
1998	Port Lincoln (SA)	Port Lincoln	1978	Melbourne Gippsland (VIC)	Croydon
1997	Sunshine Coast (QLD)	Caloundra	1977	Devonport (TAS)	Devonport
1996	Wyong (NSW)	Wyong	1976	Melbourne Gippsland (VIC)	Ballarat

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