

Roaring 40's

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The ultimate Christmas in July gift. Just what every man wants and needs



Julie's Jottings

Hello all, I hope everyone is coping with this strange winter the whole country seems to be having. Exceptionally dry over large areas, freezing in southern Queensland, and elsewhere it is all over the place. So all those heading north for the winter, be warned, it has not been as warm as usual.

I attended the combined Christmas in July for Melbourne Nor-Westerns and Bendigo group. It was a lovely day and it was wonderful to catch up with Brian Roach while there. We are quite short on reports in this issue. Where are they all?

**Julie Primmer, Sunraysia
Editor Roaring 40's**



President's Annual Report Bryan Spencer (Yvonne) Nepean Valley

With winter upon us, I trust all the usual ailments are kept at bay. I know some members are having health issues and I truly hope they improve.

With the 2018 Rort in Launceston behind us, the focus is for members to register for our Rort in Leeton, NSW next May. Mark Carter and his team have worked overtime to finalize all venues, accommodation, activities etc. for our enjoyment.

May I "plug" this 2019 Rort and ask all to consider registering as early as possible. Being a 'country' Rort, it should be a great time of 'Continuing Fellowship'.

Kevin Huxham is already in the planning stage for the 2020 Rort. He has 'roped in' a few members for ideas and assistance. Keep going, Kevin.

Also, congratulations to Kevin for the trip to South Africa. 30 have booked for what looks like a fantastic tour.

I must make a special and huge "thank you" to our Treasurer Keith Miller. When I approached Keith to take on the role of Treasurer 3 years ago (which he readily agreed to), it was to be the usual finance "stuff". Little did I or Secretary Col or Keith envision what would take place in 2018. You name it: International money transfers including New Zealand Dollars; New Caledonia CFP Francs; Currency conversion calculations, etc., etc. What a minefield! Keith, with his patience and expertise is doing a sterling job.

Col, Kevin and myself are extremely grateful to Keith for his perseverance.

Members would be aware that our Roaring 40's Editor, Julie, was elected as Vice President at the 2018 AGM. She agreed to remain as Editor until the 2019 AGM in Leeton when she accepts the position as National President.

**** SPECIAL REQUEST ****

A NEW EDITOR WILL BE REQUIRED !!!!

I am sincerely asking for a member to step up and take on the role of the Roaring 40's Editor from the Rort next year. Is There A Willing Member Waiting To Take It On.

Feel free to contact myself, Julie or Secretary Col for info, I am thanking someone in advance.

I take this opportunity to encourage all members to continue enjoying that great Apex tradition of "FELLOWSHIP".

Cheers,
Bryan.



**Membership and Secretary's Report
Col Ramsay**

No report



**International Relations and Apex Liaison Annual Report:
Mark Carter (Joanne) Leeton**

All Apex members will be aware of the visitation to South Africa being kindly organised by Kevin Huxham. The group of 30 is finalised and will consist of delegates from Apex 40 Australia, 41 club members from Noumea and NZ along with RT41 members of UK and Ireland. The group will be home hosted as well as Hotel accommodation. The last visit by Apex 40 I understand was some 23 odd years ago and by all accounts if this visit is any thing like the last one the attendees are in for a wonderful trip. We wish all of them a safe and wonderful journey. As for myself, representing as IRO board member, I viewed the trip as part of my portfolio so registered, paid and committed early, however my daughters wedding 2 weeks after the return date made me somewhat nervous about time frame organisation so reluctantly I withdrew from the group.

I wish them a wonderful trip and again thank Kevin for his organisation of same, and seek his representation on my behalf.

There is nothing to report with regard APEX Australia.



**Webmaster's Report:
Ken Wright (Janice) Nepean Valley**

Nothing to report.



**Treasurer's Report
Keith Miller**

No report

Around the Sub-Committees



Around the Sub-Committees

New South Wales

Alstonville 740 kms north of Sydney

Byron Bay 760 kms north of Sydney

Blue Mountains Crest 100 kms west of Sydney

Our May meeting was at Elizabeth and John's home for afternoon tea.

The meeting on 3rd July was planned to be at Jan's at 10.30 for morning tea and then out to lunch at the Tin Shed.

Great 8 Hunter Valley 170 kms north of Sydney

Inverell 560 kms north west of Sydney

Leeton 590 kms south west of Sydney

Our club membership remains steady in the high 30's. The 2019 RORT organisation continues to progress well with our small committee now attending to some of the finer details as the major framework is in place.

Leeton's weather at the start of May is usually lovely with nice days and pleasant nights. To those who have registered thus far for the RORT and PRT, thank you and we look forward to further support to continue the great fellowship that the RORT brings to it's members.

Lismore 745 kms north of Sydney

Manly 15 kms east of Sydney

Moree 640 kms north west of Sydney

Nepean Valley 60 kms west of Sydney

Wyang 100 kms north of Sydney

The May meeting was planned for The Entrance Leagues Club. Our previous meeting we had fourteen members who were not away travelling around all different parts of the world and a very pleasant evening was had.

Queensland

Caloundra 103 kms north of Brisbane

Curtis Coast 530 kms north of Brisbane

Maryborough 290 kms north of Brisbane

Hervey Bay 290 kms north of Brisbane

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Redlands 35 kms south east of Brisbane

For our April gathering, 20 of us journeyed to Redcliffe and enjoyed lunch at the modern Mon Komo Hotel. Many arrived early and ventured through the local Sunday markets and explored the Bee Gee's Way. In June twenty nine members attended our lunch at the Taste of Europe and enjoyed the experience.

Wynnum Manly 20 kms east of Brisbane

Xepa Great South East 30 kms south east of Brisbane

South Australia

Adelaide Hills 35 kms south east of Adelaide

Tasmania

Devonport 255 kms north west of Hobart

Launceston 200 kms north of Hobart

Victoria

Bendigo 153 kms north of Melbourne

Dandenong Valley 35 kms south of Melbourne

Geelong 73 kms south west of Melbourne

Melbourne-Gippsland 40 kms east of Melbourne

Melbourne Nor-westers 22 kms north west of Melbourne

Souwest 270 kms south west of Melbourne

Sunraysia 546 kms north west of Melbourne

July's function was a casserole lunch at the home of Don and Moz in Mildura.

Apex Foundation

Check this link for all the latest news. <http://www.apexfoundation.org.au>

International 41

These newsletters make very interesting reading. They can be accessed at this webpage:
www.41international.net

Kelab Apex 40, Kuala Lumpur

Next Meeting - Friday 3 August 2018; 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm; Heineken Lounge, Heineken Brewery, Lot 1135, Batu 9, Jalan Klang Lama, 46000 P.J.

COST: RM 50.00 per pax ; Smart casual (No Shorts/Sandals or Slippers)

Once again, our president, Dato' Gnana has managed to get for us a slot at the Heineken Brewery. While the emphasis is on social interaction among members, spouses and guests, this event once again gives us an opportunity to raise some funds for our club.

43rd National Association Convention

National Association of Apex Clubs of Malaysia

This year's National Convention will be hosted by the Apex Club of Petaling Jaya.

Details: Date : Friday 10th & Saturday 11th of August 2018

Registration Fee : RM 380.00 for full Registration (c/w T-Shirt)

Meeting venue is at Cosmo Hotel, near Masjid Jamek. The pre-convention social and gala dinner will be held at the Grand Continental Hotel, Off Jalan Raja Laut, Kuala Lumpur.

As an incentive our club has agreed to subsidize RM 30.00 for members attending the gala dinner. For programme and costs breakdown, kindly liaise with Apexian David Pan @ 012-3088440.

APEX 40 Tour to SOUTH AFRICA as Guests of RT41 SA, September 2018

The tour will commence August 31 when the contingent of 30 participants fly out to Johannesburg, and will fly back out of Johannesburg on September 22 for home.

The group is truly international and comprises one couple from RT41 GB & I, three couples from RT41 Noumea, 11 from RT41 NZ and 11 from Apex 40 Australia.

Commencing in the north of SA with game parks and the RT41SA AGM, we will journey by coach as far south as Durban, then fly to East London where a second coach will collect the group and journey south along the Garden Route to Cape Town. After a few days in the Cape region, we will fly back to Johannesburg to begin the journey homeward.

There are three home host stays by the host country RT41 members, with the balance of accommodation being in hotels.

The group are eagerly awaiting the trip, which is under eight weeks away now.

The last trip went in 1993 to South Africa with 29 participants, after two very late cancellations in Perth, which you may remember.

If you need anything else, please feel free to email me. I am 250kms west of Townsville at present, but have all the information with me.

Kevin Huxham

3rd - 6th May 2019



Leeton

APEX 40 RORT

www.apex40.com

Post RORT 6th - 10th May 2019

The Riverina in Southern NSW is always great place to explore and to enjoy.

In 2019 the Apex 40 members will have the chance to discover the food bowl of Australia. An area that is steeped in farming history and is part of the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area.

So prepare yourself for a taste of country hospitality.

The RORT will run from Fri 3rd May to Mon 6th May 2019. It will be then be followed by a POST RORT Tour finishing on Friday May 10th.



Leeton
Tourism

Leeton Visitors Information Centre - 10 Yanco Ave Leeton Phone (02) 6953 6481

www.leetontourism.com.au

Apex 40 RORT information - Email: leetonrort@apex40.com

THE RORT 3rd - 6th May 2019

Thursday (early arrivals)

Registrations open at the Visitors information Centre 1pm to 4pm.
Phone 02 6953 6481 Email: enquiries@leetontourism.com.au

Friday

Registrations open at the Visitors Information Centre 1pm to 4pm.
Activities available during day include Fivebough Wetlands 1 hour tour, town Art Deco Guided walk, Murrami Rocking Horse Museum and Murrami Randall Organic Rice cake production. (see web page or booking form for details).

Welcome Social at the Leeton Soldiers Club - Bus pickup from 6pm.

Saturday

8:30am Leeton Town Tour by coach.
Morning tea at the Leeton Visitor Information centre.
Travel to Southern Cotton Gin for a guided tour.
Lunch at the Darlington Point Soldiers Club.
Altina Wildlife by horse drawn or motorised cart. An up close and personal experience followed by a cuppa, biscuits and slices.
Dust off your Akubra and RM Williams gear and join us for our themed outback night at the Leeton Soldiers Club with great tucker and great music from our bush band.

Sunday

8:30am Coach departs for Narrandera Fisheries for a guided tour of native and endangered species of the Murray Darling Basin river system.
Glendale Farm tour and Morning tea by the Murrumbidgee River.
Bus back to Leeton for AGM and lunch.
Dinner will be at the Iconic Roxy Theatre with a live band and dance music from the 40's to the 70's.

Monday

Farewell breakfast at the Leeton Soldiers Club from 7:30am.
Coach departs for Post RORT Tour at 9:30am.

Accommodation

Leeton Caravan Park 02 6953 3323 .
Leeton Heritage Motor Inn 02 6953 4100
Motel Riverina 02 6953 2955



THE POST RORT 6th - 10th May 2019

Following the farewell breakfast, the POST RORT TOUR will begin and includes coach travel, accommodation and most meals. Eskies will be on the coach to store all your gourmet fine foods.

Monday

On our way to Darlington Point we'll have a short stop at Jodie Heath's for a selection of cured/smoked handmade smallgoods, then on to Yarrow Park for some olives and wine tasting, including morning tea. After which we head to Hay to Shear Outback for a tour, demonstration and lunch. After leaving Shear Outback we go to our accommodation for a short break, then onto Bishop's Lodge for our evening meal.

Tuesday

After breakfast, we start the day with a town tour including the Hay Gaol, Museum and Cultural centre. Before leaving Hay, enjoy morning tea at the Hay Visitors Centre. We then travel to Corrinya Station at Carrathool where Bruce and Julie Armstrong will host our lunch along with some station insights. We then travel to Griffith with a stop on the outskirts at Calabria winery. Our overnight stay will be in Griffith, where we will also enjoy our evening meal.

Wednesday

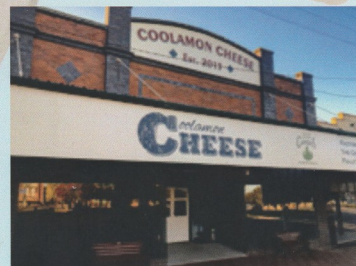
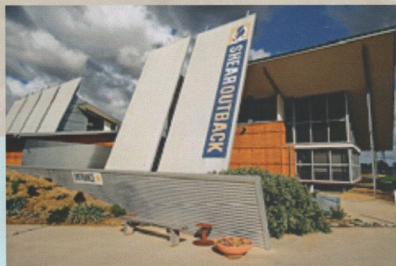
After breakfast, we'll begin with a Coach tour of Griffith and local points of interest. Lunch will be at DeBortoli Winery, where the matriarch, Emeri DeBortoli will give a brief history of the winery and has agreed to open her extensively awarded garden for us to enjoy. After lunch, we have a quick stop in Barellan and Aria Park before arriving in Temora for a town tour, then for some a guided pub crawl with local history. You will be dining tonight at the Temora Ex-Servicemans Club.

Thursday

After a hearty breakfast we visit the Rural Museum with a commentary and morning tea, then off to the the Aircraft Museum. We then head to Junee where lunch will at the Junee Rail Station Café, after which, we visit the Junee Roundhouse and/or Monte Cristo before being dropped at our accommodation. Dinner will be at the Junee Licorice and Chocolate factory, hosted by the Druce family. The retail shop will open exclusively for post Rorters.

Friday

After breakfast our first stop today is at the Coolamon Cheese Factory. You will have time to enjoy a self guided town walk to see its unique offerings. Then onto Lockhart to visit the Golder Wool Gallery to see landscapes and portraits using natural wool. Lunch will be a traditional pub lunch at the famous Morundah Pub. After lunch we are off to Leeton which will complete our Post RORT Tour.



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Leeton
APEX 40 RORT



Thankyou
for registering

Post RORT 6th - 10th May 2019

2 EASY WAYS
TO REGISTER

Online through the website: www.apex40.com

Mail this form: 2019 Apex 40 RORT
PC Box 5204 Manly QLD 4179.

Rorter 1: First Name: _____ Surname: _____
 Street Address: _____
 Town: _____ State: _____ Postcode: _____
 Email: _____ Country: _____
 Sub Group/ Mal or Organisation: _____
 Food allergies, mobility or other issues: _____
 Tel: _____

Rorter 2: First Name: _____ Surname: _____
 Street Address: _____
 Town: _____ State: _____ Postcode: _____
 Email: _____ Country: _____
 Food allergies, mobility or other issues: _____
 Tel: _____

Friday Early Arrivals Info:

Although the RORT does not commence until 6pm we have arranged a number of activities. If you are interested and wish to participate in any of these activities, please tick the associated box(s) for booking purposes.

- Fivobough Wellands (RAMSTAR rated) free tour - 10am for 1 hour.
- Town Art Deco free Guided Walk - 1:30pm for 1 hour.
- 9:30am Murrarni Rocking Horse Museum - 15min Drive. \$7.50 entry fee. 2 Sessions.
- 1:30pm Morning Tea (Home Cooked) at the Murrarni Rocking Horse Museum. \$7.50pp extra.
- 11:00am Randall Organic Rice. Rice cake and flour production - \$5pp. (refunded with purchases).
- 2:00pm 5min drive past Rocking Horse Museum. 2 Sessions available - Tour approx 1 hour.

Registration Details

Prices are based in \$AUS and are subject to change.

- Rorter 1:** RORT Registration \$360 Early Bird Registration with full payment made prior to **31st January 2019**.
- RORT Registration \$385 for people registering after **1st February 2019**.
- POST RORT Tour Registration \$690 - (Minimum 30 people - price may be adjusted if fewer than 30 register). Single supplement is \$45.00.

Total for RORTER 1: \$

- Rorter 2:** RORT Registration \$360 Early Bird Registration with full payment made prior to **31st January 2019**.
- RORT Registration \$385 for people registering after **1st February 2019**.
- POST RORT Tour Registration \$690 - Minimum 30 people.

Total for RORTER 2: \$

Total full price for Rorters: \$

Deposit Paid: \$ Minimum \$100 p.p. for RORT and \$100 p.p. for Post RORT.

RORT balance owing: \$ to be paid by 28th February 2019.

Accommodation

It is your responsibility to book your accommodation for the RORT. Please indicate where you will be staying.

- Leeton Caravan Park. Vans Sites and Cabins Yanco Ave Leeton. Tel: 02 6953 3323
- Leeton Heritage Motor Inn 29 Yanco Ave Leeton. Tel: 02 6943 4100
- Motel Riverina 1 Yanco Ave Leeton. Tel: 02 6953 2955

Please choose one. If you are staying elsewhere you will need to make your own way to one of the above addresses for bus pickups.

POST RORTERS - Do you require storage for your car, caravan or motorhome: Please let us know the size and if you require power?

Travel

If your arriving and departing by air, please read the travel info page. Let us know your flight details including times, Flight number, Airline Company and which airport you are flying into - (our preferred airport is Leeton/Narrandera) where we can offer transfers.

Do you require transfers?

Payment and contact details

Cheque made payable to: (Apex 40 Australia Inc).
2019 Apex 40 RORT
PO Box 5204 Manly QLD 4179.

EFT: (Use your surname & last 6 digits of phone number as reference).
Account name: Apex 40 Australia Inc
BSB: 034 053 Account: 351301.

Mark Carter: Tel: (Afterhours Only) (02) 6955 7041 or Mobile 0477695331
Email: leetonrort@apex40.com

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Accommodation and Travel Information

Accommodation

* All Prices based on January 2018 tariffs and may change. Prices are based on 2 people with a minimum 3 nights. Extra nights at same tariff.

Leeton Caravan Park
Yanco Avenue, Leeton
Tel: (02) 6953 3323
www.leetoncaravanpark.com.au
email: leetoncp@bigpond.com.au

Powered Site	\$30 per night
Unpowered Site	\$25 per night
Cabins	\$100 per night includes linen

Leeton Heritage Motor Inn
27 Yanco Avenue, Leeton
Tel: (02) 6953 4100
www.leetonheritage.com.au
email: stay@leetonheritage.inn.com.au

Apex 40 Rorters will receive a \$10 per night discount with a minimum 3 nights. Phone and email bookings only by January 31st 2019.

Motel Riverina
1 Yanco Avenue, Leeton
Tel: (02) 6953 2955
www.motelriverina.com.au
email: stay@motelriverina.com.au

Queen	\$125 per night
Upstairs Double & Single	\$120 per night
Queen & Single	\$150 per night
Queen & 3 Single	\$180 per night

Travel Choices - Air

Leeton/Narrandera Airport is our preferred airport which is serviced by Regional Express Airlines (REX) with 3 flights a day out of Sydney only. The RORT committee will provide complimentary transfers for each flight. As there are limited cheap fares on each flight, it is suggested that you book as early as possible.

Travel Choices - Road

Leeton is located in the Riverina area of Southern NSW.
From Sydney it is 560km or about 6hrs. From Brisbane it is 1250km or about 14hrs via the Nowell Hwy.
From Melbourne it is 461km or just over 5hrs.

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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Or search for Apex 40 Australia Inc

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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.

Always ring or email first to check availability or any postage cost changes.

