



17 Construction Squadron Workshop Vietnam Association



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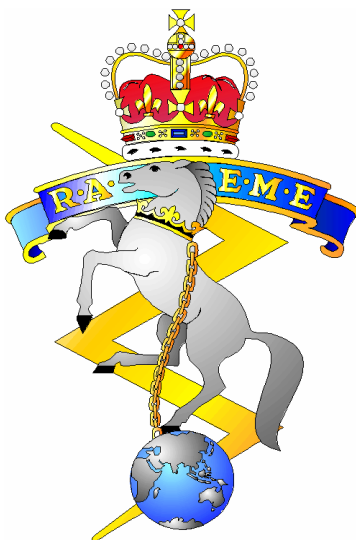
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Clare Valley Reunion

Four months and counting. Time is moving fast and the excitement is gaining momentum. If you are attending the reunion, by now you should have made contact with the Caravan Park or the Clare Country Club. **If not - then do it now.**

Our numbers are near to one hundred and sixty and there is a number of members who are attending for the first time and some who have not attended for some years. For those regular attendees, look out for your mates and make sure that you all enjoy the festivities.

Although there are many functions organized for all of us throughout our time in Clare, there is still time for you to relax and enjoy some individual time. Unfortunately, Clare does not have a public transport service, so if you need to have a good look around Clare, you will need to find your own way. There is a total of 127 people staying

at the caravan park, check in with your mates, you may find they would be happy for you to join forces on some sight seeing.

You will notice on page two of this newsletter there is a schedule of events for the reunion. On that itinerary there are items marked **BYO**. This indicates that you will **BUY** your own drinks. Refreshments will be available at each venue at reasonable prices. Note it is **NOT Bring Your Own drinks.**

We have a number of people from volunteer organisation who are doing us a service by catering and servicing our needs, any profits made from the bar goes to the respective organisation, please help us by helping them.

Our intent is to have everyone thoroughly enjoy their stay in Clare. If you have any problems or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact Snow (Sec/Treas).

ENJOY CLARE

What is Happening in Clare

The Reunion Agenda

Thursday 12th September - *Members Arrive at Clare*

Friday 13th September

0900 Welcoming Breakfast - *To Be Advised (All inclusive)*
1730 BBQ Dinner - *The Clare Show Grounds - (**BUY** Your Drinks)*

Saturday 14th September

0900 Ladies Tour - *Tour of Mintaro - Morning Tea Included*
1000 Members Meeting - *Clare Country Club*
1300 Members Luncheon - *Clare Country Club - Light Lunch*
1900 Formal Dinner - *Clare Golf Club - Jacket & Tie - (**BUY** Your Drinks)*

Sunday 15th September

0900 Day Tour - *Tour of the Clare Valley
(Morning Tea & Lunch Provided)*
1900 Farewell BBQ - *Informal BBQ at the Clare Caravan Park
(**BUY** Your Drinks)*

Monday 16th September - *Members Depart Clare*

Reunion Polo Shirt

We have the option available to us to produce a reunion POLO SHIRT. The shirt will be Navy Blue with Red and Yellow piping on the sleeves and collar. A RAEME badge and the inscription "17 Construction Squadron Workshop Vietnam Association Clare Valley Reunion 2013".

Sizes range from Small to 4XL. The price is \$18.00 per shirt.

There is an order form, complete with picture at the end of this newsletter.

FEDERAL ELECTION 2013 - THE NEED TO VOTE

*During the course of our Clare reunion there is a Federal Election. Although this could be seen as a bit of an inconvenience to our members, we can easily avoid any problems by the use of an **Early Vote process**. I have been in touch with the Electoral Commission and below is their reply to my queries. Please read it closely. It will be advantageous to cast an Early Vote.*

**** VOTE EARLY and enjoy the reunion without hassle ****

Dear Mr Whykes

As discussed, the following is some information regarding early voting for the September election.

Pre-Poll (early voting) Centres open from Tuesday 27 August to Friday 13 September.

Locations for Pre-Poll Centres will be advertised in local newspapers across Australia and on the AEC website: www.aec.gov.au

Your members can also contact our call centre on 13 23 26 for Pre-poll Voting information.

Any members with significant visual impairment can register for a telephone voting service by contacting the Call Centre once the Election is declared (from 12 August). This telephone voting is only available to blind or low vision electors.

Should any of your members travelling outside of their Home Division during the early voting period, they can attend a Pre-Poll Voting Centre in any Division around Australia during that period.

Any member who has been unable to cast an early vote, can attend the Clare Polling Place on Election Day 14 September between 8am and 6pm, which includes an Interstate Voting Centre. The details of Polling Places will be advertised as above in the weeks leading up to the Election

All Pre-Poll Voting Centres (27/8 – 13/9) and Interstate Voting Centres (14/9 only) are able to provide voters with the correct ballot papers for both Houses for all Divisions around Australia.

I hope this answers the concerns raised by your members. Further information can be gained via the website, the call centre, or by attending their local AEC Divisional Office.

I know you and your members will have a fabulous weekend; the Clare Valley is just lovely and I personally recommend Martindale Hall and the nearby hedge maze at Mintaro.

Kind Regards

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THOSE WHO HAVE PAID REGISTRATION

The following members have already paid their registration for the reunion and we thank you very much. If you have not already done so, please do so ASAP as we are now paying deposits, etc. for various functions and facilities.

Allan Lennox	Henry Kolek
Bill Dallas	Ian Betteridge
Bill Wadsworth	John Chattin
Bob Callinan	John Farmelo
Bob Fleiner	John Fenton
Bob Martin	John Lynch
Brian Pope	Keith Lawry
Cliff Richards	Ken Burton
Dave Lindeman	Kerry Ryan
Denis Cush	Kevin Pearce
Dennis Ellis	Lance Gillespie
Don Hughes	Mal Crawford
Don Sims	Peter Bevilacqua
Ed Ermanis	Phil Vitale
Eric Campbell	Ray Day
Frank Clayton	Rob Vear
Garry Whykes	Roger Keegan
Geoff Williams	Ryan Critchlow
Gerald Detmar	Steve Macfarlane
Graeme McDonald	Tom Hurford

THOSE BANK DETAILS AGAIN. . . .

*The Registration Fee set down for this reunion is **\$145 per head**. Please pay your registration by direct debit from your bank account or go to the Commonwealth bank and pay into our account.*

Our Bank Details are:

BSB: 066 000

Acct Num: 10100303

Acct Name: 17 Const Sqn Wksp Vietnam Ass.

Bank: Commonwealth

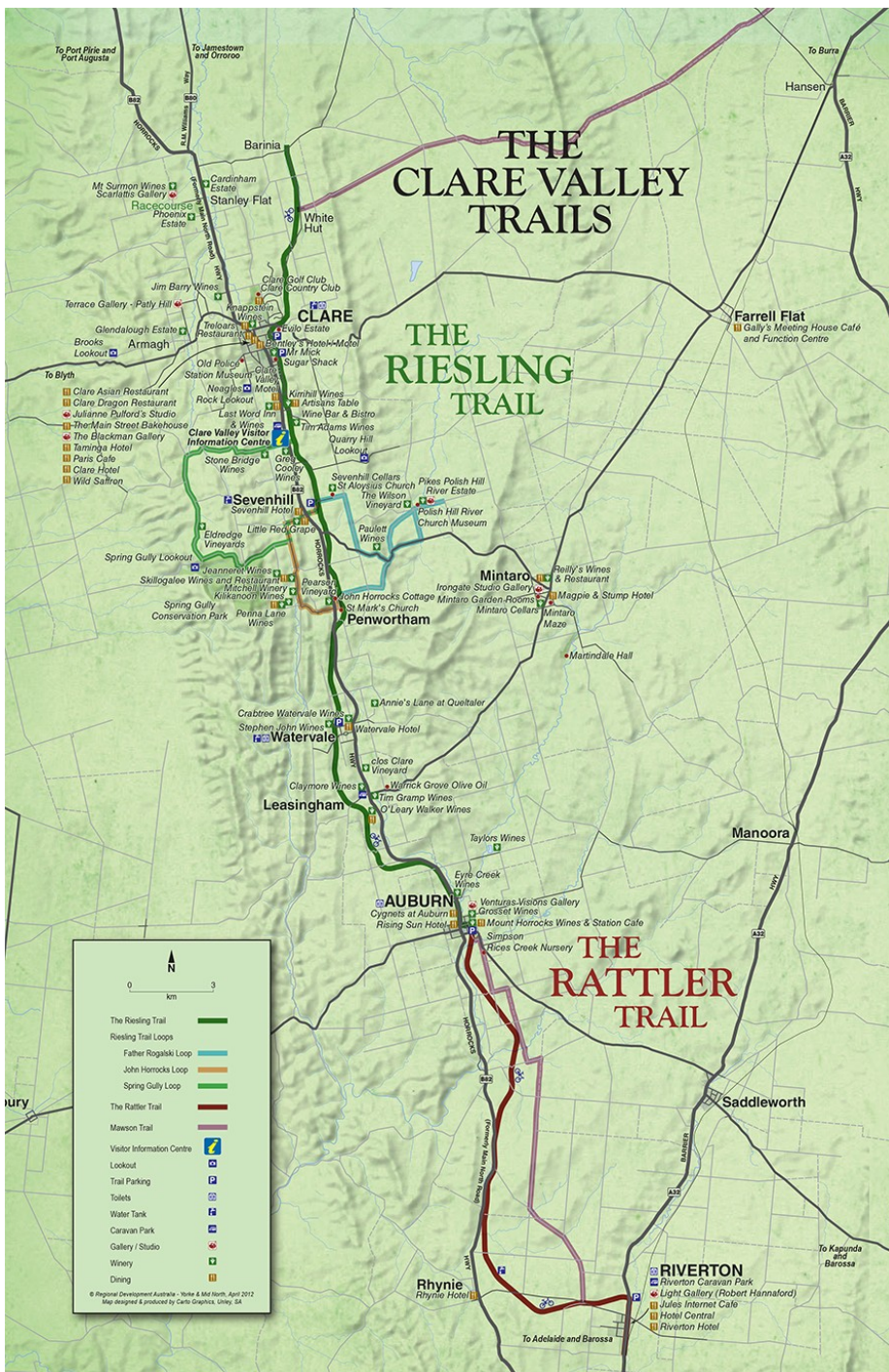
Please MAKE SURE that you insert YOUR NAME in the comments field when you make your deposit so we know who has deposited money.



Clare Country Club



Romsey Mansion - Mintaro



Martindale Hall



The Clare Information Centre



Inside the Information Centre

The Clare Visitor Information Centre is located right next door to the Clare Caravan Park

Polo Shirt Order Form



There are two ways for you to order your Polo Shirt.

FIRSTLY, You can fill in this order form and send it to:

The Secretary

33 Kanimbla Way

Morley WA 6062

The SECOND method is to email Snow at:

17wksp@gmail.com. You DO NOT have to email the form, just provide me with the details below.

Your Shirt/s will be available for pick up at the reunion.

****** I MUST HAVE YOUR REPLY BY THE 15th MAY - NO ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER THAT DATE ******

NAME: _____

PHONE NUM: _____ (Home) _____ (Mob)

EMAIL: _____

NUMBER OF SHIRTS: _____

SIZE/S: _____

***** PLEASE NOTE *****

Payment must be made DIRECT into our Bank Account. Include your name and the comment "Polo Shirt". Bank Details on page 4.