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90th Anniversary Dinner Friday 1 July 2005 Update – “BBQ at Fortuna”

In the last Magna Carto we detailed the 90th Anniversary Dinner arrangements. At that time the venue for the Saturday BBQ had not yet received approval and could not be announced. I am very pleased and appreciative that Defence Imagery and Geospatial Organisation, Geospatial Analysis Centre (DIGO, GAC) has recognised the significance of this reunion and has granted the Association access to Fortuna for the Saturday BBQ lunch, obviously with some restrictions mentioned later. The dinner numbers are well over 200 so far and true to form you Survey lot are slow at sending in your RSVP. **Remember that acceptances for the dinner close on 17 June.** There are no limitations set for the dinner and the more that come the better the reunion. A large group is coming across from WA and both Queensland and SA have representation, however representation from Canberra could be much better, especially considering the numbers of Ex RASurvey members in that vicinity.

The Association has over the last several years hosted several of these large dinners associated with the Mapmakers book and launch, please don't be under the assumption that running these big dinners will become a regular event. It is only because this is the 90th Anniversary that it was felt by the committee that we needed to do something to recognise such a significant milestone. No more dinners of this size are envisaged in the short to medium term. What I am identifying here is to make the most of this reunion as there may not be another one of this size for many years.

Function return slips have been provided at the end of this newsletter and payment must be provided with the return slip by the cut off date for catering reasons. Please use your local grapevines and networks to distribute the Magna Carto and the return slip as widely as possible to anyone who you believe may be interested in attending. Lets make the efforts of those travelling long distances really worthwhile.

For those who have paid, you should find your receipt attached to this newsletter.

The Anniversary Dinner

The anniversary dinner is to be held at the “All Seasons Quality Resort”, (03) 5443 8166 171-183 Mclvor Road, Bendigo, commencing at 1930hrs. There is ample parking at the venue. Dress

for this function is neat casual with some Survey Corps memorabilia if possible. There will be minimal formality at this sit down table service dinner. A seating plan will only be provided for the head table. A two course, two choice meal is to be served with your order being taken at the table on the day. The initial drinks that will be provided on the tables on arrival are included in the meal cost, further drinks are available at bar prices. Please go to our reception table on arrival to collect a name tag and confirm your attendance. Seating will be round table parties of about eight. Cost of dinner is \$40 per head.

Other Activities

On Saturday morning you may wish to visit the old Post Office that is now the Tourist Information Centre and at no cost you can view an impressive display of exhibits. The nearby RSL Hall contains a Military Museum and it has a large number of exhibits.

ART GALLERY

For a gold coin donation a visit to the Art Gallery is also a very worthwhile activity. The Art Gallery that opens at 1000 hrs is rightly claimed to be one of the best Regional Galleries in Australia. Many may remember the large painting entitled "Gentlemen the Queen" that was displayed at Fortuna for some years which is currently on display at the gallery. Only a couple of members have indicated their intention to morning tea at the Gallery and as a result the "Boardwalk" is the nominated morning tea venue. Sunday is always available to try out the new cafe at the Gallery.

THE BOARDWALK

The "Boardwalk Café/Restaurant" has been indicated by many as the morning tea venue of choice. The Boardwalk is set on the shores of Lake Weeroona and is an idealic setting to watch those who would like to, or need to, walk around the lake first. There is ample parking however those who would like to can arrive in style at the Boardwalk by tram. The Talking-Tram departs the Central Deborah Mine at about 1000hrs and arrives at the Boardwalk a little before 1030 hrs. Tram (03) 5442 2821.

GOLF

For those of you wanting to get together and have a hit of Golf please ring Phil Smalley on (03) 5448 8713 or Email on phil.smalley@bigpond.com before the day so that the event can be coordinated. Golf is organised for Neangar Park Golf Course Avery's Road Eaglehawk with a hit off at 0830hrs.

BBQ Lunch

A BBQ lunch is planned for Saturday 2 July . By kind approval of DIGO Fortuna Villa is the BBQ venue. A traditional BBQ is planned. Catering is to be provided by the DIGO "Relay for Life" committee as a fundraiser for cancer research. Cost of the BBQ will be \$5 per head. Drinks will be available at very reasonable prices. The BBQ function will commence at 1200hrs with meals available from about 1300hrs. Tea and coffee will be provided by the Association. This will be a major fund raising activity for the DIGO "Relay for Life" committee and I commend their cause to you. We have lost some of our number to cancer.

THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS APPLY

- You will be required to sign in at the gate against a pre submitted list of those attending.
- Access will be limited to the region around the BBQ area the Tavern and Ballroom. Remember that this is a strict condition.
- No vehicles will be permitted past the security gate, and
- No private Cameras are to be taken to or permitted at the BBQ.

Please wear the name tag provided at the dinner or collect another as you arrive.

CD's of the photographs taken at the dinner will be available at minimal cost. Other Corps memorabilia such as books, badges, ties and scarves will also be on sale.

It is preferred that those who have ordered the commemorative "Mapmakers" Port that it is picked up at the BBQ.

Accommodation

Accommodation bookings of all types are being coordinated by Tourism Bendigo 1800 813 153. Let them know that you are part of the Ex Fortuna Function Group. The All Seasons Quality Resort, the function venue, is also offering 10% discount to members attending the dinner.



About 25 members at the form-up point before the 2005 Anzac Day march. Whilst some that were at last years march were absent this time a number of new faces turned up to fill their shoes. My thanks to all those who attended.



Some of those who gathered at the RSL after the march were L to R:
Rod and Kristin Skidmore and his parents, Sherri Burke, Mick "Budda" Ellis, June Danger, Rusty Williams, Brett "Dutchy" Van Leeuwen, Heather Slater, Greg Francis-Wright, Ken Peters and Terry Danger.



Also after the march at the RSL was Bill and Yvonne Forrest and son Peter.



This is a photo that appeared in the Border Morning Mail 27 April 2005. The article indicated that a “sophisticated software program providing detailed police records from throughout Australia was being trialed by officers in Albury and Wodonga. Wodonga’s Inspector Jay said that as a result, the Murray River no longer provided a barrier to effective policing.

Chief executive of CrimTrac John Mobbs (Ex RASy) said that the software had been in development since 2002 and that after the three months trial they would look at what needed to be modified. The cost of the system and the results of the trial will determine whether the system is rolled out nationally.”

Vale Terrace John Winzar- “Terry” (Yarpa)



Terry was a local country Victorian lad who spent much of his RASvy career at Fortuna as a printer. Terry was an active sportsman and always one of the Litho lads who was liked by all. He went on to spent some time with recruiting, 1 Topo and also instructed at the Geomatics Wing at SME. As a result of a military accident Terry received a medical discharge and later returned to Bendigo. A very large group of Ex RASvy members gathered at the White Hills Anglican Church on 15 April for his funeral. The small church and grounds were full. An RSL service led by Jack (John) Balsille outside followed the service. Brian Paul and Di Thomas were down from Queensland for the funeral. At age 45, so many of his friends are left wondering why. As expected, Litho Squadron was well represented.

Minature Association “Antique Appearance“ Badges are still available at \$10 each.



90th Anniversary “Map Makers Port”

The Association has commissioned a limited port bottling to commemorate the occasion. The limited commemorative port at \$12 is ready to go however it will only be released at the dinner. Some port will be available at the dinner for those not attending the BBQ, however it is preferred that ordered port be picked up at the BBQ on the following day.



Survey Corps Ties and Scarves

As previously notified there are no more original Survey Corps ties available for sale and the Engineer Corps shop does not intend to have anymore produced. The Ex Fortuna Association has therefore contracted to have 100 Corps ties produced with the new Survey tri badge emblem, using the same colours as the original ties. In the past there has not been anything similar suitable for the ladies who served. We have as a result also commissioned the production of 100 matching Corps scarves, 24cm x 130cm in soft fine polyester. Both made in England are available at \$20 each. The ties have arrived but we are still waiting for the scarves. Ordered ties and or scarves will be posted to you prior to the dinner if you have made that request. A scan of one of the new ties is shown opposite.

The Association fees remain at \$10 per year, with the currency year printed on your newsletter. Some of the Magna Carto newsletters were distributed as pdf documents but unfortunately some of them did not get through. If you are able to accept your Magna Carto distributed digitally in pdf format then please Email grw@netcon.net.au and let us know what Email address you would like it sent to. The pdf viewer called acrobat reader can be downloaded free from <http://www.adobe.com>

Some of those who have given an indication of attending the function so far...

Send off your return slip and be part of this great weekend.

Surname	First	Partner	Surname	First	Partner
Anderson	Greg		Hunter (Hutch)	Paul	Sharon
Ash	Jim	Tracy	Jeffery	Bill	
Ashby	John	Julie	Jeffery	Ken	

Austin Barrett	George Peter		Johnson Jones	Jenny Neil	Janine
Surname	First	Partner	Surname	First	Partner
Barwald	Dick	Mary	Justin Kellet	Janet Craig	
Bateman	John		Kernaghan	Jim	
Belmont	Ian	Pat	Killeen	Damien	
Biorac	Peter	Margaret	King	Dave	
Black	Bill	Jan	Knuckey	Brett	Jane
Boath	Andy		Labouchardiere	Ken	
Boehm	Kevin		Lambton-Young	Dave	
Boehm	Kevin		Learmonth	Dennis	Cheryl
Bootland	Ian		Leskovec	Paul	Jenine
Bowers	Bruce	Ann	Lord	Terry	Sharon
Bowes	Ian	Vicki	Lovejoy	Val	Colin
Brodie	Russ		Lucas	Andy	Gloria
Brown	Fred		Lutwyche	Barry	
Burgin	Briana		Mai	Harald	Maggie
Burke	Steve	Sherie	Main	Peter	
Burns	Duncan	Sandra	Marnar	Ian	Sue
Cairney	Alex		Marshall	Denis	Joy
Camp	Lyll	Cheryl	Mehling	Siggy	
Campbell	Stan	Helen	McMillan-Kay	Bob	
Capp	Simon	Susan	McNamara	Noel(Macca)	
Carswell	Doug	Chris	Mead	Brian	
Cheater	Paul	Jacj/Norma	Miles	Dave	
Cockburn	Bruce		Minelli	Bronette	
Cocker	Yvonne		Munro	Alex	
Commons	Doc		Nicholson	Eric	
Cook	Alex	Lori	Partridge	Brian	Sue
Cook	James		Patterson	Mal	
Cosford	Brian		Pattison	Judith	
Coulson	Steve		Pearson	Roger	Debbie
Cowie	Fred		Pendlebury	Brian	
Cuskelly	Dru		Peters	Ken	Jenny
Davis	Grant		Peterson	Peter	Joanne
Dean	John	Trudy	Phillips	John	Tracey
DeLaine	Rhys	Jo Anne	Pick	Steve	
Dempster	Michael	Rhonda	Presser	Peter	Lesley
Derby	Al		Priestley	Graeme	
Dixon	Verity		Purdy	Terry	
Drummond	Garry	Anne	Rees	Roger	Effie
Ebenwaldner	Gunther		Ridge	Don	Ruth
Edwards	Chris		Rogister	Bob	Kathy
Ellis	Mick	Margaret	Rothwell	Wayne	Karen
Ellis	Steve		Saunders	Lindsay	Kath
Elverd	Jack	Julie	Shilton	Faye	
Fauth	Carmel		Sievers	Gary	
Fedden	Mark		Skidmore	Rod	Kristin
Firns	Brian		Small	Grant	Beth
Fitzgerald	Ian		Smalley	Phil	Donna
Fletcher	Errol	Dierdre	South	John	Pearl
Flynn	Mick	Carol	Stone	Neville	Dianne
Gale	Elva		Straube	Rob	Santina
Gilbert	John		Sutton	Laurie	
Gill	Jim	MarieAnn	Symonds	Stu	
Gillam	Mick	Leisa	Talbot-Smith	Ken	Lorraine
Graham	Pat	George	Taylor	Margaret	
Grant	Mal	Judy	Thaxter	Stu	
Grayland	Donna		Thistelton	Ian	Mary-Ann
Hammond	Bruce	Pat	Thrower	Bob	Marg
Hancox	Al		Thun	Wolfgang	Jo
Harrison	John		Timmins	George	
Haswell	Gordon	Dot	Vanderbom	Ric	Vicki
Hill	Graham		Venn	Mike	Annette
Hinic	Stevo	Pauline	Virtue	Alan	
Hockings	Daryl	Heather	Vote	Stan	Maureen
Hogan	Barry		Warnest	Gary	Judy
Hogan	John		Webb	Cliff	Diane
Hook	John	Cheryl	Wilkinson	Darren	
Hook	John	Cheryl	Willey	Jeff	
Hopes	Paul		Williams	Bob	Ros
Hunter (Blue)	Gary	Sue	Williams	Rusty	Mary

IMPORTANT: RSVP for Catering by Friday 17 June 2005

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90th ANNIVERSARY FUNCTION RETURN

The Secretary
Ex Fortuna Survey Association
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Name 1:
Name 2:
Name 3:
Name 4:

Contact Details:PhEmail

I / we wish to attend the following Function:
Friday 1 Jul 05 Anniversary Dinner 1930hrs Number attending..... x \$40 ea **COST \$**

I /we wish to attend the following Function:
Saturday 2 Jul 05 Boardwalk Coffee 1030hrs Number attending..... own arrangements

I /we wish to attend the following Function:
Saturday 2 Jul 05 Golf 0830hrs hit off Number attending..... own arrangements

I /we wish to attend the following Function:
Saturday 2 Jul 05 BBQ 1200hrs Number attending.....x \$5 ea

I wish to purchase association minature badge/badges..(while stocks last).....x\$10 ea

I wish to purchase association tie.....(while stocks last).....x\$20 ea

I wish to purchase association Ladies Scarf..... (while stocks last).....x\$20 ea

I wish to purchase 90th Anniversary "Mapmakers Port".. (while stocks last).....x\$12 ea

Postage for Ties and or Scarves (if required) x\$7

I wish to purchase book "Mapmakers of Fortuna"..x\$60 ea

Please find enclosed my cheque/money order payment.....TOTAL \$.....



If undeliverable return to:
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