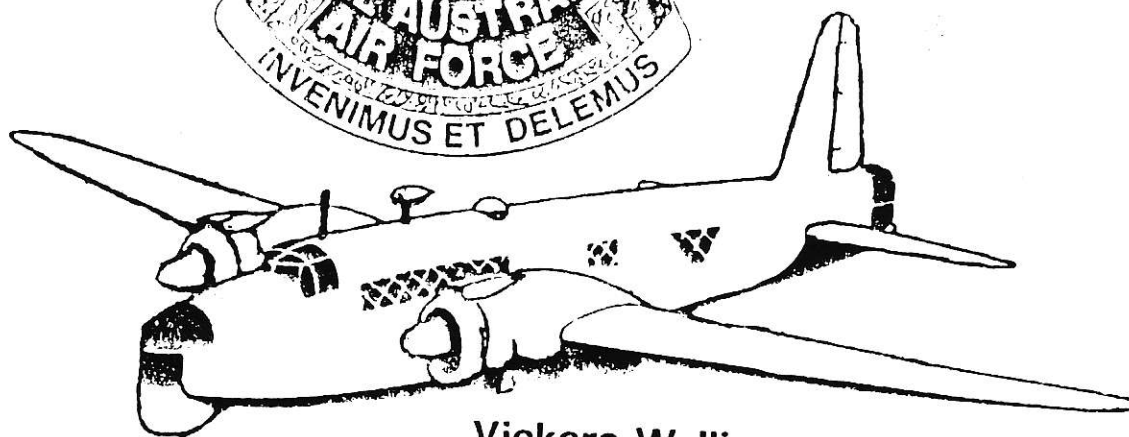


WELCOME

TO OUR

ALL STATES

REUNION



Vickers Wellington

HOSTED BY THE VICTORIAN FLIGHT - MELBOURNE

9TH - 14TH APRIL, 1989

TO ALL 458 MEMBERS :

Welcome to the Reunion.

Registration will commence at 12 noon.

We hope that the Victoria Hotel is up to your expectations, and that your visit to Melbourne will be pleasant and give you opportunities to meet again with old friends.

We apologize to those of you who had to be changed from double rooms to twins - Hopefully your stay will be just as enjoyable.

Some changes to our schedule have been necessary, mainly to enable some members to visit Pt. Cook. The Squadron Conference will now be held over two days. Monday morning, April 10th 0900 to 1200 and Thursday afternoon, April 13th 1600 to 1700 hours.

The Pt. Cook visit will be on Thursday, see details later..

There will be on sale :

(1) **Maps of the Squadron activity**

Jock McGowen says they are laminated and considering their size and postage are, good value at \$ 30.00

(2) **Sets of the Wellington Mark 1V (4 photographs)**

John Bilney will make up a number of sets and mount one set on a card for display. Orders will be taken at \$10.00 per set. Thank you John.

It is intended to raffle two books :

Wellington Special
Country Australia

Three Tickets are \$5.00 with a first and second prize.

And there will be some lucky number prizes

458 SQUADRON REUNION

9TH - 14TH APRIL, 1989 VICTORIA HOTEL

MELBOURNE, VIC.,

PROGRAMME

SUNDAY APRIL 9TH

1800 Hours

MEET YOUR MATES will run from 1800 hours to 2000 hours. Mr. Bruce Ruxton, O.B.E. State President of the Returned Services League will be a guest.

WEAR NAME
TAG

Canapes will be served and a Beef Stroganoff at 1900 hours. Drinks will consist of beer, house wines, soft drinks and orange juice. These are included in the reception costs. Other drinks will be available, but at your cost.

By arrangement with the Victoria Hotel the Coffee Shop will be open until 2100 hours.

MONDAY APRIL 10TH

0900 Hours (1)

THE SQUADRON CONFERENCE will commence at 0900 hours and at midday it will be adjourned until Thursday afternoon. The morning is free for others. (Please note that the National Gallery of Victoria is closed on Mondays).

MONDAY APRIL 10TH cont.,

- 1330 Hours (2)** **THE CITY TOUR.** Two coaches will leave the cnr. Russell and Little Collins Streets at 1330 hours and return at approximately 1630 hours. The Tour includes stops at the Botanical Gardens, reported to be one of the best in the world, and the Shrine of Remembrance. From the Shrine's upper balconies good views of the city can be obtained and will assist your orientation. After crossing the West Gate Bridge we stop at Williamstown where a view of Melbourne City can be seen across Hobson's Bay, before returning via St. Kilda and St. Kilda Road.
- WEAR NAME
TAGS**
- 1745 Hours (3)
1800/1900** **MEET IN RECEPTION AREA FOR A BRASS & ORGAN RECITAL** at St. Pauls Cathedral, cnr. Swanston & Flinders Streets, City. The Cathedral is only five minutes from the Victoria Hotel. The Recital is by arrangement with the Victorian College of Arts.
- WEAR NAME
TAGS**

TUESDAY APRIL 11TH

- 0900 Hours** **A FULL DAY TOUR OF SOVEREIGN HILL, BALLARAT.** Two coaches will leave cnr Russell & Little Collins Streets at 0900 hours and return approximately 1700 hours. It is suggested that ladies wear flat shoes as the roads are gravel and there are about 20 steps down the mine tunnel.
- WEAR NAME
TAG**
- 1045 Hours** Arrive at Sovereign Hill. Guides will meet us and give a short talk. The underground tunnel tour takes about 40 minutes, and there is a lot to see.
- 1215 Hours** Leave in coaches for lunch at R.S.L. Club rooms.
- 1230 - 1330 Hours** **LUNCH.** Note : Drinks are available at bar prices.
- 1345 Hours** Arrive at the Cenotaph from the R.S.L. for a Wreath Laying Ceremony. This is a few minutes walk from the R.S.L.

TUESDAY APRIL 11TH cont.,

- 1400 Hours** Return per coaches to Sovereign Hill and the Gold Museum. The Gold Museum houses a collection of coins and nuggets. The Historical Pavilion continues the story of the Ballarat region. The uniforms of Air Commodore Jack Dowling and Sister Cuthbertson are on display.
- 1530 Hours** Depart Ballarat for Melbourne

WEDNESDAY APRIL 12TH

- 0830 Hours** **A FULL DAY TOUR OF THE DANDENONGS**
Two coaches will leave from the cnr Russell and Little Collins Streets at 0830 hours and return approximately 1700 hours. The ladies are recommended to wear suitable shoes to enjoy this day.
Please note : We need to be at the Puffing Billy Station Belgrave at 1010 hours to make sure we can be on the train at 1030 hours. Coach parking may be difficult and there is a short walk involved.
- WEAR NAME TAG**
- 1030 Hours** Puffing Billy leaves Belgrave.
- 1123 Hours** Puffing Billy arrives Lakeside, Emerald. Time for a toilet break and to visit the souvenir shop.
- 1140 Hours** Rejoin coaches at Lakeside and continue to Healesville.
- 1230 - 1330 Hours** At the M.M.B.W. Park at Badger Creek for a picnic lunch.
- 1345 Hours** Depart by coaches for the Wild Life Sanctuary at Healesville.
- 1400 Hours** The walk around the Sanctuary can take 1.5 hours. It is well signposted to see the animals and birds. There is a souvenir shop and a cafeteria.
- 1530 Hours** Depart Healesville for Melbourne.

THURSDAY APRIL 13TH

- 0930 Hours (1)** **DAY TOUR TO R.A.A.F. PT. COOK MUSEUM.**
WEAR NAME **This is an extra and the cost, including sandwiches,**
TAGS **tea/coffee at the Sergeant's Mess will be \$12.00. A limit**
 of 49 passengers applies for today. We will need to
 finalize the names of those going and preference will be
 given to overseas and interstate visitors.
- 0930 Hours** Coach leaves from cnr. Russell and Little Collins Streets.
- 1030 - 1045 Hours** Arrive Pt. Cook
- 1045 - 1315 Hours** See Museum, Aircraft and present a Squadron Plaque to
 W/O Gardiner.
- 1330 Hours** Lunch
- 1400 Hours** Go to No. 1 F.T.S. and see Honour Board, also Air
 Marshal Sir Richard Williams' room.
- 1415 - 1430 Hours** Leave for Melbourne.
- (2)** **SQUADRON CONFERENCE** - (continued from
 Monday). This will resume for those involved on return
 from Pt. Cook and conclude approximately 1700 hours.
- 0900 Hours (3)** **GOLF DAY - ALBERT PARK.** Yank Martin is
 your Officer-in-Charge. Please see him for details.
- 0900 Hours (4)** **BOWLS DAY - MELBOURNE BOWLING**
CLUB. 138 UNION STREET, WINDSOR from
 1000 - 1200 hours. Lunch is not available due to the low
 numbers. Vic Ludwell is the Secretary of the Club. We
 need to finalize the Bowls Section.
- 1800 Hours (5)** **SQUADRON DINNER - AIR FORCE**
MEMORIAL CENTRE - 4 CROMWELL
STREET, SOUTH YARRA. Two coaches leave from
WEAR NAME **cnr Russell and Little Collins Streets for all those staying**
TAG **at the Victoria.** Others will make their own
 arrangements.

THURSDAY APRIL 13TH cont.,

1830 - 1900 Hours Pre-dinner drinks. (Pay for your own)

1900 - 2245 Hours Dinner, Toasts and Speakers. Guest Speaker : Mr. Bill Fordyce.

2245 - 2300 Hours Return to Victoria Hotel.

FRIDAY APRIL 14TH

Most Members will leave today although some are staying on.

Thank you for sharing these few days with us and a safe return to your homes.

RUPERT PEARCE,
For the Victorian Flight.

458 SQUADRON

COMMANDING OFFICERS

Wing Commander	N. Mulholland (An Australian serving with the RAF)	
Wing Commander	L. L. Johnston (An Australian serving with the RAF)	
LT/Col	R. B. McKenzie	S.A.A.F.
Wing Commander	J. Dowling	R.A.A.F
Wing Commander	R. Mackay	R.A.A.F

VALE :

"Shorty" Wilson	Jack Bax	Phil Bennett
Charlie Warren	"Lofty" Chalmers	Gerry Young
George Riddoch	Joe Elliot	Henzell Hemy
Len McDonnell	Paul Hinsley	Bill Parker
J.R. Lane	Tom Foster	Hank Ewens
Ted Wheeler	Gary Stephenson	Col Bowley
Jean Atherton		

MISSING FRIENDS, WHO ARE NOT WITH
US IN MELBOURNE DUE TO ILLNESS OR
OTHER COMMITMENTS.

Peter & Rita Alexander

Harry & Nell Ashworth

Harry & Nita Baines

Jack (Red) Baker

Eric Baker

Norm Carpenter

Gordon & Pat Cuthbertson

Bill & Inge Fiddes

Bill Laughlin

John Baxter

Bernie McLaughlan

Gordon Nash

Herbert Oliver

Gordon (Bill) Taylor

Elaine Timms

Ron & Mary Verity

Jim & Dorothy Whittem

Bert Garland

Eric & Bridie Lloyd

Ken Morris, 18 Oakwood Walk Leeds, LS82PG, England sends his best wishes for an enjoyable and successful reunion.

458 SQUADRON ASSOCIATION

1989 ALL STATES REUNION
MELBOURNE 9TH-13TH APRIL



BLESS 'EM ALL

MORE OF THE INDENTITIES OF 458 SQUADRON
FIRST LIST ISSUED AT NELSON BAY 11th. OCTOBER 1987

Charles	Boyer
Hookey Nose	Munkman
The White Wog	Fleming
Trike	Wheeler
Unk	McKinna
Porridge	McLaren
Hashknife	Hopewell
The little	
King	Laming
Boong	Henry
Moya	Gannaway
Sweet Pea	Brown
Cut	Price
Pedro or	
Curley	Jewell
Slim	Smith
Locky	Lockhart
Muly <i>mum</i>	Geddes
Pops	Grigsby
Nundy	Carpenter
Nobby	Nobbs
Pappy	Cooper
Bruno	Anderson
Little Digger	Carey
Boof	Richardson
Shorty	Taylor
Shorty	Long
Cobbie	Cobb
Baldy	Palmer
Scoop	Brown
Jock	McGowen
Digger	Watts
Curly	Brain
Trapper Jack	Miles
Snowy	Gore
Flash	Thomas
Dutchy	Holland
Trapper	Currington
Polly	Perkins
Snowy	Slater
Tony	Glassford
Faffy	Bailey
Bum Bum	Beer
Snow	Barlow
Terrible)	Rodwell
Twins)	Rabone
Topaz	Love
Tex	Hansell
Boong	Archbold
Horsey	Parkin
Olod	Lyndon