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IMPORTANT MESSAGES TO ALL FINANCIAL MEMBERS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING XX OCTOBER 2017

All Positions on the Committee: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and three Committee Members are declared vacant at the AGM and an election of volunteers must take place.

To ensure the voting is done within accepted guidelines Mark (Blue) Worrall has agreed to be the returning officer. Blue has also agreed to be Acting Secretary in the preceding period.

If you are interested in nominating for a position on the Committee, please send your name and position you are interested in to Blue Worrall at MARK.WORRALL@DEFENCE.GOV.AU. If we have more than one volunteers for a position a vote will be required. All financial members are permitted to vote for the person of their selection. Closing date for nominations will be 31 August 2017 and voting will close on 01 October 2017.

The returning officer will coordinate the volunteers names and voting, and will pass the results to the President in a sealed envelope a week before the AGM. The envelope will be opened and results announced at the AGM.

To ensure continued progress and development of the Association we need members to volunteer. Especially there is a need to have more currently serving members on the Committee even as an ex-officio Committee Member.

CHANGES TO MEMBERSHIP FEES

Whilst regrettable, a change to membership fees has been deemed necessary to maintain our financial status. The cost of chasing annual fees and maintaining prizes for MLP courses makes the yearly fee unsustainable.

From 01 July 2017, there will only be one membership level, Member for Life costing \$110. The yearly Membership of \$12 will be discontinued, unless you are paid up in advance to 2019/2020.

Members who have paid 10 Years or more of continual annual membership fees will automatically become Members for Life. Members with less than 10 continuous years' financial membership will be advised of the difference to make up any shortcomings to reach \$110 and become a Member for Life. Benefits to financial Members include discount on each function that the Association runs i.e. the 2018 Reunion in Adelaide, discounted name badges and many others.

VALE

We have been advised of the demise of the following scribes:

EX LCDR, EX CPOWTR IAN MCCONNICHE

EX POWTR JOHN SPREADBOROUGH

WTR GEORGE PINCOTT

WTR JOHN HEYES [WW2]

EX CPOWTR BARRY BENFIELD

ADELAIDE REUNION

Talking of the 2018 Adelaide Reunion. There is only 10 Months (or about 40 weeks) until the fun starts. The registration and costing form link is below. Many of you have expressed an interest now it is time to commit. Hard copy registration is available on next page.

Links to invitation and registration form are here:

<http://www.ranwriters.com/ADELReunion2018.pdf>

<http://www.ranwriters.com/Adel2018Rego.pdf>

TO COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION FORM, YOU WILL NEED TO DO THE FOLLOWING.

1. OPEN THE LINK.
2. PRINT OFF THE FORM
3. COMPLETE THE FORM IN PEN [I HOPE YOU ALL REMEMBER HOW TO USE ONE OF THEM]
4. RE-SCAN THE COMPLETED FORM AND SEND IT TO:
scribesregistrar2018@gmail.com OR POST IT [SNAIL MAIL] TO: THE SECRETARY, ADELAIDE REUNION 2018, 1 B LAURETTA STREET, NEWTON SA 5074.
5. REMIT YOUR PAYMENT TO THE BANK ACCOUNT AS SHOWN ON THE FORM
6. FOR THOSE WHO ARE NOT ON EMAIL [HARD TO BELIEVE THESE DAYS] AND GET A HARD COPY OF THE NEWSLETTER I AM INCLUDING A COPY OF THE REGISTRATION FORM IN THIS POST OUT. PLEASE RETURN IT TO THE REUNION SECRETARY, 1 B LAURETTA ST, NEWTOWN SA 5074.

Accommodation: Stamford Grand Adelaide has offered a special rate for the Scribes Reunion:

All guests will be entitled to the negotiated rate on the 4th and 5th May 2018. The rate on either side of this date will be subject to availability at the time of booking.
Grand City Room - \$185.00 per room, per night, including 1 x Breakfast
Grand Ocean Room - \$225.00 per room, per night, including 1 x Breakfast
Additional Breakfast for second guest is \$20.00 per night
Please note that as no rooms are actually being held aside for this group, rates are subject to availability at the time of booking.

To receive this Discounted rate, guests will need to Call Reservations and quote the code **NWA0405** at the time of booking. Guests will also need to provide a valid credit card number in order for us to confirm their reservation. All bookings will have a 24-hour cancellation policy. To make a booking guests will need to contact our **General Reservations department** on the below details:

Phone: 08 8376 1222

Email: reservations@sga.stamford.com.au

Other accommodation options: Glenelg Motel and the Taft Motel will give a discount if you mention the reunion.

2018 NATIONAL REUNION – ADELAIDE SA – 4-6 May 2018

Please complete the details below and forward to scribesregistrar2018@gmail.com.
 Registration fee of \$50 only is required by 28 Feb 18 unless paying all costs with registration

SURNAME			
GIVEN NAMES		AKA	
Dietary Requirement			
Financial Member	Yes/No	Member No	
Email			
Address		Phone:	
Registration Fee Only	Deposit only by 28 Feb 2018	\$50	
Attendance	Meet and Greet - Friday	\$50 each	\$
	Dinner - Saturday (\$70 Members or \$80 non-Members)		\$
	Farewell Luncheon - Sun	\$40 each	\$
PARTNER SURNAME			
GIVEN NAMES		AKA	
Dietary Requirement			
Financial Member	Yes/No	Member No	
Attendance	Meet and Greet - Friday	\$50 each	\$
	Dinner - Saturday (\$70 Members or \$80 non-Members)		\$
	Farewell Luncheon - Sun	\$40 each	\$
Name Badge (\$10 for Members or \$17 Non-Members)	NAME:	\$	
	NAME:	\$	
	TOTAL COSTS	\$	
	Less Registration Fee if previously paid	\$	
	TOTAL AMOUNT OWING	\$	

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Direct Deposit	Send registration to scribesregistrar2018@gmail.com and deposit funds to: BSB: 642-170 Account No: 398002 Bank Name: Australian Military Bank Account Name: RAN Writers Association Inc (Provide Surname and Initial as Reference)
Credit Card	Send registration to scribesregistrar2018@gmail.com and pay directly through website at Reunion 2018 Page.

RESERVE THE DATE - FROM MARK MOBLEY**SYDNEY SCRIBES GET TOGETHER FRIDAY 27 OCTOBER 2017****Everyone is invited to a Sydney Get Together**

Complete with new venue, upstairs in the Castlereigh Club (The old Catholic Club) behind Defence Plaza. This is a social gathering, no formal proceedings, where attendees can have drink and/or purchase a meal from the Brasserie (good food at reasonable prices).

Never been to one of these before? No problem. You will be made very welcome. Mark and the Sydney Siders would love to see new faces and of course along with some old ones.

THE WEB PAGE AND DATA BASE

As you are aware I have been making statements re: the update to the web and database for some time. Matt Regan is working on it and he has sent me some information as to how the new DATA/WEB/SITE Page will work. Here are some of the new ideas being put in place:

MEMBER PROFILES: This will allow a member to upload photos, write articles, Bios etc.

BIO'S: Will become part of the member's profile rather than a separate document.

SEA SERVICE: Will be part of the member's profile.

PEOPLE PHOTOS: Members will be able to create albums and upload photos all within the member's profile.

COURSES: Much the same, there will be an album where course photos will be uploaded.

ROLL CALL AND HALL OF FAME: Remains the same.

LINKS: We will try to ensure that all the sites we list will also list us.

CONTACT US: Will contain a form that will keep the email address encrypted so it will be safe from site trolling bots.

SESSION 022 - FIRST COURSE TO BE NAMED MARITIME LOGISTICS PERSONNEL - OPERATORS



The future of the Scribe world is healthy if this course photo of the first Maritime Logistics Personnel Operators (Scribes by any other name) is anything to go by.

SMNML.P OPERATOR STUDENT OF MERIT SESSION 022 KELLY GOOSEN



Throughout the course Kelly has consistently shown the attributes that have been the hallmark of the Scribe world, especially knowledge, compassion, assistance and support. A well deserved accolade.

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