



AFE-ADB AUSTRALIAN CHAPTER

ANNUAL REUNION

10 – 13 OCTOBER, 2010

at the

Australis Resort, WISEMANS FERRY, N.S.W.

At the last Chapter meeting held in Queenstown, New Zealand, it was decided to hold the 2011 meeting in Sydney. Con Pappas and Alex Gordevich canvassed a number of possible venues and we are pleased to report that arrangements are almost completed.

DATES

The reunion will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 10, 11 and 12 of October 2011, departing on the morning of Thursday 13 October. This is a week later than last year, as it has been agreed to hold the reunion in the second week of October to enable the attendance of some members who had indicated their unavailability in the first week.

VENUE

We will be staying at the Australis Retreat in historic Wiseman's Ferry, N.S.W. (www.wisemans.com.au/content/home.asp?) on the outskirts of Sydney. It is a great location with stunning views over the Hawkesbury River. The luxurious resort will provide us with our accommodation including a full buffet breakfast each day, the venue for our welcome cocktails and BBQ dinner, a meeting room for our AGM, and the location of our Annual Dinner.

PROGRAMME

The programme is nearly complete and we do not expect any major changes. However the times of meals are provisional and not all the prices for meals have been obtained.

Monday 10 October, 2011.

Afternoon:

- 2.00 onwards arrival and check-in
- 6:00 pm Welcome drinks.
- 7:30 pm Barbecue Dinner at the Australis Retreat

Tuesday 11 October, 2011.

- 8.00 am Breakfast
- 10:00 am Depart for tour including: Drive to Ebenezer and visit Tizzana or Jubilee winery;
- 12:00 noon Drive to historic Windsor for 2 hour lunch and cruise on the picturesque Hawkesbury river aboard a Paddle Steamer.
- 2: 30 pm Drive to North Richmond visit the Kasarina winery
- 3:30 pm Return to Wiseman's Ferry
- 7:30 pm Dinner at Bowling Club or Hidden Valley Restaurant across the road from the Retreat. Bookings will be made once numbers are known.

Wednesday 12 October, 2011

- 8.00 am Breakfast
9: 30 am Chapter AGM
Free time at Wiseman's for people not attending the meeting.
12:30 pm Light lunch at Retreat or Hidden Valley restaurant or Wiseman's Ferry Inn (to be arranged once numbers are known).
1:30 pm Golf and free time for those not playing golf or merely relax at the resort. Those that are more adventurous can visit St. Albans or other historic sites in the area. St Albans is only 24km away from the resort.
5:30 pm Golfers' return.
7:30 pm Chapter Annual Dinner at Australis Retreat

Thursday 13 October, 2011.

- 8.00 am Breakfast
10:30 am Checkout and farewells

Annual General Meeting

The Chapter meeting will be held at the Australis Retreat .

Golf

The Peter Pattison Memorial Golf Tournament will be held at the Australis Retreat Golf Course (a 9-hole course). The cost will be \$10.00 per player.

Tour

We are arranging a tour to Ebenezer wineries/vineyards with a barbecue lunch aboard the Paddle Steamer at Windsor. Details and costs are still being worked out.

Meals

All breakfasts will be at the Australis Retreat and are included in the room charge.

Welcome drinks and dinner on arrival day, Monday 10 October, will be at the resort and dinner will be a barbecue.

Lunch on Tuesday 11 October will be aboard the Paddle Steamer at Windsor. A minimum of 30 people is required to secure the bookings for the Paddle Steamer.

Dinner will be at the Bowling Club or Hidden Valley Café-Bar-Restaurant located opposite the Australis Retreat.

Lunch on Wednesday 12 October will be either at the Hidden Valley Café/Restaurant or the Wiseman's Ferry Inn (Pub).

Our Annual Dinner on Wednesday 12 October will be at the Australis Retreat.

Travel

Wiseman's ferry is approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes drive from Sydney. Exact routes to take can be found on the Web at "Whereis". Simply put in your address and the best route will be given. A map is also attached for your information.

For those of you coming by air, cars can be easily hired at Sydney airport. Again "Whereis" will give you best route to follow coming out of Sydney.

Weather

It will be early spring in October but bring a jumper with you just in case. Do not forget a raincoat too, as Spring weather can be very variable!

Costs. (All costs are in Australian dollars)

Accommodation cost is \$119/night for 2 people sharing 1 room and \$104/night for a single person in a room by him/her self. Both charges are inclusive of breakfast and taxes.

Monday 10 October, 2011: Welcome Drinks upon arrival will be on consumption basis. Finger foods upon arrival and following BBQ will be \$55.00 per person.

Tuesday 11 October, 2011: The tour bus will probably be about \$25.00 per person for the full day. This is yet to be determined once we know the numbers coming.

Wine tasting will cost \$3.00 per head (ostensibly) for cheese and biscuits. This is still to be organized as tasting is by appointment only.

Lunch on the Paddle Steamer will be \$35.00 pp for a 2-hour cruise but we need a minimum of 30 people to charter the Paddle Steamer.

The evening meal at the Bowling Club or Hidden Valley Bar & Restaurant: cost will vary depending upon individual choice. Bookings still to be organized.

Wednesday 12 October, 2011: For the AGM; Coffee, tea and biscuits will cost \$7.50 pp.

Golf will cost \$10.00 per player.

Lunch: Either at the Resort, Bowling Club or Hidden Valley Restaurant at individual cost.

The Annual Dinner will cost \$55.00 per person for a 3-course meal at the Resort.

Registration and payment

We are asking for an early indication of interest and registration. We really do hope you will be able to attend as it promises to be a great occasion and social event at a really lovely location.

To register and confirm your attendance, we need a deposit of \$100 per room.

Please make payment of deposit directly into the account below:

Commonwealth Bank of Australia

BSB No.: **062031**

Acc. No.: **00194425**

Please **identify yourself** when making the transfer so that we know whom to credit!

Alternatively, you may send a cheque (in Aus dollars) to:

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