

Newsletter no 8.

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Subject: Reunion update - action required

SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER.

By now, all you Canberra people would know about the sad demise of the Services Club where we had planned to have our big reunion event. It was front page news in the Canberra Times and the main story on television. Many others will have heard through word of mouth or through our website and it even made the Australian. This link will tell you more including the history and wonderful photographs from an earlier era:

<http://the-riotact.com/manuka-services-club-blazes-up/43903>

There have been a number of suggestions for alternative venues. Today four of us inspected three - the Bradman Room at Manuka Oval, the Italian Club at Forrest and the Forrest Bowling Club. We agreed on the bowling club for a number of reasons - it is in the right area, has a good ambience, we have the place to ourselves and it is by far the most economical. Daylight savings commences on October 2 so we will have an extra hour of daylight and there is room to spread outside.

There is one major worry - will it be big enough?

The action required is that we need you to tell us your intentions.

PLEASE TELL US IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING THE SATURDAY NIGHT EVENT.

PLEASE TELL US IF YOU WILL BE COMING ON YOUR OWN OR WITH A PARTNER.

PLEASE DO THIS BY NEXT SUNDAY (15 MAY).

I had asked before and some of you have said yes/ no/ maybe. However, I have received feedback from a number of people that there is a lot of excitement out there and many more are intending to come - but you need to tell us. We recorded what we knew on the website under Telopeans 63 - 68 (Attending reunion?). We will now put a 0 (not coming) or a 1 (coming alone) or a 2 (coming with a partner) or a question mark (maybe) next to your name. Nothing recorded means we haven't heard from you (or I've missed your answer). Please check the new list and make sure we have the correct status for you. How much will it cost? I'm hoping it will not cost more than \$40 per person including drinks the evening.

A minor complication is that I am flying to Melbourne on Sunday and then on to the US on Wednesday. I'm not back in Canberra until June 10. I will have some email

access but please copy anything you send to me to Jan Nelson (janskorich@bigpond.com) or Barry Ballard (barry@ballard.id.au) - our wonderful webmasters. Or ring them - Jan on 6241 8061 (home) or 6271 2747 (work) or Barry on 03 9329 4989.

In the meantime, keep up the enthusiasm and the communication. And more entries on our guest book, more current photos and more stories please.

Brett