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Paul Strike Caribou Cargo

Paul operates a turbo prop Caribou in P.N.G. When he is able to bring a Caribou into Brisbane he will invite us down for a sausage sizzle and to have a look at the Caribou. As Paul gives me more information I will pass it on.



Lost Addresses

Email address eastysj@hotmail.com, crazyayme@hotmail.com, bobellis1249@bigpond.com – they are bouncing back. Does anyone have their correct addresses?

ANZAC Day Accommodation

You can arrange to park car before ANZAC Day march at The Oaks Hotel, Margaret Street, 100 metres from The Port Office Hotel. \$169.00 double bed or two single beds in one room in the apartment, \$234.00 two bedroom apartment with two double beds or four single beds. I will have more on ANZAC Day very shortly. The Oaks, Charlotte Street is the same price as Margaret Street but Margaret Street has limited parking space so please book early.

Reunion

I have finalized all accounts and it looks like we will have a few bob left in the kitty. (If you're looking for me next week, I'll be in Hawaii) I have a lot of letters of thanks etc. to send out plus Certificates of Appreciation. We may be able to contribute to the 50th reunion.



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D.V.D. and Photo

Leaving and returning home – two for \$10, D.V.D. \$5, bonus wine with label \$20 includes postage.

Green Grocers Tour of Vietnam

Three of our members are going on the tour. He wanted to make a donation to our Association. I told him that this is not required but I advised him if he wished he could make a donation to a charity or orphanage in Vietnam.

RTFV-35 Squadron Flags

Both flags are available if you are having a service. The flags are available at the cost of postage to and from at your cost.

ANZAC Day March 2012

We are behind the Australian Army Training Team Vietnam Association. We will line up in George Street, heading to Adelaide Street. Be there at 9:30 a.m./9:45 a.m. We will step off at 10:00 a.m. I expect about one hundred to march and hopefully they will all attend the Port Office Hotel. It is situated on the corner of Edward and Margaret Streets. I will ask if The Port Office will open at 10:30 a.m. Alcohol will not be available until 11:00 a.m. Jugs of water will be available at 10:30 a.m. You can check details of the “Order of March” on www.anzacmarchbrisbane.com.au.

If you want port crocks or coffee cups, you must pre-order as I will only be taking in merchandise that is pre-ordered.

I have given a port crock to Tim Collits and his cameraman from Network Ten in appreciation for the story they did at the Caloundra Air Museum. I will give one to Tony Wing from the Air Museum. He was responsible for all the media coverage, i.e. A.B.C. radio interview etc.

Gareth Kimberley has donated a pictorial story of a flyer to Australian Aerospace.

Bill Pike purchased twelve port crocks some months ago. I wasn't sure how much it would cost to freight them to Bill. He overpaid about \$164.00 so we added \$36 to make it up to \$200.00 and we presented to Bob St. John as per Bill's request a cheque for \$200.00.

The reunion newsletter is now on our website. Click on 'reunion 2012', and then click 'here'. You can view the group photo in H.D. You can also print them just click on 'print'. Trevor Benneworth put the story together – excellent. Many thanks, Trevor. What a man?



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The Caribou Head

The Caribou Head has been returned to 38 Squadron. It is in need of repair but I believe 38 Squadron is going to apply for a grant to have it repaired. I am sure it will be available, if requested, for the 50th Reunion.

Port Crocks

If anyone wants a port crock on ANZAC Day, I will only bring in pre-ordered crocks. I was disappointed with the amount that actually sold.

I have a mate who will auction them so we can recoup our funds. I am selling them locally as well. I will have another free sample night. I will advise if and when. H.A.R.S. is having an open day on 6 May, 2012. I have offered them 100 crocks if they wish to sell them and raise funds for H.A.R.S.

If you live in the Sydney area John McDougall will be visiting Sydney at the end of April and may be able to bring a port crock down for you if you require one.

Channel Ten

Tim Collits is a senior journalist at Channel Ten. He did a story on us at the Caloundra Air museum. Also Tony Wing from the Museum for his assistance with getting all the media coverage. We will have a link to the story that I have purchased.

Membership

We have two new members, Frank Forward and Bob Williams. Welcome aboard, Frank and Bob.

Port Office Hotel

OPEN TIME

We can open the doors to upstairs at 10:30AM – however the Bar cannot open for cash beverage until 11:00 am due to our Liquor Licence. Jugs of water and glasses will be set up on the bar for guests to help themselves to water from 10:30AM onwards.



FOOD

Cocktail Food Package - \$20.00 pp – includes Gourmet Sandwiches, Cold Platters on arrival and Standard Canapé Platters. So entry cost for guests is \$20.00 pp.

Children up to 12 yrs entry cost is \$10.00 pp.



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BEVERAGES

Drink Pricing for cash bar – exactly the same as last year:

\$3.00 Local Pots

\$4.00 Local Schooners

\$5.50 Local Stubbies

\$6.00 Glass of house red white & sparkling

\$6.00 Basic Spirits

\$2.50 Soft drink – normal pricing

VISITORS

As discussed there is no way we can monitor who comes into the room without paying and whether they eat the food being served to your guests or not. If you have a few people ie less than 5 who just “want to pop in for 10 minutes” this is fine – however if you have a large amount of people we cannot allow this as there is no way we can guarantee the paying guests that these people will not eat the food getting served in the room – and there is no way we can monitor this on the day. I will brief my door host to contact me every time there is a guest who just wants to pop in as we can only allow limited numbers to enter the room without paying.

Of course after 2:30PM once all your Food has been served entry to the room is free and open to whoever you would like to come in.

PLASMA SCREENS

If you would like different disks played on the screens then one will have to be a DVD – the other will have to provide a laptop to plug into our system as we only have one DVD player. In order to play 2 x different disks at the same time they need to be in a different format – so one on DVD and the other on a laptop.

I hope this all helps. Please advise how many guests you would like to cater for to start off with – last year you catered for 150 pax.



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