

A Town Like Alice

NEWSLETTER - June Edition 2008

What The Prez Sez

Welcome to our first edition of the Alice Springs Reunion NEWSLETTER. First up an apology for the elapsed time between communications, however things are now on the move and the agenda is set.

The President (Snowy Whykes) and the Secretary

(Alan Pratt) have just returned from the Alice where arrangements and negotiations have been made to secure venues, functions and entertainment, etc.

This newsletter will give you an **overview** of what has been arranged for our reunion. A more detailed agenda will be published in the forthcoming newsletters in

September and December of this year. At this point in time we need to know the numbers attending and the type of accommodation you would like. Simplicity is the format for the moment. A simple agenda is set out in this edition. Please read on and follow the instructions as they appear. Cheers for now. **Snow**

Please Note

- All information re Motel/Caravan park bookings will be related to you in the next Newsletter.
- NO bookings will be accepted BEFORE September 2008.
- All bookings must be made BEFORE the 15th of December 2008.

About The Alice

Alice Springs is Australia's most famous outback town that sits in the heart of the continent. The township is surrounded by the East and West MacDonnell ranges and when approached

from the south you come in through the Gap to find a serene township appear right before your eyes.

Over the past few years a lot of hard work has been done to successfully re-

store the Alice to it's renowned beauty and ruggedness.

You will be pleasantly surprised by the tranquillity of the Alice as it presents today.

Where Are We Going To Stay



The monument at the top of ANZAC Hill where we will hold our service.

“Yes - Ted has lived up to his word and will entertain us at his place”

ACCOMMODATION

We have selected and booked two locations for our accommodation.

Firstly, the motel we have chosen is within easy walking distance of the town mall and very close to all facilities. This location will be our **Activity Centre** and all functions will operate from there.

For those wishing to drive and wanting to stay in their caravan, we have selected a caravan park with great facilities and close to the township. We will be running a bus shuttle from the caravan park to the motel for all functions. The caravan park is approx two

and a half kilometers from the motel.

There is cabin accommodation (other than caravan sites) available for those wishing to stay with friends at the caravan park, however, this is limited and very basic, hence the reason we are not all staying there.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Bus stops for the public transport are located outside the entrance gate of the Caravan Park and close to the Motel.

Pensioner Cards from ALL STATES will be accepted on the local public transport bus service.

What's Happening In The Alice - Agenda

Thursday 14th May 2009

Arrive at Motel/Caravan Park.

Registration and get together at **Activity Centre**.

Friday 15th May 2009

A free day to settle in and see a bit of Alice Springs.

The evening will be full of fun and entertainment, casual and outdoors.

Warm clothing is a must, but you will love the sur-

prise we have in store.

Saturday 16th May 2009

This is the day with much activity. It will begin with the ladies doing a tour while the men have their General Meeting. Afterwards we will lunch at the RSL. From there we will be transferred up to ANZAC Hill where we will hold a small ceremony and wreath laying.

The evening gathering will

be a Swagman's night with **Ted Egan**. Yes - Ted has lived up to his word and will entertain us at his place.

Sunday 17th May 2009

A Chicken & Champagne type breakfast will be held to wind up the occasion, say farewell to our mates and make arrangements for our departure from Alice Springs.

Details in the next issue.

What To Do Now

TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS:

1. **DECIDE.** Are you attending?
2. **HOW** are you going to travel?
3. **WHERE** are you going to stay?
4. **WHAT** do I do next?

If you are attending we need to know. Fill in the details on the attached questionnaire or go to the web site:

www.17construction.org.au/reunionform.htm

and fill out the Reunion Proforma.

IMPORTANT

We need to know of your intentions by **31st August 2008 (THIS Year)**. We will inform you of the **registration amount** in the September 2008 newsletter.

When we have the numbers we can confirm the prices. However, the following is a list of **Approximate Prices** and are subject to confirmation.

Caravan Park:

Powered site:- \$28.00 per night for 2 people
(PFA membership discount applies)

On-Site Cabins:- Range from, \$85.00 per night
and can sleep up to 6 people, to about \$130.00
per night for a Deluxe Cabin for 2 people.



Overlooking Alice Springs

Motel

Prices range from approx. \$90.00 (budget accommodation) to \$140.00 (up-market room) per night. There are five rooms with spa's at the Motel, but these rooms are more expensive. ALL accommodation quoted is for 2 persons, extra will apply if there is more than two in the room. The Motel is currently undergoing renovations.

“Evening meals for Thursday Friday and Saturday are covered by your registration fee. Sunday Chicken & Champagne Breakfast will also be included in your registration fee.”

***Don't Forget To Let Us
Know EARLY***

See You In May 2009