



## **FESR Navy Association (Australia) Inc.**

(Far East Strategic Reserve) **"For Freedom We Served"** Royal Australian Navy Post WWII

### **Malaya – Malaysia 1955 - 1971**

*Patron: Vice Admiral Sir Richard Peek, KBE, CB, DSC, RAN (Rtd)*

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**FESR 55<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY INTERNATIONAL REUNION  
TWIN TOWNS RSL TWEED HEADS NSW 2485  
27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> MAY 2010**

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Dear Fellow Members, Past Members and Shipmates,

We invite you and your Ladies to attend this landmark event at Twin Towns the entertainment capital of the glorious Gold Coast. Fifty five years ago we commenced our service in the FESR spearheaded by HMAS Arunta and Warramunga, two of the 26 RAN ships which served with distinction from 1955 to 1971. We were supported in the finest ANZAC tradition by 9 ships from the RNZN which rotated with us on unbroken service until 1971.

Given the magnitude of this historic reunion, it is fitting that we invite our FESR shipmates and their wives from across the Tasman to join us at Twin Towns. Invitations are sent to the Chiefs of both Navies to join us as well as our Minister for Veterans Affairs and Military representatives from Malaysia, Singapore, and Brunei. We have struck rather striking commemorative memorabilia to mark the anniversary and encourage you to secure these milestones to your service – they will be wonderful family heirlooms as this anniversary will not pass our way again.

Enclosed is the program that has been organized and general information on the events and functions that will take place during the Reunion including costs and menus. Also enclosed are the details of commemorative memorabilia being offered for sale.

To register to attend the reunion you are asked to please complete the enclosed Registration to attend form, indicating the number of people that you are registering to attend each of the functions and events as indicated. When you wish to purchase any of the items of memorabilia please indicate the number and size that you require where applicable.

It is hoped this mail out will reach past members and motivate them to attend as this event is arguably the most significant event in our history whether you be financial or unfinancial.

The Complete **Registration Form** and **Memorabilia Order Form**, together with you payment ( for the total cost of the registration, fee, the functions and items of memorabilia ordered), should be forwarded to **The Secretary FESR Navy Association Qld Division 19 Ramsden St**

**Carina QLD 4152.** Cheques /Money Orders should be made out to “FESR Association Qld Div.”

If you are not able to attend the Reunion but would like to purchase any item of the memorabilia you may do so by completing the order form enclosed and return it with your payment, for the selected items. These items will be forwarded to you when the supplies have been received, which will be closer to the date of the Reunion.

We look forward to receiving your Registration of attendance for this “Once In a lifetime event” and to welcome you to Twins Towns RSL Resort for the FESR 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary National Reunion.



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### **Program**

#### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2010**

**Registration. . . . . Anzac Room Twin Towns RSL 1200-1700**

**Welcome Function. . . . . Anzac Room Twin Towns RSL 1900-?**

#### **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2010**

**Late Registration. . . . . Anzac Room Twin Towns RSL 0730-0830**

**National Annual General Meeting. . . Anzac Room Twin Towns RSL 0900-1200**

**Off site activities and events as booked**

**Meals at own cost Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner**

#### **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2010**

**Ceremonial Sunset & Beat the Retreat. . .Chris Cunningham Memorial Park**

**Ceremony. . . . .next to Twin Towns RSL 1730-1830**

**Formal Dinner and pre dinner drinks. . . Starlight Room Twin Towns RSL 1930-2359**

**Off site activities and events as booked**

**Meals at own cost Breakfast & Lunch**

#### **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2010**

**Assemble at Marshalling Point, Twin Towns RSL for March to Chris  
Cunningham Park at 10.00**

**Memorial service & Commemorative Plaque. . Chris Cunningham Park**

**Unveiling. . . . . next to Twin Towns RSL 1030-1200**

**Farewell Function. . . . . Anzac Room Twin Towns RSL 1300**

**Meals at own cost Breakfast**

**ORGANISED LUNCHEON/DINNER FUNCTIONS**  
**FESR NATIONAL 55<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY REUNION**

**May 27<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 2010**

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Twin Towns RSL Anzac Room Meet/Greet 1900-2300**

**“Surprise Function”**

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> All Meals at attendees own expense**

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Cocktails and Nibbles prior to Formal dinner in**

**Starlight lounge Twin Towns RSL 1830 1930**

**Formal Dinner Show room Twin Towns RSL 2000-2359**

**Formal Dinner menu**

**3 course ( served alternately)**

**Classic pea and ham.....Puree of Queensland Pumkin**

**Main**

**Supeme of chicken Riverina with apricots and almonds**

**200gm Beef tenderloin of beef with red wine Shiraz reduction**

**Desserts**

**Mango & Coconut charlotte**

**Wildberry Cheesecake**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Farewell B-B-Q lunch after the Morning activities of the FESR Plaque**

**Unveiling and March .**



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**55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary National Reunion Registration Form**

Surname.....Given Names.....

Known As.....Home/Mobile Phone.....

Motel/Caravan Park staying at if not staying at Twin towns resort.....

Member of which FESR Division..... Accompanied by.....

Expected time and date of arrival.....

Mode of transport.....arrival point.....

Departure Point.....

Special Dietary Requirements.....

Event	Number Attending	Transport Required	Cost per Person	Event Total Cost
Registration			\$34.00	
Thursday Meet and greet			\$30.00	
Annual General Meeting			No Cost	
Winery Tour			To Be advised	
Whale watching tour			TBA	
Tropical fruit tour			TBA	
Surfers Lark canal tour			TBA	
Surfers canal tour			TBA	
Tweed river cruise Catch a crab			TBA	
55 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner			\$56.00	
Farewell function			\$30.00	
<b>TOTAL COST</b>				

Once we have an idea of the numbers who wish to go on the various tours we will be able to advise them of the costs for these activities. I have made contact with the Warner Brothers Out Back Spectacular Show and they can provide a block booking for us if there is enough interest

Please forward completed Registration Form , together with a cheque or money order made out to FESR Association (Qld Div) to Secretary FESR Navy Assoc. Inc. Qld. Div. Tony Isaac 19 Ramsden Street Carina Qld. 4152