

MOBIs 12th INTAKE REUNION

FREMANTLE - 26TH to 30TH OCTOBER 2020

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

G'day all,

Hope everybody is in good health and humour, especially considering the 'silly season' is now behind us.

This is a preliminary e-mail to let you all know a bit about next year's reunion and why we've made some of the decisions we have.

Firstly, after some discussion we intend opening the reunion, including the reunion dinner, not only to those of other intakes, but to any Mechanics (MECHs) and Direct Entry Tradesmen (DETs) who may be interested in attending. In 2016 and 2018 we held what was originally going to be a MOBI reunion in Freo but decided to also open it to MECHs and DETs. Both reunions have been quite successful with the majority of attendees local MOBIs but a good sprinkling of "others" even a few from over east.

Another reason is the advancing age of all of us; the last reunion in WA we had was 2010, therefore the timeline suggest the next one over here will be 2030, and to be honest I'll be 85 and perhaps not all that keen (or capable) of organising that particular reunion. Next year is a good time to catch up with old shipmates you would not normally meet up with at their own reunions.

The reunion will essentially be centred around the Coogee Beach area. The Surf Club is a 5 minute walk as is the café and hotel. Beach is right on the doorstep and there are plenty of walking trails around the old Woodman Point ammo dump although I haven't found any bike hire for the Hansen's as yet.

<https://www.google.com.au/maps/place/Coogee+Beach/@-32.1190324,115.7502983,1818m/data=!3m1!1e3!4m5!3m4!1s0x2a3298ae7d73030b:0x4eda741174413a15!8m2!3d-32.1184837!4d115.76168>

Busses run past the Park/Café every ten minutes to Fremantle train station and connect to Perth.

For those who don't need or want to hire a car Taxi fare from the airport is \$80 and Uber is \$65 (I think there is another company (Ola?) similar to Uber that is apparently a bit cheaper.)

A bit of Admin.

I will be looking after 12th intake enquiries.

Please reply to me with "12th INTAKE REUNION, FREMANTLE 2020" in the subject line of your e-mails.

Pete Lamb will deal with all others (the blowins) and Bob Mummery will distribute this email and attachments to "Planet Mummery."

If you are in contact with any MOBIs or others who may like to attend and who are not on Bobs distribution list (yeah, I know pretty unlikely) please ask them to contact Pete at pjlamb@westnet.com.au and address the subject line with 12th Intake Reunion Blowin. When contacting the park to book they should use the code **Navy Reunion 2020**.

Accommodation.

We've approached the Coogee Beach Caravan Park and have a 10% discount although definitive prices are difficult to pin down twelve months in advance, but larger discount may apply closer to the event. Be aware that the park is not a large park although there should be no problems with numbers. The park also has a large number of live on-site accommodation, and from the people I've spoken to so far there seem to be a lot of "characters" there. There is also a good "camp kitchen" but we have not planned any gatherings there. In the event we require more accommodation than the park can provide there is another discovery parks site about a kilometre further south, but we have not approached them for any discount. For those requiring more salubrious accommodation I'd suggest the Esplanade Hotel in Fremantle, but all bus pickups will be at the park.

Please contact the park yourself to book your preferred cabin using the code **Navy Reunion 2020**. In the link below is a summary of park cabins and a detailed summary is at attachment 1 to this document.

Coogee Beach Caravan Park <https://www.discoveryholidayparks.com.au/caravan-parks/western-australia/cockburn-coogee-beach>

OK, a brief outline of the program.

We've kept the "official" program pretty simple but included a number of "add-ins"

Sunday 25th Oct - Early Birds Meet N Greet. Fish n chips at Coogee Beach Café. (around 6 pm)

\$20.00, 5 minute walk from the park.

Licensed for BYO Alcohol. Bookings and payment required due to café hours; they will remain open longer than usual. (See payment schedule at Attachment 2)

Monday 26th Oct - Meet N Greet", Coogee Beach Surf Club. (again around 6pm)

\$25 pp drinks at own cost.

Bookings and payment required (See payment schedule within EOI form at attachment 2)

5 minute walk from the park. (for those locals who may be coming by car there is plenty of parking)



Surf Club, Caravan Park is just visible at top left of photo

Tuesday 27th Oct. Australian Maritime Complex, tour of floating dock and associated areas.

Approx. \$20 for bus hire. Minimum of 10 required. Bookings and payment required (See payment schedule within EOI form at attachment 2)

In the event of more than a full bus load (14) two tours may be arranged (hopefully) AM and PM.

Wednesday 28th Oct. - Bus tour RAAFA Air Museum, Bull Creek (<https://www.raafawa.org.au/museum/>)

Lunch, drinks at own cost. Approx. \$60.00 pp, (to be finalised, includes bus, museum and lunch)

Bookings and payment required (See payment schedule within EOI form at attachment 2)

Add on for those keen enough – Personal tour of Lancaster Bomber \$125 (max 2 per tour, takes about 2 hours. Discount may be available depending on numbers. Participants need to be reasonably 'flexible'. Depending on numbers tours may need to run over more than Wednesday. I've done the tour and it's a fascinating trip. (See attachment 3).

Thursday 29th Oct - 1830 for 1900 - Reunion Dinner. - Coogee Beach Surf Club

Cost - \$60 pp (Drinks at own cost)

Bookings and payment required (See payment schedule within EOI form at attachment 2)

Thursday 29th Oct

Possible tour of the former HMA Submarine OVENS at Fremantle Maritime Museum. Cost, full price \$15, concession \$7.50.

Time will be dependent on numbers and it will most likely be a make your own way event.

Friday 30 Oct. Events:

Possible tour of Fleet Base West, Garden Island (aka HMAS STIRLING). Cost approx \$20 For bus hire. Minimum of 10 required. Bookings and payment required (See payment schedule within EOI form at attachment 2).

In the event of more than a full bus load (14) and more than one tour is required the tours will be AM and PM.

Greet n Leave - Early birds departure day. Fish n Chips at Coogee Beach Café or something organised on the day. (May be a future alternative here; the Old Coogee Hotel is being renovated as a flash restaurant and bar as far as I can gather. Across the road from the caravan park and café. Should be a good alternative for a quiet drink or two at any time.)

Saturday 31 Oct. - Late birds departure day

Greet n Leave. Fish n Chips at Coogee Beach Café or perhaps Old Coogee Hotel, or whatever is decided by those remaining.

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TIMELINE OF ADMINISTRATIVE EVENTS

Expressions of Interest (EOI):

Your committee would like to have your EOIs, see form at attachment 2, as soon as possible but in any event no later than **31 March 2020**. Your EOI should also include the names of any guests that you expect to accompany you. No payments will be required at this time however once firmed (approx. April) payments will be expected soonest thereafter.

April 2020

A Newsletter will be forwarded to all in April. Where possible final costs will be advised. Final costs, where known, will be published. Prospective attendees will be requested to the names of any guests that they wish to accompany them and provide a firm list of events that they wish to attend.

July:2020

A Final Newsletter will be distributed. Information packs will be mailed to those who have indicated their attendance. Info packs will contain brochures of Fremantle/Perth and surrounds to assist those attending to plan their time here, particularly should they not wish to attend all events. if they don't wish to participate in planned events.

15th September 2020

Final acceptances are required by 15 September.

Information packs to be sent to those not already in receipt of earlier packs.

No cancellation refunds will be made after 30th.September 2020.

26 October 2020:

Your REUNION!! Let's get into it!

QUESTIONS:

Any questions, please e-mail me, Geoff O'Callaghan mobi4@bigpond.com

Cheers

Geoff O'Callaghan



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DISCOVERY PARKS COOGEE BEACH **CABIN - CHALET DESCRIPTIONS**

Standard 2 Bedroom Cabin – Sleeps up to 5 **(50&64)**

This cabin is one of our most modern chalets. It has two bedrooms; Main room has a queen size bed, in the second bedroom there is a single bed over the top of the double, all linen is supplied. It contains an ensuite, lounge and dining area with TV provided, kitchen with all cooking utensils together with cutlery and crockery. The chalet has reverse cycle air-conditioning. **(Unit 50 has a full stove with oven)**

Standard 1 Bedroom Cabin-Sleeps – Sleeps up to 6 **(201,202,203,204,205)**

These are our closest units to the beach access. They have a separate bedroom with two sets of single bunks. There is a queen bed in the main open plan living area that leads around to the dining area & kitchen area with full stove and oven. This unit is fully equipped with all utensils and crockery. All bed linen is provided. It has an ensuite, TV, and has a freestanding heater & pedestal fan. Reverse cycle air-conditioner

Economy 1 Bedroom Cabin – Sleeps up to 2 **(9)**

This is an older style cabin that has a bedroom with a double bed. Open plan kitchen. All bed linen is provided. In the middle of the cabin is your kitchen with 2 burner stove top only at the other end is an Ensuite, air-conditioner and TV. **(NO OVEN)** Reverse cycle air-conditioner

Standard 2 Bedroom Cabin – Sleeps up to 4, 2 adults and 2 children (up to 12 yrs old) **(66,70, 72)**

This is a freestanding unit with an open plan lounge/ kitchen ,4 stove top burner no oven, 4 seater dining table, main bedroom has a queen size bed, minor room has small set of single bunk beds. Own ensuite, reverse cycle air-conditioner.

Standard 2 Bedroom Cabin – Sleeps up to 4 **(43,93,40)**

This is a freestanding unit with an open plan lounge/ kitchen ,Stove with oven, 4 seater dining table, main bedroom has a queen size bed, minor room has single bunk beds. Own ensuite, reverse cycle air-conditioner.

Standard 1 Bedroom Cabin – Sleeps a couple **(79, 82, 83)**

This is a one-bedroom freestanding unit containing a double bed with linen provided. It has an ensuite; open plan lounge/kitchen with cooking utensils, cutlery and crockery, TV and 2 seater lounge the chalet also has air-conditioning, **(No oven in unit 79)**

Standard Studio Room – Sleeps a couple **(52a, 52, 60a, 60b, 61a 61b)**

This unit has an open plan kitchen area, queen size bed with linen supplied, ensuite, cooking facilities and utensils together with cutlery and crockery; dining table and chairs, TV. The cabin is air-conditioned. **(NO OVEN)**

Economy Studio Room– Sleeps a couple **(56a, 56b, 56c)**

This motel style accommodation unit is self-contained with own Ensuite, queen size bed, TV, kettle, toaster, microwave and basic motel style kitchen equipment. All linen is supplied. **(No cooking facilities)** Reverse cycle air-conditioner

Cots are available on request; irons and ironing boards are provided in all rooms.

All our cabins are situated approximately two minutes or less walk to the beach, which is just over a sand dune. We are approximately 7 kilometres from Fremantle and all its highlights.

Please note that 50% accommodation fee is required as a deposit to confirm the booking.

This can be paid by credit card over the telephone, direct debit or by cheque through the mail, but must be paid before your arrival date. Should you wish to make a booking and for more information please go to our website at: www.discoveryparks.com.au or alternatively you can telephone us on (08) 9418 1810. Telephone bookings require one night's deposit to book (+ credit card surcharge) and the balance is payable upon arrival.

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26th October - 30th October

Please complete the sections in yellow shading
Save, close and attach to reply email

Electronic payments may be made to the bank details below
Cheques payable to 12th Intake 2020

Attending:	
Partner &/or Guests:	
Arrival Date:	Departure Date:

Date	Event	Approx. Cost \$ PP	Number Attending	Event Cost \$
25-Oct	Early Birds Meet n Greet	20		TBA
26-Oct	Meet & Greet	25		TBA
28-Oct	Bus Trip - RAAFA	60		TBA
29-Oct	Reunion Dinner	60		TBA
			SUB TOTAL	
Date	Event	Approx. Cost \$ PP	Number Attending	Event Cost \$
Tuesday 27 Oct	AMC Floating Dock tour	25		TBA
Wednesday 28 Oct	Lancaster tour	125		TBA
Thursday 29 Oct	Ovens tour	7.50		TBA
Friday 30 Oct	Garden Island tour	25		TBA
			SUB TOTAL	
Total Cost				TBA

Bank:	ANZ
Account Name:	12th Intake 2020
BSB:	016441
Account Number:	424385573

From the RAAFA Museum website.

Lancaster Tour Plus

The Museum has special tours available on request. One is the "Inside Lancaster Tour" which consists of a personalised tour of the inside and outside of the restored Lancaster bomber. The tour takes about an hour to an hour and a half, with detailed descriptions of the mechanics and working of the aeroplane. Included is a personal description of each of the crewmembers jobs and positions.

This tour is a once in a lifetime opportunity to view first hand the trials and tribulations of being on a Lancaster aircraft in WW2. Find out what it is like to crawl over the two wing spars, sit in the wireless operator's seat and touch the navigator's desk inside this unique craft.

Cost is only \$125.00 per person with a maximum of two visitors on each tour. You must book in advance. For an extra \$50.00 you can add a tour inside the Dakota C-47 and Spitfire Mark XXII.