

# ALDECC 2002



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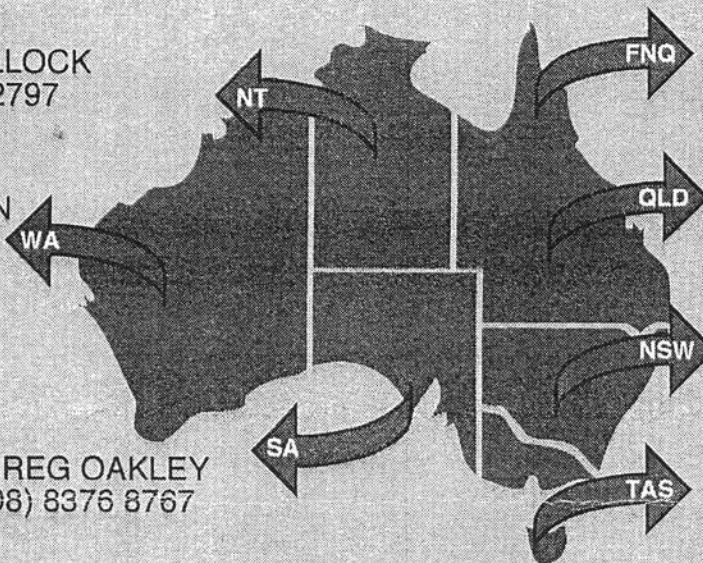
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Annual Subscription: \$15 (Couple \$20) Next Due: 1 Feb, 2003  
Joining Fee: \$5 (plus Annual Subscription of \$15)

Membership is open to extended tour coach crew employed for a period not less than 12 months full time (full time casual for hosties and cooks), on tours of a duration of 7 days or more (5 days or more for Tasmanian crew).

## ARE YOUR ALDECC SUBS NOW DUE???



If at the time of preparing this newsletter, our records indicate you to be unfinancial, an X will appear in this square.



Orange is one year overdue. Green is two years overdue.



### CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS?

Please advise our Secretary of the change

## LOGO ITEMS

Iron-on Transfers - Black or White	No charge
Transfers and Stickers	No charge
Replacement Badges	\$5.00
ALDECC Keyrings	\$5.00

Please place your orders with the Secretary  
Cheques or money orders payable to ALDECC Inc.





**FROM THE PRESIDENT  
& SECRETARY**

Hello to everybody,

It's coming around again, Christmas holidays and a New Year! I hope this finds you in good health or at least trying to be in good health. I hope you are looking forward to our 24th reunion at our new venue and catching up with mates under the shade of the trees on the edge of the Murray River. Sorry about the price rise, but there was nothing we could do about that due to circumstances beyond our control. It's still cheaper than last year with several options for accommodation as was requested by the members.

For those who do not know, this is Barb's and my last year on committee! We ask you each to consider who you would like to be the next Secretary and President and come and vote them in at the AGM on Sunday February 2nd at 10am.

***On behalf of the committee, Barb & myself , we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy , Safe and prosperous New Year!!***

***Best of Health to all,***

***Ray Higginson***

Hi Everyone,

This is my last Newsletter after 8 years as Secretary! I wish to thank everyone who has sent me information or rang me, at all hours of the day and night, with news from around Australia. The Sandman stories, trips through the eyes of a cook were good fun and helped us all see the funny and not so funny sides of our industries. The funnies from emails have all been good as well as the news paper articles people have sent from the 4 corners of Australia. Your next Newsletter Editor will still need your support so don't stop sending the information, just keep it all coming to the new Editor.

The next Secretary does not have to do the newsletter. The committee can appoint a Newsletter Editor, so don't let the Newsletter stop you from standing for Secretary. The job isn't hard. The ALDECC Books are easy to keep with the system the account has set up and meetings are good fun, as well as a bit of work. It also gives you a chance to get to know everyone in ALDECC. You might not meet them at the reunion, but you hear from them when they send their subs and there's always some news they want to pass on. There is no reason for the Secretary to be **female** , nor the President a **male!!** Others standing down at this AGM are John Whitelock, Greg Reid, Celwyn Curtis and Laurie Walsh.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the reunion Jan. 31st. Feb. 1 & 2, 2003!!

***Cheers to all,***

***Barb Conner***

# ANNUAL ALDECC GOLF AFTERNOON

Saturday Feb. 1st, 2003 starting at 2:30pm

The Ambrose competition will be held at Howlong Country Club which is very close to Harley Kismet Riverside Resort. The Green fees for 9 holes will be \$18. Golf club hire (if needed) including buggy will be \$11, if only hiring a buggy \$5.50.



If you wish to join the Golfers contact Greg Reid on 0418 491 119  
By Dec. 31st.

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## HARLEY KISMET RIVERSIDE RESORT COROWA RD. HOWLONG, NSW

The reunion for 2003 is almost here. You will notice the invitation has changed as we couldn't fit all the information on the flap you used to return with your booking for the weekend. The small print that used to be on the bottom is now big enough for all to read!! The meal times for **Breakfast** on both Sat. & Sun. will be 8 to 9am and **Lunch** for Sat. & Sun. will be 12:30pm.

### *The Coach from Melbourne will be a Moonee Valley Coach*

When you return your form for your booking make sure you have filled everything out on the form. As this is a new venue it is important you book and all monies be paid no later than **JANUARY 10, 2003**. For those who do not use a cheque account any more, please get a **Postal Money Order made out to ALDECC inc.** and send to:

Barb Conner 28 Kareela Rd. Frankston, 3199  
Phone 9789 0102  
(I will be away from Dec. 22nd. to Jan. 14th.)

There are 12 Motel rooms (which will be first come first get) of which 6 have been booked already so please book soon. The cabins hold up to 6 and the singles will be sharing in the cabins.

If there is anyone who really wants to put up a tent the cost will be:

#### **BRING OWN TENT**

Full weekend adults \$73 Children under 12 years \$42  
One night adults \$55 Children under 12 years \$20

All of the prices for the weekend include **all meals**. Remember we are in a caravan park so it is a good idea to bring a folding chair or something to sit on in the area where we will be able to be together when not using the dining area. Also remember it is **Bring Your Own Alcohol** for non meal times. We will have a couple of eskies with ice for people to use or bring your own esky. There is a shop where soft drink, milk and the usual shop type items are available.

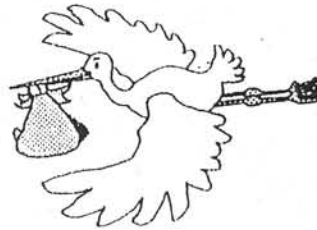
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MESSAGES FROM AROUND AUSTRALIA



Geoff Jamieson sends his Christmas Greetings and a Happy New Year to all from Mossman in Qland. He has left the Golf Shop at Mossman Golf Club and has been driving a large tractor to haul bins of cut sugar cane to the rail sidings. A bit different to the golf shop, but good money. Part time school bus driving has convinced him he couldn't do this full time!! There are quite a few of ALDECC members who would agree there!! If you want to catch up with "Jamo", go to the Links Golf Course in Port Douglas and ask for the Golf Buggy Mechanic and you will find him!

John & Leonie Thornley have joined the Grandparents Club!! Their daughter gave birth to a baby girl last month. We welcome Jemma Louise and wish them all Congratulations!



Ruth is back from Ireland!! They decided she could leave after her great trip and Australia decided she could come back home. Ruth has lots of fun stories to tell about her trip as well as **17 roles of film!** Bernie was very pleased she didn't bring them to the last Committee meeting as he said we would **still** be looking at them! Maybe she will bring some to the reunion?

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY AUNTIE FAYE!!  
70 YEARS YOUNG AND ENJOYING RETIREMENT**



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We would like to send Graeme Hayes our condolences on the death of his mother who passed away last month. May she rest in peace.

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Those of you who come to the reunions would know that Lance Grenda (Life Member of ALDECC) likes working with wood. Over the last 10 years or so he has been working with circular saws and other sharp wood working tools. You would think in the years of using these sharp tools he would know to pull his fingers out of the way when the saw gets close!

**"WHOOOPS" forgot ONCE!!! He won't do that again!**

He still has the first finger on his right hand, but the nail became second hand. Sanding small pieces of timber with a couple of stitches in the finger and a bandage is very interesting.

## FOR THOSE WHO TAKE LIFE TOO SERIOUSLY

You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say will be misquoted, then used against you.

Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.

The early bird might get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.

Experience is something you don't get until after you need it.

Bills travel through the mail at twice the speed of cheques.

The colder the x-ray table the more of your body is required on it.

Two wrongs are only the beginning.

If you think nobody cares, try missing a couple of payments.

No one is listening until you make a mistake.

Success always occurs in private and failure in full view.

Change is inevitable except from vending machines.

I wonder how much deeper the ocean would be without sponges?

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## THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YOU & YOUR BOSS!

When you take a long time, you're slow.  
When you boss takes a long time, he's thorough.

When you make a mistake, you're an idiot.  
When your boss makes a mistake, he's only human.

When you take a stand, you're being bull-headed.  
When your boss takes a stand, he's being firm.

When you are out of the office, you're wandering around.  
When your boss is out of the office, he's on business.

When you're off sick, you're always sick.  
When your boss has a day off sick, he must be very ill.

When you apply for leave, you must be going for an interview.  
When your boss applies for leave, it's because he's overworked.

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Warm Wishes  
for the Holidays

**ALDECC REUNION JAN. 31, FEB. 1&2, 2003**

**R.S.V.P.**

**DECEMBER 31, 2002**

**LATE APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED  
ACCOMMODATION!**

**COMPLETED FORM AND CHEQUE OR MONEY ORDER TO  
BE FORWARDED TO:**

**SECRETARY ALDECC INC.,  
BARB CONNER, 28 KAREELA RD., FRANKSTON, 3199**

**MOTEL & CABIN UNITS**

(includes towels & bedding)

Full weekend adults \$126 Children under 12 years \$52

One night adults \$83 Children under 12 years \$32

**Powered (bring your own van) sights**

Full weekend adults \$83 Children under 12 years \$32

One night adults \$67 Children under 12 years \$28

**Bring own Tent**

Full weekend adults \$73 Children under 12 years \$42

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I/we can/cannot accept the invitation to the 2003 ALDECC inc.Reunion.

Names (member) \_\_\_\_\_ Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Children & ages \_\_\_\_\_

I/we wish to use coach transport from Melbourne for \_\_\_\_\_ People.

I/we anticipate arriving at "Harley Kismet Riverside Resort"

p.m. Friday \_\_\_\_\_ a.m. Saturday \_\_\_\_\_ p.m. Saturday \_\_\_\_\_ a.m. Sunday \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit already paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The cheque/money order enclosed for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is payment for:

**Reunion**

**Motel or Cabin**

[ ] Adults x \$126= \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Children x \$52= \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] adults x \$83= \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Children x \$32= \_\_\_\_\_

**Powered (bring your own Caravan) sight**

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**Coach Transport x \$10= \_\_\_\_\_**

**Annual Subscription**

Single x \$15 \_\_\_\_\_ Couple x \$20 \_\_\_\_\_