



# Royal Australian Navy Band Association Reunion 2018

25th to the 28th October

- : Meet & Greet
- : Association Dinner
- : Tours
- : Gala Concert

Twin Towns Services Club, 1 Wharf St, Tweed Heads

Twin Towns  
clubs & resorts





## Reunion Update as of the 9th of July 2018

We are getting closer to our reunion at Tweed Heads, and you will find the reunion booking sheet in this addition has been updated to reflect the changed date and time of the AGM & Concert, with unchanged details of other activities and costs of organised events. Please get your booking sheets to Errol as soon as possible.

The discounted accommodation costs at Twin Towns Mantra resort appears to have changed since our last newsletter, so I have deliberately left these out so as to not create any confusion. Mantra Group has been taken over by the Paris based Accor Hotels Group. Whilst this will not impact on our 10% discount, like any new organisation some partner company discounts may not be honoured. For those who are looking for budget or more competitive accommodation prices this would be the time to ring around to secure the best deal.

As we get closer to October it may be the case that you could secure some even better deals as there does not appear to be any major activities happening on or around the time of our reunion. In the case of the caravanning members I am sure the jungle drums are bouncing between them and they have already worked out the best places to stay at the best prices. If you need any advice I would suggest contacting the following Caravanning Guru's: Qld = Ken McCallum, Gary Sander or Leon Stucis; NSW = Pat Gallagher; Victoria = Len Nurse.

The Veterans Band Concert planning has been completed and includes moving the Concert at Twin Towns Showroom from Sunday afternoon to Friday evening at the Currumbin RSL. For more details on the Veterans Band please read Ralph's report in this addition. Ralph & Cheryl have again been very busy putting this event together, especially in light of the change of venue.

During the Reunion daylight saving will be in force, however all our activities, events and functions will be on Queensland time in line with all businesses in the Tweed and Coolangatta area. This is mainly a reminder for those members who are attending from the Northern NSW Rivers area. The interstate members flying in to either Brisbane or Coolangatta should automatically convert to Qld time.

## Getting to Tweed Heads

The best option for Interstate members who are not driving is to fly into Coolangatta airport then catch a Taxi to Tweed Heads (Twin Towns) a distance of approximately 5 km (10 mins by Taxi). Having said that it has been pointed out to me that some Capital & Provisional cities don't operate regular flights and it may necessitate staying additional days to coordinate flights to and from Coolangatta Airport.

The other option is to fly into Brisbane Airport. I have provided some information for those who may consider this option and the time and



cost getting from Brisbane Airport to Tweed Heads.

The Train from Brisbane Airport goes to Varsity Lake on the Gold Coast without having to change. The trip is just under 2 hours and costs \$35.15c one way. The Route 760 bus leaves Varsity Lakes station and goes via Robina Town Centre, Varsity Lakes, The Pines, Coolangatta Airport then Tweed Heads which takes about 40 minutes. As you can see it is a bit of hassle from Brisbane Airport to Tweed Heads which could take you up to 3 hours or more, plus the cost. The other option is CONXION Airport Transfers who offer transfers from Brisbane Airport to Mantra Twin Towns Resort for \$118 One Way for 2 people.

## Thursday 25th of October

### 9.30am to 3.30pm Veterans Band Rehearsal

Rehearsal will be held in the **Mudgeeraba Music Centre**, corner Somerset Drive & Springbrook Rd Mudgeeraba. This means those of us with cars will need to make some room for members staying in the Tweed. Rehearsal will be 9am,-12pm lunch (provided), then rehearse 12.30pm to 3.pm.

### 7.00pm—10.30pm Meet & Greet

The Meet & Greet has been booked for Thursday evening in the **VISIONS Room** from 1900 to 22:30 and is located in the Mantra Accommodation tower which is part of the Twin Towns Services Club complex. For those who want to kick on without interruption you can take the sky walk to the main club area and entertain yourself until 2am in the Morning.

**Price per Head \$35.00**

## Friday the 26th of October

### 9.30am—2.00pm Tweed River Cruise

We have confirmed a Northern Rivers rainforest cruise on Friday with "Tweed Endeavour Cruises". This tour departs at 9:30am from the wharf complex at the end of Wharf St, which is on the same street as the club and within walking distance for the spritely members. The tour lasts 4.5 hours and includes a BBQ Lunch and cruises up the tweed river as far as Historic Tumbulgum. Tweed River Cruises will provide a courtesy bus which will start its first pick up at Kirra Surf at 08.30 and includes pickups at Mantra Resort foyer.

**Price per Head \$55.00 (Min 40 Booked)**

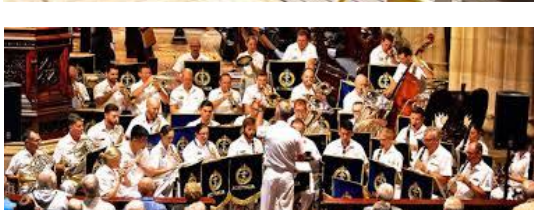
### 7.00pm Currumbin ' You Can't Stop The Beat' Concert

The Currumbin RSL is 9km from Twin Towns. The magnificent Concert Venue is a great venue to hold a concert such as ours. There is no allocated seating as it is a table and theatre style. Tickets are \$20.00 each and can be ordered from the RSL or through Errol on 0400 706 503 for the non computer generation. Sorry but there are no freebies for this concert. The Currumbin RSL link for tickets is:

<http://www.currumbinrsl.com.au/events/royal-australian-navy-veterans-band/>







Those taking the Tweed River tour will find they have plenty of time to return to their hotels as the Tweed River tour bus will return members to Twin Towns so you can change and make their way to Currumbin RSL.

The association will then have a 25 seater at Twin Towns to ferry members to Currumbin RSL. The first bus will leave at **3.15pm** with playing Band members/partners a priority. Followed by **3.45pm** again remaining Band members and partners, with the last trip (If Required) before Band sound check at **4.15pm**

The Bus will resume at **6.00pm** from Twin Towns with the last trip at **6.30pm** before the Concert. Any remaining association members will need to make their own way after that.

The routine for the afternoon will be:

**4.30pm** set up and sound check

**5.30pm** light snacks for the Band

**7pm to 9pm** approximately Concert

The shuttle bus will start returning to Twin Towns at 9.30pm with last trip being 10.30pm.

**Tickets available @ \$20.00 ea from the Currumbin RSL or from Errol on 0400 706 503 (Bus is \$2.00 a Head Payable on the day/Evening)**

## **Saturday the 27th of October**

### **10.00am—2.00pm Aardvark & Arrow Micro Brewery**

On Saturday for those who want to taste the many craft beers on offer and spin heaps of yarns we have organised a visit to the AARDVARK & ARROW Micro Brewery at Varsity Lakes. Your host will be the owner and manager Guy Scruton ex PO Musician 70 & 80's. In addition to tasting the Craft Beer selections, a Spit BBQ Lunch will also be included. Licence requirement requires tasting completed by 14:00 which will allow members to recharge batteries and the taste buds for the dinner Dance. There will be one shuttle service from Twin Towns (25 seater) leaving at 9.30am.

**Price per Head \$20 + \$2 per head Bus Ticket (paid on the day)**

### **7.00pm—10.30pm Association Dinner Dance**

The Formal Dinner will also be held in the **VISIONS Room** on Saturday night and you will be entertained and dined to a lavish menu provided by the Twin Towns Club.

**Price per Head \$85**

## **Sunday the 28th of October**

### **10.00am Association AGM**

The AGM has been confirmed for 10am on the Sunday in the ANZAC room behind the RSL Sub Branch office in the Mantra Tower. Once the AGM is completed the official part of the reunion is complete and members are invited to meet for final drinks before departing for home.

**2018 ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY BAND ASSOCIATION  
REUNION, TWEED HEADS REVISED BOOKING FORM**



- \*If paying by Cheque please return form with cheque to Address listed below
- \*If paying by Direct Deposit return this form by email or just advise your requirements and you will be issued an invoice number for payment into our account
- \*The association now have credit Card facilities and payments can be made by, Ringing Errol on 0400 706 503

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PARTNERS NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STAYING AT:** \_\_\_\_\_ If not Known, Please advise once booked

**THURSDAY THE 25TH OCTOBER**

**9.30am Veterans Band Rehearsal**

9.30am to 3.30pm Mudgeeraba Music Centre, Mudgeeraba.

**7.00pm \*Meet & Greet Cocktail Party \$35 per Head**

Visions Room Twin Towns Club

Special Dietary requirements

For: \_\_\_\_\_ Special Requirements \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**FRIDAY THE 26TH OF OCTOBER**

**9.30am Tweed River Cruise @ \$55 a Head**

Includes BBQ Lunch & Bus From Twin Towns.

Special Dietary requirements

For: \_\_\_\_\_ Special Requirements \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**7.00pm 'You Can't Stop The Beat' Concert, Currumbin RSL**

Currumbin RSL

7.00pm Concert with tickets @ \$20.00 ea

You can order here or directly with the RSL

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SATURDAY THE 27TH OCTOBER**

**10.00am Aarvark & Arrow Brewery Tour \$20 per Head**

10.00am to 2.00pm Includes Spit Roast & Tastings

Bus From Twin Towns \$2.00 a Head payable on the day.

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**7.00pm RANBA Gala Dinner Dance \$85 per Head**

Vision Room Twin Towns Club

Special Dietary requirements

For: \_\_\_\_\_ Special Requirements \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SUNDAY THE 28th OCTOBER**

**10.00am RANBA Annual General Meeting**

ANZAC room behind the RSL Sub Branch office in the Mantra Tower.

**Grand Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_

If you have not already advised us of your interest in being a member of the Concert Band,  
Please indicate here.

YES, I would like to Play  Instrument \_\_\_\_\_ No Thanks

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