Our Patrons and Committee join me in wishing all members, spouses and friends
“Compliments of the Season”

FUTURE EVENTS

XMAS LUNCH: – ‘THE LANDINGS’ AT TURRAMURRA

(I) Day - Date - Time : Friday 1st - December 06 - 12 noon

(II) Venue: “The Landings Clubhouse” – Dining Room
440 Bobbin Head Road, North Turramurra, Sydney

(III) Dress: - Coat and Tie

(IV) Cost: $50 per Person

(V) Menu: Note - Table Wines included

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<th>Entrée</th>
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<td>Main Course</td>
<td>Selection of cold meats consisting of: Glazed hams Turkey Pork or chicken Condiments – Mustards, cranberry &amp; apple sauce</td>
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<td>Salad Selection</td>
<td>Potato, green leaf, green bean and semi-sun dried tomato &amp; rocket, baby spinach, roasted tomato, roasted capsicum and parmesan, coleslaw</td>
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<td>Dessert</td>
<td>Plum pudding with brandy custard or fresh fruit</td>
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(VI) Travel – By Car proceed along the Pacific Highway to Bobbin Head Road – if travelling North turn right at the lights at the junction of the Highway with Bobbin Head Road – if travelling South turn left (of course). Proceed along Bobbin Head Road, through the Burns Road lights, through the shopping centre, past the golf course and Lady Davidson Hospital until just before the entrance to the National Park and then turn left into the main gate of The Landings. (see copy of maps attached)
**Travel – By Train** alight at Turramurra Station and proceed to the eastern side (Rohini Street) and wait for pick-up if required.

Ensure you indicate the need for a ‘pick-up’ transport in your reply slip and details will be supplied to you by phone.

On entering ‘The Landings’ village drive along the Sir Frederick Scherger Drive to a roundabout at which point a marshal will assist and direct you to a parking area along Sir Neville McNama ra Drive (if parking along this drive, please ensure that you use the left hand side only).

**A return slip is provided with this Bulletin** and should be sent to the address shown no later than **FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2006** with your cheque made in favour of ‘Radar Air Defence Branch’.

If you feel so inclined we would welcome a donation (such as a bottle of wine or chocolates) towards ‘Lucky Door’ prizes.

Please wear a name badge (any shape or size) and don’t forget to indicate any special dietary needs on the return slip.

**Please Note:** Family Members and Friends are most welcome.

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**No 2 CONTROL AND REPORTING UNIT 50th ANNIVERSARY REUNION**

Gail Snell, one of our Post WWII members, and an Aircraft Plotter with the RAAF 1960 – 1965 has advised the following planned activities for **SEPTEMBER 2009** for the 50th anniversary of No 2CRU.

The unit was formed in September 1959 and arrived at Lee point, Darwin shortly thereafter. It had a very active life due to the Malaysian Emergency and Cyclone Tracy as well as lesser known events. The unit is presently unoccupied and personnel have been transferred to RAAF Base Tindal. The area has been earmarked as a new Darwin suburb. A small committee in Darwin does not want to see its importance forgotten and is planning to hold a 50th anniversary reunion. The following is a broad outline of events planned to celebrate its history.

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<td>Activities:</td>
<td>(Plenty of time to tour Darwin and even take a tour)</td>
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<td><strong>Sat 19 Sep 09</strong></td>
<td>Reunion Dinner</td>
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<td><strong>Mon 21 Sep 09</strong></td>
<td>Tour of old 2CRU and RAAF Darwin, morning tea at Combined Mess</td>
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<td><strong>Wed 23 Sep 09</strong></td>
<td>Tour of RAAF Tindal, Katherine via Adelaide River, lunch at Mess</td>
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<td><strong>Sat 26 Sep 09</strong></td>
<td>BBQ</td>
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**Air Fares**

Approximate ‘One Way’ prices of airfares to Darwin (Sep 2006) were as follows

- Melbourne $345
- Sydney $280
- Brisbane $233
- Perth $315
- Adelaide $315

*The earlier you book the cheaper the price OR take the Ghan Train one way!*

**Accommodation**

Approximate price of a hotel in Darwin city is $100 per night per room (2 people)

- There is a wide variety of accommodation available in Darwin and surrounding areas

For further information on the 2CRU 50th Anniversary Reunion email: 2cruaware@gmail.com or check for updates on [www.angelfire.com](http://www.angelfire.com)

Any suggestions or ideas that you may have to add to this would be greatly appreciated. We have also made Howie Campbell, Branch secretary, an Honorary Committee member for the reunion.

Gail’s postal address is 186 Vanderlin Drive, WULAGI NT 812. Gail notes that Darwin is a long way to come and 2009 is a long way off but recognises that plenty of time will be needed to get it ‘up and running’ noting that almost 100 people have expressed interest to date. For further enquiries please note the email address above or ring (08) 8945 1547.
PAST EVENTS

BATTLE OF BRITAIN ANNIVERSARY LUNCH – 15 SEPTEMBER 2006

Twenty three of our members attended this year’s Battle of Britain lunch held in The Strangers Dining Room, NSW Parliament House and most successfully organised once again by the NSW Division RAAFA.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Our Branch Committee currently meets at ‘The Landings’ Retirement Village, North Turramurra. We have been made most welcome and given excellent attention by the managers Dean Presdee and Lyne Duncan at this quite outstanding venue, namely ‘The Clubhouse’ located in this village’s delightful environment.

At its last meeting, the Committee appointed Terry Delahunty as a Vice President vice Jo Dunbar (deceased) – see Vale below.

Visit your Website

The Committee decided to establish our Branch on the Internet under the domain name:

www.raafradar.org.au

The site was opened on 6 October 2006 with abbreviated versions of our Branch history, which notes in particular: our Branch formation date, namely 23 August 1960; Radar Research in Australia and Radar at war in the RAAF WWII 1939-1945. The words used re the latter entry reflect those included on the Plaque which was unveiled on 22/03/06 (64th anniversary of RAAF Radar) at the RAAF memorial Grove Remembrance Drive Canberra. We thank Terry Delahunty for this initiative and we would greatly appreciate any feedback as well as contributions to ‘contact@raafradar.org.au’. We would be particularly interested in member preferences to receive an electronic copy of The Bulletin to their email address.

Please note that copies of the Bulletin are posted on the website.

VALE

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Mrs Jo Dunbar (nee Lehmann), a Vice President of our Branch who brilliantly coped with our social functions. The loss of this wonderful and vibrant lady will be seriously felt by our members as we continue to give thanks for her life and extend our sympathy to her family. Jo died on the 15th August 2006. We have noted that Jo was one of the first WWII WAAAF selected to become a Radar Operator and was asked to train Radar Operator Crews at several new Radar Stations. Following her discharge at War’s end, she entered the teaching profession and enjoyed a most successful career becoming a School Principal.

Jo will be missed, but will live on for years to come in the memories of our Branch membership and beyond.

PROFILES

The Bulletin profiles our new Vice President Group Captain Terry Delahunty AM (Ret’d) and Howard Campbell, Secretary of the Branch. Both these people are from Post WWII RAAF and from the profiles attached you will glean that they had quite outstanding and varied careers with the RAAF. As mentioned before, we are giving every encouragement to both serving and Post WWII RAAF to join our ranks and eventually take up the challenge to keep the Branch alive.
A LITTLE HUMOUR

THIS JUST IN!

SENIOR CITIZENS
ARE THE NATION'S LEADING CARRIERS OF AIDS!

HEARING AIDS
BAND AIDS
ROLL AIDS
WALKING AIDS
MEDICAL AIDS
GOVERNMENT AIDS

MOST OF ALL,
MONETARY AID TO THEIR KIDS!

Give me the grace to see a joke,
To get some humor out of life,
And pass it on to other folk.

I'm only sending this to my "old" friends.
I look forward to seeing you at the XMAS function
With kind regards
Walter

Please cut off and return

XMAS LUNCH 2006 – ‘THE LANDINGS CLUB HOUSE’ 12.00 Noon Friday 1 December 2006

Please return with your cheque by Friday 24th November 2006

We would welcome your apology also please
To: Walter Fielder-Gill
18 Parkside Ave
BATEAU BAY NSW 2261 (Phone (02) 4334 4410)

1. YOUR NAME: ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

2. I will/will not be able to attend the XMAS lunch and will be accompanied by my spouse/partner/family members/friends (please include given and surname)

   NAME/S: ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

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3. I enclose my cheque made in favour “Radar Air Defence Branch” for the sum off $…………………
   Being payment of $50 for each person attending. Number attending: ……………………..

4. Please advise whether there are any special dietary needs: ……………………………………………

5. Please advise if you require transport from the Turramurra Station (Rohini Street) to The Landings. A return phone call to you will advise details. Please advise your contact details below

   Your phone number or email: …………………………………………………………………………...
Surveillance and Response Group (SRG) was formed on 30 March 2004, following the merger of Surveillance and Control Group (SCG) and Maritime Patrol Group (MPG). SRG incorporates No 41 Wing (Air Defence), No 44 Wing (Air Traffic Control), No 92 Wing (Maritime Operations) and No 2 Squadron (which will take delivery of the first Airborne Early Warning and Control (AEW&C) aircraft in late 2006).

The formation of SRG places all of the Air Forces Air Surveillance assets within the same Force Element Group (FEG). SRG has retained the individual combat capabilities of Maritime Patrol Group (MPG) and Surveillance and Control Group (SCG) in maritime warfare, aerospace surveillance and battle-space management. SRG’s focus for the future will be in developing Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance and Electronic Warfare (ISREW) capabilities to prepare the Air Force for the introduction of new systems, including AEW&C aircraft and unmanned aerial vehicles such as the Global Hawk and Mariner.

SRG currently comprises more than 2100 personnel and is commanded by an Air Commodore, currently Air Commodore Tim Owen. HQSRG is located in the EASTROC Building at RAAF Base Williamtown and comprises staff officers to meet FEG requirements in relation to workforce and personnel, capability management and development, technical capability and business management.

Engineering support for SRG ground radar systems is provided by the Ground Telecommunications and Electronics System Program Office (GTESPO) also located at RAAF Williamtown.
MEMBER PROFILE

Group Captain Terry Delahunty AM (Ret’d) is one of the Radar Branch Vice Presidents, having joined the Radar Branch in 2005 after a career of almost 30 years in the Permanent Air Force. He is still a member of the RAAF Reserve (No 28 Squadron, Canberra) and is responsible for liaison with the RAAF for the Branch. Terry’s association with the Branch began in December 2000 when he was appointed the inaugural Officer Commanding to reform No 44 Wing, the WWII Radar Unit, as the RAAF Air Traffic Control Wing.

“After graduating from the School of Air Navigation at RAAF East Sale, I was posted to fly C130 Hercules at RAAF Richmond and flew with No 37 Squadron and No 36 Squadron. As I grew up on Sydney’s north shore, I was close to family and friends which turned out to be a ‘godsend’. I married my wife Shonagh in 1978 and was away from home a lot. In fact, I was in the Antarctic for the birth of our first daughter in 1979. Whilst Shonagh was pleased on my return just in time to take her home, the matron at Royal North Shore Hospital maternity reprimanded me for not visiting my wife. I accepted the reprimand as I sensed that being at the South Pole would not be an acceptable excuse. I took her point though and made sure I didn’t miss the subsequent births of our son and youngest daughter regardless of war or revolution!!

In 1981, I was posted to fly F-111 at No 1 Squadron RAAF Amberley and we moved to Ipswich in Queensland. In 1983, I was posted on exchange to the Royal Air Force to fly the Buccaneer fighter/bomber with No 208 Squadron at RAF Lossiemouth in Scotland. The Cold War was at a peak and we flew from Norway to the Mediterranean in pursuit of the Soviet fleet. We discovered that Scots are really very generous and our two children developed Highland Scottish accents that had to disappear quickly when we returned to Ipswich and the F-111 in 1986. I flew with No 6 Squadron as an F-111 instructor and left as Wing Commander Operations No 82 Wing in 1991 for RAN Staff College and staff positions.

We moved to HQ Air Command at Glenbrook and now had three children and a black Labrador called Junior. We moved to Sydney for postings to RAN College as an instructor, followed by further staff positions until promotion to Group Captain in 1997 and informed that I was going to Indonesia as the Air Force Attaché and had to learn Bahasa Indonesian. Our eldest children stayed in Sydney with the dog, and Shonagh and I went to Jakarta with our youngest daughter. Through riots in Jakarta, evacuations, and East Timor, we had a great time and came to appreciate that Indonesia is a wonderful and diverse country with friendly and gracious people. Shonagh also managed to return with 1000 times the amount of belongings than she had on arrival and put an end to the monetary crisis in Indonesia. We returned to Defence College, Canberra in 2000 and posted to Command No 44 Wing from Dec 2000 to July 2003. My last posting was Chief of Staff SRG until leaving the permanent Air Force in December 2004 and secondment to Sumatra Tsunami relief in Jan 2005.

Sho and I now live in Canberra where I work as a consultant. Sho also works and we have an old family weekender on the South Coast at Narooma for weekend escape. In a typical service career, we moved 16 times, including the two overseas postings and managed to raise and send three children to university. They now study and work in Sydney while Sho and I are left with the dog Junior (now 15) and all the children’s sport trophies, old school uniforms, uni notes, old clothes and stuff which (they insist) just can’t be thrown out. Does that sound familiar?
MEET YOUR SECRETARY.

HOWARD CAMPBELL was born @ Tamut NSW, on 23/6/1938, the second son of Police Constable Percy (Blue) and Lena Campbell. I attended Pre-school @ Braidwood, Primary Schools @ Wee Waa, Grendell, & Parkes. Passed the Intermediate Certificate @ Parkes High School. Casual jobs during this time were Paper Boy, Telegram Boy, Phonogram Operator, & Telephone Exchange Switch Board Operator. Moved to Parramatta in 1955 to train as a Telephone Technician with the PMG. I joined the RAAF on 19/3/1957 as a trainee Radio Tech, and after “Rookies” at RAAF Richmond, was posted to RAAF School of Radion at Ballarat Vic, as a trainer Radio Mech. Posted to RAAF Williamstown in 1957, where I worked in the Range Control Section, looking after Salt Ash air-to-ground gunnery & bombing range, Morna Point Live Bombing range, 25 yard range, and Skeet range, at RAAF Williamstown. (This is where I obtained my initial training and interest in the demolition of un-exploded ordnance.) A compassionate posting (my dad was dying at that time) to Woomera, from the effect was in WW1 to No 2 Stores Depot Det “D” at RAAF Dubbo. 1959, posted to 2 Stores Depot @ Regents Park & Bankstown, 1959, posted to No 2 Airfield Construction Squadron at RAAF East Sale, and then in June 1959, to RAAF School of Radio at RAAF Ballarat for No 7 Aircraft Plotters Course (Part A) and then to No 1 Control & Reporting Unit RAAF Brookvale NSW (Part B). In 1961, posted to RAAF Darwin to open up No 2 Control & Reporting Unit at Lee Point. 1962, posted to No 1C&RU (Married to Jennifer White in June) Oct 1962 Posted to No 114 Mobile Control & Reporting Unit, RAAF Butterworth Malaya/ Malaysia. (Sons scan & Cameron born in Malaysia) Unit placed on “war footing” for the “Indonesian Confrontation” from 1964 to 1965. 1965 Posted to 1 C&RU. 1966 Posted to 2 C&RU. 1970 Posted to 1 C&RU. Married Robyn Yeoman (1972) (son Lauchlan born 1972) As an Aircraft Movement & Identification specialist I was attached to and opened up the Air Movements & Identification Section at Kyeemah. (RAAF Element Mascot ) In 1973, No 1 C&RU was disbanded, and I was posted to 2 C&RU RAAF Darwin. This unit was destroyed by Cyclone Tracy in 1974, & I was posted to No 3 C&RU RAAF Williamtown. I was discharged at RAAF Laverton in April 1977, after 20 years service. As part of my resettlement training, I passed a Plant Operators course, and was licenced to operate a Road Grader, Track Bulldozer, Mobile Crane, Excavator, Front End Loader & Back Hoe, Tracked Loader, Fork Lift, Articulated Drivers Licence. A variety of civilian jobs followed, including Security Desk Operator, Security Patrolman in Melbourne. In 1977 we moved to Rushworth in Central Vic, were I worked as a Track Repairer and Driver for Vic Rail, then to The State Rivers Authority Vic, as a Plant Operator. My wife Robyn operated a Devonshire Tea Rooms in Rushworth, and from 1978 to 1981, I worked as a Technical Assistant in the Ammunition Lab at the Proof & Experimental Establishment Dept of Army, GREYTOWN Vic. After a couple 'near death' explosions, it was time to give explosives away. In 1981 we moved to Mooroomna to manage a Motel/Caravan complex. Returned to Melbourne in 1982 and did some more security work. Quit that, after a couple of gun fights, and in 1983 took up Green Keeping at the Metropolitan Golf Course in Melbourne. In 1984, I started my own business as a Lawn Mowing & Gardening Contractor. 1993 Robyn & I divorced, and I moved to the Central Coast of NSW. I met my present wife Anne, & we were married in 1998. I have always been involved with voluntary work in the community, some of which, was; Treasurer of the Northern Territory Pre School Association, Publicity Officer for the N.T. Water Ski Association, Week end Manager of “Koveda’ Caravan Park & Water Gardens, at Wisemans Ferry. (Licensed Waterski Instructor). Chairman of the Board of Rushworth Newspaper Co-op, Chairman of Country Education Project for Central Victoria, Treasurer of Rushworth Swimming Pool, Committee member of the Goulburn Valley Tourist Association. Palliative Care Volunteer for Central Coast Area Health. (4 years) In 1987 I became interested in Natural Therapies, and I qualified for certificates in Relaxation Massage, Reflexology, Basic Counselling, Holistic Pulsing, and have certificates for Levels One, Two, & Master/Teacher of REIKI. I joined the Radar Air Defence Branch of the RAAF Association NSW in 2000, and was invited to become a committee member. I became Secretary of the Branch in 2006. So far, it's been an interesting life.

Lac H.A.Campbell
with Bren gun 1959.

Anne & Howard Campbell, Anzac Day 2004 at Parkes NSW