

**86 TRANSPORT VIETNAM  
ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED  
7<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL REUNION  
REPORT  
30 APRIL 2015**



**Report from the  
2014 Reunion Committee  
on the 7<sup>th</sup> National Reunion  
held in Victor Harbor from  
22 to 26 April 2014**

**86 TRANSPORT VIETNAM ASSOCIATION INC**  
**2014 REUNION – VICTOR HARBOR**

**Context of the 2014 Reunion**

86 Transport Platoon was raised in Bandiana in 1960 under the command of Headquarters 1 Company RAASC. The first OC of the Platoon was Second Lieutenant Ron Kelly who held the post from 6 February 1960 to 24 May 1961.

Just 7 years later Detachment 86 Transport Platoon under the command of Second Lieutenant John Hoare was deployed to Vietnam on 22 April 1967. In early 1968, 86 became a full strength Platoon and remained in Vietnam until the closing of 1 ALSG on 29 February 1972. When 1ALSG closed and the last elements of 86 Transport Platoon in Vietnam embarked on the HMAS Sydney on the same day a total of 468 men had served in either Detachment 86 Transport Platoon or 86 Transport Platoon in Vietnam.

26 years later in 1998 a small group of former platoon members living in South Australia started to meet to organise the first National Reunion of former members of 86 Transport Platoon RAASC who served in Vietnam. The reunion was organised in Adelaide around Anzac Day 1999.

During the 1999 Reunion Committee Meeting in Adelaide on 21 September 1998, it was decided to form the 86 Transport Vietnam Association and seek incorporation under the South Australian Associations Incorporation Act 1985. The original committee members present at the meeting who formed the inaugural membership and sponsored the formation of the Association were Bill Denny, Bill Hignett, Rod Langman, Graham Bulger, Bill Moyle, Barry Field, Ian Milnes and Harry White.

A constitution was developed and approved at the meeting on 5 October 1998 and the office bearers elected at that meeting were President Bill Denny; Secretary, Bill Hignett; Minute Secretary Graham Bulger; Treasurer Bill Moyle; Public Officer, Bill Hignett; Committee members, Rod Langman and Barry Field.

Since that first reunion, a further 5 National Reunions have been organised under the 86 Transport Vietnam Association banner and our 7<sup>th</sup> National Reunion returned to South Australia and was held in Victor Harbor from 22 to 26 April 2014.

On 26 April 2012 the Association Committee met and established the 2014 Reunion Committee comprising Bill Denny, Bill Hignett, Ken Parker, Rudi Bos, Des Boyce, Denis Hicks, Brent Sweet, Harry White and Gary Zbierski as a sub-committee of the Association. The Committee also determined that the 2014 Reunion Committee would be delegated the responsibility of organising the 2014 reunion in Victor Harbor for Association members and their families around Anzac Day 2014 and authorized to open an account with an appropriate financial institution in order to manage the financial arrangements concerning the 2014 reunion.

The 86 logo which is on the front cover of this reunion report has been modernised but still retains the original elements of logo designed by Ken Parker when he was posted to 86 Transport Platoon in 1968.

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**Features of the Reunion**

These included

- The introduction of the march in Victor Harbor on Anzac Day 2014 instead of veterans travelling to Adelaide for the first time in over 40 years.
- The Secretary of the Association being given the opportunity to give the Anzac Day address to the Victor Harbor community explaining 86 Transport Platoon's involvement in Vietnam.
- The special and moving memorial cross tribute at the Anzac Day ceremony to 86 Transport Platoon members who served in Vietnam but had passed away.
- 238 participants in the 2014 reunion, mainly accommodated in the one caravan park.
- The re-establishment of the Turtle Tavern.
- The Turtle Tavern being used as a focal point for gatherings.
- Our partners being issued with 86 scarves for the reunion.
- The generous \$5,160 donated by those attending the reunion to assist with the running of the reunion.
- Corporate and personal donations contributed to 6% of the costs incurred for running the 2014 Reunion.
- The seed funding of \$9,000 provided by the 2012 Reunion Committee after organising the very successful reunion in Nelson Bay.
- The 139 former members of 86 Transport Platoon and Detachment 86 Transport Platoon in Vietnam marching and participating under the 86 banner in the Victor Harbor March on Anzac Day 2014.
- The day trip on 22 April 2014 featuring the cockle train and paddle boat steamer.
- The exceptional amount of time and effort put in by Bill Denny, Bill Hignett, Ken Parker, Rudi Bos, Des Boyce, Denis Hicks, Brent Sweet, Harry White and Gary Zbierski to attend meetings and organise the 2014 reunion in Victor Harbor.

In order to encourage early registrations, the 2014 Reunion Committee decided to enter all of the registrants who paid their registrations by 30 September 2013 into a raffle for a kindle. The kindle was funded by a donation from Gary and Tania Hackett.

A total of 220 people registered by this date and each person was allocated a number in the order of the date they registered. The winning number was 148 and this number was allocated to Gwen Johansen who was sent the kindle by post.

The success of this initiative is demonstrated by \$1,993.46 in interest being able to be used to assist with the reunion costs.

ABC TV in its 7.30 Report included a story on the reunion and the platoon's involvement and history in Vietnam. The presentation can be viewed on the Association's website

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**Financial Report**

**Accountant's Certification for period 20 September 2012 to 30 June 2014**



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29 July 2014

**86 TRANSPORT VIETNAM ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED**

**PERIOD: 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2012 to 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2014**

**ACCOUNTANTS CERTIFICATION**

To the Members of the 86 Transport Vietnam Association Incorporated:

We have examined the accounts kept by 86 Transport Vietnam Association Incorporated for the period 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014 and performed an independent certification of the income and expenditure reported.

My certification has been limited to the books and records provided to me, I have not attended any function independently the s, door takings, raffle or cash envelope income.

In our opinion the financial reports of the 86 Transport Vietnam Association Incorporated:

- Present fairly the trading results of the Incorporations activities for the period of income and expenditure as per the banking records and the cash recelpts.

We thank the treasurer for their co-operation and presentation of the information supplied.

Yours faithfully

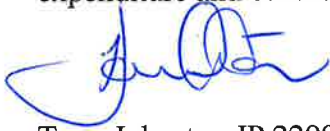
Mark Newman  
Chartered Accountant



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Association Auditors Certification for the period 1 July 2014 to 30 April 2015

I have examined the accounts kept by the 2014 Reunion Committee for the period 1 July 2014 to 30 April 2015 and report that the banking records and receipts for the income and expenditure and balance sheet is in accordance with those records.



Tony Johnston JP 22990  
49 Devitt Avenue  
PAYNEHAM SOUTH SA 5062  
30 April 2015

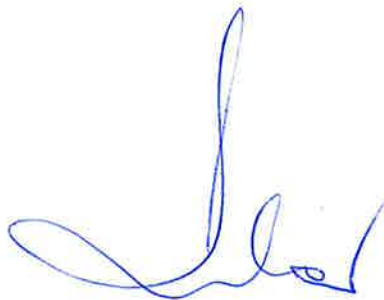
**Statement by Ken Parker, Treasurer, 2014 Reunion Committee**

In my opinion –

- (a) the accompanying financial reports are drawn up so as to present fairly the state of affairs of the 2014 Reunion Committee as at 30 April 2015;
- (b) the accounts of the 2014 Reunion Committee have been properly prepared and are in accordance with the books of account of the Association; and
- (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the 2014 Reunion Committee has paid its debts as and when they fell due.

I confirm as follows:

- (a) The names of each 2014 committee member of the association during the relevant financial reporting period were: Bill Denny, Bill Hignett, Ken Parker, Rudi Bos, Des Boyce, Denis Hicks, Brent Sweet, Harry White and Gary Zbierski.
- (b) The principal activities of the 2014 Reunion Committee during the relevant reporting periods were: organising the 2014 reunion in Victor Harbor for Association members and their families around Anzac Day 2014.
- (c) The net profit of the 2014 Reunion Committee for the relevant reporting periods was \$6,040.32. Of this \$5,000 was allocated and transferred to the 2017 Reunion Committee's account as seed funding for the Association's 2017 Reunion at Maroochydore Queensland and \$1042.32 was donated to the 86 Transport Vietnam Association Incorporated.



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**2014 REUNION – VICTOR HARBOR**

**Financial Statement – 21 September 2012 to 30 June 2014**

**Profit and Loss Statement**

Income

Seed Funding	\$ 9,000.00
SA Veterans Affairs Grant	\$ 4,000.00
Interest	\$ 1,993.46
Registrations	\$66,670.00
Donations	\$ 5,160.00
Raffles	\$ 4,287.45
Bus Tours	\$ 8,640.00
Merchandise & Memorabilia	\$ 6,386.40
Airport Shuttle	\$ 1,160.00

\$107,297.31

Expenditure

Airport Shuttle	\$ 1,385.81
Meet & Greet Night	\$ 5,920.00
Bus Hire	\$22,460.00
Turtle Tavern (Tent hire, banners)	\$ 2,663.29
Gala Dinner	\$24,273.70
Memorabilia & Merchandise	\$25,499.40
Bus Tours	\$ 7,740.00
Anzac Day (Bus & Breakfast)	\$ 3,340.00
Printing & Postage	\$ 909.57
Turtle Tavern Barbecue	\$ 1,752.32
Registration Refunds	\$ 2,050.00
Memorial Crosses	\$ 306.50
Internet Fees	\$ 167.55

\$ 98,468.14

<b>Cash operating surplus for this period</b>	<b>\$8,829.17</b>
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**Balance Sheet**

Funds

Account opened 21/9/2012 Balance	\$ NIL	
Plus Cash operating surplus	\$ 8,829.17	<b>\$8,829.17</b>

Represented by

NAB Community Fee Saver Account	\$ 8,829.17	<b>\$8,829.17</b>
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Liabilities

Total Liabilities	\$ 00.00
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<b>Net Assets and members' funds as of 30/06/2014</b>	<b>\$8,829.17</b>
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**Financial Statement – 1 July 2014 to 30 April 2015**

**Profit and Loss Statement**

Income

Carried forward on 1/7/14	\$ 8,829.17	\$ 8,829.17
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Expenditure

Audit Fees	\$ 330.00	
Committee Reimbursement Expenses	\$ 255.55	
Registration Refunds	\$ 1,215.00	
Kindle	\$ 99.00	
86 Website Fees	\$ 99.00	
Committee Windup Dinner	\$ 790.30	
Seed Funding 2017 Reunion	\$ 5,000.00	
		\$ 7,788.85

<b>Cash operating surplus for this period</b>	<b>\$1,040.32</b>
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**Balance Sheet**

Funds

Account balance on 30/4/2015	\$ 1,040.32	\$ 1,040.32
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Liabilities

Total Liabilities	\$ 00.00	
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<b>Net Assets and members' funds as of 30/04/2015</b>	<b>\$1,040.32</b>
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**Notes:**

1. The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the South Australian Associations Incorporation Act 1985.
2. The Association is not registered for GST. Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised inclusive of GST.
3. The Association is a not for profit organisation and is of the view that it is not subject to income tax.
4. The kindle was purchased to allow a draw of 2014 reunion registrations received before 30/9/2013.
5. The \$5,000 allocated as seed funding for the 2017 Reunion was deposited directly into the 2017 Reunion Committee's account on 18 March 2015. The \$1,040.32 donation to the Committee was allocated by handing over the account and operation of the remaining funds of \$1,040.32 in the 2014 Reunion Committee's NAB Community Saver account to the Committee on 30 April 2015.

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**Acknowledgements and Thank You**

The 2014 Reunion Committee acknowledges the generous support and assistance that was provided by a number of people and organisations.

**Grants and Funding**

- The South Australian Minister for Veterans Affairs provided a discretionary grant of \$4,000 to assist with the reunion's infrastructure including a shuttle bus on Anzac Day in Victor Harbor and marquee and seating costs.

**Corporate and Community Sponsorship**

- Carlton United Breweries provided 15 cartons of beer for the Turtle Tavern Barbecue
- Victor Harbor and Port Elliott Lions Club provided breakfast each morning of the reunion at a reduced cost of \$10 a head
- Victor Harbor Visitors Centre hosted the Touched by Fire exhibition for the reunion.
- Victor Harbor RSL hosted the Bravest of the Brave exhibition as part of the reunion. The Victor Harbor RSL also agreed to our request to move the Victor Harbor March from the Sunday before Anzac Day to Anzac Day and invited us to address the community in 2014 Anzac Day address on 86 Transport Platoon's involvement in Vietnam.
- Victor Harbor Beachfront Holiday Park exempted the reunion from any site costs associated with the Turtle Tavern and provided free of charge the barbecue and fridges for the Turtle Tavern.

**Donors**

- John Hoare who funded the costs associated with making the memorial crosses for the Anzac Day ceremony.
- Gary and Tania Hackett who funded the kindle which was used as a prize in the raffle to encourage early registrations for the reunion
- Bill Hignett, Ken Parker and Harry White who funded the cost of the reunion mugs placed in the show bags.
- Rudi Bos who funded 17% of the cost of the band Fahrenheit 451 engaged for the gala dinner.
- Margaret McDonald, Narelle Reynolds, Denice Page and Raeleen Blizzard who made and donated the queen size bed quilt used as a major raffle prize which raised \$2,074.85 for the reunion.

**Volunteers**

- Lenore White, Glenda Butler, Jenny Whalan, Tom and Karen Carroll, Judy Zbierski and Barbara Bos who assisted the 2014 Reunion Committee with the bagging of merchandise and registrant's items in the bags distributed at the reunion.
- Sally Hignett, Jenny Whalan, Judy Zbierski, Karen Carroll, Barbara Bos, Glenda Butler and Larry Reynolds who assisted the 2014 Reunion Committee with registrations.
- Harry White, Les Spinks, Trevor Whalan and Des Boyce who cooked the barbecue on the Turtle Tavern night. Rudi Bos who managed the drinks on the Turtle Tavern night.



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**Appendix A:**

2014 ANZAC DAY ADDRESS – VICTOR HARBOR

*By Bill Hignett*

*You will have noticed at today's Anzac Day March the striking banner with the Cobra on it and the group of marchers behind it. The Cobra is the emblem for 86 Transport Platoon a platoon of truckies deployed to Vietnam from 1967 to 1972. The Platoon is conducting a reunion in Victor Harbor over this weekend and I have asked Bill Hignett to address us on 86 Transport Platoon's involvement in Vietnam. Bill was a school teacher when he was called up for National Service and served as a driver with 86 Transport Platoon in Vietnam from 7 October 1970 until 19 January 1972. He is also the Secretary of the Platoon's Association and Reunion Committee.*

Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen, fellow 86ers and their families, boys and girls.

Our unit the 86 Transport Platoon Royal Australian Army Service Corps is currently conducting its Seventh Nation Reunion in this beautiful city of Victor Harbor and I have been asked in this address to focus on our Platoon's active service when it was based in Vietnam from 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1967 to 12<sup>th</sup> March 1972.

It is just over 47 years ago today when 30 young men in their early 20s left the Managalore Airport in Victoria and flew in a chartered Trans Australian Airlines jet to Darwin where they transferred to a RAAF Hercules Aircraft landing some time later the next day in Vung Tau Vietnam. 12 of these men who are now in their 70s are here at this service today.

This was a common experience for many of the Australian soldiers who were posted to Vietnam. Many travelled on commercial or RAAF aircrafts to Vung Tau or Saigon and then were ferried to their units.

However, most of the infantry battalions were ferried on the HMAS Sydney which was a troop ship from the Second World War.

Initially for our unit's first 12 months in Vietnam our platoon was a detachment but 8 months later the detachment numbers were increased to a platoon of 33 vehicles comprising 5 sections and 77 men including 2 Officers at the rank of Captain and Second Lieutenant.

Later our platoon strength was further increased so that it comprised sections of cargo trucks, sections of tippers, a section of buses, sections of semi trailers and a section of ice trucks and potable and non potable water trucks.

Our tasks included

- The resupply of the Task Force with daily convoys from Vung Tau to Nui Dat
- Tipper support to the Army Engineering Construction Squadron for the building of roads in Phouc Tuy Province South Vietnam
- Water supply tasks to both Nui Dat & Vung Tau bases
- Resupply convoys from Long Binh to Nui Dat and Vung Tau
- Transporting troops to operations in the field or returning from operations in the field
- Transporting Australian entertainers for troop concerts in Vietnam

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- Port clearance of goods and supplies when the supply ships HMAS Jeparit and Sydney docked in Vietnam
- The insertion and extraction of equipment, fuel and ammunition from Australian fire support bases in Vietnam.
- Transporting the changeover of the infantry company based at the Horseshoe Fire support base
- Assisting the Civil Affairs Unit building housing and community projects for the Vietnamese.

All of these duties were carried out in soft shelled vehicles with little protection and many of the tasks were over dirt roads in Vietnam. Our main protection was our gun jeep at the front of the convoy which was a Landrover with an M60 machine gun mounted on it. All of our drivers also had an armed soldier riding shotgun alongside him.

In some instances the roads had been cleared by early morning choppers inspecting the safety of the roads before we travelled on them. In other instances we were sometimes protected by Armoured Personnel Carriers driving in our convoys or lining the side of the road when we travelled along it.

Besides our normal duties, we were also assigned like other soldiers on the base to assisting in the protection of our base by rostered nightly pickets on the perimeter wire.

For the time we were in Vietnam our tour of duty like most Australian soldiers in Vietnam , was approximately 12 months but the 86 Transport Platoon was based in Vietnam from 22 April 1967 until 12 March 1973 which is total of 4 years and 11 months. The platoon strength was maintained by reinforcements with continual replacements for the soldiers going home.

In the 4 years and 11 months the Platoon was based in Vietnam its vehicles travelled over 4 million miles and 465 soldiers served in the Platoon.

It was also the time of conscription and about half of men who served in the platoon in Vietnam were National Servicemen on their compulsory 2 years of Army Service. The remaining half was regular soldiers in the Australian Army. However, our bonds of friendship and comradeship remain strong and many of us still keep in contact even though our service in the platoon was over 45 years ago.

The 22 young men of 86 Transport Platoon who boarded the small landing craft to be ferried out along with their vehicles which formed the last operational convoy of the Royal Army Service Corps in Vietnam to the HMAS Sydney on 29 February 1972 were among the last Australian soldiers from the 1<sup>st</sup> Australian Logistics Support Group Base to leave Vietnam. They sailed back into Sydney Harbour on 12<sup>th</sup> March 1972. This marked the end of the platoon's involvement in the Vietnam War.

27 years later in 1999 the platoon which had been renamed 86 Transport Troop was in action again for 12 months as part of Australia's military commitment in East Timor. That is why East Timor has been added to our banner. We are all proud of our service in Vietnam and our contribution to Australia's military history.

**Thank You.**

## **86 TRANSPORT VIETNAM ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED**

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### **2014 VICTOR HARBOR REUNION SUB COMMITTEE**

Members: Bill Denny (Convenor), Bill Hignett (Secretary), Ken Parker (Treasurer)

Rudi Bos, Des Boyce, Denis Hicks, Brent Sweet, Harry White, Gary Zbierski

15 March 2013



**QUICK 'N' DEADLY**

Dear 86ers & Partners

### **Re: 86 Transport Vietnam Reunion – Victor Harbor from 21<sup>st</sup> to 27 April 2014**

A very warm welcome to all members of the 86 family. Not only those of us who served with the Platoon, but to all those who served alongside us and to all our families and those who supported the Platoon during its period of active service in South Vietnam from 22 April 1967 until 12 March 1972.

We welcome you all to participate and register for our 7<sup>th</sup> National Reunion which will be held in Victor Harbor South Australia from 21<sup>st</sup> to 27 April 2014. The 21<sup>st</sup> April 2014 is the 47<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the date 30 drivers under the command of Lieutenant John Hoare left Puckapunyal to form a detachment of 86 Transport Platoon in Vung Tau South Vietnam. By the time, the last active service RAASC convoy comprised solely of 86 vehicles and drivers under the command of Lieutenant Bill Denny left the 86 transport yard on 29 February 1972, a total of 465 men had served with 86 Transport Platoon in South Vietnam.

We have much to be proud of and the focus of this reunion will be on celebration and pride in our active service with 86 Transport Platoon in Vietnam and fellowship with our mates and partners. The planned events are spaced throughout the week and there is plenty of time to relax and socialise in smaller groups. In addition we have also arranged some optional tours which you can find out about in the attached information sheet.

A special feature of this reunion will be the re-establishment of the Turtle Tavern which will be in the Beachfront Caravan Park. The Tavern will be a congregation point for informal conversations, communal breakfasts, ladies morning teas and a barbecue on the night of 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2014.

This will be the last posted letter that will be sent out as the cost of each posting is \$450. In future all information will be sent by email or via the website at [86transportvietnam.com](http://86transportvietnam.com). Please make sure the committee is aware of your email address. If you do not have an email address the committee is prepared to assign you an email address which you can access through any computer or a library. We are asking everyone to complete the enclosed registration form so that our records are up to date and to assist with the planning. **Please post the registration form to the above postal address by 14 May 2013.**

The registration fee has been set at \$250 a person but this will only cover 75% of the cost of conducting the reunion. We have followed the example of the 2012 Reunion Committee and in addition to organising the reunion the 2014 Reunion Committee has set itself the task of raising \$20,000 through, grants sponsorships, raffles and donations.

We look forward to you joining with us in coming to this reunion.

Yours sincerely

BILL HIGNETT  
Secretary

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**VICTOR HARBOR REUNION 21 – 27 APRIL 2014**  
**INFORMATION SHEET**

**Venue**

The reunion will be located at Victor Harbor. This beautiful beachside city is just a one hour drive south of Adelaide, with plenty to see and do. We have established a program that will give you plenty of time to catch up with old mates as well as free time to see this beautiful area. We have based the reunion around the Beachfront Holiday Park (website address [www.victorbhp.com.au](http://www.victorbhp.com.au)) where we will erect the **Turtle Tavern**, a large marquee on the beachfront. This will be our meeting point where we can congregate, enjoy BBQs, with a visiting coffee maker to do morning coffee for the ladies. From here it is only 900m to the centre of Victor Harbor for major venues and entertainment.

**Reunion Timetable (subject to change)**

Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Arrival Day
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	2 to 5pm – Registration, Victor Harbor RSL . 6pm - Meet and Greet Dinner at Hotel Victor
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	All inclusive tour to Region includes lunch
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Evening BBQ at the Turtle Tavern
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Free day with Optional trips available
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Dawn Service, Gunfire breakfast, Anzac Day march, afternoon barefoot bowls.
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Reunion Dinner
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Sick parade and Farewell Breakfast

**Excursion & Sightseeing**

Included in the registration is a trip of the region visiting Goolwa where the mighty River Murray meets the sea. On this trip you will enjoy the cockle train ride, spend time at the historic Goolwa wharf precinct where there is a steam brewery, coffee shops, wine tasting and museums based on the paddle boat history. A ride on the OscarW, a 100 year old paddle wheeler and then air conditioned coaches to the old Currency Creek winery for lunch of local produce [*we would suggest the famous Coorong Mullet*] The return trip will give views of the Coorong and Murray Mouth and the Bluff overlooking Victor Harbor. An opportunity to take spectacular photos and enjoy the company of each other.

**Optional Excursions (each separately costed at \$60 a person)**

There will be an optional **Ladies trip** to the Port Elliott Area. This all inclusive trip includes shopping at outlets such as House of Elliott, All that Jazz, South Seas Trading and Surreal Gallery with Lunch at the famous Flying Fish on beautiful Horseshoe Bay and wine tasting at No 58 Cellar Door.

The optional **men's trip** is on the Ale trail visiting 4 boutique breweries in the McLaren Vale area includes wood fired pizza lunch at the Ekhidna Brewery.

These are truly unique experiences not to be missed.

## Accommodation

There is full range of accommodation available in Victor Harbor. At the Beachfront Holiday Park we have put a hold on their cabins and Studio rooms, plus 70 caravan sites. Please use the contacts below and mention you are joining the 86 Vietnam Veterans reunion for discount prices.

Beachfront Holiday Park	<a href="http://www.victorbhp.com.au">www.victorbhp.com.au</a>	1800 620 100
Victor Harbor Visitor Centre	<a href="http://www.tourismvictorharbor.com.au">www.tourismvictorharbor.com.au</a>	1800 557 094
Hotel Victor	<a href="http://www.hotelvictor.com.au">www.hotelvictor.com.au</a>	08 8552128

## The Victor Harbor Visitor Information Centre Booking Office

Can book:

- A range of accommodation options including bed & breakfast, cabins, motels, hotels, resorts and self contained apartments / holiday houses. Just call us with your requirements and we will be happy to provide you with a quote.
- Local tours including Big Duck Boat, Spirit of the Coorong Cruise, tickets to Monarto Zoo etc.
- The Kangaroo Island Ferry – take a day tour to Kangaroo Island or ask us about our special ferry rates which are available when you book a self drive package with us.

We can also post you out an information package including our **Victor Harbor Town Map, Attractions, Art Galleries & Markets and Food & Wine Fact Sheets, as well as the Fleurieu Peninsula Visitor Guide** to assist you with planning your stay in our region.

**Simply call our Visitor Information Centre on 1800 557 094 or (08) 8551 0776.**

## Further Information

Further information will be provided electronically to email addresses and the 86 website at [www.86transportvietnam.com](http://www.86transportvietnam.com)

# 86 TRANSPORT VIETNAM ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED 2014 VICTOR HARBOR REUNION REGISTRATION FORM

THIS IS A TAX INVOICE  
ABN: 21 339 754 641

### CONTACT DETAILS

(Please complete and post to 86 Transport Vietnam Association Inc PO Box 2134 Victor Harbor SA 5211 by 14 May 2013 even if you are not attending the reunion)

86ers Surname:	First:	Middle:		Preferred Name:
Partner's Surname:	First:			Preferred Name:
Address:		Town/City:		State:                      Postcode:
Home Phone No:		Mobile Phone No:		
Email Address:		Assign email address?		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

### VICTOR HARBOR REUNION INFORMATION

(Please complete if you are coming to the reunion)

Are you attending the reunion?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Is your partner attending with you?		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Have you booked accommodation?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	If yes, is it in the Beachfront Holiday Park?		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
If no, would you like the Committee to recommend accommodation?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Type of accommodation preferred:		Dates accommodation required:
Are you travelling to the reunion by air?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Do you require a shuttle bus from Adelaide Airport to Victor Harbor at a cost of \$30?		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

**Full registration includes:**

Following from 21<sup>st</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> April 2014. Meet & Greet Dinner; Day tour of the Region; Evening Barbecue; Gunfire breakfast, beer and bowls on Anzac Day; Gala Dinner; Farewell breakfast; cap or visor; coffee mug; stubby holder.

Cost: \$250 a person

<p><b>Optional Merchandise (1):</b></p> <p>86 Tie                      \$25</p> <p>6 X 86 coasters        \$10</p> <p>6 Coffee Mugs         \$10</p> <p>I am interested in purchasing</p> <p>.....</p> <p>The cost is: .....</p>	<p><b>Optional Trips (2):</b></p> <p>Ladies Trip              \$60</p> <p>Men's Trip                \$60</p> <p>We are interested in</p> <p>.....</p> <p>The cost is:.....</p>	<p><b>Payment Method:</b></p> <p>Cheque or money order.</p> <p>Payable to</p> <p>"86 Transport Vietnam Association Inc"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Or</p> <p>Electronic Payment</p> <p>A/c Name: 86 Transport Vietnam Ass Inc</p> <p>BSB No: 085 364</p> <p>A/c No: 142531923</p> <p>Reference: Your Surname</p> <p>(Please include your surname to track payment)</p>	<p><b>Payment:</b></p> <p>Registration: \$.....</p> <p>Option 1:    \$.....</p> <p>Option 2:    \$.....</p> <p>Donation:    \$.....</p> <p><b>TOTAL:     \$.....</b></p>
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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### FURTHER INFORMATION

Please return this form by post to **Secretary, 86 Transport Vietnam Association Inc., PO Box 2134, Victor Harbor SA 5211** by 14 May 2013. Early payment of registration costs will be gratefully accepted. Payments received by 30 September 2013 will go into a draw for a kindle.