

RU22 Committee

Brothers and Sisters,

The MBMMC Victorian Sub Branches are hosting Round Up 2022 (RU22) which will be held in Ballarat from Friday 4 to Sunday 6 November 2022.

VENUE:

The Mercure Ballarat Hotel and Convention Centre at [613 Main Road Golden Point](#) Road Vic 3350 is located within the Goldfields region of Victoria, opposite Sovereign Hill features warm hospitality, beautiful maintained gardens and day spa.

WELCOME AND MBMMC EVENT REGISTRATION:

These activities will be conducted in the Main Foyer (located on the right as you drive in) of the Mercure Ballarat Hotel and Convention Centre from 1200hr onwards.

The issue of RU22 goodie bags and registration wrist bands will occur concurrently at this location from the tables allocated for each state. The National President, Secretary and Treasurer will register and receive their RU22 goodie bags at the VIC table.

EVENT NOTICE BOARD:

The event registration area will also be used to display a Notice Board detailing daily RU22 MBMMC activities, messages and other relevant information.

Information will include Sub Branch registers of all members and guests attending, phone numbers, email addresses and next of Kin details.

Daily runs detailing, muster points, distance and duration of the ride or rides available. dinner venues, timings and dress requirements for Friday and Saturday dinners.

Timings and location for Sub Branch, State and National photos.

Please feel free to utilize the allocated space provided on the Notice Board to Post messages and or notices.

ACCOMMODATION:

The Mercure Motel and Convention Centre is the main venue that offers a variety of accommodation. The Mercure is well serviced and is located 5 minutes from the CBD of Ballarat. It has many of the comforts of home and fulfills all our requirements for RU22. Larter Street, at the rear of the Mercure connects with the Best Western Motel and the BIG 4 Caravan Gold Fields Holiday Park.

BOOKINGS:

Members are responsible for booking their own accommodation and bookings should be made now to check availability and avoid disappointment. Can members please check with the Mercure management to ensure that any previous 2021 accommodation bookings have been transferred (**successfully** carried over) to RU22. Deposit may be required. If you have any concerns regarding refunds and deadlines please discuss directly with the venue as the RU22 committee and the MBMMC will not be responsible for these issues.

To book at the Mercure Ballarat please either email <http://www.mercureballarat.com.au/hotel/rooms/> or call on 03 5327 1291 and be sure to quote Booking ID 112240.

To book at The Best Western Plus, Ballarat suites email (ballaratsuites@bestwestern.com.au) or call on 03 53290200 and quote Round Up 22 to get the discounted rate.

To book at the Big 4 Ballarat Goldfields Holiday Park please email on (www.ballaratgoldfields.com.au) or call them on 1800 632 237. Unfortunately they have not offered any discount rate if you use the booking reference. First in best dressed.

PAYMENTS:

We are aware that the cost of RU22 is significantly more than in previous years and therefore we are spreading out the payments. All Sub Branch will be required to pay a deposit of \$20 pp to be transferred into the RU22 / Vic West Account (as identified on spreadsheet) by Thursday the **31 May 2022** and the balance, including T-Shirts and stubby coolers is required by Friday **30 September 2022**.

The management of these payments, and attendance spreadsheets are the responsibility of individual Sub Branch and State Presidents.

Any requests or enquiries regarding payments and refunds etc are to be directed to the RU22 secretary, Greg (Wopti) Spence, OAM at gregspenceoam@gmail.com or mobile 0423 477 680.

All Payments are to be made in bulk (one off payment) by the respective State Presidents (current up to date payment details are on the spread sheet supplied from last year's Round Up 2021).

State Presidents please ensure that all information is inserted accurately into the spreadsheet. Refunds will only be considered and approved if requested officially via email to the RU22 Secretary by respective State Presidents.

PAYMENTS INCLUDE:

Venue and Convention Centre and dining area. Meals including as detailed below.

Meals

Friday's evening Meal on 4 Nov 22 will commence at 1800hr. At present the meal will be heavy bar snacks and canapes.

Saturday Breakfast on the 5 Nov 22 at the venue will be commencing at 0800hr.

Saturday Lunch at a local venue/s are yet to be confirmed.

Saturday night the 5 Nov 22 Sit Down Dinner is to be a Two choice (Beef or Chicken) main and two desserts.

PAYMENT EXCLUDES:

Accommodation, meals not detailed above, tourist attractions, etc.

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS:

Sub Branches are to ensure that they notate these dietary requirements, against the requesting members name in the comments section on their spreadsheets prior to submitting them to their respective State Presidents. Can the State presidents please ensure this important dietary information is included on the combined spreadsheet submitted to RU22 Secretary.

Partners or guests who are non members and wish to attend the Saturday evening dinner may do so at a cost of \$65 per head. These individuals are to have a separate line created on the Sub Branch spreadsheet, underneath there member (partner/guest) with a comment of Paid \$65 for guest attending the Saturday night Dinner.

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS:

The Mercure is a short walk from local attractions such as Sovereign Hill, the Ballarat Gold Museum, Ballarat Sanctuary Day Spa (for the RAAF), POW memorial, The Arch of Victory and Commemorative Garden and many more attractions you will be able to search and discover using google.

STALLS:

Allocated areas will be made available for Sub Branches wishing to sell merchandise and items whilst attending RU22. Tables and chairs will be made available. Please contact Wopti the RU22 secretary if you wish to have a stall. All sales proceeds (monies raised) remains within the respective Sub Branch.

ENTERTAINMENT:

There will be either a band or a DJ for Saturday evening. More information will be provided as details are finalized.

COMMUNICATIONS/ SOCIAL MEDIA:

A Team App page has been created with all RU22 Committee, National Exec and State Presidents having access. The RU22 committee will update information as it comes to hand. The dissemination of information to the MBMMC brothers and sisters attending RU22 will be the responsibility of the relevant State Presidents and any enquiries are to be made to them. If you are not one of these nominated persons please DO NOT bother requesting access as it will be denied. For any additional information please utilize your chain of command.

SUMMARY:

The Mercure has hosted many events such as ours with the latest being the state Ulysses AGM. Staff and management are fully committed to supporting this MBMMC event and will do everything within their power to ensure the success.

Please ensure that all questions are directed up the chain of command through your respective State President who will be your RU22 State Representative.