

INVITATION FOR MEMBERS, THEIR FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO ATTEND THE

AUSTRALIAN BRAVERY ASSOCIATION 2017 NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Canberra 10th – 12th February 2017

See Attached: Official Program, RSVP & Payment methods

RSVPs

All RSVP's to events must be on the attached form and sent no later than Saturday 31st December 2016 to the Membership Secretary Melanie Warburton in order to secure your place and to address security issues for entry into Government House

For further information regarding events, contact Melanie on: Email: melanie.warburton@bigpond.com Ph: 0437 042 099 or (02) 6296 1143

AUSTRALIAN BRAVERY ASSOCIATION

Supporting those who risk their lives to save life, property or the environment'

Australian Bravery Association National Executive Incorporated - A03912

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Friday 10th February

3.00pm - 4.00pm

Welcome Cruise

Mariner Place, Lotus Bay, Yarralumla Bus pick up from the Abode at **2.30pm**.

Cost: \$12

Enjoy the tranquillity of Lake Burley Griffin and experience Canberra's premier landmarks, then mingle at the Yacht Club.

Dress: smart casual and medals. At **5.00pm** the bus will take us to from the Yacht Club to Duntroon for the Reception.

5.30pm - 7pm

Reception at Royal Military College Duntroon in the Conservatory

Calculus Lane, Duntroon, Campbell

Cost: \$20

Enjoy hot and cold platters with beer, wine and champagne. Founded in 1911 Duntroon is one of the only military bases in Australia that is open to the general public. Situated on the Campbell family homestead in Canberra, which was named "Duntroon" after Duntrune Castle their ancestral home in Argyll, Scotland. In 1833, Campbell built "Duntroon House" out of stone with wide verandahs. In 1862 Robert's son George added a large two-storey extension. In its final form the house contained twenty rooms and is a great example of colonial architecture.

Duntroon House and gardens will open for members and guests to explore.







7.30pm

Informal Dinner Hellenic Club Ginseng Chinese Restaurant

Matilda Street, Woden

Cost: \$26.80

Spring roll, Dim sim Teriyaki chicken, Satay combination, Honey prawns, Beef, cashews snow peas, 5 spiced pork chop, Poached greens with sesame & light soya, Steamed rice.

If you're not too tired, join members and guests for an informal meal. Kids can be catered for separately, depending on their taste.



Saturday 11th February 2017

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Hellenic Club Function Room (Ask reception for directions)

9.00am sharp (Please arrive and register by 8.45am) Members wishing to vote are asked to register with the National Secretary 15mins prior to the commencement of the AGM.

AGENDA

Welcome and Remembrance

Attendance

Apologies

Minutes of Previous Meeting

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President's Report

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

National State Vice-Presidents' Report

Election of Office Bearers

General Business

Closing

General Business

Items for general business should be lodged in writing with the National Secretary no later than **15**th **January 2017**. Email: brianharland3@bigpond.com

To be eligible to vote at the AGM or by proxy, you must be a current financial member for the calendar year 2017 (fees are due 1st January 2017).

Current financial members will be checked at the AGM.

Proxy Vote

Proxy votes may be lodged with the National Secretary up to the date of the AGM on the prescribed form contained within the Constitution. Forms can be downloaded from the ABA website.

Telephone Conferencing

Can be setup if necessary and those members wishing to attend the AGM using this medium must register with the National Secretary, by 15Th January 2017 so that 'connection' details can be given out.

Members must make their own way to the AGM which is within walking distance from the Abode and Quality Hotels.

Saturday 11th February

7.00pm - 11pm

Black Tie Dinner

Royal Australian Mint; Deakin ACT

Bus pick up from the Abode at 6.30pm.

Cost: \$90, \$25 for kids under 12.

Dress: Black Tie/Mess Dress/Lounge Suit for gents, After 5 Wear for ladies, with miniature medals.

This dinner is being generously subsidised by the Mint. Enjoy a night of good company and we may even be treated to one of Trigger's very entertaining, unbelievable, but true stories.

The annual presentation of the 'Dennis Lever BM Memorial Perpetual Shield' will be made. This prestigious trophy is awarded annually to a member of the ABA who has significantly contributed to and advanced the ABA through their personal efforts.

There will be plenty of time to catch up with new and old friends over the course of the evening.



Sunday 12th February

10.30 - 11.30am

Service of Remembrance

Government House, Dunrossil Drive, Yarralumla

Bus pick from the Abode at **9.00am**, we will arrive at the front gate at 9.30am (for a security check) for entry into Government House at 10.00am. After the service the bus will take us to the lunch venue and return to the Abode by 2.30pm.

A time for prayer and reflection in the Bravery Garden. The Brave Youth of the Year Award will also be presented.

Dress: Suit or Jacket and tie for men and day wear for ladies. Full size medals to be worn.





12.30pm to 2pm

Farewell Lunch at Pork Barrel Cafe
Located next to the Lobby restaurant,
King George Terrace, Parkes
Opposite the Rose Gardens of Old

Parliament House.

A chance to say good bye and exchange those important contact details.

Cost: Pay as you go.

6pm

Informal Dinner at the Hellenic Club

Matilda Street, Woden

For those staying Sunday night this is a chance to meet up have a quiet meal and discuss the weekend's events. The menu at the Bistro includes an 'all you can eat' pasta, soup and salad bar, steaks and fresh seafood, a children's menu, vegetarian options, daily roasts and meals for those with special dietary requirements.

Cost: Pay as you go.





CONFERENCE BUS

A 46 seater will be available to transport conference attendees to the various venues. The pick-up points are the Abode Hotel Woden and the Quality Hotel Woden. If you plan to make use of the bus please indicate so on the RSVP slip below. A small charge of \$10 per person is payable for use of the bus.

ACCOMMODATION

The ABA recommends the following two hotels for accommodation. Members are responsible for arranging and paying for their own accommodation. Please book via phone or online through the hotel website or other accommodation booking websites.

There are many other accommodation options members may wish to explore, but keep in mind the pick points for the bus are the Abode and Quality Hotels.

ABODE HOTEL WODEN: 10 Bowes Street, Phillip ACT 2606

The Abode Apartment Hotel Woden offers accommodation with an in-room coffee machine, kitchenette with a microwave and a flat-screen TV with cable channels. It is within walking distance to the Woden shopping precinct, cafés, restaurants, clubs and retail therapy. It is a few minutes' walk from the Hellenic Club. http://abodehotels.com.au/hotels/woden/

QUALITY HOTEL WODEN: Cnr Melrose Drive & Launceston St, Phillip ACT 2606

The Quality Hotel Woden offers spacious rooms with modern facilities including affordable dining, bar and club facilities. It is a 5-10 minute walk to the Abode Hotel and Hellenic Club. http://www.qualityhotelscanberra.com.au/sections/hotels/quality-hotel-woden/default.php

REGISTRATION FORM - ABA National Conference - 10 - 12 February, 2017

Please tick events

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Account Name: Australian Bravery Association

Bank: Westpac BSB: 034 122

Account No: 688064

Reference: "ABA Conf Your Last Name"

☐ CHEQUE/MONEY ORDER

Payable to: Australian Bravery Association

Please return this RSVP SLIP along with your cheque/money order (if applicable) to:

Melanie Warburton ACT NVP and Membership Secretary Australian Bravery Association 16 Embling Street Wanniassa ACT 2903

Email: melanie.warburton@bigpond.com

PLEASE RSVP BY: 31st December 2016

NB: Receipts will be available for collection on the weekend.

Members and guests wishing to use the Hellenic Club's facilities over the weekend will need to sign up for temporary membership. The laws have now changed for this in ACT so no payment is required for temporary members. (Used to be \$2)

You will only have to do it the first time and after that you can come and go as you please for the duration of the weekend. I suggest members and guests do this early, to avoid lots of people signing up at the same time.