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Sadly in the few months since our last issue, we have once again lost some very good mates. See Page 2	Our lovely Page 3 girl this time is Joan Buchanan. And – we have photos of courses from a long time ago. See Page 3	
Sam has some good advice on buying a computer and then which version of Windows 7 should you buy for that computer. See Page 4	If you were affected by the recent floods and/or cyclone, there is help out there. DVA in Queensland are there for you. See Page 5	Australian Government Department of Veterans'Affairs

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Prescriptions went up again on the 1st January and Ted's got the good oil on the Qantas A380 engine problem. See page 6	Ian Johnston, ex Radtech Air, tells us his story. See Page 7	
Allan George has been surfing again and he's got some interesting stuff for us to see. See Page 9	If you're going overseas and you've got a Gold Card, the Gov't now picks up the tab for your needles and Agent Orange is in the news again. See Page 11	
Nev Williams explains the workings of the Sabre ejection seat. See Page 13	The WRAAFs had a reunion in Brisbane and we went along. See Page 14	
A few blokes are not as well as they should be. See Page 17	We're looking for a few people, perhaps you can help. See Page 18	
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Web Address

You'll notice that we now have our own Web Address, (<u>www.radschool.org.au</u>). We've got this edition of the RAM on the new address and gradually we'll bring everything else over too, but that won't happen overnight. There are a million links in the old material and each one will have to be checked so for a while both URL's will run in parallel. We asked Sam Houliston for help and before he could think about it we thanked him and hung up – so, thanks again Sam.

Once we get everything sorted we've got some exciting interactive plans for the site, but more on that later.

Membership.

We <u>still</u> get mails from blokes asking why their name does not exist on the "List of Members", even though they joined some time ago and sent in their \$10.00.

As we've said, our old data base was so far out of date that it was next to useless so we had to ditch it and start again. We now do it all on line so there is nothing to print out and post in and as there are no costs involved, joining is now free.



Please check the list of names and if your name isn't there, please click

on the "Join the Association" tag (there's one on the top of each page) fill in the details and send it to us.

Also, if you change your address, or phone numbers or email address, or you just want to say hello, or you want to give us a tongue lashing, you can do so by clicking on the "<u>Contact Us</u>" tag, also at the top of each page and filling in the details. It's so easy even an instrument fitter could do it, it's all done on line, no printing out forms and no postage.

Over the past couple of months we have been able to put a bunch of people in contact with long lost mates - but that's only because we have your details. Please click on the <u>Join the</u> <u>Association</u> tag and fill it in, the more people that join the more we can match up.

If you want to get the RAM, but don't want to join the association, that's not a problem either. Just click on the "Contact Us" link at the top of each page and fill in the details and tell us to add your email to the list. Then whenever a new edition is released you will be advised.

We don't and won't give out your details to anyone so there is no risk of you being spammed.

Index.

The Index is now finished - all references have been linked so if you're looking for a topic or a photo of someone, click on the <u>Index</u> link on the top of each page and just follow the links.