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	<p>Sadly in the few months since our last issue, we have once again lost some very good mates.</p> <p>See Page 2</p>	<p>Our lovely Page 3 girl is Sylvia Hodges who was spotted at the Djinnang reunion in Brisbane in May 2012.</p> <p>See Page 3</p>	
	<p>Windows 8 is here, will it be a hit or a dud? and if you accidently delete a file, how do you get it back?</p> <p>See Page 4</p>	<p>The girls at Pt Cook had a barby and some had a reunion and we have more pics of Ballarat,</p> <p>See Page 5</p>	



Ted has the latest Pension levels and he has a story on PanAm from days of old.

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Brian Duddington has had an enviable career in the RAAF. He shares it with us.

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Roger Dwyer had to fight the bureaucracy to open his V.V. retreat, but fight he did and it's now open.

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Allan George has the latest on the DFRDB battle and he's got the info on how optic fibre works.

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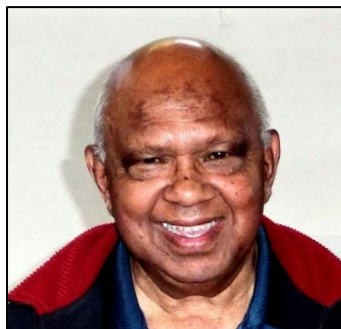


Roger Bailey reminisces on the short history of the Bloodhound.

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Has attitude got a lot to do with getting dementia?

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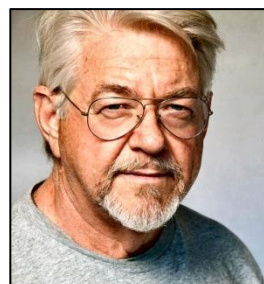


The blokes and bloketts from Sale held a reunion at Rathmines.

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Tony Element had a nasty surprise, recently he was told he had prostate cancer, but he's fine now.

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We had 2 days on Gallipoli Barracks and we were pleasantly surprised.

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There are a lot of after-market protection devises for your car – but are they any good?

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	<p>A few blokes haven't been as well as they could be.</p> <p>See Page 17</p>	<p>We're looking for a few people, perhaps you can help.</p> <p>See Page 18</p>	
	<p>This is where you have your say</p> <p>Page 19</p>	<p>Here's the news, all the news, the whole news and nothing but the news.</p> <p>See Page 20</p>	

## 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 [Index](#) link on the top of each page and just follow the links.

## Photos

Most (but not all) of the photos on our pages have been 'crunched' to make them open faster. If you want a copy of any in their original condition just email us, use the "Contact Us" link at the top of each page, tell us which one you want and if we have a better copy we'll email it back to you.

This edition contains a lot of photos and if your internet connection is not all that fast you will find some pages will take a while to load. If this is the case, it is best if you just open the page and wait a little while until it fully downloads before trying to navigate through it.

## Course Photos

We intend to eventually have copies of as many RAAF courses (with names) as it is possible to obtain. When finished you will be able to search by course name and/or personal name and if your course is there, get a copy. Availability is the big problem, some photos are easy to get others we have to travel to copy but over the coming months we intend to do so. We did hope to be able to get copies of all WRAAF Recruit Courses later this year but time has beaten us and we can't now until next year (sorry Mary). At the moment we don't want you to send us any photos as it is better if we get them all in one lump but we would appreciate it if you would



check what we have and if you see any errors let us know or if we're missing any names and you can provide them - please do.

Over time the list we've started will be expanded, we hope to be able to include courses that were held at Wagga, Frogers, Pt Cook, Sale etc.

This is definitely a "Work in Progress" and will take some time to complete. To see where we are you click the "Course Photos" link on the [Main Menu](#) - or you can go there from [HERE](#)

## Facebook

We've had a lot of requests/suggestions to open a Radschool Facebook account. That has now been done and it's there if you wish to join. A lot already have and it's a great vehicle with which people can keep in touch. Search for RAAF Radschool-Association, ask to be a friend and you're in.



## Links.

A few blokes suggested that we add links to useful (and free) programs in our Links page, we thought that was a good idea, so if you're looking for a tried and tested and FREE program to do a particular job, you could find it [HERE](#).

At the moment we've only included programs that run under Windows, if you know of any FREE and useful programs that run under the Apple label, please let us know, and if you have any suggestions for other Windows programs, let us know so we can include them.

## Donations.

We want to keep membership in the Association Free - we deliberately do this as we feel more people will join the Association and read our magazines while there is no cost involved. And that's the way we'd like to keep it - but!!

Costs are mounting up and we're planning to make the magazine a bi-monthly, 6 editions each year instead of the 4. We now get so much material sent to us that to continue to deliver the RAM on a quarterly basis would mean it would soon go to 300 pages - and we get requests from all over the country to go and cover various Association reunions but we just don't have the funds to do that. We'd like to - but we just can't.

So!! - we're asking for donations. If you feel the RAM is a worthy magazine and you can afford to make a donation every now and then (annually??) then please do. Please be assured, this is not a requirement, if you are not able to make a donation, or don't wish to, then that is not a problem, the RAM will still be produced and you will still get it, but it probably won't be as good as it could be.

If you wish to make a donation, (any amount) please do so direct into the Radschool Association's Bank account which is:

**Title:** RAAF Radschool Association.

**Bank:** Bank of Queensland. **BSB:** 124-021 **Account #:** 1048 7401

Please put your name in the details window when you make your deposit so we know who to thank. We would prefer not to make public your donation as we feel this could cause embarrassment to those that are not able to do so.

## **Merchandise.**

We've now got a merchandise page, the link is on each page, but you can go there [HERE](#) too. If you've got something you want to sell, send us a photo and a description and we'll add it to the page. We take 10% to cover our running costs.

## **Reunions.**

If you're having a reunion and you would like us to cover it and publish it, let us know and we'll see what can be done.

## **Membership.**

Please check the [list of names](#) and if you've joined but 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 again and send it to us. If you're not a member and would like to be, do likewise.

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 "[Contact Us](#)" 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 [Join the Association](#) 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.