



RYDER-CHESHIRE AUSTRALIA

For the relief of suffering

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Greetings to all Ryder-Cheshire Australia Members and Supporters.

On behalf of the Ballarat Ryder-Cheshire Support Group it gives me great pleasure to invite you to the Ryder-Cheshire Australia Biennial Conference in person or online, to be held on Saturday, 6 May 2023, commencing at 10am.

For in-person attendance, the venue generously gifted to us, will be at the Air Force Association of Victoria - Ballarat Branch, 9 Airport Drive, Mitchell Park, Victoria (this is a newly named suburb of Ballarat).

Ryder-Cheshire Australia has undergone many changes to *'Refresh and Renew'* since the Melbourne Conference in 2018.

The theme of this Biennial Conference is *'Into Action.'* It will be an action-packed day of information and input.

- We will be celebrating the actions and achievements that have taken place, as well as a look into the future for Ryder-Cheshire.
- Dr Elizabeth Cheshire, daughter of Leonard Cheshire and Sue Ryder, will address the Biennial from the UK.
- You will hear about what is happening in both overseas Homes, Klibur Domin in Timor-Leste from Sr Joaquim Soares and Raphael in India from Mrs Priyo Lall.
- You will also hear from the two Australian Homes - the Victorian Homes in Ivanhoe from Ms Kathy Oswin, and the Mount Gambier Homes from Mr Matthew Dixon.
- Ms Carolyn Tapley will give updates of work being undertaken by Ryder-Cheshire in New Zealand.
- A feature of the Biennial will be the launch of the **'Ryder-Cheshire Sponsorship Drive.'** This is an area that we are promoting to gather the much-needed funds *'for the relief of suffering'* at Raphael and Klibur Domin.
- There will be an opportunity to hear from RCA Board Directors and to ask questions and offer ideas in a panel forum.

There is a small registration fee of \$20 for those attending in person, to cover the cost of refreshments. This can be paid in cash upon registration at the Biennial.

The proposed RCA Biennial Conference program is attached along with the Registration Form.

Founders: The Late Group Captain Lord Cheshire VC OM DSO ** DFC, and
The Late Baroness Ryder CMG OBE

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Social Events - all warmly invited!

On Friday, 5 May an informal dinner at The Lake View Hotel, 22 Wendouree Parade, Lake Wendouree for 6.00 pm. It is an a-la-carte menu and pay as you go.

On Saturday, 6 May the Biennial Dinner at The Ballarat Golf Club, 1800 Sturt Street West, Alfredton for 6.00 pm. This is an a-la-carte menu and pay as you go.

The guest speaker will be Dr Fred Cahir who will talk about his research and new book: *They Rescued Us; Aboriginal Heroes On Country*.

Please respond regarding your attendance by emailing or posting your registration form by Friday, 21 April to our Vice President, Ms Carolyn Byrnes at:

carolyn.byrnes@roads.vic.gov.au

OR

Ms Carolyn Byrnes, 17 Sage Close, Alfredton Vic 3350

We are looking forward to having you with us in person at Ballarat or on the screen via a digital link which will be emailed to you upon registration.

Kind regards,

Dianne McGrath OAM DGSJ

President

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Ryder-Cheshire Australia Biennial Conference Program

Saturday, 6 May 2023

Air Force Association of Victoria

Ballarat Branch Meeting Rooms

9 Airport Drive, Mitchell Park, VIC 3350

"Into Action"

MC - Joe Cahir

Timekeeping with bell - Carolyn Byrnes

Registration - Dorothy Carpenter and David Searl

Catering - CWA and Ballarat Support Group - Trish Twaits and Joan McMillan

9.00 am	AGM	RCA Board, RCA Members, Observers welcome
10.00 am	Registration and Morning Tea	
10.30 am	Housekeeping <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acknowledgement of Country • Official Welcome to Ballarat • Welcome to AFA Vic Ballarat Branch • Opening Conference 	Joe Cahir Di Hadden Mayor Cr Des Hudson President Peter Dowling BSG President Dianne McGrath
10.45 am	Presentations	
10.45 am	Movie: Ryder-Cheshire	
11.30 am	Special Guest Address	Dr Elizabeth Cheshire
11.40 am	Biennial Conference Address - Directions and Actions	RCA President Rory McEwen
11.50 am	Mount Blowhard Primary School	Trish Twaits
12.00 pm	Ballarat Grammar School	Carolyn Byrnes
12.10 pm	Sponsorship Drive	Dianne McGrath
12.15 pm	Launch Sponsorship Drive	Ballarat Clarendon College and Joe Cahir
12.15 pm	Light Lunch	
1.15 pm	Presentations Continued	
1.15 pm	Raphael Presentation	Mrs Priyo Lall
1.30 pm	Klibur Domin Presentation	Sr Joaquim Soares
1.45 pm	New Zealand Presentation	Ms Carolyn Tapley
2.00 pm	Ryder-Cheshire Victoria Homes	Ms Kathy Oswin
2.15 pm	Ryder-Cheshire Mount Gambier Homes	Mr Matthew Dixon
2.30 pm	Afternoon Tea	
2.45 pm	Volunteering at Raphael and Klibur-Domin	Susie Mackerras
3.00 pm	Panel: Achievements and Actions	Adjudicator Joe Cahir
3.45 pm	Conclusion, Homework, Housekeeping and next Biennial	Joe Cahir, Dianne McGrath and Rory McEwen

Friday, 5 May:

6.00 pm - Informal Dinner at The Lake View Hotel, 22 Wendouree Parade, Lake Wendouree, VIC 3350

Saturday, 6 May:

6.00 pm - Biennial Dinner at The Ballarat Golf Club, 1800 Sturt Street West, Alfredton, VIC 3350

Guest Speaker - Dr Fred Cahir Topic: *They Rescued Us; Aboriginal Heroes on Country*



RCA Biennial Conference Registration 2023

Name/s: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Preferred contact phone number: _____

Will you be attending the conference in Ballarat in person? Yes No

Or

Will you be attending the conference online? Yes No

Social Events

Will you be attending the Informal Dinner?

6pm Friday 5 May at

The Lake View Hotel, 22 Wendouree Parade, Lake Wendouree Yes No

Number attending dinner _____

Will you be attending the Biennial Dinner?

6pm Saturday 6 May at

The Ballarat Golf Club,

1800 Sturt Street West, Alfredton

Yes No

Number attending dinner _____

RSVP by close of business by Friday 21 April 2023 to

carolyn.byrnesh@roads.vic.gov.au

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