



2012 Mildura International Balloon Fiesta
PO Box 3016, Mildura, VIC 3502 AUSTRALIA

IT'S ON AGAIN

The Lake 2012
29th June-8th July

Lake Cullulleraine, VIC

Philosophy of the Lake

The Lake is an event for balloonists both new and old to share their knowledge and promote and undertake balloon training. 'The Lake' is what **you** make it and we encourage **your** participation on whatever level you can add to make 'The Lake' a better learning environment. If there is something you want on the program, or if there is something that you would be willing to present please let us know.

We attempt to keep costs to a minimum, there are no sponsors or VIP's or anyone pocketing any profits (because there are none) so we simply concentrate on ballooning. The flying area around 'The Lake' is a great environment to 'build' skills.

The Lake 2012

This will be the seventh time 'The Lake' has been staged by the MIBF and the ABF. Its success is that its fun, we get results and people keep coming back. We are very grateful for the continued support of the Examiners as without their support there would be no exams and no check out flights. In 2008 four new pilots checked out, and in 2006 ten pilots with at least another two checking out soon after. Once registration forms have been received by the MIBF by **1st June 2012**, invoices will be sent out and must be paid by **18 June 2012** i.e. prior to you arriving at 'The Lake'. Balloon documentation is also required prior to your arrival by **18 June 2012**, please send it by e-mail kfrankel@sunitafe.edu.au

Registration fee

Pilots and Student Pilots in 2012 will be required to pay a registration fee of \$50 per person, this is not required if you are an Examiner, Instructor or a crew member. This registration fee is required to pay for incidentals such as photocopiers, event insurance and other services that the MIBF makes available. This registration fee will appear on your invoice.

Lake Cullulleraine

Lake Cullulleraine is 59 kilometres west of Mildura. Balloon signs on the Sturt Highway and in the grounds of the Caravan Park (Johansen Memorial Reserve) will guide you to the RSL Camp Mission Control site.

GRID Ref:- 5550 0710, Zone 54 (Lat South 34 16, Long East 141 35) .

Accommodation options

There are three options for accommodation at The Lake training camp, i.e. RSL Camp Bunkhouse, Bushman's Rest Caravan Park 1 kilometre west of the RSL Camp and the RSL Campground (Cabins and Powered sites).

Check-in:-

Students

A Student Liaison Person, **yet to be found**, will meet you at the check in for Students which will be held on Saturday 30th June from 1400 to 1600 at the RSL Camp Mission Control, late registration will take place at all other times.

If you intend to arrive and fly before check-in on Saturday 3 July please contact Kerry.

Instructors

Kerry will meet you at the check-in for Instructors which will also be held on Saturday 30th from 1200 to 1300 at the RSL Camp Mission Control; late registration will take place at all other times. If you intend to arrive and fly before check-in on Saturday 30th June please contact Kerry.

Balloon documentation

Please send to kfrankel@sunitafe.edu.au a copy of the following documents to check-in **before** the 18th June 2012, **there will be no documentation check-in at The Lake.**

- ★ Identity document (passport, drivers licence)
- ★ Aircraft Log, with current annual,
- ★ Certificate of Airworthiness
- ★ Certificate of Registration
- ★ Pilots Licence and proof of ABF membership,
- ★ Insurance Policy, \$1,000,000 (min) AUD with proof of currency.

Please check your insurance documents carefully as to who are the insured parties.

- ★ Pilot Log or Student Pilot Log
- ★ Instructors certificate (if relevant)

Insurance

It is essential that you add the following temporary endorsement to your insurance to allow you to participate at the Lake.

‘IT IS HEREBY DECLARED & AGREED THAT THE MILDURA INTERNATIONAL BALLOON FIESTA INCORPORATED IS INCLUDED ON THIS POLICY AS JOINT INSURED FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE RIGHTS & INTERESTS IN RELATION TO AVIATION LEGAL LIABILITY ARISING FROM &/OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE LAKE, LAKE CULLULLERAINE AUSTRALIA TO BE HELD IN VICTORIA FROM 29th June 2012 TO THE 8th JULY 2012 BOTH DATES INCLUSIVE.’

If you have any questions about these sessions or are unable to attend the Saturday session please contact Kerry at kfrankel@sunitafe.edu.au. More information on these will follow via e-mails to instructors

Camp Oven Dinner – Millewa Community Pioneer Forest

The Pioneer Forest at Meringur will cook a Camp Oven Dinner on Tuesday 6 July 2012 from 18:00 to 20:00. Food will be served in the Hall. BYO drinks.

The Millewa Pioneer Park a visual hands-on display was established to recognise the efforts of early settlers creating a livelihood from humble beginnings.

Briefing room

All briefings will be held in the classroom at the RSL Camp Mission Control, morning briefings at 0600 HRS and afternoon briefings at 1530 HRS.

Master Briefing

The Master Briefing will be held in the classroom at the RSL Camp Mission Control on Sunday 31 June at 0600 HRS.

Staying at the RSL Camp \$15 per night

What to bring

Sleeping bag and or bedding (including pillow), towel etc.

Volunteer Crews and Drivers

Please make arrangements to bring your own crew. If you need volunteer crew please let Kerry know ASAP at kfrankel@sunitafe.edu.au

Contacts

In case of emergencies the contact number at the RSL camp is 03 5028 2201 or Kerry's mobile number 0408236447

LPG

LPG is available in Mildura. At past training camps the MIBF have attempted to provide LPG on site but this came at an increased cost and most participants chose to drive to Mildura and refuel. The MIBF lost financially in attempting to make LPG accessible at The Lake and for 2012 have chosen not to arrange LPG on site.

Charging Radios etc.

Please remember to bring your power boards or in-car chargers for radios.

Program of events

Is still in development, If you would like a particular session please let us know as soon as you can so that we can build the program to suit your needs.

Don Whitford (ex BOM - ballooning weather man extraordinaire)

For those of you who don't know Don, he is an ex- Officer of the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) and he led the team that was instrumental in providing accurate weather data for the staging of the Nationals and Worlds in Mildura. We are attempting to have him at the Lake in 2012.

In summary - What you need to do to register for the Lake

1. Return the registration forms for 'The Lake 2012' by **1st June 2012**
i.e.
 - a. Participants
 - b. Balloon
 - c. Accommodation and catering (if you have booked accommodation other than the bunk house please let us know)
2. The MIBF will send you an invoice, please pay it by **18 June 2012**
3. Please send your balloon documentation to kfrankel@sunitafe.edu.au by **1st June 2012**

If you have any questions please ask.