AN UPDATE ON THE RUPERTSWOOD CLUB RUN 24.2.13

The event, given that most will drive from the other side of the Melbourne to the also picturesque outer Western areas has been divided into 2 short runs.

The planned meeting point is the car park adjacent to the North end of the Melbourne Airport North South Runway. It is hoped that all attendees should make the meeting point by 9.30 am.

Allowing for set off time of 9.45 am.

The 1st Stage will be an alternate course to Rupertswood Mansion., through Wildwood, Clarkefield before arriving at the Rupertswood Mansion.

Rupertswood was owned by Sir Rupert Clarke and much of the area driven on this run was originally part of his property. The property originally had its own station where visitors invited to the property from Melbourne would be picked up and taken to the mansion.

England in 1882 lost a one match test at the Oval to the Australian for the first time and a British newspaper wrote in the obituary section of the Paper, "That English cricket had died, and the body will be cremated and the ashes taken to Australia".

The English media dubbed the next English tour to Australia (1882–83) as the quest to regain the Ashes.

One of those groups visiting Rupertswood during the Christmas of 1883 was the English Cricket team and their Captain, the 8th Earl of Darnley, the honourable Ivor Bligh who had lost the match against Australia in 1882.

The much investigated story of the ashes indicates that in 1883 at a cricket match prior to the start of ashes series, at the private Rupertswood cricket ground, the Honourable Ivor Bligh was presented by the women at the mansion including players' wives and Ivor Bligh's wife a carved urn that contained the ashes of a burnt bail, burnt on the blacksmith's fire.

In that 3 match series against Australia, England won 2 matches to 1.

Length of the 1st Stage – 23.5 miles or 37.5 kilometres.

The run will finish at the mansion where Devonshire tea will be served at a price of \$6.50/head.

To have a tour of the mansion takes approximately 1 hour and the guided tour costs is TBA and would have to be booked beforehand. Estimate \$15.00 / head

We are allowing up to 1 hour before commencing the 2nd stage to walk round the grounds, have Devonshire tea and a general natter.

Length of the 2nd Stage is – 28 miles or 44.4 Kilometres

After leaving the front gates of the Mansion we will head towards Riddell's Creek and then onto Hesket and finally to Woodend.

The roads are undulating and are not primary roads.

The stopping point for lunch will be the Victoria Hotel in Woodend which offers an al a carte menu and they also have a seniors menu.

The proximity to the Calder Freeway will allow an easy return to Melbourne from Woodend .

Regards,

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Starters

Mt Zero Olives \$7.00 with grilled ciabatta bread \$10.00			
Warm Turkish Bread served with extra virgin olive oil and balsamic reduction (v)			
Herb & Parmesan Bread or Garlic Bread (v)	\$ 8.50		
Bruschetta of tomato, spanish onion & basil drizzled with olive oil & balsamic with shaved parmesan (v)			
Trio of Dips served with toasted Turkish bread (v)	\$13.50		
Entrees			
Soup of the Day served with warm ciabatta bread	\$10.50		
Fresh Oysters served natural (gf) or kilpatrick Natural Kilpatrick	6 for \$15.00 / 12 for \$25.00 6 for \$18.50 / 12 for \$28.00		
Salt & Pepper Calamari with garden salad and garlic aioli	\$15.00		
Panfried Goats Cheese fritters with quince paste (v)	\$15.50		
Roasted Capsicum & Field Mushroom with a balsamic reduction & truffle oil (v/gf)			

Pasta & Risotto

Linguine with roasted pumpkin ,pine nut, spinach, sage butter & shaved parmesan (v)	\$21.00
Carbonara - linguini tossed with bacon, spanish onion & a white wine cream reduction	\$22.50
Risotto of Chorizo, cherry tomato & green pea (gf)	\$25.50
Risotto of Duck & Wild Mushroom with shaved parmesan (gf)	\$26.50

Main Courses

Traditional Caesar Salad		\$19.50	with chicken	\$23.00	
Catch of the Day	see specials bo	oard for today's fish			Market Price
Fried Tofu & Mushroom	n Salad with balsa	amic reduction (v/gf)			\$22.00
Battered Flathead fillets	s with chips, sala	d, tartare sauce & fresh lemon			\$24.00
Flash Fried Calamari w	ith garden salad,	chips & aioli			\$22.00
Chicken Parmagiana house crumbed & served with salad & chips			\$24.00		
Parmesan Crusted Veal with creamy mash, broccollini & a port jus			\$27.00		
Pork Rib Eye with sweet potato mash, beetroot & an apple jus (gf)			\$27.50		
Bangers & Mash thick s	sausages served	with seasonal vegetables & gravy			\$24.00
Open Lamb Souvlaki –	grilled pita bread	topped with lamb, tomota, onion, lettuce &	tzatiki & d	chips	\$22.00
		300 gram 300 gram , peppercom sauce, garlic butter or gravy	60		\$32.00 \$29.00
	eaks served with	chips & salad or chats & seasonal vegetab	les		
Side Dishes					
Seasonal Vegetables					\$6.50
Bowl of Chips					\$6.50
Bowl of Wedges with se	our cream and sw	veet chilli sauce			\$8.00
Childrens Meal	5	All \$8.50 for children 10 years and under			
Chicken Schnitzel or Chicken Parmagiana with chips					
Fish & Chips with tomato sauce or tartare sauce					
Chicken Nuggets & Chips with tomato sauce					
Pasta Bolognaise with parmesan					
Kids Burger wit	th chips				
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Daily Specials also available If you have any special dietary requirements please notify our staff (gf) = gluten free (v) = vegetarian