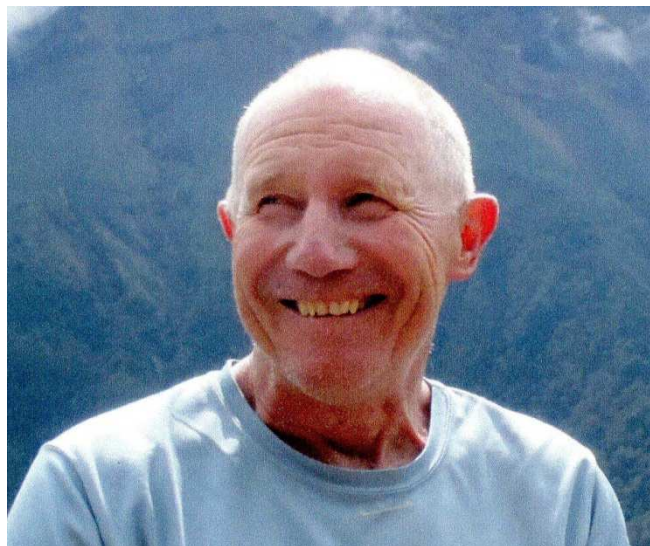


## What David is doing



David's connection with Asia began when he was conscripted into the Australian Army and sent to fight in Vietnam. After leaving the Army David worked in a variety of positions in education, real estate, sports training and more lately with indigenous communities.

In recent years David has taken on several adventures, including trekking the Larapinta Trail and climbing to the Everest base camp in Nepal. His latest adventure is to ride fifteen thousand kilometres around Australia to raise funds for MiVAC

## Schedule

David has planned his route taking into account conditions around Australia and the prevailing winds across the Nullabor which will assist his ride.

|                     |                                     |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Depart Sydney       | 6 <sup>th</sup> May Sunday          |
| Arrive Brisbane     | 15 <sup>th</sup> May Tuesday        |
| Arrive Cairns       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> June Saturday       |
| Arrive Mt Isa       | 13 <sup>th</sup> June Wednesday     |
| Arrive Darwin       | 27 <sup>th</sup> June Wednesday     |
| Arrive Port Hedland | 16 <sup>th</sup> July Monday        |
| Arrive Perth        | 1 <sup>st</sup> August Wednesday    |
| Arrive Eucla        | 19 <sup>th</sup> August Sunday      |
| Arrive Adelaide     | 3 <sup>rd</sup> September Monday    |
| Arrive Melbourne    | 15 <sup>th</sup> September Saturday |
| Arrive Sydney       | 28 <sup>th</sup> September Friday   |

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## Behind the scenes

When 6<sup>th</sup> May rolls around all the weight will be on David's shoulders but before he begins the ride a lot of planning will go on behind the scenes. MiVAC is very grateful for two Rotarians who have offered their assistance to plan the ride. Peter Agar is an able organizer having been the behind-the-scenes planner for two bike rides for Mick Harriden. Mick in turn has ridden from Melbourne to Sydney and from Brisbane to Sydney to raise funds to build schools in Cambodia and in Papua New Guinea.



In preparation for his ride David is already pumping the pedals around the back streets north of the harbor in the wee hours of the morning. "No traffic and well lit streets make it an ideal time to train", says David.

## How you can help

Many MiVAC members are scattered around Australia and often wonder how they can directly help MiVAC achieve its goals. Here is your chance to do just that.

David is riding to raise funds for the work MiVAC is doing in Lao PDR, Cambodia and Vietnam. To help him along his why not canvass local businesses, schools, church groups, Army/reserve units, ex-service groups and service clubs for donations before he arrives.

If you are on his route and have a spare room, please offer him a bed and a home cooked meal. In addition, be his support vehicle along the way.

Let the local media know of his arrival. We can provide a press release for you to pass on to the local radio station or newspaper.

Approach local service clubs to arrange for David to give a presentation as he passes through town.

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