

RAF Butterworth and Penang Association

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ASSOCIATION HISTORY

The Association was founded at the Casuarina Hotel, Batu Ferringhi, Penang, on the 30th August 1996, by a group of 43 people marking the 25th Anniversary of the handing over of RAF Butterworth and RAF Penang to the Malaysian Government in October 1971.

AIMS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The RAF Butterworth and Penang Association aims to establish and maintain contact with personnel and their dependants who served a tour at RAF Butterworth, RAF Penang or RAF units located there. This will be achieved by Annual Reunions in the UK and the circulation of Membership and Contact Lists. The Association may also arrange holidays in Malaysia from time to time and will encourage members who wish to arrange such trips themselves.

ASSOCIATION STATUS

The RAF Butterworth and Penang Association is an unincorporated Members Club, affiliated to other associations with RAF links with the Far East including: The National Malaysia and Borneo Veterans Association, the RAF Changi Association and the RAF Seletar Association.

ARCHIVE MATERIAL

We have built a superb collection of photographs, film slides, documents and other memorabilia, recording the History of the RAF in Butterworth and Penang. There's always room for more and there are gaps. If you have material, preferably identified with date, place, names and any other details please contact our Archivist, Dave Croft on 01262 677520. Items may be donated outright or loaned permanently or for a short term. After copying any items required to be returned to the owner, Dave Croft will arrange their safe return at the expense of the Association. Any collections bequeathed to the Association will be considered to be on permanent loan.

PICTORIAL HISTORY OF RAF BUTTERWORTH AND PENANG

We have a Set of Pictures and other material, recording the history of RAF Butterworth and Penang which can be provided on a Memory Stick for just £10 (payable to 'RAFBPAA') via the Chairman with your name and address.

NEWSLETTER MATERIAL

Dave Croft can always use material for the Association Newsletter which is published three times a year. You could be looking for old colleagues, reminiscing on Happy Days or trying to resolve an old rumour that you never quite got to the bottom of. Anything suitable, including photos to Dave Croft please. The decision whether or not to publish rests with him.

FORMER COLLEAGUES

If you have any contact with colleagues who served at Butterworth or Penang, tell them about us and get them to complete the Membership Application form.

FUTURE TRIPS TO THE FAR EAST

The RAF Butterworth/Penang Association or our colleagues in the RAF Changi and RAF Seletar Associations plan occasional reunion trips to the Far East. Members interested in a future trip are asked to advise the Chairman.

RAF Butterworth and Penang Goods

A range of goods with the RAF Butterworth or RAF Penang Badges, as per the design on the header of this document, including ties and mugs etc, is available from Don Donovan on 01529 419080. Other items such as blazer badges can be ordered from: TERRANE PROMOTIONS, Tel: 01522-697000 website: www.terrane.co.uk

THE FEAF MEMORIAL

A Memorial, Grove of Trees and a Bench have been established and dedicated at the National Memorial Arboretum near Lichfield. The Memorial is in memory of those who lost their lives whilst serving with the RAF in the Far East between 1948 and 1971.

ANNUAL REUNIONS

We hold a UK reunion and AGM each year in April or May at a single location.
For details of the next reunion and AGM, please visit the website or contact the treasurer.
