

### **Survivors and 1967 Volunteers Get Together in Israel V3**

At one of our regular survivors' dinners In April 2014, it was decided that we would have a dinner in Israel in April 2015. The usual format is men-only but for this special occasion spouses were also invited. We did not regret it ... The wheels were set in motion and, lo and behold, on 18 April 2015 there was a gathering in Tel Aviv at *Fitzroy* (in the Gordon Hotel) for a sumptuous evening meal overlooking the Tel Aviv shoreline.

Sadly, seven intended participants could not make it: Estelle and Eddie Adamek, George Berkovic, Ron & Marise Isaacs, and Kaye and Paul Gottlieb. They were sorely missed by Celia & Leo Regev (Rogovin), Miriam Barasch (Gottlieb), Lionel (Flapper) Bomzon and his partner, Ilana Spanier, Ros and Henry Ben Ezra (Bishopverder), Mike Hudson and his partner, Joanna Wilkinson, Marcia and Bernie Kresner, Ros and Geoff Williamson, Mia and Eddie Price, Mick Price and Lyn Kantor, Erica and Peter Keeda (Cohen).

For the meal, Celia consulted with the chef to arrange the menu and Leo chose the wines which were most generously donated by George Berkovic and Estelle and Ed Ademek. As the sun slowly sank over the Tel Aviv horizon, we all lapsed into a hypnotic state of Nirvana ... I WISHED!! Conversation was lively, the wine flowed, and nostalgia reigned!

Bish gave careful instructions as to how the rooms would be chosen for the next stage of the adventure which was two days together in Rosh Pina. Transport from Tel Aviv was a headache but was resolved by Bernie driving up in a mini-van. They arrived late and so all the careful planning of room allocation went out the door. [see video by Michael Price - <http://youtu.be/cfj7SanJgSA>]



Bish explaining

Yep, two days together in Beit Hameiri, Rosh Pina. What a superb setting!



The view from Beir Hameiri

The organisation of the whole event fell on the shoulders of the Israeli contingent and what an excellent job they did, from arranging the initial meal in Tel Aviv, to organizing the accommodation in Rosh Pina and subsequent meals, to setting up a tour of the Golan etc. Geoff took charge of the BBQ and Bernie orchestrated a lively game of 'guess who?' – our team lost and was then disqualified - but the wine flowed, 'do-you-remember' was heard many times, and we went home 'tired but satisfied'.



Pooling their thoughts in Rosh Pina

On the second day we went on a minibus tour of the Golan, visiting a few sites that were connected with the Yom Kippur war. The highlight was a visit to Umm el Kanatir synagogue (5<sup>th</sup> century c.e.).



The synagogue at Umm el Kanatir

If we survive another 5-10 years we may do it all again; a bit slower perhaps and with fewer memories!!

*Prepared by Peter Keeda .  
Amendments by Michael Price and Flap Bomzon*



Tel Aviv restaurant 18 April 2015

back row – Henry Ben Ezra, Mike Hudson, Geoff Williamson, Ilana Spanier, Lionel Bomzon, Mick Price, Ros Williamson, Eddie Price, Miriam Barasch, Bernie Kresner, Lyn Kantor

front row – Peter Keeda, Leo Regev, Ros Ben Ezra, Marcia Kresner, Erica Keeda, Mia Price



at Umm el Kanatir, Golan, 20 April 2018

Joe (our guide, ex-Habo, Perth), Celia Regev, Mia Price, Lyn Kantor, Leo Regev, Peter Keeda, Ros Williamson, Erica Keeda, Miriam Barasch, Henry Ben Ezra, Roz Ben Ezra, Marcia Kresner, Geoff Williamson, Bernie Kresner, Eddie Price, Lionel Bomzon, Mick Price (crouching)