

The Medico-Legal Society of Victoria

ABN 74 541 169 473

The Annual Dinner of the Society will be held on Saturday July 30, 2016

at the Melbourne Club, 36 Collins Street, Melbourne.

Please Note: Drinks will be served at 6:30pm and the Annual General Meeting will commence at 7:00pm, followed by the Annual Dinner at 7.30 pm - Dress Black Tie Preferred

Guest Speaker: Dr John Taske, DTM & H. FRCS. FRCP (Lond), FFARACS, FANZCA

"1996 Everest Disaster"

Dr John Taske is a doctor and a soldier. He grew up in Brisbane and studied Medicine at Queensland University, gaining the degrees of M.B. B.S. in 1964. In 1959, he was called up for National Service in the Infantry and continued to serve in the CMF whilst completing his medical studies and internship. In 1966, he resigned from his hospital position and volunteered for active service in Vietnam. Following a year there, serving with Infantry and Artillery units, he volunteered for selection with the Special Air Service Regiment, where he then served for 3 years. A number of Military postings followed culminating in Joint Services Staff College in Canberra, followed by 4 years as Commander Field Force Medical Services in Sydney. He resigned from the Army to take up the position of Head of the Department of Anaesthesia at Princess Alexandra Hospital from 1981 - 1987 and was a member of the Medical team that completed the first successful Liver Transplant in Australia in 1985. Since then, he has been in private specialist practice.

He began mountaineering in 1990 and in 1996 was invited to join the ill-fated Adventure Consultants Expedition to climb Mt Everest when, during their summit attempt on the 10th May, an epic storm struck the mountain causing 8 deaths and multiple frostbite injuries.

Acceptances close Monday 25 July - As seating is limited please return acceptances as early as possible to avoid disappointment. Members may bring guests who need not be legal or medical practitioners.

Members and their guests are reminded of the dress requirements. Mobile telephones may not be used inside the Melbourne Club. Urgent calls may be made to the Club (9650 4941) and a message will be conveyed by Club staff.

Host Members: Dr Robert Nave and Mr. Darren Bracken

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