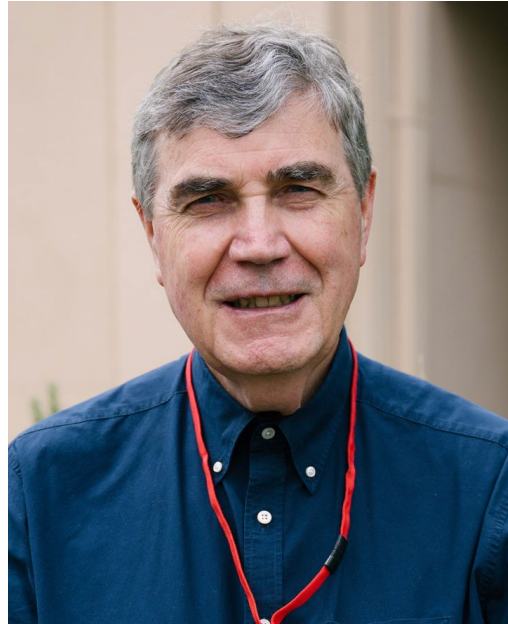




MARK FREEMAN MEMBERSHIP OFFICER



At the age of 19, Mark enlisted as a Bandman in the 1st Royal Victoria Regiment Brass Band based at Pascoe Vale Road, Moonee Ponds in 1972 and continued until 1976. Concurrently, Mark commenced a full time Mechanical Engineering Degree. His involvement with 1RVR Brass Band quickly escalated into parades nearly every weekend. And then there were the engineering lectures at school during the week.

Graduating with a Mechanical Engineering Degree and a Post Graduate Diploma in Computer Integrated Manufacturing in 1978, Mark started a role with the State Electricity Commission in the Latrobe Valley.

Progressively, duties involved Mechanical Maintenance of the bucket wheel dredgers and conveyor systems at Yallourn and Morwell, Contractor Supervision at the Loy Yang Open Cut Mine, new Contract Review Operations at the SEC's Melbourne offices.

During this time in his career, Mark joined the Traralgon RSL, the Traralgon Brass Band and Latrobe Orchestra. In 1989, Mark left the SEC and commenced employment with General Motors Holden at Port Melbourne, being shifted through various positions within the Engine Division including Manufacture Planning, Plant Maintenance, Production Supervision, Management and finally Quality Assurance.

In 1989, Mark joined the Melbourne & Metropolitan Tramways Board (MMTB) Brass Band now comprising most of the cohorts from the 1RVR band. In 2000, these ex-CMF band members transferred to the Hawthorn RSL and in 2019 transferred again to the Camberwell City RSL. Mark held positions on the Committee of the Band including Band Secretary and also RSL Secretary.

In 2017, with the closure of GMH, Mark continued various short term engineering work opportunities and finally retired in 2019. Mark is married to Karin, and they have one son, Lewis.