



# Asquith Mixed Probud Club BULLETIN

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Wilson.

## From the President

Hi all I hope you are starting to get out and enjoy dining with friends at a local restaurant or club.

Carol and I have enjoyed the revived dining out activity with friends and are looking forward to more of the same.

Dining Out requires all members attending to be double vaccinated and you must be able to prove it.

Unfortunately, we are unable to meet as a club face to face at Asquith Golf Club. An answer was not forthcoming from the Golf Club at the last Committee Meeting so it was decided to have a General Meeting by zoom.

Looking forward to seeing you all Zooming on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021



## Meeting Dates

**Zoom Meeting 10.30am**

**Thurs 4 November 2021**

**Christmas Lunch**

**Thursday 2 December**

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Formed by the Rotary Club of Berowra on  
2 October 2008.

Club No: 9003799

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### Bendigo Bank details for deposits.

BSB No: 633-000 Account No.: 139 637 029

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## COMMITTEE NOTES - OCTOBER 2021

The Committee met in October for their meeting at the Golf Club. Unfortunately, we are unable to hold a General Meetings at AGC until December, when we will hold the Christmas Lunch.

Jim Thompson has organised a trip to Wendy Whitely's Secret Garden at Lavender Bay on 18 November. Ten Pin Bowling is happening on 20 January 2022!

Christmas lunch will be held on 2nd December at the Golf Club, cost \$45pp. The Club has limited us to 50 people and Vicki has 50 on her list. She has a waiting list of 8 people (so far) but is happy to take more names.

Mah-jong will be back to normal by the time you read this.

Yenda Holland presented the budget. It was agreed that dues would be \$70 per person.

Succession Planning was again discussed. Please think about positions on the Committee that you may be able to assist with. New blood is required at our AGM in March.

Don't be surprised if you get a tap on the shoulder. Please note that our next face to face meeting will be 6th January 2022.

*Pam Slater*

*Secretary*

## Treasurer's Report as at 30 September 2021

Income received for year to date	\$7,375	
Offset by expenses of	<u>\$5,316</u>	
Year to date surplus balance		\$ 2,059
 Add previous year's surplus of	 \$ 9,881	
Gives an overall member surplus of	<u>\$11,940</u>	
 This surplus consists of cash of	 \$11,817	
Less liabilities – mainly activities paid in advance	<u>\$ -123</u>	
Total member equity	<u>\$11,940</u>	

*Yenda Holland*

11 October 2021

## SPEAKERS

We were given a most illuminating talk on Bushfires at our October Zoom general meeting. The speaker, Richard Whitaker, gave us insights into the factors determine the daily fire danger ratings, and the effects of the prevailing wind directions on the spread of a fire. This was demonstrated by Richard as he talked about the fires of 2019/2020 and the preceding bad Eastern seaboard fires particularly in Victoria.

November speaker will be Dr Meredith Burgmann talking about her recent co-authored book "Radicals: Remembering the Sixties" (New South Press). Meredith is well qualified to talk about such things considering that she was active in the Vietnam and apartheid protest movements at Sydney University, and spent time in prison for running onto the Sydney Cricket Ground in 1971 during the Springboks tour. Having gained her PhD at Macquarie University, she taught industrial relations and politics there for 18 years. She was the first woman President of the NSW Academics union.

Dr Burgmann entered State Parliament in 1991 and in 1999 was elected President of the NSW Legislative Council to replace Virginia Chadwick

## Mary Potter



Missing dog, if anyone ceasar,  
Lettuce know.



## Mah-jong

The Bowling Club has given us permission to play mah-jong once again. We are hoping that, given no more inconveniences by the dreaded covid, we will be in a position to begin teaching once again on 12 January 2022. Should you wish to join our happy little group and learn how to play the game, please contact Pam Clarke on 0416 216 962. The course takes eight weeks and it would be appreciated if you could set aside every Wednesday afternoon from 1.30 for that period

AMPC Men's Group	Robert Allison	Dolls	Barbara Williamson
Auditor	Robert Allison	5 <sup>th</sup> Thursday BBQ	Lance Williamson
Books DVD, Jigsaw	Sunny Dougall & Robert Montgomery	Mah-jong	Pam Clarke
		Theatres	Rhonda Wilson
Dining out	Vicki McPherson		
Cards 500	Mary Glasby 9482 8114	Walks	Laurie Keaton
Pot Luck Meals	Anne Heaton	Web Site	Robert Allison
Public Officer & Historian	Sandra Death	Assist. Tours/Excurs.	Sandra Lees
Assist. Tours/Excurs.	Trish Taylor	Assist. Tours/Excurs.	Lula Andersen

## AMPC COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2021-22

AMPC Committee Members		Phone	Email
President	John Channon		
Vice-President			
Elect	John Davies		
Secretary	Pam Slater		
Treasurer	Yenda Holland		
	<b>Committee</b>		
Bulletin	Sylvia Gratton		
Hospitality	Vicki McPherson		
Membership	Barry Willick		
Programme	Mary Potter		
Tours/Excursions	Jim & Judy Thompson		
Welfare	Denise Mayhew		
Assistant Secretary	Sandra Death		
Assistant Treasurer	Dianne Watson		
Historian/Public Officer	Sandra Death		

## WELFARE REPORT

For most of this year, the Committee have been maintaining contact with our members via social phone calls, unfortunately with our recent calls it has been brought to my attention we've had four members admitted to hospital, with three already discharged home. At this time, I can only advise you of Kaye Hatch, who was injured while bike riding with her group. A cyclist, who appeared to have lost control of his bike, was travelling downhill at great speed, after striking Kaye (forcing her off the road), he continued on colliding with a pole. Both were admitted to John Hunter hospital where x-rays showed Kaye's pelvis had been fractured in 2 places, no misalignment was noted and as her other injuries, while painful were not serious, she was allowed to return home in the care of her family. We wish Kaye a rapid recovery a card will be sent to Kaye and the other three members

A family member of Flo Campton advised me that Flo had been discharged from SAH. Flo was determined to return to her home and was very happy when this came about. I haven't been able to speak with Flo to date, but send her best wishes from the Probus 'family'.

Noelene Oliver is continuing with her recuperation at home, she is taking things in her own time and is improving each day. All the best to Noelene and her husband John

Jan Wilson is continuing her recovery from recent surgery and is doing well. During a recent visit with her surgeon, Jan has been told she may have to have further minor surgery, fortunately not until the new year.

Please if you know of any member who is unwell advise me on one of the phone numbers below

Denise Mayhew

## Theatre Parties

Great News for the Arts Industry that Theatres are opening up 🎭❤️🎭🎭.

Hamilton

Our members had a choice of a refund or exchanging tickets for a December performance. The majority are keeping their fingers crossed to attend a real live performance.

Moulin Rouge the Musical -Providing Daniel behaves and lets us in, 12 people are looking forward to kicking their heels up in Melbourne at the beginning of February.

All other shows have been put off until 2022.

Take care and keep safe  
Rhonda



Before the advent of railways, goods were often transported by water. As Newcastle was a coal port, ships carried coal to London by sea.

Today the expression '**taking coals to Newcastle**', is an expression for an obviously pointless exercise.

Angus Dougall.

## JIM & JUDY THOMPSON

Thu 18 Nov 2021

Wendy Whitely Secret Garden at Lavender Bay and lunch at the Kirribilli Club. Catch the 9.10am train from Hornsby (platform 1, car 3). This activity is quite hilly with lots of steps. We will have BYO morning tea in these picturesque and historic gardens. There are several coffee shops on the walk down from the station where you could buy take-away coffee.

Thu 20 Jan 2022

10 pin bowling at the Hornsby RSL. More details later.

Canberra Tour 2022

We are hoping to do a tour to Canberra in Feb 2022. More details later.

Regards

Jim Thompson

## HOSPITALITY

**Christmas lunch at the Golf Club 2nd December.**

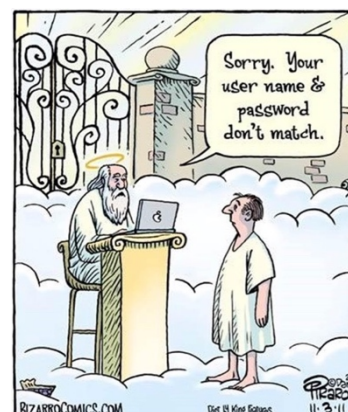
The club is only allowing us to have 50 people and this is full. However, if you would like to go on the waiting list, please let me know by email. If your name is on the list and you won't be attending then please let me know **ASAP** so I can fill your spot. I will send the menu (all dishes will be gluten free) and price to those that are coming shortly.

**Breakfast at Bobbin Head Monday 7th February 2022**

If you would like to attend please email me ASAP as numbers for this may also be limited.

Even though restrictions will be lifted on 1st December, in these uncertain times you **may** be asked to show your double vaccinated certificate for these two events.

Vicki 😊



# Walk Registration November 25

**What: 4.30pm for 4.50 pm. The Gully Road Berowra - Varied distances**

1. Moderate level [4 hills]– suited to fit walkers only. 4-5 km. Lead Kevin.

2/3. Easier Walk depending on ability. Lead Laurie.

The whole group will be together for the first 1.5 km.

Some of the walk is bush track and therefore surface is not all formed

**Start Point:** The Community Centre Car Park Gully Road Berowra

Turn left into Berowra Waters Road and right at the first roundabout.

The community centre is marked on the sign post. Entry to the car park is about 100 metres on the left.

**Travel:** You can train to Berowra Station but self-drive is far more suitable.

Ample parking available in the car park at the Community centre. After the walk move your car to the RSL Car Park.

**Social Gathering:** The Deck at The Berowra Club from 6pm. The restricted menu is:

1. Pumpkin Ravioli (V): \$20
2. Chicken Schnitzel with Gravy: \$20 M
3. Classic Fish & Chips: \$20 M
4. Rump 200g with Chips & Salad: \$24 M
5. Lamb Korma: \$20 M
6. Baked Salmon Fillet with Mash & Veg (GF): \$26 M

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There may be an additional small fee per head to cover additional function staff hire payable on the night depending on numbers. You may order from the normal menu but delivery may be slower. **In the event of walk cancellation due to the weather, the dinner will proceed. Withdrawals** after Thurs 18 November will be expected to pay for any individual costs incurred by AMPC

**Club entry:** You will need **proof of double vaccination, and photo/address ID.** If you reside within 5 km of the club at least one family member needs to be a member of the RSL club to sign you in as a guest. Foxglove Rd Mt Colah is the approximate boundary

**Numbers:** We now have a **booking of 30 maximum**, as I have three club members to help sign in.

**REGISTRATION: Closes on Thursday 11 November.**



**AUTHORS.** Probably not as well-known as James Patterson is another Patterson, author of over two dozen with a number of well thought out; deeply plotted stories. Richard North Patterson was a lawyer and is a former Assistant Attorney General for the state of Ohio. He served as the SEC's liaison to the Watergate special prosecutor, and this real depth of experience is evident in his novels. His novels have won numerous awards with several of his novels enjoying TV adaptations. The 'Kerry Kilcannon' trilogy is a powerful political series, where his gun control views are clearly evident. Richard North Patterson lives with his wife and family in San Francisco and on Martha's Vineyard.

The exchange table presently has the 1st and 3rd novels of this series,

### *Angus D*

Older Than Dirt Quiz:

Count all the ones that you remember, not the ones you were told about.

Ratings at the bottom

1. Sweet cigarettes
2. Coffee shops with juke BOXES
3. Home milk delivery in glass bottles
4. Party lines ON THE TELEPHONE
5. Newsreels before the movie
6. TV test patterns that came on at night after the last show and were there until TV shows started again in the morning.  
(There were only 2 channels [IF YOU WERE FORTUNATE])
7. Peashooters
8. 33 rpm records
9. 45 RPM records
10. Hi-fi's
11. Metal ice trays with levers
12. Blue flashbulb
13. Cork popguns
14. WASH TUB WRINGERS

If you remembered 0-3 = You're still young

If you remembered 3-6 = You are getting older

If you remembered 7-10 = Don't tell your age

If you remembered 11-14 = You're positively ancient!

I must be 'positively ancient' because those memories are some of the best parts of my life.

### **"I've finally reached The Wonder Years"**

**Wonder** where  
I parked the car?

**Wonder** where  
I left my phone?

**Wonder** where  
my glasses are?

**Wonder** what  
day it is?