



FROM THE PRESIDENT

FEBRUARY MEETING



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As we begin a new year it is hard to realise it is 2016. It seems only a short time ago we were worrying about the effects of Y2K when all our computers were going to fail at the turn of the century. As we know it didn't happen and life moved on.

Our year starts on a positive note as we are back at Norths and due to some excellent work by our Secretary there is security for us

for the year in the Auditorium except for three meetings where we will be in the smaller adjacent room. Also we have been informed by the club that they have invested in new coffee machines so we can look forward to trying these out. This will be the first meeting where you will not be greeted by Ian Machin who has retired after serving in this role for many years. A big thank you to Ian for his valuable contribution over this time.

Our High Tea at Balls Head was very successful and a big thank you to those who helped on the barbecue and to Ross and Barry for providing the food and drink and the great weather. There are great outings planned for the year beginning with a visit to the Coal Loader Centre at Waverton on the 16th February so please put them in your diary when they are announced and invite a friend.

At our February meeting we will be inducting four new members which is a reminder that the future of the club depends on attracting others to come along and get to know what the club offers in sporting, cultural and social activities.

Next month we will be holding our AGM where we will be establishing the office bearers for the year. If you wish to serve in some capacity at the club please talk to me at our February meeting. At the AGM you will be asked to approve an increase in the yearly subscription from \$40 to \$45 which will offset a new affiliation fee for PSPL and provide a buffer for future unknowns.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Richard Hannaford, President



GUEST SPEAKER

Heather BENTLEY
Tuesday 9th February

Archaeology of Palmyra

Heather is an independent historian with a background in teaching, who lectures at University of the Third Age, Customs House, and National Maritime Museum.

She likes to uncover the lesser known and entertaining stories of history; everything from Renaissance England to Ancient Persia to the Silk Road and Australian lifestyle.

Heather will look at Palmyra on the Silk Road, the feisty Queen Zenobia and that rich heritage and culture of Syria, reaching back to ancient times but so relevant today.



Our next monthly meeting will be held on **Tuesday 9th February** in the **Auditorium** at North Sydney Leagues Club, Abbott St Cammeray

- 10.00 - 10.20 general business
- 10.20 - 10.30 personal corner
- 10.30 - 11.00 morning tea
- 11.00 - 12.00 guest speaker & wrap-up
- 12:00 - optional lunch and snooker

NOTICE of 37th AGM Tuesday 8th March 2016

Notice is given that the 37th Annual General Meeting of members will be held at North Sydney Leagues Club, Cammeray on Tuesday 8th March 2016 at approximately 10:30am after the conclusion of the 10am meeting.

AGENDA

- To confirm the Minutes of the 36th AGM held on Tuesday 10th March 2015
- To receive the President's Report
- To receive the Income & Expenditure Statement for the Year ending 31 December 2015, the Statement of Financial Position at 31 December 2015 and the Auditor's Report thereon
- To fix the proposed annual membership subscription of \$45 and member joining fee of \$15
- To elect the Officers and Committee
- To elect the Honorary Auditor
- To present the List of Club Activities
- To consider such other items of business as may be raised in accordance with the Constitution
- Any notice of motion for inclusion in the Agenda should be submitted to the Secretary by Tuesday 16 February 2016. Nominations for Committee positions must be lodged with the Secretary by Tuesday 16 February 2016. Nomination forms will be available at our February meeting.

NEW MEMBERS

Bruce KENNEDY is a consulting electrical engineer, married to Louise, lives in Turramurra; enjoys travel, cars, golf, wine.

Brian THOMAS is a retired chartered accountant, married to Ros, lives in Waverton; enjoys bushwalking, volunteer church work, music, cycling, travel.

PERSONAL CORNER

Michael WALKER

Michael was national sales accounts manager of Spicers Paper. He likes dinghy racing, mens shed & travel. Michael lives with wife Judy in Roseville.

OUTINGS

COAL LOADER CENTRE

Waverton Tuesday 16 Feb 2016
Close to home is the Coal Loader Centre at 2 Balls Head Rd Waverton. Our tour starts at 10:30am and includes the Loader, Centre for Sustainability, Community Garden, Nursery, Aboriginal Bush Food Garden and Rock Engravings, preceded by a video on its history. Lunch is at the licensed Cafe. Please pay \$25pp for the tour at the meeting or preferably online asap.
Ross Bruwel 9451 2870

2FIFTY CLUB to BUNDANOON Thursday 10th March 2016

We are planning a tour of the Southern Highlands from Moss Vale to Bundanoon. We meet at Central at 8:20 for the 8:42am train to Moss Vale. At Moss Vale, we board the bus to Bundanoon via Sutton Forest and Exeter, returning by bus to the Moss Vale town centre for lunch at one of the cafes. You will have time to tour the town before taking the return train to Sydney, arriving there at 4:28pm.
John Minnett 9417 7705

PAYMENTS: Our tour organisers and Treasurer kindly request that you make the payment for an outing in advance of any deadline and preferably online. When making an online payment by bank transfer, please ensure that you put your name in the description to avoid any confusion by the recipient.

OUTINGS

CAPITOL THEATRE Tour

Sydney Monday 4 April 2016
Join us for a fascinating tour of the Capitol Theatre. Our guide takes us on the Capitol's journey over the last century from hippodrome, picture palace and rock venue to a beautiful atmospheric musical theatre. We meet in the foyer of the Capitol at 13 Campbell St Haymarket for a 10:00am start to the tour and take a Yum Cha lunch nearby for an additional cost. Final acceptance and payment of \$25pp, preferably online, is required by 8th March.
Ross Bruwel 9451 2870
Barry Stone 9953 6748

BACK TO BALMAIN Tour Tuesday 26th April 2016

This tour takes a look back in time and tells us the fascinating history of Balmain, one of Sydney's unique suburbs, together with neighbouring Birchgrove, Rozelle, Concord, the Rhodes peninsula and more. We leave by coach from Norths at 9:00am, enjoy lunch at the Palace Hotel Mortlake and return ~4:30pm. Cost is \$40pp for a great day out including tea, tour and lunch!
Barry Stone 9953 6748

JIM'S JAUNTS

Jim's Jaunt program is in recess.
Jim Holloway 9955 1368

OUTINGS in planning

May Optus Earth Station Belrose

June to be announced

July Winter Feast

August Possible cruise

Oct/Nov Bellingen tour

ACTIVITIES

ART

At the **Bathers Pavilion**, Sue Sharpe's exhibition *Conversations in Art & Verse*

At the **Ervin Art Gallery** the excellent exhibition of works by Margaret Preston, Grace Cassington Smith and Cressida Campbell are available to see until 21 Feb.

At the **NSW Art Gallery** you can still find the 'not to be missed' show of Masterpieces from Scottish Art Galleries until 14 Feb. Your viewing can include the Renaissance period to the Impressionists.

Gerald Christmas 9960 1005

CYCLING

Routes vary on Mondays. On Saturday mornings, we ride a set route from Glebe Point to Barangaroo and return. We start at 8am and finish around 9:30, over a mostly flat 20km. If interested in the Saturday ride, contact Stewart Horwood or Allan Blake. Dates & venues are on our Cycling Group e-mail. To register, call:

Michael 9908 1182
Stewart 9439 9609

9 HOLE GOLF

Each Monday at 10am at the Lane Cove Country Club.

Tony Travers 9439 4996

MOVIE ENJOYMENT GROUP

We meet at the Cremorne **ORPHEUM** on 4th Monday each month. Look out for our flyer.

David Bruce-Steer 9419 7017

MUSIC

At the **Opera House**, Vladimir Ashkenazy conducts the Sydney Symphony orchestra at three concerts from 10th to 19th Feb. You could hear Beethoven's 5th Piano Concerto, the Violin Concerto or his 4th & 5th Symphonies.

Sydney's **Conservatorium of Music** offers free entry to witness a Masterclass given by Maurice Stenger to talented recorder students at 4pm on Monday 29 Feb.

St James Church has free lunchtime Concerts each Wednesday at 1:15pm. Consider hearing Soprano Jose Ann Ellem on 10th Feb, Recordist Alicia Crossley on 24th Feb and Fellows from the Sydney Symphony on 2nd Mar.

John Brooks 9908 2820

ROLL-UP LAWN BOWLS

The usual venue for Wednesday morning Roll-up Lawn Bowls is at North Sydney Bowling Club at St Leonards Park. For more news, contact:

Peter Cornish 9909 8994

TENNIS

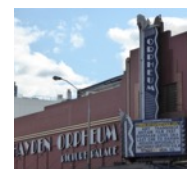
Tennis will held at 'Love n Deuce' in Talus St, Naremburn on Monday 15th February from 2 to 4pm. Sign the sheet at the next meeting or contact:

David Harris 9449 3406

SAILING

Sailing will resume 23rd February on Ross's yacht **Renada** usually from Middle Harbour Yacht Club. Call Ross or see him at the meeting.

Ross Bruwel 0421 817 106



Balls Head Jan 2016