

# Newsletter

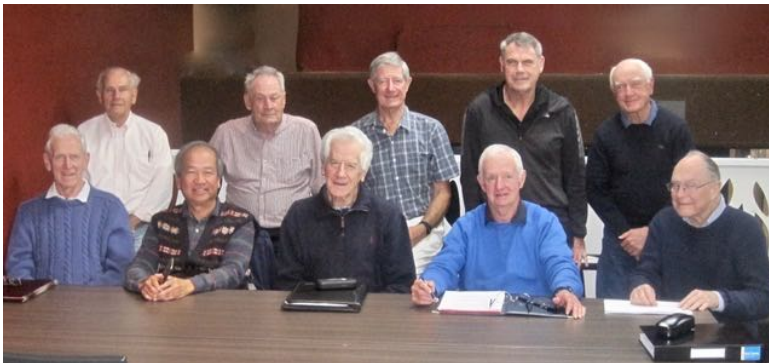
## FROM THE PRESIDENT

### Dear Fellow Members, Partners and Guests



I am glad to report that our club is in very good shape. We are enjoying many varied activities. Our membership and financial figures are strong. We welcome new membership applications. Please consider inviting any friend or neighbour, who may be interested in joining, to come to a monthly meeting or an outing. Also, they can look at our wonderful website which gives so much appealing information about the club.

I would also welcome any member to volunteer for the Committee or to lead a club activity. Our continuing vitality and fellowship are boosted enormously by members stepping into leadership positions. Shown are ten of our current fifteen Committee members. All members (see list at left) are delighted to mentor



potential successors. Indeed several Committee members have given dedicated service for years and are due for relief. So could you please volunteer to succeed them.

It's great when our more recently joined members join in our monthly activities. Please come along and sample them. I have made many strong friendships which started at an outing.

Congratulations to Brendan Walsh for being recognised in the Queen's Birthday Honours. Brendan has been awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) for his service to radio. Brendan has been a presenter on Fine Music FM for almost 40 years.

**Warm Regards**

**Roger Freney President**

## Sydney Institute of Marine Science



## July Meeting is by Zoom

The July Meeting will be held over the Internet at 10.30am on Tuesday July 13th using Zoom.

**Login procedures** will be advised by email. Agenda is as follows:

- 10.30 - 10.50 General business
- 10.50 - 11:00 Personal Corner
- 11.00 - 11:50 Guest Speaker
- 12.00 Questions and Wrap Up

## PERSONAL CORNER

### John Beckhaus

John has had a lifetime interest in railways and has written books and many articles on both railway and tramway topics. This talk is to provide **a brief history of trams and some notes on current developments.** Career-wise John's 37 years with the ABC included working in both Operational as well as Technical areas.

## Congratulations

**Brendan Walsh OAM.** Brendan has been awarded an Order of Australia Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honours. His citation includes Presenter Fine Music Sydney (formerly 2MBS FM) 1979-2019, Member and Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary Club North Sydney since 1992.

## Outings Payment Details

Kindly pay for outings in advance of any deadline and online if possible. When paying online, please ensure that you quote your name & the relevant activity, albeit abbreviated, in the description to minimise any confusion. **Bank Account Details**

**BSB 082 302 a/c no: 28869 5672; Probus Club of Neutral Bay.**

## For the Diary

**July 27th - Winter Feast**

**August 18 - Hawkesbury River Cruise - WWII defence sites (see Flyer)**

**September 28th - Rhododendron Gardens Blackheath**

**October 26th - Sydney Heritage Fleet**

**November 16-19 - Orange Trip**

## Lost Soles Strollers Old Tram Track Mosman



### COMMITTEE

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## JULY SPEAKER Kevin Fitzpatrick "Mawson of the Antarctic"

*Sir Douglas Mawson (1882 – 1958).*

*An Australian geologist, Antarctic explorer and academic.*

In 1911 Mawson became the leader of an expedition to explore thousands of kilometres of unexplored regions, collect geological and botanical samples and make important scientific observations. Mawson's journey has gone down in the annals of polar exploration as probably the most terrible ever undertaken in Antarctica.

He will long be remembered for his heroic escape from almost certain death when his companions, Ninnis and Mertz, died. Their deaths forced him to travel 160 miles alone for over a month to return to the expedition's main base.

Kevin's teaching and history research background led to a 40 year fascination with Antarctica and its famous explorers. He will highlight Mawson's career and invite you to visit Mawson's Hut, the Mawson Laboratories in Adelaide University and his marriage to Paquita. Her love sustained him in his struggle to survive. His strength of leadership and professional scientific skills led to Australia becoming guardian of 42% of Antarctica.

[Thanks to Kevin to offering this presentation at short notice to fill the Covid-created void]



## FUTURE OUTINGS

[Outings subject to Covid-19 Regulations at the time]

### Winter Feast Tuesday 27th July

Our Winter Feast will again be held at "Watergrill", Sydney Rowing Club, Abbotsford. Overlooking beautiful Parramatta River and 50m from Abbotsford RiverCat wharf. Time 12.00 for 12.30pm. (Suggest 11.07am ferry from Circular Quay). Cost is \$60pp for 3 course meal plus coffee.



Advise attendance and optional table seating to **Bob Pearce or James Ritchie**

[[bobpearce37@gmail.com](mailto:bobpearce37@gmail.com), [jamesfr@ozemail.com.au](mailto:jamesfr@ozemail.com.au) Arrange payment preferably by bank transfer. See the flyer sent by email for further details including menu

### 2.50 Club: Museum of Sydney and Club York. Thurs 22nd July

Meet at 11am at Museum of Sydney Cnr Bligh and Philip Sts, Tuesday July 22. \$15 or use Discover NSW and get a month pass for an extra \$10. Then by tram to Club York, near Town Hall. Text **John Pike** 0403 007 273

### Lost Soles Strollers: Glebe Walk Friday 23rd July

Meet at Central light rail stop (Dulwich Hill line) at 10.00am. Lovely level walk along Blackwattle Bay, historic Burley Griffin incinerator, Chinese temple plus top drawer Victorian Glebe streetscape. To the Tramshed Markets for lunch (big choice) and light rail back to Central (or Paddy's Market for those seeking fruit/veg/fish). About 3km, nearly all level. Bring Opal card, water, walking shoes. Register in advance with **Stewart Horwood** ([stewh444@tpg.com.au](mailto:stewh444@tpg.com.au), 9439 9609), for advice and in case of wet weather cancellation.

### Archibald Exhibition Tour Tues 3rd August [Rescheduled date, a few vacancies]

As in past years, we have arranged a guided tour of the Archibald, plus Wynne and Sulman Exhibitions. The Archibald Prize, first awarded in 1921, is Australia's favourite art award, and one of its most prestigious. This year is the Centenary of the Archibald, and in a separate gallery, are shown some of the winners in last 100 years.

The **Archibald Prize**, is awarded for the best portrait painting, it's a who's who of Australian culture – from politicians to celebrities, sporting heroes to artists. The **Wynne Prize** is awarded to the best Australian landscape painting, or figure sculpture, while the **Sulman Prize**



is given to the best subject painting, genre painting or mural project.

**WHEN?** Meet outside the Art Gallery of NSW **no later than 09.15** for a 09.30 am tour.

**COST** \$25.00 pp, including guided tour. Please pay by Bank Transfer to BSB 082 302 Account 28869 5672 – must be paid at least 7 days prior to tour.

**REGISTER** by email to **Bob Pearce** [bobpearce37@gmail.com](mailto:bobpearce37@gmail.com)

## SPECIAL INTERESTS

### CULTURE, ART & MUSIC

John Brooks 9908 2820



Public museums and galleries etc are currently closed due to Covid regulations. Please **check websites** for reopening and other details.

Some websites are

**Mosman Art Gallery**

[<mosmanartgallery.org.au>](http://mosmanartgallery.org.au)

**Conservatorium of Music**

[<sydney.edu.au/music>](http://sydney.edu.au/music).

**NSW Art Gallery**

[<artgallery.nsw.gov.au>](http://artgallery.nsw.gov.au)

**National Trust, S.H.Ervin Gallery**

[<shervingallery.com.au>](http://shervingallery.com.au)

**CYCLING** Contact Bob on 0400 291 373  
Now back to Monday rides at 10am. Also Sats at 7.30am from Milsons Point Station for a 23km ride around the Opera House then wharves to near Anzac Bridge.

**GOLF** Murray 0419 488 609

### MOVIE ENJOYMENT

David Bruce-Steer 9419 7017  
Meets on the 4th Monday of the month.  
Cremorne Orpheum theatre

### ROLL-UP LAWN BOWLS

Peter Cornish 0421 012 538  
Norths Greens, St Leonards 10am Wed

**SAILING** Ross Bruwel 0421 817 106  
Next date Thurs July 22nd. Contact Ross.

**TENNIS** Peter Turner 0428 611 456  
First Tuesday of the month, plus trial of third Tuesday, both at Middle Cove from 10am to 12pm. Extra players are invited to join in.

### Lost Soles Strollers Tom Uren Walk East Balmain

