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*Sir James*

*Famous Masons Series*

# HARDY



NEW SOUTH WALES MASONIC CLUB MAGAZINE

*Club Founded 1893*

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*The Late*

## Douglas Cumming OAM

A Club member and former director, Doug Cumming passed away on 12th August after illness for 3 years. He was aged 82.

Doug joined the Club in 1992 and served as a Board member from 2005 to 2007. His major employment was with Sydney Water where he was involved with internal audit and accounting.

He was a keen member of the Army Reserve Forces, retiring with the rank of Major. He was a keen Mason, rising to the rank of Past Assistant Grand Master. He had a great interest in local history.

Doug was a quiet and gentle man with a keen wit and a genuine desire to serve his fellow man. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great grand father. He is survived by his daughters, Margaret Funnell and Barbara Aldred and their families.

His funeral and Masonic tribute were attended by the President, Directors and the General Manager. He lived respected and died regretted.

*Vale Douglas Cumming*



## OFFICIALS & COMMITTEES

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### General Manager

Warren Lewis



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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Fellow Members,

All members should have received my message of 7 September about the forthcoming Board elections. A reading of the annual report, which appears in this edition of the magazine, will indicate that the Club, like all others, will require a Board for the next two years which is experienced

and able to make difficult decisions. All nominees for Board membership consent to attend, if requested, a meeting with a person or persons nominated by the Board to discuss their understanding of the desirable attributes and the duties of a Director. I urge you to consider carefully any nomination and to look well to your ballot.

In an article in this edition I have set out in some detail major events in the life of the Club over the past year. Accordingly, I shall use this opportunity to report on those responsible for various aspects of the Club's activities.

The Board has, in my view, worked well overall. My task has been lightened by the capable assistance of the Committee Convenors and the Honorary Treasurer. Board meetings have contained some lively debate and have been conducted, to use the description of one Director, with friendly formality. The Board's role has been to form policy and to monitor the execution of that policy. It is in no sense a board of management.

The management of the Board is the province of the General Manager, assisted by the Operations Manager. Warren Lewis joined the Board as General Manager in August 2004, just two months before the then President, the late Bill Wright fell terminally ill and was hospitalised. Those sad circumstances required that I commence to act as President and for the last five years Warren has worked closely with me as we perform our different, but complimentary tasks. It has been a productive partnership.

The loyalty and support of the Club's staff has often been the subject of comment and a source of great encouragement to the Board and management. The willingness of the staff to go that extra mile is something for which we, as members, should be thankful. Please let them know that we appreciate them.

Our Sub-Clubs continue to provide common meeting grounds for the various interests of our membership and they would all welcome your participation, as appropriate, in their meetings. The Golf Club has recently been re-formed. Details of all of the sub-clubs are published in this magazine.

Since the next President's message will be in 2010, I wish you all a Happy, Holy and safe Christmas and a good New Year.

Graham L. Berry  
**President**



## GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Welcome to the latest edition of our Members magazine that details our audited accounts for the 2008/2009 financial year. This year was one of the most difficult that this Club has encountered since its inception in at this site

in 1927. A significant amount of total income is generated through the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel operation and this year we were severely tested.

The outlook for this current financial year 2009/2010 is still subdued with an expectation that the following year of 2010/2011 will see soft recovery and improvement of trading conditions through most sectors of business. There are still difficult days ahead but we are in a solid position to address all that will present itself in the future.

On a personal note it is with sadness that I report the recent passing of Doug Cumming OAM. A funeral service was conducted on August 18th at the Uniting Church at Gordon. Doug was a Director here at this Club amongst his many life long achievements and he was to all that knew him, a charitable man with a wonderful sense of humour - he will be sadly missed by his many friends here and we offer our sincere condolences to his family.

On a more pleasing note I am happy to report that Luis Visconti our long serving maintenance man recently underwent a serious procedure in August that has proved successful. Luis was discharged from hospital and has since resumed his normal duties; we are pleased to see him back.

At this year's Annual General Meeting to be held on November 23rd the Board will submit a motion and seek approval from the Members of this Club to award life membership to former Director Lindsay Payne. Lindsay has served in a number of roles at this Club as Director, Treasurer and House Supply & Staff Committee Convenor from 1993 to 2009. His impact and numerous contributions as an architect are noted and seen throughout this wonderful art deco, heritage listed building. A farewell dinner was conducted in August in recognition of Lindsay's numerous achievements during his sixteen years of loyal service on the Board.

The second Wine & Dine Club luncheon was conducted here on August 5, held in conjunction with McWilliams Wines, and I would have to say this function was an outstanding success. Chief Winemaker for McWilliams Phil Ryan and Greg West from McWilliams Mt Pleasant winery in the Hunter Valley were both special guests and they were very entertaining. During lunch they both provided all in attendance an insight not only of the wines on offer on the day but a history of the McWilliams family and their unique operation throughout Australia.

With our Melbourne Cup Day lunch to be held on Tuesday November 3 bookings are essential and I would encourage all Members or Guests who would like to attend to book as soon as possible. Each year we have a number of disappointed Members and Guests who leave their run a little too late. Christmas Day luncheon bookings are now also being accepted so please avoid disappointment by making your reservation as early as possible further information is available in this edition of your Members magazine.

Warren Lewis

**General Manager**

NSWMC & Castlereagh Boutique Hotel

## NEW SOUTH WALES MASONIC CLUB

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## 2010 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Membership subscriptions are now due for renewal by 31/12/09. Please fill in your membership details on the form below and forward it promptly to the Club with cheque or credit card payment.

**IMPORTANT: if your card has a due date of 2010 or beyond, your membership for 2010 has already been paid and is not due for renewal.**



## ONLINE MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS !

Membership renewals can also be made by visiting the club website. For online renewals you will need to provide your name, membership number, a daytime contact telephone, a valid email address and valid credit card details.

[www.nswmasonicclub.com.au](http://www.nswmasonicclub.com.au)

## MEMBERSHIP DETAILS

Please complete this section and return with payment. Your number and membership type can be found on your card.

**Full Name:**

Due Date	Member Number	Member Type	Amount Due
31/12/09			
Masonic (lodge member)		Type 1	\$40.00
Masonic (unattached)		Type 2	\$50.00
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# Famous Mason Series XIII

## Sir James Hardy KBE OBE - Born 1932



Sir James & Lady Joan Hardy attending a function at the NSW Masonic Club

### Nerida

The 45-foot gaff cutter Nerida was built for his late father Tom Hardy, in 1934, the same year that James Hardy was born. In 1950 Nerida was the proud winner of the prestigious Sydney to Hobart race.

While Sydney was being blasted by severe storms in 2007, Nerida broke off her mooring at Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron and rapidly began taking water. Kiriibilli residents woke on Sunday morning to see the classic yacht's wooden mast sticking skywards from the harbour.

After six months work Nerida was restored to her original beauty.

Photo: Nerida - Gaffers Day 2006 - Sydney Amateur Sailing Club



Initiated Lodge City of Sydney 952  
21 November 1962

Junior Warden  
1969/1970

Senior Warden  
1970/1971

Worshipful Master  
1971/1972

Deputy Grand Master UGLNSW  
2 August 1976 / 2 August 1977

PDGM  
3 August 1977

Sir James Hardy is a sportsman, wine maker, raconteur, businessman, and community leader. Born in 1932 he was educated at Saint Peters Church of England College in Adelaide, South Australia. Sir James graduated with a Diploma of Accountancy from the South Australian Institute of Technology (now known as the University of South Australia) and is a fellow Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants - F.C.P.A. Sir James Hardy is the great grandson of Thomas Hardy, the founder of Hardy's Wines. He joined the family company Thomas Hardy & Sons Pty Ltd, Vignerons and Vinters in October 1953 as shipping clerk and came up through the ranks of salesman and sales supervisor. In 1962 he was appointed Resident Director for New South Wales of The Hardy Wine Company and, in 1981, Chairman of Directors. In August 1992 Sir James became a Director of the then newly-merged wine company, BRL Hardy Ltd.

Sir James is also a renowned yachtsman. The main highlights of his yachting career are membership of the Australian Olympic Yachting Team in Tokyo in 1964 and Mexico in 1968. In 1966 he won the World 505 Championship. Three times America's Cup Skipper - Gretel II in 1970, Southern Cross in 1974 and Australia in 1980, he was also reserve helmsman and team advisor to John Bertrand when Australia II won the America's Cup in Newport, Rhode Island in 1983. He was helmsman during four Admiral's Cup Ocean Racing Championships in the United Kingdom - Apollo II in 1973, Runaway in 1977, winning in Impetuous in 1979, and Bondi Tram (Fastnet Race only, 1983). He was awarded Australian Yachtsman of the Year in 1981, and inducted into the America's Cup Hall of Fame in 1994. Sir James was a Member of the Council of the Royal Blind Society of New South Wales from 1967 to

1990, and Chairman of the 1998 Adelaide Commonwealth Games Bid Committee. He also had a long and fruitful association with the Landcare Australia Foundation. He is currently on the Executive Committee of the Neurosurgical Research Foundation of South Australia, a Council Member of the Australian National Maritime Museum, and a Trustee of two organisations - the Sydney Cricket Ground Trust and the Rothmans Foundation. He is a Director of the Lorna Hodgkinson Sunshine Home Limited, and Chairman of the National Heritage Committee. In 1997 he was appointed head of the National Heritage Trust Advisory Committee. He was made an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in 1975 (OBE), and a Knight Bachelor - Kt. in 1981, for services to yachting and the community. On the recreational front Sir James Hardy's passion was yachting. Main highlights are: Member of the Australian Olympic Yachting Team in Tokyo 1964 and Mexico 1968. World Champion International 5.0.5 Class 1966. Three time America's Cup Skipper - Gretel II 1970, Southern Cross 1974 and Australia 1980. He was also reserve helmsman and team advisor to John Bertrand, Australia II 1983. He was awarded Australian Yachtsman of the Year in 1981.

Sir James sits on numerous boards and holds many positions within the community including Chairman of the Landcare Australia Foundation, an Ambassador for Sydney 2000 Olympic Bid and Executive Committee Member of the Neurosurgical Research Foundation of South Australia. His many accolades include being awarded an OBE and a Knight Bachelor for services to yachting and the community.

Profile - Saxton Speakers Bureau

## THE PRESIDENT'S DINNER 2009



**Top Row:** (L-R) Club Director Mr Steve Wearne & wife Soula ; Jan White, Patrick & Suzanne Medway, Susan Shilton ; Dr Ray & Helen Hyslop **Middle Row:** (L-R) Martin Borg & Cecilia Perez ; Mr & Mrs George Wasserberger ; Sydney Lions President Mr David Pell & wife Faye **Bottom Row:** (L-R) Mr Ross & Betsy Watson ; Joan MacKenzie, John Moore & Russell Robertson ; Paul Chapman & Tomoko Tamura

## SOCIAL FUNCTIONS & EVENTS



**Photographs from Lindsay Payne's Farewell and the Wine & Dine Lunch**

**Top Row:** (L-R) Lindsay Payne's Farewell - Lindsay Payne & Robyn Joseph ; Greg West & Phil Ryan from McWilliams at the Wine & Dine lunch ; Lindsay Payne & Jean Miller.jpg **Bottom Row:** (L-R) Lindsay Payne's Farewell - Club Patron Tony Lauer with wife Joy ; Col & Yvonne Graham ; Mr Lane & Mrs Robyn Joseph

## The Year in Review



For this addition of our Club magazine, I have been asked to outline the major events of the past year. I do this with pleasure, because the past year has been one in which the Club, although faced with a financial downturn caused by factors beyond its control, has achieved much.

Let me remind you of some of the highlights:-

1. The Club has, in the face of a vigorous examination process, maintained and reinforced its 4-Star hotel rating.
2. Air-conditioning in the building has been upgraded at considerable expense to provide greater comfort for members and their guests and hotel guests.
3. The building has been further enhanced by upgrading in Cello's and the hotel rooms, wallpapering and work on the marble flooring of the foyer.
4. The Club was a finalist in the 2008 NSW Tourism Awards in the category of "De Luxe Hotel".
5. We have had Vice-Regal visits by Her Excellency the Governor of New South Wales.
6. We have honoured a long-serving Board member, Lindsay Payne, by electing him to Life Membership of the Club.
7. We have continued to maintain and indeed, improve our relationship with the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales and the ACT.
8. Our General Manager has been further honoured in receiving another award for his work in improving tourism in this State.
9. We have continued to support (and in one case re-form) the Sub-clubs of this Club.
10. The highlight of our busy social calendar was again, the President's Dinner conducted on 5 September 2009. This occasion affords an opportunity to thank those who have assisted us in many ways during the preceding year.

None of this would have been possible without a hardworking Board, Management and staff. As to the Board, I can do no better than record the words of our recently retired Vice President, Lindsay Payne, who expressed his view at a dinner in his honour in the Club on 15 August 2009 in the following words:-

*"I believe the present Board to be the best on which I have served since I joined the Board in 1993."*

In conclusion, I thank the Club for the honour of leading it for the year in review.

Graham L Berry

**President**  
**New South Wales Masonic Club**

NEW MEMBERS

June 2009 - September 2009

Mrs J. Adamson, Retired  
Mr M. Alvarez, Retired Foreign Officer  
Mrs Y. Amer, Retired  
Mr G. Aspinall, Accountant  
Mr J. Barron, Journalist  
Mr R. Beltrami, Retired Solicitor  
Mr A. Bland, Environmental Engineer/Author  
Mr D. Blevins, Machinist  
Mr E. Bocquet, Retired  
Mrs L. Bocquet, Retired  
Mr M. Borg, Architect  
Mr M. Bowman, Retired  
Ms R. Bruce, Nurse  
Mrs E. Burckhardt, Retired  
Mr W. Butterfield, Retired  
Mr S. Carr, Media Planner  
Mr C. Cosoleto, Semi-Retired  
Mr J. Dalglish, Retired  
Mr C. Dalton, Technical Services Mgr  
Ms S. Denshire, University Lecturer  
Mr P. Drewes, Retired Hotel/Motel Mgr  
Mrs H. Ducker, Retired TAFE Princpal  
Mr J. Egan, Grazier  
Mr M. Erbs, Civil Engineer/Local Govt  
Mr C. Falkner, Newspaper Manager  
Mr C. Farmer, Retired  
Mrs D. Finnegan, Quiltmaker  
Mr L. Fitton, Corporate Planning Officer  
Ms A. French, Clerical  
Mr R. Gandevia, Engineer  
Ms A. Gulson, President Jazz Action Soc.  
Mr N. Hargrave, Retired  
Dr J. Harrison, Orthopaedic Surgeon  
Mr G. Hatch, Retired  
Mr B. Haywood, Retiree  
Mrs K. Hill, Customer Service  
Mr L. Hough, Bus Operator  
Mrs M. Keen, Retired  
Mr R. Keen, Retired  
Mr M. Kennison, Real Estate Agent  
Mr H. Kim, Retired  
Ms J. Levy, Retired  
Mr S. Markovic, IT Systems Engineer  
Mr R. Martin, Farmer  
Mr W. Mayberry, Retired  
Ms J. McArdle, Retired  
Mr R. McCrudden, Barrister  
Mr P. McKay, Retired Crime Fighter  
Dr R. McMahon, Medical Practitioner  
Mr N. McMaster, Retired  
Ms P. Meeks, Retired Lecturer  
Mrs J. Miller, Retired  
Mr J. Morrissey, Care Manager RFBI  
Mrs D. Moulog, Retired  
Dr J. Nemeth, Medical Practitioner  
Dr B. Newton, Clinical Psychologist  
Mr T. Nott, IT Contractor  
Mr J. O'Reilly, Superintendent of Police  
Mr N. O'Toole, Management Consultant  
Mr P. Oliver, Photographer/Co. Director  
Mrs M. Parkinson, Medical Receptionist  
Mr W. Patton, Retired  
Mrs M. Patton, Retired  
Mr H. Payseno, Retired  
Mr D. Pigott, Retired  
Mrs J. Poulton, Retired  
Mrs H. Reid, Retired Nurse  
Mr P. Reid, Training Manager  
Mr L. Rogerson, Police Inspector  
Mr W. Ryan, Co. Director

CELLO’S CHRISTMAS MENU

Entrée

Smoked Salmon, Prawn & Avocado Salad  
Bread rolls & butter curls

Main Course

Roast Turkey & Ham with Traditional Stuffing & Seasonal Vegetables  
served with Cranberry Sauce

Dessert

Individual Christmas Puddings with Brandy Anglaise Sauce

Freshly brewed coffee or tea

FUNCTION PRICES

3 Course Menu Price (Entree, Main & Dessert):

Monday to Friday Lunch or Dinner - \$60.00 per member  
Non-member \$65.00 per guest

2 Course Menu Price (Main & Dessert):

Monday to Friday Lunch or Dinner - \$45.00 per member  
Non-member \$50.00 per guest

NSW MASONIC CLUB  
CHRISTMAS CHARITY  
RAFFLE

Drawn 21st December at 1pm

1ST PRIZE

Superior Christmas Hamper

2ND PRIZE

Deluxe Christmas Hamper

3RD PRIZE

One night accommodation for 2 at The  
Castlereagh Boutique Hotel with continental  
breakfast included

TICKETS \$2 EACH or  
3 FOR \$5

on sale at office, all bars & reception

Friday Long Lunches

Cello’s Restaurant Friday 12-3pm

Oct 23 Ian Bloxsom Jazz Trio

Nov 13 Mark Davies - Harpist

Dec 4 Carlos Perez - Guitarist

Regular Friday Artist

Ces Dorcey on piano



NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 117th Annual General Meeting of the New South Wales Masonic Club will be held in the fourth floor Dining Room on Monday 23rd November 2009 at 1:00pm.

BUSINESS AGENDA

Item No 1

Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 24th November 2008.

Item No 2

To receive and consider the Report of Directors, the Balance Sheet and Accounts for the year ended 30th June 2009 and the Auditors' Report thereon.

Item No 3

First & Second Special Resolutions:

Members will be asked to consider and if thought fit, pass the following Special Resolutions and Ordinary Resolutions.

FIRST SPECIAL RESOLUTION

That the Articles of Association of the Club be amended as follows:

1. By renumbering the present article 53 as 53A
2. By adding after the Article 53A the following 53B.  
"In the event of death of the Vice President or the vacation of his office occasioned by the application of Article 53 A, the vacancy howsoever created shall be filled by the President selecting a Board Member (with consent from that Board Member) to act subject to ratification by a majority of the Board present and voting at the next Board Meeting and failing such ratification by an election conducted by secret ballot at that meeting."

SECOND SPECIAL RESOLUTION

This Annual General Meeting approves of the Board negotiating for and entering into a lease for 5 years (without any option for renewal) in respect the Ground Floor shop premises known as 169A Castlereagh Street Sydney, such lease to commence on 1st July 2010 and the Lessee to be the current Lessee Monet Jewellers Pty Limited (ABN 060 665 376).

First Ordinary Resolution

Pursuant to the Registered Clubs Act the Members hereby approve and agree to the expenditure by the Club in a sum not exceeding \$45,000, together with GST, until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club for the following activities of Directors:

- (i) The reasonable cost of a meal and beverages for each Director immediately before or immediately after a Board or Committee meeting on the day of that meeting when that meeting corresponds with a normal meeting;
- (ii) Reasonable expenses incurred by Directors in travelling to and from Directors meetings or other duly constituted committee meetings approved by the Board from time to time on production of invoices, receipts or other proper documentary evidence of such expenditure;
- (iii) Reasonable travel, accommodation and other out of pocket expenses incurred by Directors in relation to such other duties including attendances at official functions on behalf of the Club in New South Wales and interstate , entertainment of special guests of the Club and promotional activities performed by Directors providing all such activities and expenses relating thereto are approved by the board on production of receipts, invoices or other proper documentary evidence;
- (iv) An annual President's Dinner with the persons in attendance to comprises the Directors and their partners and other persons (with their partners) as chosen by the President;

- (v) An annual Board Ladies Dinner in appreciation of their support

Second Ordinary Resolution

That pursuant to the Registered Clubs Act the members hereby approve and agree to the expenditure by the Club in a sum not exceeding \$9,000, together with GST, for the professional development and education of Directors until the next Annual General meeting and being;

- (i) The reasonable cost of Directors attending the Registered Clubs Association's Annual General Meeting;
- (ii) The reasonable cost of Directors attending seminars, lectures, trade displays and other similar events as may be determined by the Board from time to time;
- (iii) The reasonable cost of Directors attending other registered clubs for the purpose of viewing and assessing their facilities and methods of operation provided such attendances are approved by the Board as being necessary for the betterment of the Club.

Third Ordinary Resolution

That pursuant to the Registered Clubs Act the members hereby approve and agree to expenditure by the Club of the following benefits for Members;

- (i) That the President be allowed to order food and beverages in the Club at a cost of \$6,500 and two complimentary tickets to Club functions until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club;
- (ii) (a) That the Convenor (Chairman) of each of the House Supply & Staff Committee and the Finance Committees be allowed to order food and beverages in the Club at a cost of \$4,000 and be further allowed two complimentary tickets to Club functions until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club.  
(b) That the other Members of the Board be allowed to order food and beverages in the Club at a cost of \$4,000 and be further allowed two complimentary tickets to Club functions until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club.
- (iii) That the allowances for food and beverages referred to earlier in third resolution shall include allowances for items consumed;  
(a) on the day of and/or the day before and/ or the day after any of the events specified in the First Resolution where travelling arrangements and/or the duties of a Director make the consumption reasonable.  
(b) on such other days when a Director is in attendance at the Club in the discharge of his/her duties and the consumption is approximate in time to those duties and reasonable.

- (iv) That the Members of the New South Wales Masonic Club Veterans Association be entitled each month to receive meals at such reduced price as may be determined by the Board from time to time, provided such meals are taken at a function organised in the Club for this Association;

- (v) That the Board of the Club make such donations as it considers fit to each of the duly constituted social and sporting sub-clubs within the Club having regard to the needs and expenditure of those sub-clubs and without being required to maintain equality of expenditure between such sub-clubs.

Fourth Ordinary Resolution

That pursuant to the Registered Clubs Act the

members hereby approve and agree to expenditure by the Club of the following benefits for members:

- (1) That the President be paid an Honorarium of \$10,000 until the next Annual General.
- (2) (a) That the Convenor (Chairman) of the House Supply & Staff Committee and the Finance Committee be paid an Honorarium of \$4,500 until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club.  
(b) That in the event that the Honorary Treasurer is not also Convenor (Chairman) of the Finance Committee he / she be paid an Honorarium of \$3,500 until the next Annual General Meeting.
- (3) That each other Director be paid an Honorarium of \$2,000 until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club.

Fifth Ordinary Resolution

That pursuant to the Registered Clubs Act the Members hereby approves and agrees to expenditure by the Club of the following benefits for Members.

- (i) That a room in the hotel be set aside for the exclusive use of the President as an office and for accommodation until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club.
- (ii) That free overnight accommodation be provided to those Directors whose normal place of residence lies outside a radius of sixty (60) kilometres from the Club on either the night before or after any of the following;  
(a) A Board Meeting  
(b) A Committee Meeting  
(c) The President's Dinner  
(d) The Board Ladies Night  
(e) Such other occasion as the Board may determine is appropriate and reasonable

Notes for Members

The First Special Resolution proposes additional material to be added to Article 53. That the article deals with the circumstances under which any Board Members office is vacated. The Resolution makes provision for the replacement of a Vice President whose office is vacated in mid-term. A prompt means of appointing a new Vice President is desirable since he might be called upon to act as President.

The Second Special Resolution if passed will authorise the Board to negotiate and enter into a lease with the current lessee of the ground floor jeweller's shop.

The Ordinary Resolutions are to approve various benefits for Directors and Members of duly constituted Social & Sporting Clubs within the Club which should be approved by the Members each year as they are not offered equally to all Members of the Club. Expenditure proposed in this resolution has been assessed having regard to sums approved at last years Annual General Meeting for these benefits.

PASSING OF RESOLUTIONS:

The Special Resolutions requires a three quarters majority of Masonic and Life Members present and voting at the meeting. The Ordinary Resolutions require a simple majority of Members present voting at the meeting.

Item No 4

To transact any other business which may be brought forward before the meeting in conformity with the Club's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

By order of the Board  
Warren Lewis – General Manager

Dated: 7th October 2009

# NEW SOUTH WALES MASONIC CLUB

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## DIRECTORS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

Your directors present their report on the company, the New South Wales Masonic Club (referred to as the Club) for the financial year ended 30 June 2009.

The names and qualifications of directors in office at any time during or since the end of the year are:

### Graham Leonard Berry

Elected to the Board 2001.

Vice President 2003. Acting President from 6/10/2004.

President since 28/11/2005.

Occupation: Practised as a Solicitor in Sydney from 1960-2005. Retired.

### Lindsay Oswald Payne, ASTC (Arch), FRAIA, FIAMA

Elected to the Board 1993.

Acting Vice President from 6/10/2004.

Vice President since 28/11/2005 Resigned from the Board 03/06/09

Occupation: Retired Architect and Arbitrator  
Special Responsibilities: House Supply and Staff Committee.

Vice President, Australasian Association of Masonic Clubs.

### Stephen George Bates, B.Bus, CA.

Elected to the Board 1996.

Occupation: Director, Watson Erskine & Co Pty Ltd Chartered Accountants.

Special Responsibilities: Treasurer; Member of Finance Committee.

### John William Barron

Elected to the Board 3/8/2005.

Occupation: Property Consultant.

Special Responsibilities: Member, House, Supply and Staff Committee.

### Graham William Byrne

Elected to the Board 26/11/2007.

Occupation: Management Consultant.

Special Responsibilities: Convenor Finance Committee.

### Frank Mervyn Deane DipLaw

Elected to the Board 26/11/2007.

Occupation: Retired Solicitor.

Special Responsibilities: Convenor, House Supply and Staff Committee.

### Ross Jordan Delaney

Elected to the Board 1/8/2008.

Occupation: Teacher/Education Administrator.

Special Responsibilities: Member, Finance Committee.

### John Joseph Moore

Elected to the Board 2/7/2008.

Occupation: Public Relations Consultant & Authorised Marriage Celebrant

Special Responsibilities: Member Finance Committee

### Stephen Caldwell Wearne FCA

Elected to the Board 02/03/2005.

Occupation: Director, Borough Pty Ltd Chartered Accountants.

Special Responsibilities: Member, Finance Committee.

### James Grant Henningham B.Ec (Hons)

Elected to the Board 1/07/09

Occupation: Consultant

Special Responsibilities: Member, House Supply and Staff

### Meetings of Directors

During the financial year, the Board of Directors, House, Supply and Staff Committees and Finance Committee met on 12 occasions and the Strategic Planning Committee, 2. The number of meetings attended by each director during the year out of the total number possible were:

	Board	Committees
G L Berry	11/12	25/26
L O Payne	12/12	11/12
S G Bates	12/12	12/12
S Wearne	11/12	9/12
J Barron	12/12	11/12
F Deane	11/12	10/12
R Delaney	11/12	10/12
G Byrne	12/12	12/12
J Moore (commenced Aug 2008)	10/11	10/11
J Henningham	0/0	0/0

### Company Secretary

Mr Stephen George Bates, Director, also held the position of company secretary throughout the year.

### Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Club during the year were to operate a boutique hotel, and to provide Members with amenities and facilities usually associated with a Licensed Social Club. No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

### Operating Results

The loss for the year amounted to \$243,083 (2008 profit \$532,666) after allowing for income tax benefit of \$23,287 (2008 provision \$115,575).

### Review of Operations

Despite an industry wide slump on occupancy levels throughout the year, the hotel achieved an occupancy utilisation comparable with its competitors. On the other hand, the 4 star rating achieved previously and the associated upgrade of facilities, assisted an increase in the average room rate.

### After Balance Date Events

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may affect the operations of the Club, the result of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Club in future financial years.

### Future Developments

The need to maintain the 4 star rating and keep pace with our competitors will necessitate ongoing material expenditure on the hotel. Other potential issues concerning the operations of the Club and the consequent financial impact in future years, have not been included in this report, as such inclusion would potentially result in unreasonable prejudice against the Club.

### Significant Changes

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Club during the year.

### Environmental Issues

The Club's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth, a State or Territory.

### Options

No options over unissued interests in the Club were granted during or since the end of the financial year and there were no options outstanding at the date of this report.

### Proceedings on behalf of Company

No person has applied for leave of Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the Club or intervene in any proceedings to which the Club is a party, for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Club for all or any part of those proceedings.

The Club was not a party to any such proceedings during the year.

### Indemnifying Officer or Auditor

The Club has not, during or since the end of the financial year, in respect of any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Club or a related body corporate:

- Indemnified or made any relevant agreement for indemnifying against a liability incurred as an officer, including costs and expenses in successfully defending legal proceedings; or
- paid or agreed to pay a premium in respect of a contract insuring against a liability incurred as an officer for the costs or expenses to defend legal proceedings;

with the exception of the following matter:-

During or since the end of the financial year the Club has paid premiums to insure all directors and officers against liabilities for costs and expenses incurred by them in defending any legal proceedings arising out of their conduct while acting in the capacity of officer of the Club, other than conduct involving a wilful breach of duty in relation to the Club.

### Membership

As at 30 June 2009, members totalled 2,751 consisting of 1,006 Mason Members and 1,719 Associate and 26 Honorary Members.

### Auditor's Independence Declaration

The auditor's independence declaration for the year ended 30 June 2009 has been received and can be found below.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors and is signed for and on behalf of the Directors.

GRAHAM L BERRY  
(President)

STEPHEN G BATES  
(Treasurer & Director)

Dated: 7th day of October 2009

## AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE  
CORPORATIONS ACT 2001  
TO THE DIRECTORS OF  
NEW SOUTH WALES MASONIC CLUB

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2009 there have been:

- no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

MEAGHER, HOWARD & WRIGHT

Ken Wright

Date: 9th day of October 2009

Suite 506, Level 5  
55 Grafton St  
BONDI JUNCTION NSW 2022

## 2010 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS Due 31st December 2009

For our online renewal form visit:  
[www.nswmasonicclub.com.au](http://www.nswmasonicclub.com.au)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### WINE & DINE TASTING LUNCHEON

Wednesday 21 October

Two Course lunch and wine tasting

**All members & guests welcome!**

This is the third luncheon in our very popular Wine & Dine Tasting series.

Raconteur Joseph Pettafor of 'Red & White Fine Wines' presents a selection of quality wines on behalf of Deakin Estate and Hollick Coonawarra Wineries.

Tasting Selection includes Deakin Estate Brut, Hollick Cabernet Sauvignon & Crowded House Pinot Noir.

**Venue:** The Adam Room, Level 4

**Time:** 12 noon to 3pm

**Price:** Members & Non-members \$45

*Tickets must be pre-paid.*

*Phone Rita Surio 9284 1006*



### MELBOURNE CUP DAY LUNCHEON

Tuesday 3rd November

One of the highlights of the social calendar featuring a three course menu with a glass of sparkly on arrival. Catch all the excitement of the race on our giant TV screens and have a flutter on the sweeps available on the day!

**Venue:** Cello's Restaurant, Level 4

**Time:** 12 Noon to 3pm

**Price:** Member \$60 Non-member \$65

*Tickets must be pre-paid. Phone Rita Surio 9284 1006*

### MEMBERS & ASSOCIATES CHRISTMAS LUNCH

1st Christmas Lunch - Wednesday 2nd December

2nd Christmas Lunch - Wednesday 9th December

Three course lunch with two drinks, featuring Ces Dorcey on piano.

**Venue:** Cello's Restaurant, Level 4

**Time:** 12 Noon to 3pm

**Price:** Member \$60 Non-member \$65

*Tickets must be pre-paid. Phone Rita Surio 9284 1006*



### CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

Friday 25th December

3 course Traditional Christmas Lunch inclusive of drinks package

**Smoked Salmon, Prawn & Avocado Salad**

**Bread rolls & butter curls**

**Sorbet**

**Roast Turkey & Ham** with Traditional Stuffing & Seasonal Vegetables served with Cranberry Sauce

**Individual Christmas Puddings** with Brandy Anglaise Sauce

**Petit Fours served with coffee or tea**

**Venue:** Cello's Restaurant, Level 4

**Time:** 12 Noon to 3pm

**Price:** Member \$120 Non-member \$130

*Tickets must be pre-paid. Phone Rita Surio 9284 1006*

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2009			
	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Revenue from ordinary activities	2	3,496,612	4,822,114
Changes in inventories of finished goods and work in progress.		13,073	(6,833)
Raw materials and consumables used		(404,189)	(513,320)
Employment related expense		(1,673,808)	(2,062,397)
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(295,200)	(260,666)
Occupancy expense		(519,670)	(397,473)
Other expenses from ordinary activities		<u>(883,188)</u>	<u>(933,184)</u>
Profit/(Loss) from ordinary activities before income tax expense		(266,370)	648,241
Income tax expense relating to profit/(loss) from ordinary activities	3	<u>23,287</u>	<u>(115,575)</u>
Profit/(Loss) from ordinary activities after related income tax expense		<u>(243,083)</u>	<u>532,666</u>
BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2009			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash assets	5	138,526	511,283
Trade and other receivables	6	100,758	47,803
Financial assets	7	621,675	1,070,000
Inventories	8	42,171	29,096
Other	9	81,601	52,854
Deferred tax assets	12	<u>38,892</u>	<u>36,649</u>
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>1,023,693</u>	<u>1,747,685</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Financial assets	9	489,324	838,497
Property, plant & equipment	10	18,488,938	17,866,826
Deferred tax assets	12	<u>21,721</u>	<u>10,877</u>
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>18,999,983</u>	<u>18,716,200</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>20,023,676</u>	<u>20,463,885</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and other payables	11	211,302	242,901
Current tax liabilities	12	(18,950)	17,622
Provisions	13	323,425	317,473
Other	14	<u>65,299</u>	<u>68,037</u>
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>581,076</u>	<u>646,033</u>
<b>NON CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Deferred tax liabilities	12	-	46,055
Provisions	13	<u>78,919</u>	<u>64,253</u>
<b>TOTAL NON CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>78,919</u>	<u>110,308</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<u>659,995</u>	<u>756,341</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>19,363,681</u>	<u>19,707,544</u>
<b>MEMBERS' EQUITY</b>			
Reserves		13,991,758	14,092,538
Accumulated Funds		<u>5,371,923</u>	<u>5,615,006</u>
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS' EQUITY</b>		<u>19,363,681</u>	<u>19,707,544</u>

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2009					
	Retained Earnings	Capital Reserve	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Financial Asset Reserve	Total
Balance as at 30 June 2007	5,082,340	266,492	9,448,775	340,751	15,138,358
Profits attributable to members	532,666	-			532,666
Transfers	-	-	4,252,691	(216,171)	4,036,520
Balance as at 30 June 2008	5,615,006	266,492	13,701,466	124,580	19,707,544
Profits/(Loss)Transfers attributable to members	(243,083)	-	-		(243,083)
Transfers	-	-	-	(100,780)	(100,780)
Balance as at 30 June 2009	5,371,923	266,492	13,701,466	23,800	19,363,681
Note: The transfer amount in the Financial Asset Reserve includes transfer of profit relating to share sales during the year, as well as market movements.					

CASHFLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2009			
	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from members and guests		3,378,187	4,674,633
Payments to suppliers and employees		(3,744,756)	(4,448,824)
Rent received		201,820	226,597
Dividends received		31,153	41,811
Interest received		82,201	68,105
Income tax refund/(paid)		(36,572)	(43,692)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	20b	(87,967)	518,630
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	47,264
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(917,312)	(118,560)
Proceeds from sale of investments in listed securities		191,300	271,845
Payment for investment in listed securities		(7,509)	(23,090)
Proceeds from/(Funds invested in) term deposits		448,325	(570,000)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		285,196	(392,181)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayments of borrowings		-	(44,864)
Proceeds from borrowings		-	-
Repayment of finance lease liabilities		-	-
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		-	(44,864)
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		(372,757)	81,585
Cash at beginning of the financial year		511,283	429,698
Cash at end of the financial year	22a	138,526	511,283
The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.			

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

This financial report includes the financial statements and notes of the NEW SOUTH WALES MASONIC CLUB.

**NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Preparation**

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations, and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Corporations Act 2001.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in a financial report containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions. Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards ensures that the financial statements and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this financial report are presented below and have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

**Accounting Policies**

**(a) Income Tax**

The income tax expense (revenue) for the year comprises current income tax expense (income) and deferred tax expense (income).

Current income tax expense charged to the profit or loss is the tax payable on taxable income calculated using applicable income tax rates enacted, or substantially enacted, as at reporting date. Current tax liabilities (assets) are therefore measured at the amounts expected to be paid to (recovered from) the relevant taxation authority.

Deferred income tax expense reflects movements in deferred tax asset and deferred tax liability balances during the year as well unused tax losses.

Current and deferred income tax expense (income) is charged or credited directly to equity instead of the profit or loss when the tax relates to items that are credited or charged directly to equity.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are ascertained based on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. Deferred tax assets also result where amounts have been fully expensed but future tax deductions are available. No deferred income tax will be recognised from the initial recognition of an asset or liability, excluding a business combination, where there is no effect on accounting or taxable profit or loss.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at reporting date. Their

measurement also reflects the manner in which management expects to recover or settle the carrying amount of the related asset or liability.

Deferred tax assets relating to temporary differences and unused tax losses are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the benefits of the deferred tax asset can be utilised.

Current tax assets and liabilities are offset where a legally enforceable right of set-off exists and it is intended that net settlement or simultaneous realisation and settlement of the respective asset and liability will occur. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset where a legally enforceable right of set-off exists, the deferred tax assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities where it is intended that net settlement or simultaneous realisation and settlement of the respective asset and liability will occur in future periods in which significant amounts of deferred tax assets or liabilities are expected to be recovered or settled.

**(b) Inventories**

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

**(c) Property, Plant and Equipment**

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value as indicated less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

**Property**

Freehold land and buildings are shown at their fair value (being the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction), based on periodic, valuations by external independent valuers, less subsequent depreciation for buildings.

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of land and buildings are credited to a revaluation reserve in equity. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same asset are charged against fair value reserves directly in equity; all other decreases are charged to the income statement. Each year the difference between depreciation based on the revalued carrying amount of the asset charged to the income statement and depreciation based on the asset's original cost is transferred from the revaluation reserve to retained earnings.

Any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the net amount is restated to the revalued amount of the asset.

**Plant and Equipment**

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis. The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by directors to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the asset's employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

Repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

**Depreciation**

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including buildings and capitalised lease assets, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life to the entity commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Buildings	1% PC
Plant & Equipment	6% PC – 40% DV
Leased Plant & Equipment	18 – 36% PC

The asset's residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the income statement. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation reserve relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

**Financial Instruments**

**(d) Initial Recognition and Measurement**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the company commits itself to either purchase or sale of the asset (ie trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transactions costs, except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss', in which case transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss immediately.

**(i) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss**

Financial assets are classified at 'fair value through profit or loss' when they are either held for trading for the purpose of short term profit taking, derivatives not held for hedging purposes, or when they are designated as such to avoid an accounting mismatch or to enable performance evaluation where a group of financial assets is managed by key management personnel on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. Such assets are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in carrying value being included in profit or loss.

**(ii) Loans and receivables**

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

(iii) Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and it is the entity's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

(iv) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative financial assets that are either not suitable to be classified into other categories of financial assets due to their nature, or they are designated as such by management.

They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable payments.

(v) Financial Liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Fair value

Fair value is determined based on current bid prices for all quoted investments. Valuation techniques are applied to

determine the fair value for all unlisted securities, including recent arm's length transactions, reference to similar

instruments and option pricing models.

Impairment

At each reporting date, the entity assess whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired.

In the case of available-for sale financial instruments, a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether an impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual rights to receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the entity no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are either discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying value of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

(e) Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the entity reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the

entity estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

(f) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the company's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled. Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits. Those cashflows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cashflows.

(g) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the entity has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

(h) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowings in current liabilities on the balance sheet.

(i) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense.

Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the cash flow statement on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

(j) Revenue

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised upon delivery of goods to customers.

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon delivery of the service to customers.

Membership income is recognised on a proportional basis over the period to which the renewal relates.

Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

(k) Comparative Figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

(l) New Accounting Standards for Application in Future Periods

The AASB has issued new, revised and amended standards and interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods. The entity has decided against early adoption of these standards. A discussion of those future requirements and their impact on the entity is as follows:-

- AASB 8: Operating Segments and AASB 2007-3: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 8 [AASB 5, AASB 6, AASB 102, AASB 107, AASB 119, AASB 127, AASB 134, AASB 136, AASB 1023 & AASB 1038 (applicable for annual reporting periods commencing from 1 January 2009). AASB 8 replaces AASB 114 and requires identification of operating segments on the basis of internal reports that are regularly reviewed by the entity's Board for the purposes of decision making. While the impact of this standard cannot be assessed at this stage, there is the potential for more segments to be identified. Given the lower economic levels at which segments may be defined, and the fact that cash generating units cannot be bigger than operating segments, impairment calculations may be affected. Management does not presently believe impairment will result however.

- AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements, AASB 2007-8: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 101, and AASB 2007-10: Further Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 101(all applicable to annual reporting periods commencing from 1 January 2009). The revised AASB 101 and amendments supersede the previous AASB 101 and redefines the composition of financial statements including the inclusion of a statement of comprehensive income. There will be no measurement or recognition impact on the entity. If an entity has made a prior period adjustment or reclassification, a third balance sheet as at the beginning of the comparative period will be required.

- AASB 2008-5: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Annual Improvements Project (July 2008) (AASB 2008-5) and AASB 2008-6: Further Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Annual Improvements Project (July 2008) (AASB 2008-6) detail numerous non-urgent but necessary changes to accounting standards arising from the IASB's annual improvements project. No changes are expected to materially affect the entity.

The entity does not anticipate early adoption of any of the above reporting requirements and does not expect them to have any material effect on the entity's financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

	2009	2008
	\$	\$
<b>NOTE 2: PROFIT FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE INCOME TAX</b>		
Profit from ordinary activities before income tax has been determined after:		
<b>(a) Charging as expenses</b>		
Cost of sales	1,514,385	2,019,160
Depreciation of non current assets		
Building	71,200	70,651
Plant and equipment	207,469	173,849
Poker machines	16,531	16,166
	295,200	260,666
Auditors remuneration		
Auditing the financial report	16,500	18,000
Other services	6,200	3,600
Bad debts written off	5,259	125
Net loss on disposal of current assets:		
- Investments	64,602	-
<b>(b) Crediting as income</b>		
Interest received – other persons	72,119	68,105
Dividends received	31,153	41,811
<b>(c) Operating revenue</b>		
Sales revenue	2,747,240	3,931,229
Poker machine takings	80,091	82,909
Members subscriptions	106,315	129,771
Rent received	201,820	226,597
Other revenue	13,524	14,134
Proceeds on sale of investments	191,300	271,844
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	-	4,729
Room Hire	53,050	50,985
	3,496,612	4,822,114
<b>NOTE 3: INCOME TAX EXPENSE</b>		
The components of tax expense comprise:		
Current tax		
	-	73,457
Deferred tax Increase/Decrease	(23,287)	42,118
	(23,287)	115,575
The prima facie tax on profit from ordinary activities before income Tax is reconciled to the income tax expense as follows:		
Prima facie tax payable on profit from ordinary activities before income tax at 30% (2008 30%)		
	(79,911)	194,472
Less tax effect of:		
Franked dividends received	-	(17,271)
Net mutual income and non allowable items	56,624	(61,626)
	(23,287)	115,575
<b>NOTE 4: DIRECTORS' AND RELATED PERSONS' BENEFITS</b>		
Meetings – Food & beverages	9,571	8,108
Accommodation and travelling	7,944	7,603
Club entertainment and promotion	2,260	927
Presidents' dinner	7,395	6,763
Board ladies' night	892	1,853
Professional development		
Food & beverage allowance - Directors	4,468	3,048
	20,627	11,204
Directors fees paid or payable to all directors of the club		
	34,208	33,514

	2009	2008
	\$	\$
<b>NOTE 4: DIRECTORS' AND RELATED PERSONS' BENEFITS (continued)</b>		
	No.	No.
The number of directors whose income from the club fell within the following bands:		
\$0 - \$10,000	9	12
The names of each person holding the position of director of the club during the financial year were:		
John W. Barron	Frank M. Deane	
Stephen G. Bates	Ross J. Delaney	
Graham L. Berry	Graham W. Byrne	
Lindsay O. Payne	John J. Moore	
Stephen C. Wearne	James Henningham	
<b>Related Party Transactions</b>		
No related party transactions occurred during the year.		
<b>NOTE 5: CASH ASSETS</b>		
Cash on hand	32,000	45,970
Cash at bank	106,526	465,313
	138,526	511,283
<b>NOTE 6: TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Trade debtors	68,426	36,320
Provision for doubtful debts	-	-
Other debtors	32,332	11,483
	100,758	47,803
<b>Lease commitments receivable</b>		
Future minimum lease payments receivable from non cancellable operating leases at reporting date		
Receivable:		
Not later than 1 year	112,976	224,852
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	110,399	121,211
	223,375	346,063
Lease receivables relate to premises let by the Club. Leases in place at balance date are for three years. Rent reviews are annual.		
<b>NOTE 7: FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Short term deposits	621,675	1,070,000
<b>Non Current</b>		
Shares in listed companies – at fair value	489,324	845,984
<b>NOTE 8: INVENTORIES</b>		
Raw materials - at cost		
Bars	32,748	19,251
Car parking tickets	9,423	5,845
Consumables	-	4,000
	42,171	29,096
<b>NOTE 9: OTHER ASSETS</b>		
Sundry	55,342	-
Deposits	3,182	20,000
Prepayments	23,147	32,854
	81,671	52,854





# DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

## The directors of the Company declare that:

- The Financial Statements and notes are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001:
  - comply with Australian Accounting Standards and
  - give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2009 and performance for the year ended on that date of the Company,
- in the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

  
GRAHAM L. BERRY  
(President)

  
STEPHEN G. BATES  
(Treasurer & Director)

Dated: 7th day of October 2009

# INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>INCOME</b>			
Trading profit		1,232,855	1,912,069
Poker machine profit (excluding amortisation)		64,126	60,918
Members subscriptions		106,315	129,771
Donations		409	45
Rent received		201,820	226,597
Room hire		53,050	50,985
Interest received – other persons		72,119	68,105
Dividends received		31,153	41,811
Sundry income		13,115	14,089
Profit (loss) on sale of investments		(64,602)	66,107
Profit (loss) on sale of plant and equipment		-	4,729
		<u>1,710,360</u>	<u>2,575,226</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Indirect trading expenses		305,271	281,573
General overhead expenses		532,710	499,216
Administration expenses		546,062	615,543
Bad debts		5,259	125
Auditors' remuneration			
Audit fees		16,500	18,000
Accountancy, secretarial & tax service		6,200	3,600
Donations		273	7,000
Social amenities and activities		80,598	68,862
Directors & related persons' benefits	4	62,192	46,389
Directors fees		34,208	33,514
Amortisation – Leased assets		-	1,600
Depreciation			
Plant and equipment		207,469	173,849
Building		71,200	70,651
Rates and taxes		108,788	107,062
		<u>1,976,730</u>	<u>1,926,984</u>
<b>PROFIT BEFORE INCOME TAX</b>		(266,370)	648,241
<b>INCOME TAX EXPENSE</b>	4	<u>23,287</u>	<u>115,575</u>
<b>PROFIT AFTER INCOME TAX</b>		<u>(243,083)</u>	<u>532,666</u>

# TRADING ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2009

	ACCOM	REAGH BAR	CELLOS	LOUNGE BAR	TOTAL 2009	TOTAL 2008
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>INCOME</b>						
Sales	2,325,895	86,296	229,281	105,767	2,747,240	3,931,229
<b>EXPENSES</b>						
Cost of Sales	-	23,373	55,271	23,032	101,676	232,592
Gross Profit	2,325,895	62,923	174,010	82,736	2,645,564	3,698,637
Direct Labour Expenses	714,620	47,493	100,654	158,909	1,021,676	1,206,314
Direct expenses	373,250	653	12,358	4,772	391,033	580,254
	<u>1,087,870</u>	<u>48,146</u>	<u>113,012</u>	<u>163,681</u>	<u>1,412,709</u>	<u>1,786,568</u>
<b>TRADING PROFIT (LOSS)</b>	<u>1,238,025</u>	<u>14,777</u>	<u>60,998</u>	<u>(80,945)</u>	<u>1,232,855</u>	<u>1,912,069</u>

# POKER MACHINE OPERATING ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2009

	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>NET TAKINGS</b>	<u>80,091</u>	<u>82,909</u>
<b>LESS DIRECT EXPENSES</b>		
Depreciation/amortisation	16,531	16,166
Repairs and maintenance	6,000	6,036
Market Day prizes and raffles	(1,122)	(220)
Sundries	2,043	8,941
Transitional GST funding	<u>(7,487)</u>	<u>(8,932)</u>
	15,965	30,923
<b>PROFIT</b>	<u>64,126</u>	<u>60,918</u>

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NEW SOUTH WALES MASONIC CLUB

## Abridged Version

### Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the Corporations Act 2001, provided to the directors of NEW SOUTH WALES MASONIC CLUB on 07 October 2009, would be in the same terms if provided to the directors as at the date of this auditor's report.

### Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion:

- financial report of NEW SOUTH WALES MASONIC CLUB is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2009 and of their performance for the year ended on that date; and
  - complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001;
- the financial report also complies with International financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in Note 1.

Name of Firm: Meagher Howard & Wright

Name of Partner: Ken Wright

Address: P O Box 653  
Bondi Junction NSW 1355

Signed:



Dated this 9th day of day of October 2009.

# NEW MEMBERS

June 2009 - September 2009

Mrs N. Sassi, Retired  
Mr M. Saunders, Managing Director  
Mrs N. Saunders, Retired  
Mr L. Sharp, Excavation  
Mr N. Slater, Public Servant  
Mrs R. Spence, Interior Designer  
Mr D. Spinney, Retired Bank Mgr  
Mr M. Sprague, Accountant  
Mr B. Stephens, Industrial Relations  
Mr S. Swinton, Accountant  
Mrs J. Taylor, Retired  
Mr O. Tescaru, Engineer  
Ms C. Thompson, Teacher  
Mrs W. Thomson, Retired  
Mr G. Townsend, Retired  
Mr C. Trefry, Retired  
Mr A. Tudehope, Barrister  
Mrs L. Turner, Retired  
Mrs B. Warren, Retired  
Mrs P. Welch, Retired  
Mr G. Welsh, Beef Cattle Producer  
Mr P. West, Tour Operator  
Ms J. White, Retiree Occupational Therapist  
Mr R. Whitney, Automotive  
Mr C. Wilson, Grazie  
Mr A. Youngson, Manager

# MEET THE STAFF

## Wendy Young

### What do you like about your bar patrons?

My regulars are all polite and friendly, many are witty and entertaining. All are intelligent and I have many interesting and informative conversations on many subjects.

### Do you have any anecdotes that you could share about the Reaghbar?

Too many to tell !!

### What motivates you to show up to work everyday (apart from the pay)?

I have worked in hospitality for a number of years, at many levels and the environment of The Reaghbar cannot be matched..... A very civilized bar.

### What do you foresee in a years time in the Reaghbar?

I would like to see more people made aware of the Reaghbar so that in a year's time or less, every day will be like a Friday.

### What is your favourite drink?

Bollinger !!



La jeune fille au bar du Folies Masoniques

You may recognise this picture from the Reaghbar which was a gift to Wendy by club member Christopher Daw

# RECIPROCAL CLUBS

## AUSTRALIA

### Commercial Club

618 Dean Street Albury NSW 2640  
Phone: 02 6021 1133 Fax: 02 6021 4760  
Email: info@commclubalbury.com.au  
Website: www.commclubalbury.com.au

### Forster-Tuncurry Memorial Services Club

Strand St Forster NSW 2428  
Phone: 02 6554 6255 Fax: 02 6554 8069  
Email: enquiries@ftmsc.com.au  
Website: www.ftmsc.com.au

### Graduate House - University of Melbourne

224 Leicester Street Carlton VIC 3053  
Phone: 03 9347 3438 Fax: 03 9347 9981  
Email: sec@graduatehouse.com.au  
Website: www.graduatehouse.com.au

### Orange Ex-Services Club

231-243 Anson Street Orange NSW 2800  
Phone: 02 6362 2666 Fax: 02 6361 3916  
Email: enquiries@oesc.com.au  
Website: www.oesc.com.au

### Royal Automobile Club of Victoria

501 Bourke Street Melbourne VIC 3000  
Phone: 03 9944 8888 Fax: 03 9944 8299  
Email: cityclub@racv.com.au  
Website: www.racv.com.au

### Ulladulla Guest House

39 Burrill St, Ulladulla NSW 2539  
Phone: 02 4455 1796 Fax: 02 4454 4660  
Reservations (Toll Free) 1800 700 905  
Email: ugh@guesthouse.com.au  
Website: www.guesthouse.com.au

### United Service Club

183 Wickham Terrace Brisbane QLD 4000  
Phone: 07 3831 4433 Fax: 07 3832 6307  
Email: enquiries@unitedserviceclub.com.au  
Website: www.unitedserviceclub.com.au

### University House - Canberra

1 Balmain Crescent Acton ACT 2601  
Phone: 02 6125 5276 Fax: 02 6125 5252  
Email: accommodation.unihouse@anu.edu.au  
Website: www.anu.edu.au/unihouse/

### University of Tasmania

Locked Bag 1367, Launceston TAS 7250  
Phone: 03 6324 3917 Fax: 03 6324 3915  
Email: accommodation.launceston@admin.utas.edu.au  
Website: www.utas.edu.au/accommodation

### Wagga RSL Club

Dobbs St, Wagga Wagga NSW 2650  
Phone: 02 6921 3624 Fax: 02 6921 5305  
Email: theclub@waggarsl.com.au  
Website: www.waggarsl.com.au  
Wagga RSL Motel - Phone: 02 6971 8888

### The Western Australian Club (Inc)

101 St Georges Terrace, Perth WA 6000  
Phone: 08 9481 7000 Fax: 08 9481 7022  
Email: admin@waclub.com.au  
Website: www.waclub.com.au

## INTERNATIONAL

### Royal Over-Seas League

Over-Seas House, Park Place,  
St James's Street, LONDON SW1A 1LR  
Phone: +44 20 7408 0214  
Fax: +44 20 7499 6738  
Email: info@rosl.org.uk  
Website: www.rosl.org.uk

### The Union Club of British Columbia

805 Gordon Street, Victoria,  
British Columbia, CANADA, V8W1Z6  
Phone: +1 (250) 384-1151  
Email: info@unionclub.com  
Website: www.unionclub.com

### Singapore Masonic Club

Freemasons' Hall, 23A Coleman Street  
SINGAPORE 179806  
Phone: +65 6337 2809 Fax: +65 6336 5806  
Email: admin@masonicclub.com  
Website: www.masonicclub.com

### The Windsor Club

100 Quellerie Ave, 14th Floor, Windsor, Ontario  
CANADA N9A 6T3  
Phone: +1 519 258 1465 Fax: +1 519 258 1466  
Email: winclub@mnsi.net  
Website: www.windsorclub.com

If you would like to visit a reciprocal club, it is important that you read the following instructions before contacting any reciprocal club:

- Contact the reciprocal clubs directly for a specific list of the services and rates offered at the proposed time of the your visit, and to find out if your Letter/Card of Introduction must be faxed to them prior to your arrival. Members desiring overnight accommodation at reciprocal clubs should request reservations in advance and should advise that they are members of NSW Masonic Club.
- Ensure you take your NSW Masonic Club membership card whilst visiting a reciprocal club.
- Obtain a Letter of Introduction: Please contact Administration to obtain a letter of introduction on phone 02 9284 1006 or email: admin@nswmasonicclub.com.au

# Birthday Promotion

Invite your friends to celebrate your birthday in style by enjoying a complimentary bottle of red, white or sparkling wine at your club.

Each month complimentary sparkling wine vouchers will be sent out to members with an up coming birthday. To participate in this promotion members must take their voucher to the administration office for validation after which, it can be presented at the bar. Any member who does not receive their voucher or misplaces it may collect a new voucher from the administration office on level one.

Please Note: Offer is not available for 'take-away' and must be consumed within the Club.

## PREFERRED PARTNERS

Discounts for Club Members

**5%-10% Hyde Park Jewellery**  
169A Castlereagh St, Sydney

**10% at Foto Direct**  
171A Castlereagh St, Sydney

**15% Hairstyling For Men**  
**David Jones Men's Department**  
1st Floor, 65-77 Market St, Sydney

## FOOD & BEVERAGE DISCOUNT

Club Members are entitled to an individual discount of 10% off Food & Beverage purchased within the Club.

**Conditions:**

- The discount applies to a Member & their accompanying spouse or partner.
- The discount does not apply to group or function bookings.
- The discount does not apply to functions where a special Members rate applies.

CLUBS WITHIN THE CLUB		
CLUB	CONTACT	PHONE
Dine and Wine functions	Joan Mackenzie	9979 1569
Touring Group functions	Neville Adam (meet 1st Tuesday of the month) - New Members Welcome	9558 5035
NSW Masonic Sub Branch RSL functions	Bill Jenkins (meet 3rd Monday of the month) - New Members Welcome	0421 165 290
NSW Masonic Veterans Association	Stan Hing (meet 4th Monday of the month) - New Members Welcome	9349 6795
The Castlereagh Probus Club functions	Linde Jobling (meet 2nd Monday of the month) - New Members Welcome	9818 5523
Solo Group	Moira McGovern (meet every Thursday 10.30am) - New Members Welcome	9797 8369
Sydney Birthday Club	Peter Shilton	9328 1493 0419 013 483

Other regular meetings held at the NSW Masonic Club <i>please contact the following persons if you are interested in joining their activities</i>		
CLUB	MEETINGS	CONTACT DETAILS
Rotary Club of Sydney	Meet every Tuesday in Cello's at 12.30pm	www.sydneystrotary.com
Sydney Lions Club	Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays in the Adam Room at 12.30pm	David Pell email: dgpell@bigpond.com
Royal Commonwealth Society	Meet 3rd Thursday of the month in The Adam Room - Special Guest Speaker	Faye Lansley Phone: 9451 7008
Sydney '76 IONIAN	Meet 4th Wednesday in Level 5 Meeting Room at 10.30am, followed by lunch in Cello's	Email: sydney76sec@hotmail.com <i>Guest Speaker each meeting</i>

### Masonic Sub Branch of the RSL

**Are you an ex-service member? Will you join us?**

While probably not well known, the Club fosters the Masonic Sub Branch of the RSL, and is looking for members! Once the pride of the NSW Branch of the RSL, as Sub Branch No. 1, it welded three thousand members into a uniformed, viable and effective group. Unfortunately, the glory days have past... age, in particular has weathered the proud three thousand to a mere, but relatively, active, handful.

The Memorial in the Reagbbar, the highly regarded Anzac Day Celebrations echo the Sub Branch's contribution to, and for, the Club.

While the glory of past days cannot be retrieved, the Sub Branch needs members to keep it alive and active... can you help?

**Are you an past Defence Force Member - either Regular or Reserve?**

If so, you are eligible to join and, if you are already a member of another Sub-Branch, you are able to join as an

Associate Member.

Think about it - the Sub-Branch needs you ... what a pity it would be for this proud body to disband because of lack of support.

Speak with Rita Surio in the Club office, and she will be able to either take your details or direct you to the appropriate Sub Branch official.

### Sydney '76 IONIAN

The original Ionian Club was founded in Launceston in 1946 by Mrs Phyllis McDonald who had moved there and felt a need for a club where other newcomers in similar circumstances could be assisted in establishing themselves through sharing their cultural and social interests. There are now Ionian Clubs in all states and territories in Australia. Sydney has three Clubs all with healthy and happy memberships. Sydney '76 Ionian have a monthly meeting with speakers and other activities such as book clubs, craft, cards, mahjong, walking, outings on a monthly basis and dine outs. As you can see there are plenty of activities to keep members busy.

SOCIAL CALENDAR 2009			
Please book all club functions with Rita Surio Phone 02 9284 1006 or email admin@nswmasonicclub.com.au			
OCTOBER 2009			
Wednesday	14	Royal Commonwealth Society Luncheon with NSW Governor, Marie Bashir AC CVO	\$60 Members & Non-Members
Monday	19	NSW Masonic Sub-branch RSL meeting - 11am	
Wednesday	21	Dine & Wine Tasting by 'Red & White Fine Wines' - 2 course lunch with wine tasting - <i>All welcome!</i>	\$45 Members & Non-Members
Friday	23	Cello's Long Lunch - Ian Bloxsom Jazz Trio	Bookings directly with Cello's Ph 9284 1029
Monday	27	NSW Masonic Veterans meeting & lunch - 11.30am	
Every Thursday		Solo Group players in Level 2 Card Room	
NOVEMBER 2009			
Tuesday	3	Melbourne Cup Luncheon - 12 noon in Cello's - 3 course lunch with a glass of sparkling wine on arrival	\$60 Members \$65 Non-Members
Tuesday	3	Touring Group Melbourne Cup Lunch in The Castlereagh Lounge - 2pm	Contact: Neville Adam Ph 9558 5035
Monday	9	Probus Meeting at 10am	
Thursday	12	Sydney Birthday Club in The Adam Room	
Friday	13	Cello's Long Lunch - Mark Davies, harpist	Bookings directly with Cello's Ph 9284 1029
Monday	16	NSW Masonic Sub-branch RSL meeting - 11am	
Tuesday	17	Touring Group meeting at 11am	
Saturday	21	Song Company Gala Dinner & Concert - 6.30pm - followed by light refreshments in the Reagbbar	The Song Company Bookings: 8272 9500
Monday	23	NSW Masonic Veterans meeting & lunch - 11.30am	
Monday	23	NSW Masonic Club 117th AGM in Cello's at 1pm - followed by light refreshments in the Reagbbar	
Every Thursday		Solo Group players in Level 2 Card Room	
DECEMBER 2009			
Tuesday	1	Touring Group Christmas Afternoon Tea in The Castlereagh Lounge - 2pm	Contact: Neville Adam Ph 9558 5035
Wednesday	2	1st Members & Associates Christmas Lunch in Cello's, 3 courses with 2 drinks inclusive	\$60 Members \$65 Non-members
Friday	4	Cello's Long Lunch - Carlos Perez, Spanish guitarist	Bookings directly with Cello's Ph 9284 1029
Wednesday	9	2nd Members & Associates Christmas Lunch in Cello's, 3 courses with 2 drinks & a gift for everyone	\$60 Members \$65 Non-members
Thursday	11	Sydney Birthday Club Lunch in The Adam Room	
Monday	14	Probus Meeting at 10am	
Thursday	25	Christmas Day Lunch in Cello's - 12noon to 3pm 4 course Traditional Christmas Lunch & drink package	\$120 Members \$130 Non-members
Thursday	31	Membership Renewals are Due for 2010 Renew online: <a href="http://www.nswmasonicclub.com.au">www.nswmasonicclub.com.au</a>	Contact: Rita Surio Ph 9284 1006
Every Thursday		Solo Group players in Level 2 Card Room	

## OPENING HOURS

**CELLO'S RESTAURANT**  
Buffet & Full Breakfasts  
7am - 9am Daily  
**A la carte Dining or Business Lunch**  
12noon - 2.30pm  
Monday to Friday  
**Dinner**  
6pm - 8.30pm  
Thursday & Friday

**REAGHBAR**  
11.30am - 8pm  
Monday to Friday

**CASTLEREAGH LOUNGE**  
10am - 9pm Mon - Fri  
12 noon - 9pm Saturday  
Closed Sunday

## PARKING

**Premier Parking - Phone 9635 3033**

the perfect place to park

Discounted parking vouchers for the Hilton Premier Carpark are on sale at the foyer reception desk.

Collect parking ticket from machine upon entering the carpark. A prepaid voucher must be purchased from reception prior to exiting the carpark. Submit prepaid voucher and parking ticket when exiting. Late checkout penalties do apply.

**HILTON CARPARK** - Open 24 hours  
259 Pitt Street, Sydney CBD  
Access: Turn left into the Hilton Hotel entrance from Pitt Street – access via the 2nd driveway Premier Parking.

**Rates**

<b>\$45.00 Voucher</b>	<b>24 Hour Mon - Fri Multiple Access</b> <i>Calculated @ time of entry + 24 hours</i>
<b>\$25.00 Voucher</b>	<b>Weekends Multiple Access</b> <i>Valid from entry time until 9am the following morning</i>
<b>\$15.00 Voucher</b>	<b>Evening/Overnight Rate Single Entry/Exit</b> <i>Entry after 6pm - Exit before 9am the next morning</i>

The discounted parking options are offered by the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel to all guests as a service, however, it is ultimately the responsibility of the guests to ensure that they adhere to the entry/exit conditions that apply. This information is correct at the time of print and subject to change.

## DRESS REGULATIONS

*Club members and their guests are asked to observe the following dress regulations which have been approved by the Board to preserve the dignity of the Club.*

*Members and their guests attending "Cello's" after 6pm should be suitably attired. For gentlemen, a collared shirt with trousers or slacks is acceptable. A tie is not compulsory. For ladies, smart casual attire is acceptable, including tailored slacks. Slacks or tailored shorts with long socks and shoes, tailored shirt with short or long sleeves, is acceptable in all other food and beverage areas.*

*The Castlereagh hotel guests, as Temporary Members, are expected to observe the above dress regulations when availing themselves of the Club facilities.*

*The Club Management reserves the right to refuse any person not suitably attired admission to the Club.*

# SONG COMPANY



## 25TH ANNIVERSARY GALA DINNER & CONCERT

SATURDAY, 21 NOVEMBER, 2009

6:30PM – 11:00PM, CELLO'S RESTAURANT

\$200.00 PER TICKET

### *"A Night of Food and Song"*

Internationally renowned celebrity chef Tony Bilson in conjunction with David "Stix" Allison, Cello's resident chef will prepare a five course degustation banquet in the magnificent ambience of Cello's Restaurant.

Artistic director Roland Peelman will direct the Song Company in a program of classic songs drawn from its 25 year history.

***Proceeds of the Gala Dinner and Concert will benefit the Song Company Foundation Trust.***

#### About the Song Company:

2009 is the 25th Anniversary of Australia's leading vocal ensemble -The Song Company.

They are an extraordinary, stylistically diverse and adventurous ensemble that is made up of six professional singers, led by internationally acclaimed Artistic Director – Roland Peelman. In any performance, you might discover music from the 10th century to the present day, from any culture and perhaps even hear one of the 300 commissioned works produced by Australian composers for them. With the Song Company, the process of artistic development is as important as the delivery of each new concert. Each Song Company experience is a unique one - it will stir your senses, creating an inner resonance that will stay with you long after the performance has finished.

Regular international tours to Europe and Asia have taken The Song Company to some of the most prestigious festivals and venues around the world such as the Dubrovnik Festival, MDR Sommerfest, Festival of Flanders or the Dresdner Festspiele which have prompted great critical acclaim: "Their rendition was perfect, revealing a structural insight of utmost clarity (...) bringing back history unexpectedly fresh and alive." (Sachsische Zeitung, June 2004).

[www.songcompany.com.au](http://www.songcompany.com.au)

#### SONG COMPANY GALA DINNER & CONCERT

SATURDAY, 21 NOVEMBER, 2009

6.30PM

*Please reserve me:*

..... tables of 10 places at \$2,000 \$ .....

..... tables of 8 places at \$1,600 \$ .....

..... places at \$200 at a table with Name and telephone of Table Host (if known)

Name .....

Tel .....

☐ I attach a cheque for \$ ..... or

☐ Charge my credit card

Name on card .....

☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard Expiry Date .....

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Mail your order to The Song Company at Pier 5,  
The Wharf, Hickson Rd, Walsh Bay 2000

or fax this order to us at 9251 6100

If you have any queries or wish to order by phone call  
the Song Company on 8272 9500



Tony Bilson

David "Stix" Allison