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NEW SOUTH WALES MASONIC CLUB MAGAZINE

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Dear Fellow Members,

I begin by thanking those members who have enquired over the past six months about my health. Their concern and good wishes have been heartening. My doctor's report is good.

This edition of our magazine includes the Director's Report and

Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June and I commend these to your attention.

The regularity with which Registered Clubs in this state are seeking amalgamation or are simply closing is a matter of concern and it is against that background that you will be pleased to read that we have again made a profit.

On your behalf, I thank the Board, Management and Staff for their combined efforts, without which this result would not have been possible.

The massive construction to our immediate north and west continues to grow and is planned to be completed by January 2013. The General Manager and I, with the assistance of the Board, continue to ensure that inconvenience and noise are reduced as far as is possible so that our members and guests may continue to enjoy our great and improving amenities. The Club was again a finalist in the Deluxe Hotel category for a Tourism Award.

A busy social programme throughout the last year has been well supported by our members and we look forward to that support continuing.

As I write, nominations are being received for the Election of the Board to serve the Club for the period December 2011 to November 2013. The General Manager and I believe that those years will bring financial and other challenges and know that a strong Board will be an essential requisite in the successful management of those challenges. I urge you to look well to your ballot.

Finally I wish you well for the coming season and hope that you will enjoy a Holy and Happy Christmas and New Year.

With best wishes,

Graham L. Berry
President

Footnote: NSW Masonic Club Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 28th November at 1.00pm on Level 4, Cello's Restaurant.



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Hello members and guests and welcome to our spring edition of the members magazine. Since our last edition we have been very busy on a number of fronts here at the club and I will touch on these during my report.

Firstly I would like to send my best wishes to club stalwart Bill Jenkins, Bill is now 87 years old and he and life member Lindsay Payne have worked tirelessly over the years to assist fellow returned servicemen and Legacy with a profound dedication. Bill has in recent times not been well and after an extended stay in hospital is now at home resting. His current health issues have not diminished his enthusiasm at all, Bill our best wishes are extended to you and your family, & thank you.

The Board of Directors here at this club have been and are committed to a further upgrading of the eighty three accommodation rooms. This upgrade will see new carpeting throughout, we will be replacing all existing bedding with mahogany sleigh beds, a lighting upgrade will also be undertaken and all bathrooms are being re-tiled. These works are scheduled to be completed by mid December and when finished will add a further quality to our already imposing accommodation options.

Cellos restaurant on Level 4 will also be re-carpeted and new window furnishings installed throughout this work will be concluded by mid December in time for Christmas. As a result of a recent members survey an area that was also identified for improvement and it was the gaming operation on Level 2 in the Castlereagh Lounge. A reduction of gaming machines and new and updated gaming machines and furniture will be a feature of this program. This work is expected to be concluded by late October.

To conclude our current upgrade program for 2011/2012 in December and early in the new year we will also be replacing all our existing older style televisions in our accommodation rooms. They will be replaced with LCD flat screen panels and Ipod docking stations. As you would agree a very busy and progressive schedule soon to be completed for all members and hotel guests to enjoy well into the future.

We were pleased to have at our recently held Wine & Dine lunch Sir James & Lady Hardy as guests. Sir James entertained the large number in attendance with his recollections of his family's involvement in the wine industry and his achievements as a yachtsman, raconteur and vigneron. Those who were in attendance were very both pleased and delighted by both Sir James and Lady Hardy's presence at this luncheon with a theme of "Wind & Wine" being observed.

Your Club is soon to conduct Board bi-annual elections in November of this year and I would like to congratulate the current Board of Directors on their astute stewardship during the last two years. The several upgrades achieved during this period will be enjoyed for some time by members, guests and visitors alike. These upgrades will provide a solid commercial base and platform for all operations here at the Club & Hotel as we progress into the future.

A difficult but profitable trading outcome was identified in the 2010/2011 financial period and President Graham Berry will elaborate further in his column in this magazine about those results. It would be a fair to say that we did however notice a hangover from the global financial crisis with some tough times still expected on the horizon. As we all move towards the Melbourne Spring Racing Carnival and moreover the Melbourne Cup we note that Christmas will also be coming into frame and with the year slowly concluding I would like to thank the loyal and dedicated staff here at this Club for their contribution during 2011, a difficult job well done, thank you to all.

Warren Lewis

General Manager

NSWMC & Castlereagh Boutique Hotel

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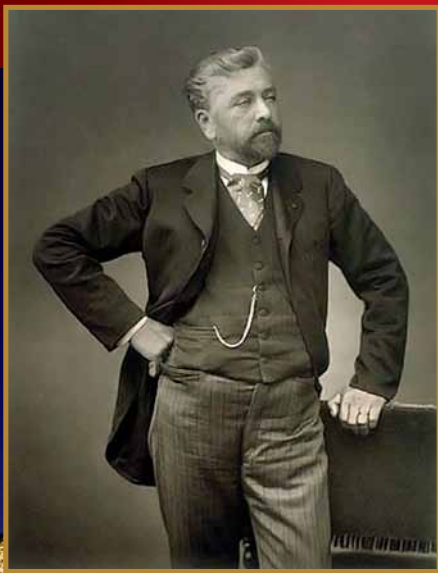
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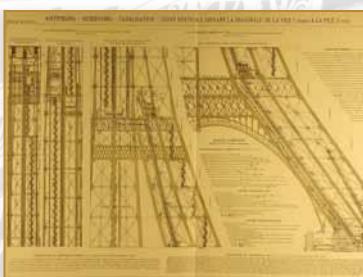
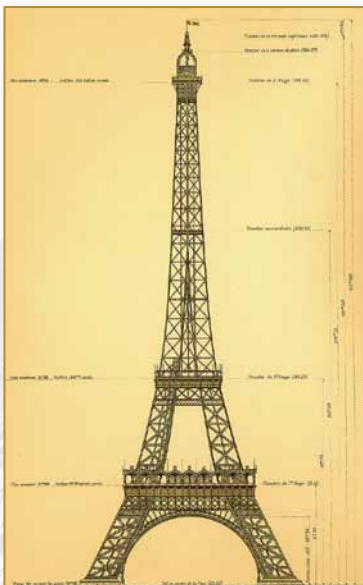
Famous Mason Series XVI

Alexandre Gustave Eiffel 1832 - 1923



EIFFEL TOWER FACTS

- Construction began on January 28, 1887 and the Tower was inaugurated on March 31, 1889. It took 2 years, 2 months, and 5 days to complete the construction
- More than 100 workers built the parts for the Eiffel Tower and 132 workers assembled the parts of the Eiffel Tower
- With antenna the Eiffel Tower is 324 metres tall
- There are 1,665 steps on the east staircase until the top
- The tower weighs 10,100 tons out of which 7,300 tons is fully metal
- There are about 18,000 metallic parts joined by 2,500,000 rivets
- 49.7 miles or 80 km length of wires run through the structure
- The Eiffel Tower is painted every 7 years and it requires 60 tons of paint to paint the entire tower
- Almost a quarter billion people visited Eiffel Tower ever since it was opened in 1889



Gustave Eiffel was born in Dijon, France in 1832. During his youth, Eiffel's uncles Jean-Baptiste Mollerat and Michel Perret spent a lot of time teaching him everything from chemistry and mining to religion and philosophy. After graduating high school and Sainte Barbe College he went on to study at the École Centrale des Arts et Manufactures in Paris - one of the top engineering schools in Europe - where he obtained a Master of Science degree in 1855.

Eiffel began his first job working at entry level with a company that designed railway bridges. He was one of many project managers for a railway bridge located in Bordeaux, France. During construction fellow engineers were steadily quitting and Eiffel eventually took charge of the entire project. Eiffel and continued to be provided with other positions that involved project management of railway bridges and structures. During these projects, Eiffel met other engineers who recommended him to work on other developments. Competition for projects was extremely high and the reputation of the engineer played a major role for obtaining projects.

Eiffel designed numerous bridges the most famous being the Maria Pia over the Douro at Oporto, Portugal (1876), spans 500 feet by a single arch, 200 feet above high-water level. Other notable

works include La Ruche in Paris, the Garabit Viaduct Garabit viaduct over the Truyère near Ruines, France, the central railway station in Santiago de Chile and the structure that supports the Statue of Liberty.

Gustave Eiffel built the Eiffel Tower for the Paris World's Fair of 1889, which honored the 100th anniversary of the French Revolution. An associate engineer on the Garabit viaduct, Maurice Koechlin, encouraged Eiffel in his design for the Paris exhibition tower and it was he who made the first sketches of the building. It was the factory-made components, fitted together on the site for the viaduct, that made the 984 foot high Eiffel Tower possible.

Each of the 12,000 different component parts of the tower was designed to counteract wind pressures, and 2,500,000 rivets were used to create a continuous structure.

After retirement he researched and developed new ideas through practical use of the Eiffel Tower. The tower enabled him to make advancements in aerodynamics, meteorology, and radio-broadcasting.

Eiffel died on December 27, 1923, listening to Beethoven's 5th. symphony andante, in his mansion on Rue Rabelais in Paris, France. He was interred in the Cimetière de Levallois-Perret.

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Masonic Lodge Meetings at the Club

For the first time in the Club's 120 year history, Masonic Lodge meetings are being held on Club premises.

The President, Mr. Graham Berry, said that the United Grand Lodge (UGL) has given approval for Lodge Verity (No. 570) to hold its regular meetings at the Club and the Lodge now meets on the fifth floor of the Club every second Tuesday of the month on a trial basis over one year.

Lodge Verity is a well-established Lodge with a history covering 85 years.

Verity previously met at the Drummoyne RSL Club but, as that Club has closed and the premises sold, new Lodge rooms were required. Following lengthy negotiations, The UGL have granted approval for future meeting to be held at the NSW Masonic Club.

Mr. Berry said that The Masonic Club is pleased that it is able to provide accommodation for Lodge Verity which further enhances the traditional link and this between the Club and the Masonic movement. He said that he anticipated a long and cordial association.

He went on to suggest that Club Members who may wish to investigate membership of Freemasonry or, indeed, existing Freemasons who may like to affiliate with Lodge Verity, should contact the Lodge Secretary, Mr. Graham McKay.

Mr. Berry said that Mr. McKay can be contacted on 'phone 0410 588 590 or by e-mail at graham.mckay@ato.gov.au.

NEW MEMBERS

April 2011 - September 2011

- Ms D. Alex, Business Owner
- Miss J. Allen, Retired
- Mr A. Anthony, Manager
- Mr B. Archbold, Lawyer
- Mr H. Ayshan, Academic
- Mr C. Ballantine, Retired Accountant
- Mr A. Banks, Industrial Engineering Supplier
- Mr F. Bladwell, Retired
- Mr R. Bloomfield, Retired
- Mr W. Booth, Public Accountant
- Mr K. Brayshaw, Woolbuyer
- Ms S. Burns, Quality Control Manager
- Mrs C. Butcher, Retired
- Ms P. Campbell-Hardwick, Teacher & Performer
- Mrs P. Chapman, Retired
- Mr A. Collis, Retired
- Mr P. Compton
- Mr B. Del Munns, National Complaints Mgr
- Miss A. Delaney, Retired Biochemist
- Mrs F. Devery, Retired
- Mr J. Dupree, Barrister/Grazier
- Mr D. Eyb, Retired Police Inspector
- Mr R. Forbath, Retired
- Mr K. Formay, SF Retiree
- Mr M. Foster, Retired
- Mrs E. Giles, Retired
- Dr J. Goldberg, Retired Academic
- Mrs M. Goodyer, Retired School Teacher
- Ms F. Gordon
- Miss J. Gormly, Retired
- Dr L.S. Green, Clinical Psychology
- Mr G. Green, Retired
- Mr J. Hadrill, Farmer/Grazier
- Mr B. Hammond, Retired
- Mr G. Hearl, Solicitor
- Miss P. Heasty, Retired
- Mr W. Horsnell, Financier
- Mr G. Houston, Event Management
- Mr C. Hurley, Archivist
- Mr G. Hurrell, Chef/Food Development
- Mr M. Ingamells, Retired
- Mr E. Jennings, Correctional Officer
- Mr B. Jones
- Ms C. Killinger, Retired
- Mrs I. Kirkpatrick, Housewife
- Mr H. Kronenberg, Managing Director
- Mrs F. Lansley, Ret Co Director
- Mr R. Lewis, Education
- Mr G. McKay, Public Servant
- Mrs M. Meehan
- Mr G. Mercer, Retired
- Mr H.D. Morgan, Retired CEO
- Mr O. O'Brien, Retired
- Mrs P. O'Brien, Registered Nurse
- Mrs M. O'Neill, Home Duties

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 119th Annual General Meeting of the New South Wales Masonic Club will be held in the fourth floor Dining Room on Monday 28th November 2011 at 1:00pm.

BUSINESS AGENDA

Item No 1

Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 23rd November 2010.

Item No 2

To receive and consider the Report of Directors, the Balance Sheet and Accounts for the year ended 30th June 2011 and the Auditors' Report thereon.

Item No 3

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

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 comprise 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 \$8000.
- (ii) (a) That the Convenor (Chairman) of each of the House Supply & Staff Committee and the Finance Committee be allowed to order food and beverages in the Club at a cost of \$4,500;
- (b) That the other Members of the Board be allowed to order food and beverages in the Club at a cost of \$4,500.
- (iii) That the allowances for food and beverages referred to earlier in this 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 that 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:

- (i) That the President be paid an Honorarium of \$15,000 until the next Annual General.
- (ii) (a) That the Convenor (Chairman) of the House Supply & Staff Committee and the Finance Committee be paid an Honorarium of \$6000 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 \$4000 until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club.
- (iii) That each other Director be paid an Honorarium of \$3,000 until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club.

FIFTH 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 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 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 the resolution has been assessed having regard to sums approved at last years Annual General Meeting for these benefits.

PASSING OF RESOLUTIONS:

The Ordinary Resolutions require a simple majority of Members present and 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 Constitution.

By order of the Board

Warren Lewis – General Manager

Dated: 7th October 2011



New Spring / Summer Menu

Entrée

TARTARE OF TASMANIAN SALMON, garnished with crème fraîche, dill, salmon caviar & crisp toast
e \$15 m \$23

FINE DUCK AND SHALLOT PANCAKE with plum & chili confit, rocket and micro herb salad finished with raspberry vinaigrette e \$18 m \$24

SMOKED SALMON and goat's cheese risotto with wild rocket e \$17 m \$26

REFRESHING THAI BEEF SALAD e \$15 m \$20

Mains

GRILLED FISH FILLET OF THE DAY served on warm herb and potato salad, steamed green asparagus and saffron – lime beurre blanc, garnished with grilled cherry tomatoes \$28

FREE-RANGE CHICKEN BREAST stuffed with double brie and apricots, on creamy potato mash, steamed broccolini and lemon hollandaise \$26

GRILLED GRASS-FED PORK LOIN CUTLET on beetroot, walnut risotto sautéed green beans and green peppercorn sauce \$27

HOMEMADE LAMB SHANK PIE on a light garlic mash, spinach and port wine Reduction \$23

GRAS- FED AGED KING ISLAND RUMP STEAK with fresh king prawns sweet potato mash, seasonal vegetables and creamy diane sauce \$26

SPICY VEGETABLE AND TOFU CURRY with steamed rice and crisp coriander \$21

VEGETARIAN MEAL IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

Sides

French fries \$7

Butter sautéed seasonal greens \$7

Crisp Mesclun lettuce with aged balsamic vinaigrette \$7

Creamy potato mash \$7

Dessert

CRISP BATTERED STRAWBERRIES ON CINNAMON RISOTTO wild berry coulis, chantilly cream and vanilla bean ice cream \$16

CHOCOLATE LAVA PUDDING chocolate pudding with a soft centre that melts into the cake, served with warm chocolate – brandy sauce, fresh cream and vanilla ice cream \$15

TASMANIAN CHEESES with lavosh crisp bread roasted walnuts and candied fruits \$17

TRIO OF MANGO CHOCOLATE & LEMON GELATO \$10

GLUTEN FREE PEAR AND RASPBERRY TARTLET fresh cream & lemon sorbet \$13

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MELBOURNE CUP DAY LUNCHEON

Tuesday 1st November

One of the highlights of the social calendar featuring a three course menu with one 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!



MENU

King prawns and spicy crab salad with mango, chilli, cucumber & watercress

Slow roasted free range chicken breast filled with apricot and Tasmanian Brie, served on lemon herb risotto, green asparagus and tomato hollandaise sauce

Traditional French Creme Brûlée with wild berry compote & chantilly cream

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 7th December
2nd Christmas Lunch - Wednesday 14th 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

Sunday 25th December

4 course Traditional Christmas Lunch inclusive of a 3 hour drinks package and a small gift for everyone

MENU

King Prawn and spicy crab salad with mango, chilli, cucumber & watercress

Lemon Sorbet

Roast turkey and ham with traditional Christmas trimmings

Christmas plum pudding, warm brandy sauce with cream & vanilla bean ice cream

Please advise in advance if Special Diet is required

Freshly brewed coffee or tea

Venue: Cello's Restaurant, Level 4

Time: 12 Noon to 3pm

Price: Member \$110 Non-member \$120

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



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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

Your directors present their report on the New South Wales Masonic Club, a Company, (the "Club") for the financial year ended 30 June 2011.

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

Graham Leonard Berry

Elected to the Board in 2001.

Vice President in 2003. Acting President from 6 October 2004.

President since 28 November 2005.

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

Stephen George Bates, B.Bus, CA.

Elected to the Board in 1996.

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

Special Responsibilities: Treasurer; Member, Finance Committee.

John William Barron

Elected to the Board on 3 August 2005.

Occupation: Retired Property Consultant.

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

Graham William Byrne, BA

Elected to the Board on 26 November 2007.

Occupation: Managing Director, Graham Byrne & Associates Pty Ltd, Management Consultants.

Special Responsibilities: Convenor, Finance Committee.

Francis (Frank) Mervyn Deane, Dip. Law

Elected to the Board on 1 August 2007.

Elected Vice President on 1 July 2009.

Occupation: Retired Solicitor.

Special Responsibilities: Vice President; Convenor, House Supply and Staff Committee.

John Joseph Moore

Elected to the Board on 2 July 2008.

Occupation: Public Relations Consultant & Authorised Marriage Celebrant.

Special Responsibilities: Member, House Supply and Staff Committee.

Stephen Caldwell Wearne FCA

Elected to the Board on 2 March 2005.

Occupation: Director, Boroughs Australia Pty Ltd, Chartered Accountants.

Special Responsibilities: Member, Finance Committee.

James Grant Henningham B.Ec (Hons)

Elected to the Board on 1 July 2009.

Occupation: Consultant.

Special Responsibilities: Member, House Supply and Staff Committee

Peter Zeilic, B. Sc., B. Arch, M. Proj Mgmt

Elected to the Board on 23 November 2009.

Occupation: Architect.

Special Responsibilities: Member, Finance Committee.

Directors have been in office since the start

of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

Meetings of Directors

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

	Board	Committees
GL Berry	12/12	25/25
SG Bates	10/12	9/12
SC Wearne	11/12	11/12
JW Barron	8/12	5/12
FM Deane	12/12	13/13
GW Byrne	12/12	12/12
JJ Moore	10/12	11/12
JG Henningham	11/12	11/12
P Zeilic	10/12	10/12

Company Secretary

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

Club's Objectives

The Club's short term objectives are to:

- Provide its Members with bars, restaurant/ bistro, meeting rooms, function rooms, card room and gaming facilities and a high quality of service;
- Provide Members and guests with high quality accommodation facilities;
- Provide Members and guests with service of the highest practical level;
- Provide Members and guests with a high standard of food and beverage offering; and
- Provide appropriate training for staff.

The Club's long term objectives are to:

- Continually upgrade the quality of the hotel in order to maximise its commercial returns for the overall betterment of the Club and the facilities it provides to its Members; and
- Continually upgrade the quality of service offered by staff.

To achieve these objectives the Club has adopted the following strategies:

- Development of an integrated capital improvements program funded from retained

and current earnings;

- Development of a refurbishment and maintenance program designed to uphold the heritage status of the building and enhance the quality of the facilities available to Members; and
- Maintenance of best practice technology to maximise returns from accommodation and ancillary revenue streams for the benefit of the Club.

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Club during the year were to provide Members with amenities and facilities usually associated with a Licensed Social Club and to operate a boutique hotel at not less than a four-star standard. No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

These activities have assisted in achieving the short and long term objectives of the Club by being consistent in all respects with those objectives.

The Club measures its performance against its short and long term objectives by:

- Conducting surveys of Members;
- Monitoring financial performance against projected cash flows and forecasts on a regular basis;
- Encouraging and responding to feedback on its website;
- Encouraging and responding to comments made by hotel guests; and
- Encouraging and responding to comments made by Members.

Operating Results

The profit for the year amounted to \$540,497 (2010 - \$773,711) after allowing for income tax expense. The 2010 result was significantly impacted by the gain on sale of heritage floor space.

Review of Operations

Despite increasing competition across the industry during the year the Club achieved a substantial increase in occupancy rates. This was partially offset by lower average room rates and resulted in an improvement in the contribution made by the accommodation segment to the Club's overall results. The contribution achieved from all of the Club's operational areas was \$321,000 higher than the previous year. Investment and other revenue was \$36,000 lower than the previous year, and combined with cost increases of \$77,000, the Club's operating profit before tax and one-off items increased by \$210,000 compared to the previous year.

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 capital 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 information would potentially result in unreasonable prejudice against the Club.

Significant Changes in State of Affairs

Other than matters referred to elsewhere in this report, 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, other than complying with the regulations relating to smoking within the Club's premises.

Proceedings on behalf of the Club

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.

Liability of Members on a Winding Up

For every class of membership the amount for which every Member is liable to contribute if the Club is wound up is:

- (i) Such amount as may be required not exceeding \$4.00;
- (ii) In the event that the liability of any Member of any class becomes unlimited, then such other amount as may be required according to the circumstances in which that event occurred. Any Member's liability becomes unlimited if that Member makes (or knowingly consents to or assists in the making of) an unauthorised payment or transfer of any part of the income or property of the Club to any Member or former Member of the Club or to any person claiming through them.

If the Club is wound up the total amount payable by all Members of every class will, except in any case of unlimited liability, be not more than an amount equal to the number of Members of every class multiplied by \$4.00.

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

At 30 June 2011 total Members numbered 2,399, comprising 882 Mason Members, 1,447 Associate Members, 42 Gold Members, 1 Patron, 1 Life Member and 26 Honorary Members.

Core Property

The Core Property of the Club as at 30 June 2011 was the property known as 169-171 Castlereagh Street, Sydney.

As at that date the Non-Core Property of the Club was nil.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

The auditor's independence declaration as required under s 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out below.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:

GRAHAM L BERRY STEPHEN G BATES
(President) (Treasurer & Director)

Dated: 5th day of October 2011

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 2011 there have been:

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

MEAGHER, HOWARD & WRIGHT

Ken Wright

Date: 5th day of October 2011

Suite 505, Level 5
55 Grafton St
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NEW MEMBERS

April 2011 - September 2011

Mr S. Page, Public Servant
Mr D. Parker, National Procurement Mgr
Mr J. Patterson, Company Director
Mjr K. Petersen, Officer, Royal Aust Engineers
Mr D. Pilkington, Serviceman
Mr A. B. Pitt, Company Director
Mr B. Potter, Manager NSW Ambulance
Mr A. Punzet, General Engineering
Mr N. Ramsden, Company Director
Dr P. Robinson, Doctor of Psychology
Mr D. Rodin, Hotel Manager
Mrs C. Rogers, Chartered Accountant
Mr D. Savage, Project Manager
Mr G. Sayed, Self Employed
Mr G. Scoullar, Managing Director
Mr M. Shearer, Fire Protection Technician
Mrs B. St. Heaps, Retired Pre School Teacher
Mr H. Stone, Training Consultant
Mrs M. Thomas, Retired
Mr M. Thomas, Draughtsman
Mr J. Townsend, Public Servant
Rev G. Usher, Unitarian Minister
Mrs S. Waters, Director of Nursing Service Mg
Mr L. Westfallen, Retired
Dr G. Winch, Author
Mr E. Wood, Retired
Ms W. Yeoman, Teacher
Mr B. Murray, Barrister - Law
Mrs M. Outerbridge, Registered Nurse
Mr P. Owens, Draftsman
Mr E. Paul, Retired
Mr M. Pinnock AM, Retired Mining CEO
Ms J. Pittard, Learning & Dev Consultant
Mr M. Powell, Farmer
Mr P. Rees, Lawyer/Mediator
Mr D. Roser, Retired Engineer, RAAF Officer
Mr W. Rossie, Roling Structural Integrator
Mr D. Scarlett, Solicitor
Mrs H. Scott, Optometrist
Mrs E. Smith, Retired Tour Operator
Mr B. Steege, Investor
Mr R. Stemp, Retired
Mr A. Stuht, Royal Australian Navy
Mr H. Sycamore, Retired
Mr B. Tomlinson, Business Analyst
Mr J. Towey, Banker
Ms D. Voican, Graphic Designer
Mrs M. Warburton, Home Duties
Mrs D. Webb, Retired
Mrs. Weekes, Retired
Mr B. Wharton, Architectural Assistant
Ms M. Wilcox, Pharmacist
Prof G. Willett, Senior Visting Fellow UNSW
Mr S. Williamson, RAAF
Prof D. Yates, Physician

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

(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 Club's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Held to maturity investments are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to mature within 12 months after reporting date, which will be classified as current assets.

(iv) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative financial assets that are either not capable of being 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.

Available-for-sale financial assets are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to mature within 12 months after reporting date, which will be classified as current assets.

(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 the end of each reporting period, the Club assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a significant or prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether an impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual rights to receipt of cash flows expire or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the Club 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, which is 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 and loss.

(e) Impairment of Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Club assesses whether there is any indication that an asset has been impaired. If such an indication

exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the statement of comprehensive income.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Club estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

(f) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the Club'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. In determining the liability, consideration is given to employee wage increases and the probability that the employees may not satisfy vesting requirements. Those cash flows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cash flows.

(g) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Club 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.

Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at reporting date.

(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 statement of financial position.

(i) Revenue

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

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

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

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method.

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).

(j) 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 Australian Taxation 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 statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

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

(k) Comparative Figures

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

The financial report was authorised for issue on 5 October 2011 by the directors of the Club.

Castlereagh Lounge

Lunch served:

Monday - Friday

12 Noon - 2.30pm



SOUP OF THE DAY with crusty bread roll **6.50**

SANDWICHES selection **6.50**

CROQUE MONSIEUR SERVED WITH FRENCH FRIES traditional french toasted ham, cheese sandwich topped with Gruyere cheese sauce **10.00**

THAI BEEF SALAD (gluten free) **15.00**

GRILLED LAMBS FRY potato mash, grilled bacon, fried onions & gravy **13.00**

GRILLED MALAYSIAN CHICKEN SATAY three skewers with house salad & rice **14.50**

VIENNESE CHICKEN SCHNITZEL with chips, salad & gravy **14.50**

THAI CHICKEN & VEGETABLE CURRY with jasmine rice **16.00**

HEINEKEN BEER-BATTERED BARRAMUNDI FILLET with chips, salad & lemon aioli **15.50**

GRILLED FISH OF THE DAY with potato mash, vegetables & hollandaise sauce **17.00**

HERB & PARMESAN CRUMBED PORK LOIN CUTLET on potato mash, peas & jus **17.00**

GRILLED GRAIN-FED AGED RUMP STEAK with chips, house salad & béarnaise sauce **18.00**

FRENCH FRIES tomato sauce **6.00**

WEDGES sour cream & sweet chilli **7.00**

SEASONAL VEGETABLES **5.00**

SIDE SALAD **5.00**

CHEESE PLATE crisp bread & candied fruits **16.00**

CAKES selection from **3.50**

ICE CREAM & GELATOS (per scoop, flavours: vanilla, chocolate, strawberry, Mango or lemon) **2.50**

ESPRESSO COFFEE **4.00**

SELECTION OF TEA **3.50**

HOT CHOCOLATE **3.50**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
NOTE 2: REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME		
Sales of goods and provision of services	3,046,897	2,876,289
Poker machine takings	48,349	63,092
Rent received	49,519	151,430
Members subscriptions	101,378	112,256
Room hire	38,436	42,999
Interest received	126,089	51,482
Dividends received	24,548	22,130
Other	1,840	936
Total revenue	<u>3,437,056</u>	<u>3,320,614</u>

Other income:

Net gain on available-for-sale financial assets at fair value (after tax effect)	14,943	17,033
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Gain on disposal of Heritage Floor Space (see note below)	-	<u>1,052,896</u>
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The sale of Heritage Floor Space in 2010 was approved by the Members of the Club at its Annual General Meeting on 28 November 2005.

Net gain on fair value of financial assets has been determined with reference to the market value of the investments at reporting date.

NOTE 3: PROFIT BEFORE INCOME TAX

(a) Expenses

Depreciation of buildings	70,000	70,000
Depreciation of plant and equipment	224,084	224,038
Bad debts written off - trade and other receivables	-	-

NOTE 4: INCOME TAX EXPENSE

The components of tax expense comprise:

Current tax	(295,426)	275,462
Deferred tax	<u>(6,600)</u>	<u>32,499</u>
	<u>(302,026)</u>	<u>307,961</u>

The prima facie tax on profit from ordinary activities before income tax is reconciled to the income tax as follows:

Prima facie tax payable	71,541	324,502
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Less tax effect of:

Prior year adjustment – tax expense relating to sale of Heritage Floor Space	(308,009)	-
Tax effect of mutuality rate change on timing differences	(12,808)	-
Franked dividends received	(5,041)	(5,502)
Net non-allowable/non-assessable items	(7,008)	-
Net mutual income and non allowable items	<u>(40,701)</u>	<u>(11,039)</u>

Income Tax Expense/(Benefit)	<u>(302,026)</u>	<u>307,961</u>
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The applicable weighted average effective tax rates are:	<u>2.5%</u>	<u>28.5%</u>
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Included in the prior year's income tax expense above, and the related income tax payable (note 12), is the tax effect of the gain on sale of the Club's rights to Heritage Floor Space which were sold during the 2010 financial year. The directors have obtained legal advice that the Club has no obligation to capital gains tax ("CGT") in relation to this transaction. As a consequence the CGT previously provided for in the accounts in 2010 has been reversed in 2011.

The applicable weighted average effective tax rate for 2011 is calculated before the income tax benefit arising from the reversal of the CGT relating to the sale of Heritage Floor Space in 2010.

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
NOTE 5: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash on hand	32,000	32,000
Cash at bank	<u>536,590</u>	<u>371,733</u>
	<u>568,590</u>	<u>403,733</u>

NOTE 6: TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

Current

Trade receivables	80,160	68,362
Provision for impairment	-	-
Other receivables	<u>12,606</u>	<u>26,573</u>
	<u>92,766</u>	<u>94,935</u>

Lease commitments receivable

Future minimum lease payments receivable from non-cancellable operating leases at reporting date:

Receivable -		
Not later than one year	46,820	4,000
Later than one year and not later than five years	<u>163,870</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>210,690</u>	<u>4,000</u>

Lease receivables relate to premises owned and let by the Club.

NOTE 7: FINANCIAL ASSETS

Current

Fixed interest deposits	1,830,541	1,728,600
Available-for-sale financial assets at fair value		
- shares in listed corporations	<u>385,811</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>2,216,352</u>	<u>1,728,600</u>

Non-Current

Available-for-sale financial assets at fair value		
- shares in listed corporations	<u>173,772</u>	<u>527,300</u>

Available-for-sale financial assets comprise investments in the ordinary share capital of various entities. There are no fixed returns or fixed maturity dates attached to these investments

NOTE 8: INVENTORIES

Current - at cost

Raw materials		
- Beverages and consumables	35,947	30,000
- Car parking vouchers	<u>6,645</u>	<u>5,991</u>
	<u>42,592</u>	<u>35,991</u>

NOTE 9: OTHER ASSETS

Prepayments	<u>51,271</u>	<u>45,691</u>
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NOTE 10: PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

(a) Land and Buildings

Freehold land at independent valuation 2011	10,000,000	-
Freehold land at directors' valuation 2010	-	9,500,000
	<u>10,000,000</u>	<u>9,500,000</u>

Buildings, lifts and integral plant and equipment at independent valuation 2011	7,500,000	-
Buildings and lifts at directors' valuation 2010	-	7,000,000
Accumulated depreciation	-	(192,500)
	<u>7,500,000</u>	<u>6,807,500</u>

Building improvements – at cost	-	62,176
Accumulated depreciation	-	(8,781)
	-	<u>53,395</u>

Total buildings	<u>7,500,000</u>	<u>6,860,895</u>
Total land and buildings	<u>17,500,000</u>	<u>16,360,895</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

	2011 \$	2010 \$
NOTE 10: PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT CONT.		
(b) Plant and Equipment		
Plant, furniture and equipment – at cost	1,304,393	5,754,107
Accumulated depreciation	(930,321)	(3,867,265)
	<u>374,072</u>	<u>1,886,842</u>
Capital works in progress	160,734	5,328
Total plant and equipment	<u>534,806</u>	<u>1,892,170</u>
Total property, plant and equipment	<u>18,034,806</u>	<u>18,253,065</u>

Movements in carrying amounts

The movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year:

	Freehold Land \$	Buildings \$	Plant and Equipment \$	Total \$
Balance at the beginning of the year	9,500,000	6,860,895	1,892,170	18,253,065
Independent revaluation	500,000	(300,385)	(416,994)	(217,379)
Reclassifications	-	898,828	(898,828)	-
Additions	-	110,662	185,565	296,227
Disposals	-	-	(3,023)	(3,023)
Depreciation	-	(70,000)	(224,084)	(294,084)
Carrying amount at the end of the year	<u>10,000,000</u>	<u>7,500,000</u>	<u>534,806</u>	<u>18,034,806</u>

Asset revaluations

The freehold land and buildings were independently valued at 30 June 2011 by Andrew Nock Pty Limited. The valuation was based on fair value less cost to sell. The critical assumptions adopted in determining the valuation included the location of the land and buildings, recent sales data for land and buildings in the area and took into account the heritage status of the building. The valuation resulted in a valuation decrement of \$217,379 being recognised in the revaluation reserve for the year ended 30 June 2011.

NOTE 11: TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

Current

Trade payables	125,232	100,491
Sundry payables and accrued expenses	113,139	125,316
Employee benefits	<u>228,020</u>	<u>215,187</u>
	<u>466,391</u>	<u>440,994</u>

Financial liabilities at amortised cost classified as trade and other payables:

Total current	466,391	440,994
Total non-current	-	-
Less employee leave entitlements	<u>(228,020)</u>	<u>(215,187)</u>
Financial liabilities as trade and other payables	<u>238,371</u>	<u>225,807</u>

Credit standby arrangements with banks

Credit facility	-	750,000
Amount utilised at balance date	-	-
Unused credit facility	<u>-</u>	<u>750,000</u>

The facility was a \$750,000 thirty three month variable rate bill discount facility and was cancelled during the financial year.

The bank has discharged its security over the Club's assets in relation to this facility.

	2011 \$	2010 \$
NOTE 12: TAX Liabilities		
Current		
Income tax payable	<u>12,583</u>	<u>270,154</u>
Non Current		
Deferred tax liability comprises:		
Revaluation adjustments taken directly to equity	-	17,500
Provisions	-	(9,132)
	<u>-</u>	<u>8,368</u>
Assets		
Deferred tax assets comprise:		
Provisions and accruals	58,079	29,181
Revaluation adjustments taken directly to equity	(23,904)	-
Capital losses carried forward	<u>19,381</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>53,556</u>	<u>29,181</u>

Net Deferred Tax Assets		
Current	47,717	29,181
Non-current	<u>5,839</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>53,556</u>	<u>29,181</u>

NOTE 13: PROVISIONS

	Long-term Employee Benefits \$	Audit Fees \$
Opening balance at 1 July 2010	160,147	20,000
Additional provisions raised during the year	21,878	17,300
Amounts used	<u>(14,451)</u>	<u>(17,300)</u>
Balance at 30 June 2011	<u>167,574</u>	<u>20,000</u>
Analysis of total provisions		
Current	117,290	101,039
Non-current	<u>70,284</u>	<u>79,108</u>
	<u>187,574</u>	<u>180,147</u>

A provision has been recognised for employee benefits relating to long service leave for employees. In calculating the present value of future cash flows in respect of long service leave, the probability of long service leave being taken is based upon the historical data. The measurement and recognition criteria for employee benefits have been included in Note 1(f).

NOTE 14: OTHER LIABILITIES

Current

Subscriptions received in advance	53,634	53,966
Advance booking deposits	<u>16,745</u>	<u>10,442</u>
	<u>70,379</u>	<u>64,408</u>

Non-Current

Security deposits held relating to leased premises	<u>4,292</u>	<u>-</u>
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NOTE 15: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The following benefits were provided to directors and their guests under the terms of the Club's constitution:

Meetings – food and beverages	9,422	11,129
Accommodation and travelling	-	1,756
Club entertainment and promotion	418	8,010
President's dinner	7,290	7,070
Board ladies night	1,513	1,359
Professional development	1,143	2,656
Food and beverage allowance - directors	18,132	14,675
Directors fees paid or payable to all directors of the Club	<u>31,515</u>	<u>52,708</u>

	No.	No.
The number of directors whose income from the Club fell within the following band:		
\$0 - \$10,000	9	10

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

NOTE 16: RESERVES

(a) Capital Profits Reserve

The capital profits reserve records profits on sale of non-current assets.

(b) Revaluation Surplus

The revaluation surplus records revaluations of non-current assets.

(c) Financial Assets Reserve

The financial assets reserve records revaluation of financial assets.

NOTE 17: CAPITAL AND LEASING COMMITMENTS

(a) Finance lease commitments

There are no commitments (2010 – nil).

(b) Operating lease commitments

There are no commitments (2010 – nil).

(c) Capital expenditure commitments

There were no capital expenditure commitments contracted for at the reporting date (2010 – nil).

NOTE 18: FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Club's financial instruments consist primarily of deposits with banks, local money market instruments, short-term investments, accounts receivable and payable, listed securities and leases.

Totals for each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB 139 as detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements, are as follows:

Financial Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	568,590	403,733
Loans and receivables	1,923,307	1,823,535
Available-for-sale financial assets, at fair value:		
Listed investments	<u>559,584</u>	<u>527,300</u>
Total Financial Assets	<u>3,051,481</u>	<u>2,754,568</u>

Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities at amortised cost

Trade and other payables	<u>238,371</u>	<u>225,807</u>
Total Financial Liabilities	<u>238,371</u>	<u>225,807</u>

NOTE 19: MEMBERS' GUARANTEE

The Club is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. If the Club is wound up, the Memorandum of Association states that each Member is required to contribute a maximum of \$4 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the Club. At the reporting date the number of Members was 2,433 (2010 – 2,587).

In any case, where a Member has been in breach of paragraph 4 of the Club's constitution, entitled "Memorandum of Association", the liability of a Member on winding up is unlimited. Please refer to "Liability of Members on a Winding Up" as set out in the Directors' Report.



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parties, meetings, celebrations!

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NOTE 20: SPECIAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The Registered Clubs Act (as amended) requires the Club to include the following information in its annual report to Members in relation to the financial year:

- Number of employee remuneration packages equal to or more than \$100,000:
Band:
\$170,000 and \$180,000 1
- Financial interest acquired in a hotel declared as required. Nil
- Purpose and details of overseas travel by a director, secretary or manager of the Club. Nil
- Total profits from gaming machines in the Club during the 12 month period ended 30 November in the financial year to which this report relates. \$64,200
- Amount applied by the Club to community development and support during the 12 month period ended 30 November in the financial year to which this report relates. Nil
- Loans made to employees of the Club. Nil
- There was no contract approved under Section 41M of the Act which was entered into by the Club.
- No consultant to the Club was paid in excess of \$30,000.
- Total consultancy fees paid. Nil
- There was no settlement made with a Member of the governing body or employee as a result of a legal dispute.
- No legal fees were paid on behalf of a Member of the governing body or an employee.
- There are no employees of the Club who are close relatives of a top executive as defined by Section 41B(1) of the Act.
- The Core Property of the Club as at 30 June 2011 was the property known as 169-171 Castlereagh Street, Sydney. As at that date the Non-Core Property of the Club was nil.

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The directors of the New South Wales Masonic Club (the "Company") declare that:

- The financial statements and notes are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and:
 - comply with Accounting Standards; and
 - give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2011 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

GRAHAM L. BERRY
(President)

Stephen G. Bates

STEPHEN G. BATES
(Treasurer & Director)

Dated: 5th day of October 2011

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2011

	Note	2011 \$	2010 \$
Income			
Trading profit	1,782,191	1,440,678	
Poker machine profit (excluding depreciation)	53,917	68,923	
Members subscriptions	101,378	112,256	
Donations	436	-	
Rent received	49,519	151,430	
Room hire	38,436	42,999	
Interest received	126,089	51,482	
Dividends received	24,548	22,130	
Sundry income	1,404	936	
Profit (loss) on sale of plant and equipment	-	1,052,896	
		<u>2,177,918</u>	<u>2,943,730</u>
Expenses			
Indirect trading expenses	289,735	265,648	
General overhead expenses	424,492	406,341	
Administration expenses	641,175	597,466	
Bad debts	-	-	
Auditors' remuneration			
Audit fees	17,300	9,822	
Accountancy, secretarial and taxation services	6,350	2,500	
Donations	3,106	5,500	
Social amenities and activities	62,059	56,350	
Directors and related persons' benefits	15	54,070	64,087
Directors fees	31,515	52,708	
Depreciation			
Plant and equipment	224,084	222,963	
Building	70,000	71,075	
Rates and taxes	115,561	107,598	
		<u>1,939,447</u>	<u>1,862,058</u>
Profit before income tax		238,471	1,081,672
Income tax (expense)/benefit	4	302,026	(307,961)
Profit after income tax		<u>540,497</u>	<u>773,711</u>

TRADING ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2011

	ACCOM	REAGH BAR	CELLOS	LOUNGE BAR	TOTAL 2011	TOTAL 2010
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
INCOME						
Sales	2,710,915	83,364	167,504	85,114	3,046,897	2,876,290
EXPENSES						
Cost of Sales	-	31,679	62,990	33,510	128,179	104,829
Gross Profit	2,710,915	51,685	104,514	51,604	2,918,718	2,771,461
Direct Labour Expenses	787,923	46,377	67,784	116,126	1,018,210	943,229
Direct expenses	103,560	407	13,370	980	118,317	387,554
	891,483	46,784	81,154	117,106	1,136,527	1,330,783
TRADING PROFIT	1,819,432	4,901	23,360	(65,502)	1,782,191	1,440,678

POKER MACHINE OPERATING ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2011

	2011 \$	2010 \$
Net takings	<u>48,349</u>	<u>63,092</u>
Less direct expenses		
Depreciation/amortisation	4,900	5,536
Repairs and maintenance	24	1,595
Market Day prizes and raffles	(1,057)	(675)
Sundries	-	-
Transitional GST funding	(4,535)	(6,751)
	<u>(668)</u>	<u>(295)</u>
Trading profit	<u>49,017</u>	<u>63,387</u>

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

Abridged Version

We have audited the accompanying financial report of New South Wales Masonic Club (the "Company"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2011, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration of the Company at the year's end or from time to time during the financial year.

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 5 October 2011, 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 the 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 2011 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) as described in Note 1 and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

Name of Firm: Meagher Howard & Wright

Name of Partner: Ken Wright

Address: P O Box 653
Bondi Junction NSW 1355

Signed:



Dated this 5th day of October 2011.



Friday Long Lunches

Cello's Restaurant Friday 12-3pm

Oct 28 Elizabeth Geyer - Vocalist

Nov 18 Carlos Perez - Spanish Guitarist

Dec 2 Elizabeth Geyer - Vocalist

Regular Friday Artist

Ces Dorcey on piano

CELLO'S CHRISTMAS MENU

Canapés on arrival

Entrée

Warm duck & shallot pancake with sweet plum & chilli sauce
or
King Prawn and spicy crab salad with mango, chilli,
cucumber & watercress

Main Course

Roast turkey & ham with traditional Christmas trimmings
or
Grilled Queensland Barramundi fillet on herb risotto cake,
broccolini with saffron vin blanc

Dessert

Christmas plum pudding, warm brandy sauce with cream
& vanilla bean ice cream
or
Traditional creme brûlée with chantilly cream & fresh
berry compote

Freshly brewed coffee or tea

COST

2 course \$40.00 / 3 course \$50.00

(2 course - entrée & main or main & dessert with coffee)

Available: Wednesday to Friday Lunch

Special Christmas Menu - no members discount

Pre-ordered set menu for bookings over 20 people

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS & EVENTS



Photo Top: (L-R) Sir James Hardy OBE, Lady Joan Hardy, Thelma Hedger, Frank Deane, Joan Mackenzie & Graham Berry at the Dine & Wine Tasting Luncheon

Photos Bottom: (L-R) Club Members enjoy the Scottish Highland Day Luncheon ; The Scottish Bagpipers perform the Haggis Ritual

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

Public Schools Club Inc.

207 East Terrace, Adelaide SA 5000
Reservations: 08 8340 4443
Email: smithpsc@bigpond.com
Website: www.publicschoolsclub.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@waggarl.com.au
Website: www.waggarl.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@wacub.com.au
Website: www.wacub.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 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

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	Margaret Neverley-Grant (meet 1st Tuesday of the month) - New Members Welcome	9388 0419
NSW Masonic Sub Branch RSL functions	John Moore (meet 3rd Monday of the month) - New Members Welcome	9758 7620 johnjmoore@bigpond.com
NSW Masonic Veterans Association	Russell Robertson (meet 4th Monday of the month) - New Members Welcome	9876 1159
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

please contact the following persons if you are interested in joining their activities

CLUB	MEETINGS	CONTACT DETAILS
Rotary Club of Sydney	Meet every Tuesday in Cello's at 12.30pm	www.sydneyrotary.com
Sydney Lions Club	Meet 3rd Tuesday of the month 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	Barbara Jones Phone: 9130 8861 email: barbarianj1@bigpond.com
Sydney '76 IONIAN	Meet 4th Wednesday in Level 5 Meeting Room at 10.30am, followed by lunch in Cello's	Email: sydney76sec@hotmail.com Guest Speaker each meeting

MEMBERS' SURVEY PRIZE WINNERS

1st Prize - A night's superior accommodation for two including a complimentary breakfast for two, a bottle of champagne on arrival & a late check-out

WINNER: Phil Marks

2nd to 4th Prizes - Lunch for two valued at \$100 in Cello's Restaurant

WINNERS: Ronald Fredrick Ingham, William Oliver Dein, Brian Dea

TOUR OF VIETNAM & CAMBODIA



R.W. Bro. Peter Court would like to invite you to join him on a 21-day tour of Cambodia (Siem Reap) and Vietnam commencing 16th January 2012.

Cost: \$5,400pp - Includes all air fares, departure and arrival taxes, visas, transport, accommodation, gratuities and most meals.

For further details:
Phone 9284 2854, Mobile 0423 707 383
Email: peterc@freemasonsnsuact.org.au

SOCIAL CALENDAR 2011

Please book all club functions with Rita Surio

Phone 02 9284 1006 or email admin@nswmasonicclub.com.au

OCTOBER 2011

Monday	24	NSW Masonic Veterans meeting & lunch - 11.30am	
Friday	28	Cello's Long Lunch - Elizabeth Geyer, Vocalist	Bookings directly with Cello's Ph 9284 1029
Every Thursday		Solo Group players in Level 2 Card Room	

NOVEMBER 2011

Tuesday	1	Melbourne Cup Luncheon - 12 noon in Cello's - 3 course lunch with a glass of bubbly on arrival	\$60 Members \$65 Non-Members
Thursday	10	Sydney Birthday Club Lunch - The Adam Room 12noon	
Monday	14	Probus Meeting at 10.15am	
Friday	18	Cello's Long Lunch - Carlos Perez, Spanish Classical Guitarist	Bookings directly with Cello's Ph 9284 1029
Monday	21	NSW Masonic Sub-branch RSL meeting - 11am	
Monday	28	NSW Masonic Veterans meeting & lunch - 11.30am	
Monday	28	NSW Masonic Club 119th AGM in Cello's at 1pm - followed by light refreshments in the Reagbar	
Every Thursday		Solo Group players in Level 2 Card Room	

DECEMBER 2011

Friday	2	Cello's Long Lunch - Elizabeth Geyer, Vocalist	Bookings directly with Cello's Ph 9284 1029
Tuesday	6	Touring Group Christmas Afternoon Tea in The Castlereagh Lounge - 2pm	Contact: Margaret Neverley-Grant Ph: 9388 0419
Wednesday	7	1st Members & Associates Christmas Lunch in Cello's, 3 courses with 2 drinks inclusive	\$60 Members \$65 Non-members
Thursday	8	NSW Masonic Veterans Association Christmas lunch in Cello's	
Thursday	8	Sydney Birthday Club Lunch - The Adam Room 12noon	
Monday	12	Probus Meeting at 10.15am	
Wednesday	14	2nd Members & Associates Christmas Lunch in Cello's, 3 courses with 2 drinks inclusive	\$60 Members \$65 Non-members
Monday	19	NSW Masonic Sub-branch RSL meeting - 11am, followed by Christmas Lunch in Adam Room	Contact: John Moore Ph: 9758 7620
Sunday	25	Christmas Day Lunch in Cello's - 12noon to 3pm 4 course Traditional Christmas Lunch & 3hr drink package	\$110 Members \$120 Non-members
Saturday	31	Membership Renewals are Due for 2012 Renew online: www.nswmasonicclub.com.au	Contact: Rita Surio Ph 9284 1006
Every Thursday		Solo Group players in Level 2 Card Room	

CHRISTMAS CHARITY RAFFLE

Drawn 19th 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

OPENING HOURS



CELLO'S RESTAURANT

Continental Buffet Breakfast

7am - 9am Daily

A la carte Dining or Business Lunch

12noon - 2.30pm

Wednesday to Friday



REAGBAR

11.30am - 8pm

Monday to Friday



CASTLEREAGH LOUNGE

10am - 8.30pm Mon - Fri

12noon - 8.30pm Sat

Closed Sunday & P/Holidays

PARKING

Discounted parking vouchers for the Hilton Secure Carpark are on sale at the hotel reception desk.

Collect a parking ticket from the machine upon entry to the carpark. Purchase a prepaid Secure Parking voucher from hotel reception prior to exiting. Submit prepaid voucher and parking ticket on departure from the carpark.

Hourly Rate/s - vouchers not available - only available from Secure Parking

Late checkout penalties do apply.

HILTON SECURE CARPARK - 24 hours

259 Pitt Street, Sydney CBD

Access: Turn left into the Hilton Hotel entrance from Pitt Street - access via the 2nd driveway Secure Parking.

Rates

\$50.00 Voucher
Mon - Fri

Day Voucher
Single entry / exit

Valid for entry after 9am, vouchers expire at 9 am the following day. NOT 24 hours from the time of entry.

\$20.00 Voucher
Mon - Fri

Evening/Overnight Rate
Single entry / exit

Valid for entry after 6pm exit by 9am the following day

\$25.00 Voucher
Sat - Sun

Weekends
Single entry / exit

Valid for entry after 9am exit by 9am the following morning.

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.

Decadence! *Christmas* *Pudding*



Ingredients

450g diced mixed dried fruits & dried berries
125g dried figs, chopped
½ cup dark rum or brandy
120g butter, softened
½ cup brown sugar
2 large eggs
1 tbsn golden syrup
1 cup plain flour
1 tspn mixed spice
½ tspn cinnamon
½ tspn nutmeg
1 small apple, peeled and grated

Method

Mix dried fruits with rum or brandy and soak overnight.

Cream butter and sugar. Add eggs gradually, beating well and add the golden syrup with the second egg. Mix sifted dry ingredients into butter mixture. Add the dried fruit and apple, stirring until combined.

Line the base of a 1½ litre basin with a circle of baking paper and grease bowl well. Spoon the pudding mixture into the basin and firmly push down with the back of a spoon to remove air bubbles.

Cover the pudding with a circle of baking paper. Seal the bowl with two layers of plastic wrap. (A pudding tin can also be used.)

Place into a large saucepan and fill half way up the side of bowl with boiling water then seal the saucepan with a lid. Simmer for 3½ hours.

Remove from saucepan and allow to stand for 5 minutes. Run a knife around the edge of pudding and invert onto a plate.

Serve hot with custard, brandy sauce or ice cream. Pudding can be prepared in advance and reheated on Christmas Day.

Serves 10

