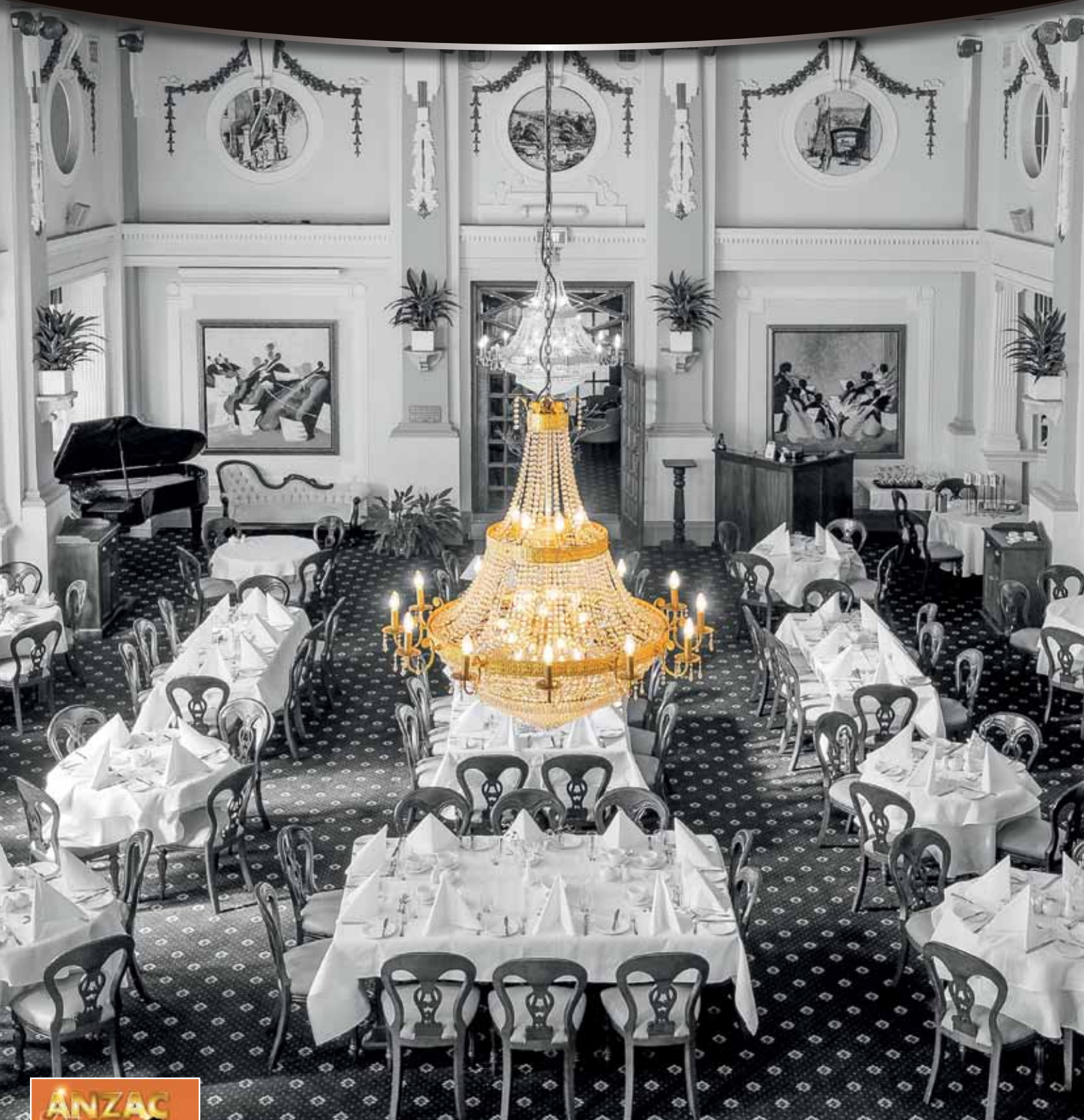




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DRESS REGULATIONS

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, are acceptable in all other food and beverage areas.

The Castlereagh Boutique 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.

Cover: Cellos Grand Dining Room

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Fellow Members,

I am now more than 16 months into my term as President of our magnificent Club. Whilst this is the Club's first magazine for 2017 we have supplemented this with a new "Club Chat" communication. This will now be a regular communication of matters and events involving your Club.

From a financial perspective, your Club is currently generating substantial cash flows from its accommodation operations in line with the current boom in occupancy in the Sydney CBD hotel market. We are on target to outperform our strong 2015/16 financial year results. This is important for several reasons. A heritage building such as ours requires considerable money to be spent on repairs and maintenance as well as capital expenditure. Our results during the 2011 to 2015 financial years did not generate the necessary cash flow to meet our Club's long term maintenance and capital needs. Also, our hotel rooms have not been given a full make over for many years and the time has come to do this ahead of what is expected to be greater competition in the hotel market over the next few years as more hotels come on line. A building improvements master plan has been formulated and we hope to roll out this building improvements program in stages over 5 years, commencing shortly.

The hot Sydney CBD hotel market has also led to members having to pay higher room rates than usual, even after their 15% discount. As previously flagged, your Board of Directors have sought and received an interim report into improving member's benefits, both short term and long term. This is currently under consideration by the Board and we expect to advise the outcomes of our deliberations over the next couple of months.

As our General Manager has pointed out in his column our biggest issue has been, and continues to be, dealing with and mitigating the future impacts of the Pitt Street North Metro Rail Station. The adjacent building at 175 Castlereagh Street will be demolished over the next 8 months. Thereafter, site excavation and underground station development will commence. This will bring with it substantial construction noise at various times. A noise mitigation strategy is currently being negotiated with Transport for NSW and we have engaged experts to assist with this. The concern we have is the potential loss of room revenue over a considerable period of time whilst demolition and construction work progresses. The construction of the tower building adjacent to our northern boundary just a few years ago had a significant impact on our economic performance at that time.

One positive that we expect to emerge from this Metro development is the replacement of the existing windows in our accommodation rooms with clear, double glazed glass. This will reduce external noise and allow guests the opportunity to look out from their window. Other windows in the building will similarly be replaced with clear glass.

We have recently rolled out enhancements to our food and beverage offering throughout the Club including a new menu for Cello's that was released on 5 April. Please sample our new offerings and let me know what you think. Some members have already written to me about their experiences and I thank them for their positive suggestions. We will continue to review and improve our food and beverage offerings in line with your expectations. I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible next time you are in the Club.

Our recent Wine and Dine luncheon at the Club was a great success and Bruce Tyrrell proved to be a great speaker. The food and wine were also terrific. The event was well patronised and another Wine and Dine event is scheduled for 3 May. I urge you to come along and enjoy this event.

Stay safe and keep well.

Best Wishes,



Stephen Bates
President, NSW Masonic Club



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GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Greetings from the NSW Masonic Club and welcome to the first edition of the Club Magazine for 2017.

To say that we are busy at the moment would be an understatement! We are juggling a number of projects, namely the Sydney Metro owner negotiations, the commencement of our Master Plan process, various Capital improvements and maintenance and a number of operational projects to name a few.

Sydney Metro

Transport for NSW has been progressively purchasing all buildings on the corner of Castlereagh, Park and Pitt Streets for the Sydney Metro (underground) project. The adjoining building, 175 Castlereagh Street has been emptied of all occupants and is currently being demolished from the inside. External demolition will occur from early July onwards. We have spent considerable hours negotiating the terms of a Joint Owners Agreement with Transport for NSW. I sincerely thank the President, Stephen Bates and Director Peter Zeilic for their enormous efforts and time dedicated to this process. We are starting conversations about the above ground construction as well. We will keep you updated on further developments through our regular Club Chat newsletters.

Master Plan

We are well into the process of planning out this much needed project. A qualified and talented Interior Designer has been appointed. We are focusing on the accommodation rooms and corridors as the first areas to refurbish. After all, they are our 'money makers' and continue to generate the revenue needed to run the Club floors. Director Peter Zeilic and I have invested considerable time into this process and defining what the current and future needs of guests in the ever-changing accommodation industry.

Capital Improvements & Maintenance

Now that we have the freedom of producing better financial results than in the past years, we have been able to direct these funds to much needed infrastructure projects. These include: re-waterproofing the roof spaces, upgrading the boiler controllers, replacing kitchen equipment, upgrading IT services and new laundry

equipment to name a few of our Capital Works projects, all funded through trading results.

Operational Projects

In early March, the Asteri Group was appointed to handle all Food and Beverage services for the Club under my guidance and control. This has been an exceptionally positive move so far, the results being: an increase of functions booked at the Club, new menus and beverage offerings, a refresh of the ground floor Reagh Bar which immediately brought in new clientele, a renewed focus on staff training and professional service. You will still see many familiar faces within the Food and Beverage team so please call in and say hello soon.

All in all, the Club is performing very well. We have just come off an incredibly busy February and March with an occupancy of 92%. Our average occupancy for the year is now above 83%. Yes, rates have increased in line with demand for Sydney CBD accommodation and Members still receive a generous discount, not available to the public.

I sincerely thank my hardworking team for their dedication and hard work. Our work culture at the Club is amazing and it is not hard to tell that they love what they do. Although we are extremely busy, I enjoy meeting Members whenever possible. I encourage you to call in, enjoy your Club and say hello when you next in the City.

My final thanks go to the Board for their ongoing support, hard work and commitment. This is very much a working Board where all Directors have responsibilities above their normal work commitments outside the Club. I eagerly look forward to these and other challenges that lay ahead to ensure the Club is well positioned for the future.

Until next time, take care,



Paul Brasch
General Manager
NSW Masonic Club and Castlereagh Boutique Hotel



Vale JOE MILLER

The Board and Management were saddened to hear of the recent passing of our oldest Club Member, Joe Miller, who would have turned 104 this July.

Joe joined the NSW Masonic Club in 1992 and was a very active member of the NSW Masonic Seniors'



Joe Miller (left) pictured with fellow Club member Jack Auld

Association. Until he turned 100, Joe attended every one of their monthly meetings without fail, travelling from Callala Beach on the South Coast.

Joe had a long career as a merchant seaman, seeing active service during World War Two. He was awarded a special medal at the Seafarers Home in Sydney's Kent Street for 50 years of war and peace, at that time only the 12th of its type to be presented in the world.

A dedicated Mason for 74 years, Joe helped raise thousands of dollars for Masonic and other charities.

A memorial service has been arranged by Joe's daughter, Pauline, on Monday 1st May in the Reagh Bar.

Please contact Rita in the administration office for further details on 02 9284 1006.

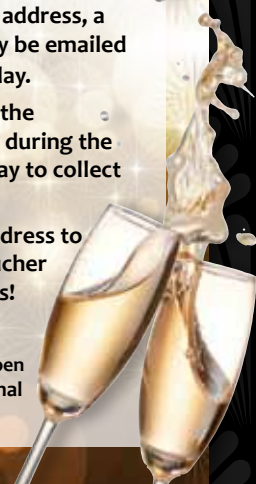
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Enjoy a complimentary bottle of red, white or sparkling wine for your birthday!

- ◆ If we have your email address, a voucher will be simply be emailed to you for your birthday.
 - ◆ No email? Please visit the Administration Office during the month of your birthday to collect your voucher.
- Provide your email address to receive your next voucher and all the latest news!

Enquiries: 02 9284 1006

The Administration office is open Monday to Friday during normal business hours.





OPERA, WINE & DINE SERIES

presented by Opera Bites

Opera Bites returns in 2017 for three magnificent performances in Cellos Grand Dining Room.

Opera Bites is Sydney's favourite boutique opera company, highly acclaimed for their fully costumed miniature operas as well as operatic highlights concerts. Established in 2009, their performance style is engaging and accessible to the newcomer yet fresh and alive for the seasoned opera-goer.

The company was formed when four enthusiastic and like-minded singers decided to do something to make opera more accessible to the public. Experiencing immense success initially with their Opera in the Pub formula, they then took their engaging and immersive style into some of Sydney's stunning historic venues, combining extravagant costumes and sublime music with delectable bespoke food and wine. From Opera in the Outback to Opera by the Lake and from Opera High Tea to fully costumed condensed operas, this busy little Opera Company are bringing opera to the people in an entirely original way.

The sumptuous 1920s art deco décor is a marvellous backdrop for Opera Bites' bite-sized production of La Traviata, where the audience is not just watching, but is actually at the party. - Cut Common, March 2016



Friday 5 May "A Night in Paris"

Act I: Bizet's "Dr Miracle" - a hilarious French comedy of young love and a dubious omelette. Act II: Elegant opera and song celebrating all things French.



Friday 21 July "Medieval Banquet"

Join Falstaff himself for this medieval banquet amid the hilarity of Niccolai's operatic delight, "The Merry Wives of Windsor".



Friday 22 September "Turkish Delight"

Mozart's wonderful "The Abduction from the Seraglio" - a rescue opera like no other, set in 18th century Turkey.

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TICKETS \$150 (+ booking fee)

Includes bespoke 3-course meal and select fine wines.
Generous full season discounts available.

20% DISCOUNT FOR CLUB MEMBERS

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ANZAC Day - a day of commemorative reflection and, for the Club, the biggest day of the year.

One of the significant and traditional events of the day is the annual ANZAC Day March through the streets of Sydney and, for this long-established tradition, the Club offers a unique contribution - two of our Club Members, Lieutenant Colonel John Moore AM RFD [Club Vice President] and Major Bob Wall are members of the commentary team for the ABC's TV Coverage. John will also be the Master of Ceremonies for the Annual Dawn Service held in Martin Place.

John is a long-term member of the commentary team, having first joined it in the mid-1960s, when he was a regular announcer on both ABC Radio and TV. In recent years he has been the lead-commentator, and Bob is the Army specialist who joined the commentary team 14 years ago.

Both John and Bob are members of the Masonic Sub-Branch of the RSL which meets monthly at the Club.

For both, it will be a long day; John will arrive at Martin Place about 3.00 am, host the Dawn Service, and then join Bob and the other commentators for the March. These days the commentators are positioned in Hyde Park to catch the March as it moves along Elizabeth Street. Following the March, both John and Bob will join the ANZAC Day lunch at the Club, and then participate in the Club's Commemorative Service at 3pm. ANZAC Day - a long but very satisfying day, reports John Moore.

Tuesday 25th April

ANZAC DAY BREAKFAST

CASTLEREAGH LOUNGE ~ LEVEL 2

Served from 6am (After Dawn Service)

A la Carte Breakfast Menu
or Continental Buffet \$18pp

ANZAC DAY LUNCH

DINING ROOMS ~ LEVEL 4

Lunch starts at 12 noon

Cost \$60pp for 2 course set menu
with a glass of wine

Bookings Phone 9284 1006

ANZAC COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE

IN THE REAGH BAR ~ GROUND FLOOR

Service starts at 3.15pm

Please gather in the Reagh Bar at 3pm



The GIN MILL SOCIAL

PRESENTED BY *Slide*

What's New

in Food, Beverage and Entertainment ?

The month of March has seen a welcome change to the Club's Reagh Bar located on the ground floor. We have given everyone's favourite bar a face lift, created a relaxing, eclectic bar lounge, introduced a Happy Hour from 5.30 – 6.30pm Tuesday to Friday, and specially-designed cocktails to complement our new Tapas Menu.

Recently there has been a large increase in patrons enjoying an after work drink or snacking on our new and delicious share plates and the offer of \$10 cocktails and 25% off all beer and wine during Happy Hour has guests thrilled! The Castlereagh Lounge, on Level 2, has just released a new menu, offering, for the first time in nearly a decade, "Roast of the Day". This can be found on display in the lounge and sliced to order. Traditional meals cooked to perfection! Our classic new menu can also be ordered from the Reagh Bar. Keep your eyes open for some remarkable events in 2017. Opera Bites returns in May with "A Night In Paris". They will perform on three dates this year, with three very different productions. Enjoy a night of great music and food, with the intimate experience of the cast wandering throughout the crowd and interacting with the guests, while performing some of the world's best known operatic numbers. Opera Bites has generously offered Club Members a 20% discount to any of their productions - even cheaper than their early bird special!

New in 2017, we step back in time to the 1920's with the "Gin

Mill Social", a night of dancing, eating and drinking, with pop up performances throughout the evening. Indulge in a bespoke menu designed to transport you back in time when it was against the law to serve liquor and entry to these secret establishments was by invitation only. The "Gin Mill Social" is an event created by the very talented team at Slide, has a renowned following, and has been well fixated within Sydney's cabaret society.

Looking to establish Cellos as its new home, the "Gin Mill Social" will bring acknowledgement to the Club, introducing new patrons, creating publicity in new circles and expanding word of mouth about the amazing event spaces we provide.

On June 24 you will have the chance to relive your childhood at the "Alice in Wonderland High Tea Party". A beautiful and lavish backdrop, Cellos will be transformed into the Mad Hatters Tea Party and you're all invited! Some unique characters will serve you whilst you dine on some delicious finger food such as petit and refreshing sandwiches, flavoursome savouries and naughty but delectable sweets.

Dust off those beautiful bonnets and fascinators as prizes will be awarded to the following categories – "Most Lavish", "Most Unconventional" and, not to alienate the men, an award will be given for the "Most Dapper" attire.

We look forward to sharing more and exciting news this year!

A lavish 1920's dinner party with live music, swing dancing and pop up performances.

"A night of glamour, food, drinks and entertainment... don't forget your dancing shoes." - Broadsheet

Give Gatsby a run for his money and party like it's 1929 at the Gin Mill Social!... a night where you will feast, dance and play.

Cellos Grand Dining Room will be your playground for the evening. Enjoy a 5 course banquet dinner with food inspired by hotel banquets of the era. Music is loud and lively, and pop-up performances punctuate the night. Then dance the night away to the cool sounds of the Jordan C Thomas Quartet with their jump jive and beat swing vibe, mixing classic hits with contemporary cool.

More than a dinner party, this is the perfect way to celebrate any occasion!

"It's like gold-class on steroids" - weekendnotes

Dress code: guys in ties, girls in pearls.

**FRI 30th JUNE
SAT 29th JULY**

\$119 per person (+ booking fee)

Ticket includes 5-course meal and a night of music and performances.

For more information:

slide.com.au/shows/ginmill

or phone Slide on (02) 8915 1899



EVENTS MAY TO JULY

MAY



DINE & WINE TASTING LUNCH

Wednesday 3 May - 12.30pm

Presented by Howard Vineyard with special guest speaker Nick Whiteway.

\$55 per person*

Includes two course lunch with wine tasting

BOOKINGS - Call Rita on 9284 1006 or email admin@thecastlereagh.com.au

*No additional Member discount applies

OPERA BITES WINE & DINE SERIES

Friday 5 May - 7pm

Fully costumed comic opera and a 3-course meal. What could be a better night out?

"A Night in Paris"

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Act II: Elegant opera and song celebrating all things French.

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LONG LUNCH

Friday 5 May Ces Dorcay

Friday 26 May Kim Parrish

Enjoy live entertainment in Cellos Grand Dining Room whilst indulging in a delicious lunch from our extensive A la carte menu.

BOOKINGS - 9261 0774



TRIVIA NIGHT

Thursday 4 May in the Reagh Bar

Eat, drink and think your way through a fun filled night of trivia, cocktails and tapas!

Plenty of great prizes to win including bar and meal vouchers. Your team could be dining in style with a \$100 lunch voucher or \$50 breakfast voucher!

FREE ENTRY, TRIVIA FROM 6PM

HAPPY HOUR FROM 5.30 - 6.30PM

Contact us on 9261 0774 to register your team

MOTHERS DAY HIGH TEA LUNCHEON

Sunday 14 May - 12 noon

Come and spoil your Mum with a Grand High Tea in Grand surroundings!

Enjoy one of Sydney's finest High Tea services, ribbon sandwiches, sweet & savoury treats all from the Pastry Kitchens of Cellos Grand Dining Room.

\$50 per person*

Includes a sumptuous high tea with a glass of sparkling wine on arrival

BOOKINGS - Call Rita on 9284 1006 or email admin@thecastlereagh.com.au

*No additional Member discount applies



JUN

SCOTTISH HIGHLAND DAY LUNCH

Wednesday 1 June - 12.30pm

Be entertained by the charming Scottish Highland Dancers, Pipe Band and Haggis Ritual!

Member \$60, Non-member \$65

Includes three course lunch with two beverages (soft drink, local beer or house wine)

BOOKINGS - Call Rita on 9284 1006
or email admin@thecastlereagh.com.au



THE GIN MILL SOCIAL

Friday 30 June

Saturday 29 July

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\$119 per person (+ booking fee)

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or email admin@thecastlereagh.com.au

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LONG LUNCH

Friday 9 June Carlos Perez

Friday 23 June Ces Dorcay

Enjoy live entertainment over lunch in Cellos Grand Dining Room BOOKINGS - 9261 0774

JUL



CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Wednesday 19 July - 12.30pm

Christmas themed menu with all the trimmings plus all your favourite carols with Kym Parrish on piano

\$65 per person*

Includes 3-course lunch with two beverages (soft drink, local beer or house wine)

BOOKINGS - Call Rita on 9284 1006 or email
admin@thecastlereagh.com.au



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REAGH BAR

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Tuesday to Friday

\$10 COCKTAILS ~ 25% OFF BEER & WINE

No further discounts apply



DISCOUNTED PARKING

Discounted parking vouchers for the Hilton Secure Carpark are on sale at the hotel reception desk. The discounted parking options are offered by the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel to all Members and 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.

PROCEDURE

- Please contact Hotel Reception on the day **at least an hour prior to arrival**.
- Reception will reserve parking and provide you a code to enter Car Park.
- The Hilton Secure Parking is located at 259 Pitt Street, Sydney and operated 24 hours.
- To exit take lift from Hilton Hotel Lobby to car park area.
- Please follow exit instructions on your Reservation.

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259 Pitt St, Sydney CBD

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RATES

\$55.00 Voucher
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Day Voucher
Single entry / exit
Maximum 24 hours
from the time of entry.

\$20.00 Voucher
Mon - Fri

Evening/Overnight
Single entry / exit
Valid for entry after 6pm exit by 9am the following day.
CANNOT be used in conjunction with Day & Weekend Vouchers.

\$25.00 Voucher
Sat - Sun

Weekends
Single entry / exit
Maximum 24 hours
from the time of entry.

Late checkout penalties apply.

AUG - DEC

Save the date!

Secure your 2017 function dates NOW! Call Rita today on 02 92841006

AUGUST 2

Warm your palate at our winter **DINE & WINE TASTING LUNCH**. Indulge in a 2-course lunch with wine tasting and a presentation from our guest speaker.



SEPTEMBER 1

We invite all men and women who serve or have served in the Australian Defence Force to our **BATTLE FOR AUSTRALIA DAY DINNER** to be held in Cellos Grand Dining Room.



SEPTEMBER 2

Be a lady of leisure for an afternoon at our very first **LADIES' SPRING RACING HIGH TEA**. Sip on a glass of sparkling while delighting in fresh, ornate treats and petite ribbon sandwiches.



SEPTEMBER 22

Join **OPERA BITES** for a mediaeval banquet amid the hilarity of Nicolai's operatic delight, "The Merry Wives of Windsor". Includes the show, a bespoke 3-course menu, and selected fine wines.

OCTOBER 1

Secure a date early for your **CHRISTMAS PARTIES**. Enjoy beer and burgers, cocktails and canapes, or go Gatsby style, in one of our unique function areas. Contact our Venue Manager - 9261 0774.



OCTOBER 4

This will be our last **DINE & WINE TASTING LUNCH** for the year, so be sure to book your table early. Invite friends or colleagues to indulge in a delicious lunch and informative guest presentation.



OCTOBER 9

Join us for our **DEFENCECARE CHARITY LUNCHEON**. DefenceCare supports current and former serving members of the Australian Defence Forces, and their families, in times of injury, illness or crisis.



NOVEMBER 6

Join in the fun and festivities of **MELBOURNE CUP DAY LUNCH**. Huge TV screens will display all the racing action, sweeps will be running, and a prize will be awarded for the most magnificent hat.

NOVEMBER 27

Club Members are invited to attend the Club's **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** which will be held in Cellos Grand Dining Room from 1pm.



DEC 6

Enjoy some Christmas cheer at our **MEMBERS' & ASSOCIATES' CHRISTMAS LUNCH**. Entertainment by talented pianist Kym Parrish plus a Christmas carol sing-a-long.



DEC 18

Don't miss a chance to win a share of \$2,000 worth of prizes in our **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**. Tickets will be on sale from November, with the prizes drawn at 1pm on Monday 18 December, 2017.



DEC 25

Treat your family to a magical **CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH** in the magnificent splendour of Cellos Grand Dining Room. Our four-hour package is inclusive of a traditional Christmas lunch and beverages.

Social Scene

It's still early in the year and already there have been a huge number of Members and guests enjoying our wonderful facilities.

From catering for regular community group meetings to Award Ceremonies and celebratory functions, there is no doubt our Food and Beverage Team have been kept on their toes!



Photos from top L-R: Amazing performers Reg Livermore and Trevor Ashley; Ana Maria Belo received the Most Outstanding Actress GLUGS award for her role in TRIBES at Ensemble Theatre; The Australian Wildlife Society present the Club with a copy of their latest magazine; St Patrick's Day; Allan Ezzy, Director, Councillor Christine Forster and the Hon. Phillip Ruddock who was the speaker at a Rotary Club of Sydney lunch; It's party time in Cellos!

(Bottom photo courtesy of Jason Nichol Photography)

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Meals & Beverages

Opening Times

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Sat, 12 noon ~ 8.30pm



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Parties, Cocktails & After Work Drinks

Opening Times

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 Mr M Nicolson, Retired
 Ms N Norris, Retired
 Mr D Patterson, Retired
 Mrs N Petterson, Teacher
 Mr J Picerno, Jeweller
 Mr J Plumridge, Company Director
 Mrs M S Quick, Business Owner/Mgr
 Mr K Rayner, Director/Valuation
 Ms M Raynor, Retired
 Mr D Reynolds, Environ. Health Officer
 Mr J Ringrose, Barrister, Tribunal Member
 Mr M Rudge, Barrister

Mr B Russell, Sales
 Mr D Rutigliano, Software Engineer
 Mr M Sanders, Retired
 Ms L Schaefer, Business Woman
 Mr P H Seymour, Retired
 Mr D Shearman, Public Servant
 Miss S-Ann Smiles, Art Valuer
 Mr I Smith, Chartered Accountant
 Me J Smith, IT
 Mr M Sommer, Army Officer
 Mr A Stephen, Financial Adviser
 Mr L Stephens, CEO
 Mr M Summerill, Retired
 Ms R Summers, Fac Nat Child Protection
 Ms S Taylor, Charity Founder
 Mrs O Tkachenko, Finance Director
 Ms Y Todd, Retired/Vol Teacher
 Mrs K Valliappan, Retired
 Mr K Waldron, Plumber
 Mr T Walsh, Director
 Mr P Webb, Retired
 Mr R Wood, Consultant
 Mrs S Young, Retired

CLUBS WITHIN THE CLUB

INTERNAL CLUBS

TOURING GROUP

Tours, day trips and inhouse events held throughout the year.

Contact: Margaret Neverley-Grant
Phone: 9388 0419

Meetings: 1st Tuesday of the month at 11am

May 2, Jun 6, Jul 4, Aug 1, Sept 5

NSW MASONIC SUB BRANCH RSL

Contact: John Moore
Phone: 9758 7620

Meetings: 3rd Monday of the month at 11am

May 15, Jun 19, Jul 17, Aug 21, Sept 18

THE CASTLEREAGH PROBUS CLUB

Meetings and activities held throughout the year.

Contact: Linde Jobling
Phone: 9818 5523

Meetings: 2nd Monday of the month at 10am

May 8, Jun 12, Jul 10, Aug 14, Sept 11

DINE & WINE CLUB

Events throughout the year.

Contact: John Moore
Phone: 9758 7620

NSW MASONIC CLUB SENIORS' ASSOCIATION

Contact: Nick Matis
Phone: 9662 6648

Meetings: 4th Monday of the month at 11.30am

May 22, Jun 26, Jul 24, Aug 28, Sept 25

SYDNEY BIRTHDAY CLUB

Monthly meetings, lunch and networking. Gentlemen only.

Contact: Fred Maestrelli
Email: fcmrandk@optusnet.com.au

Meetings: 2nd Thursday of the month from 12noon

May 11, Jun 8, Jul 13, Aug 10, Sept 14

COMMUNITY GROUPS

ROTARY CLUB OF SYDNEY

As a major service club, The Rotary Club of Sydney is actively engaged in the raising of funds for worthwhile community causes.

Phone: 9231 7557

Website: www.sydneynrotary.com

Meetings: Every Tuesday in Cello's Restaurant at 12.30pm

ROYAL COMMONWEALTH SOCIETY

Monthly meetings with guest speakers and special event luncheons held throughout the year.

Contact: David Beale

Email: rcsnsw.db@gmail.com

Meetings: 3rd Thursday of the month in the Adam Room

SYDNEY LIONS CLUB

The Lions Club of Sydney welcomes visitors to attend our lunchtime meetings that are held each month at the NSW Masonic Club.

We hope that guests will consider becoming Lions once they experience the satisfaction of serving the community while making new friends and having fun together.

Contact: David Pell

Email: dgpell@bigpond.com

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Adam Room

SYDNEY '76 IONIANS

Monthly meetings with guest speakers and special events held throughout the year.

Email: sydney76ionian@hotmail.com

Meetings: 4th Wednesday of the month, morning tea on level 2 at 10am followed by meeting at 10.30am and lunch in Cello's Restaurant.

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RECIPROCAL CLUB PROCEDURE

If you would like to visit a reciprocal club, please read the following instructions before contacting any reciprocal club:

1. Contact the reciprocal clubs directly for a 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 accommodation at reciprocal clubs should request reservations in advance and should advise that they are members of NSW Masonic Club.
2. Have your NSW Masonic Club membership card when visiting a reciprocal club.
3. **Obtain a Letter of Introduction:** Please contact Administration to obtain a letter of introduction on 02 9284 1006 or email: **admin@nswmasonicclub.com.au**

MOUNT GAMBIER CLUB

Mt Gambier Club is Private social club founded in 1913 with membership limited to "gentlemen", by invitation only. Members are drawn from a wide cross-section of the community – business, literature, medicine, law, agriculture and public service.

Members partners are welcome on special occasions at the Club.

The Club rooms are always open on a Friday night from 4.40 pm and on other occasions by appointment.

Facilities include a billiard room, bar, lounge/reading area and a kitchen.



The Club does not provide accommodation or meals but has an arrangement with nearby apartments and motel – both are within easy walking distance of the Club.

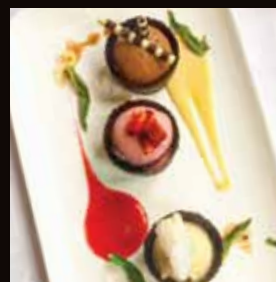
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