



NSW MASONIC CLUB

CLUB CHAT

The latest news from your Club !

The countdown to Christmas is on so book your last minute events today !

BOARDROOM BANTER

All nine members of the Board nominated for re-election and were duly elected to the Board for the 2017-2019 term.

The Directors are looking forward to building on the achievements of the past two years under their directorship and the Club's new management.

Amongst other current matters in

hand, there will soon be dedicated email addresses for the Directors, to encourage feedback, suggestions and ideas for the Club to be sent directly to them.

The Member Benefits program is currently being tested in the back of the point-of-sale system, ready for roll-out on 1st January 2018.

The newly refurbished laundry

was re-opened on 31 October, with all brand new equipment comprising state-of-the-art Girbau washers, dryers and ironer. A new non-slip floor has been applied, and painting, plumbing, lighting and electrical works have been completed.



NSWMC AGM 2017

Members are reminded that the AGM, open to all current Financial Members, will take place at **1pm, Monday 27 November, 2017** in Cellos Grand Dining Room on the fourth floor.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

2018 Membership renewals are now due. Renew online at

www.nswmasonicclub.com.au
or call Rita on 02 9284 1006.

EXCITING EVENTS

Once again, Melbourne Cup Day was a lively and exciting affair, with the Club hosting over 150 Members and guests for lunch.

The decorations were spectacular, along with the crowd, who turned out in some very dapper attire and fabulous fascinators!

With only a few weeks left before Christmas, it's time to secure your table for our Members' and Friends' Christmas lunch and start planning your Club social agenda for 2018!

Enjoy a delicious A la carte meal at our **Friday Long Lunch** in Cellos Grand Dining Room. Our line



up features classical guitarist, **Dennis Van Rooyen, November 24**, talented pianist, **Beverley Kennedy, December 8** and **Ces Dorcey, December 22**.

This year we will be having just one **Members' and Friends' Christmas Lunch** on **Wednesday 6th December**.

Our special guest artist will be vocalist and pianist, Kym Parrish, who will be playing all of your festive favourites.

Places are available, but make sure you avoid the last minute rush, and book your table today!

\$65 Members, \$70 Non-members
Includes 3-course menu with two beverages.

Book something extra special for your family Christmas this year!

Treat your family to a magical **Christmas Day Lunch** in Cellos Grand Dining Room on Monday **25th December**.

Let us do the hard work for you ~ celebrate Christmas Day in grand style at your Club.

Enjoy four mouth-watering courses with a 3-hour drinks package, free gift for everyone, plus entertainment from our pianist!

\$135 Members*

\$145 Non-members

*No further Members' discount applies

EVENT BOOKINGS:

Call Rita on 02 9284 1006



METRO MOVES

The demolition of 175 Castlereagh St is expected to be completed down to ground level by Friday 24 November.

Scaffolding has been erected on the old Windsor Hotel building and the adjoining buildings are expected to be demolished by Christmas time.

We should then receive a few

years of relief as Sydney Metro builds the underground station and foundations for the building above ground level. This is expected to be approximately 47 storeys.

The Directors are currently seeking meetings with the State Government and City of Sydney Council regarding the proposed height of the new building's podium level and the setback from our building.



MEMBERS' MATTERS

Last month we were saddened by the passing of well known Club Member, John William Barron.

John, a former director of our Club, passed away on 29th October 2017 after a long illness.

Born on 29th May 1939, he was educated at Summer Hill Opportunity Class and Fort Street Boys' High School.

He joined the Citizens Military Forces as a volunteer and rose to the rank of Major. John served as a member of Sydney University Regiment and University of NSW Regiment. For a period, he served full time as aide to General Cullen.

In civilian life, he was an Associate Director of L J Hooker Ltd. He served a term as Master of Lodge Kingsford Smith No 1028.

He is survived by his widow, Anne, and his children, Sarah, Emma and John.

He will be sorely missed.

Graham Berry OAM
(a close friend)

New Dress Regulations

Club Members and their Guests are requested to observe the following dress regulations which have been approved by the Board to preserve the dignity of this historic Club.

- The Reagh Bar (Ground Floor), Castlereagh Lounge (Level 2) and Cellos Grand Dining Room: (level 4) smart casual attire at all times.

- Smart casual attire is:

For gentlemen, a collared shirt with trousers or slacks, shorts with closed in shoes.

For ladies, dresses or blouse and

skirt or tailored slacks. Sandals are acceptable.

Items of clothing which are not permitted include: baseball caps, torn or excessively faded jeans, t-shirts, thongs or sandals for men.

Castlereagh Boutique Hotel guests, as Temporary Members, are expected to observe the above dress regulations when availing themselves of the Club facilities. Exemption is extended to guests arriving or departing directly from the accommodation rooms.

The Club Management reserves the right to refuse any person not suitably attired admission to the Club areas or the food and beverage outlets.

Paul Brasch
General Manager

STAFF STUFF

New Housekeeping uniforms have arrived and the team is loving the new look! Some staff have been wearing the same uniforms or their own clothes for the past 10 years. The new uniforms were designed exclusively for the Club by Ziva Corporate over the past few months. The fabric is lightweight with a clever concealed button panel on the front and handy

pockets. Specially designed Front Office and Administration uniforms will be implemented from mid-November.



Paul's Puns

My wife told me I had to stop acting like a flamingo. So I had to put my foot down...

What's the difference between a hippo and a zippo? One is really heavy, and the other is a little lighter....

Have you heard about those new corduroy pillows? They're really making headlines...



CASTLEREAGH Boutique Hotel

CHRISTMAS PARTIES - LAST FEW DATES AVAILABLE!

Book your staff parties and Christmas functions today in one of our beautifully restored 1920s Art Deco functions rooms or bars.

Select a package or 'build your own' unique celebration.

You're only limited by your imagination!

Call our Events Coordinator on 9261 0774 to secure your date!

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