

# CLUB CHAT

## NEW SOUTH WALES MASONIC CLUB

CLUB CHAT – ISSUE 19

MARCH 2019



### DINE & WINE TASTING LUNCH FRIDAY 15 MARCH

#### KEY EVENT DATES

##### MONDAY – 11 MARCH

New Members' Welcome - 5.30pm

##### FRIDAY – 15 MARCH

Dine and Wine Tasting Lunch - 12.30pm

##### THURSDAY – 25 APRIL

ANZAC Day Lunch - 12.30pm

##### THURSDAY – 25 APRIL

ANZAC Remembrance Service - 3pm

**EVENT BOOKINGS: 02 9284 1006**

#### COMPLEMENTARY WINE

with your meal during dinner



RECEIVE A COMPLEMENTARY GLASS OF HOUSE WINE, BASIC BEER OR SOFT DRINK WITH ANY MAIN MEAL.

Valid until 30 June 2019.  
Cannot be used with any other offer.

## EXCITING EVENTS

### WINE AND DINE

**WHEN:** 12.30pm Friday 15 March 2019

**WHERE:** Cellos Grand Dining Room

Join us for a new style of event on Fridays, where you can interact with our speakers.

The Wine and Dine lunches have moved from the 1st Wednesday of the month, to the 3rd Friday of the month. These lunches are always a great opportunity to catch up with friends.

Enjoy a delicious two course meal with wines to match and learn some new things about wine, all in the stunning surroundings of Cellos Grand Dining Room. Why not gather a group and book a table today?

**\$65 per person**

(Inclusive of Members' discount)

For bookings, please phone Rita on 9284 1006 or [admin@nswmasonicclub.com.au](mailto:admin@nswmasonicclub.com.au)

### CHEESE AND WINE CLUB INVITATION

**WHEN:** 2nd Thursday of each Month

**WHERE:** Adam Room

Members are invited to join the Cheese and Wine Luncheon Club, which was formed in 1971.

Originally formed by a group of Professors from the University of NSW and staff from the Commonwealth Bank, the Cheese and Wine Club has been held in several venues across Sydney including the University of NSW, the Little Snail, NSW Sports Club, The Rugby Club and The Royal Exchange Club.

This year The NSW Masonic Club will become its new 'home', where guests will enjoy a glass of sparkling wine on arrival, followed by a lunch with an entrée and main course, complemented with four wines – 2 reds and 2 whites. Wines are

usually presented by a winemaker with wines available to order, normally at a reduced price.

The Cheese and Wine Luncheon typically offers lucky door prizes, general knowledge quizzes and always good company.

**\$80 per person** (paid on the day).

For bookings please contact Mr Lin Ison on 0414 789 364 or [lin\\_ison@optusnet.com.au](mailto:lin_ison@optusnet.com.au)

## KITCHEN KAPERS

### UPDATE ON DINING

Thank you for your patience whilst our food service lift is being fully upgraded. This essential upgrade has unfortunately meant that we are unable to provide our full range of usual menu items.

However, we are offering a range of fresh, light meals, main dishes, desserts and bar snacks for your enjoyment. All are freshly prepared daily for you by our chefs. The following operating hours are in place until at least 31 March 2019, by which time the lift should be completed:

#### Reagh Bar (Ground floor)

Open from 7am to 9.30am for our-all new breakfast buffet, and from 4pm for dinner. Happy hour from 5pm to 7.30pm.

#### Castlereagh Lounge

Open from 10am to 4pm for lunch. Try our chef's daily specials!

#### Cellos Dining

Open for lunch Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays 12noon to 2.30pm.

**For bookings, please phone 9284 1006.**

### CELLOS – THE FLAVOUR OF THE MONTH

When the summer menu looks this good, and the setting is a stunning affair, it's time to gather your friends and family and make a booking at Cellos.

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The Riverine Club



The Renmark Club

## PAUL'S PUNS

Felix buys a talking centipede for \$5000 and takes it home in a small box.

After 30 minutes, he opens the box and says "would you like to go to the pub for a beer?"

The centipede doesn't answer..... Raising his voice, Felix repeats the question, but still no reply.

Getting angry, Felix thought he's been done, so he shouts the question loudly.

At which time the centipede sticks his head out of the box and says "I heard you clearly the first time. I'm just putting on my \$%#@ shoes!"

## MEMBERS' MATTERS

### NEW RECIPROCAL CLUBS

We are pleased to announce two new additions to the Club's reciprocal network, that will provide a welcome home-away-from-home for members in Wagga Wagga, NSW, and Renmark, SA.

The Riverine Club at Wagga Wagga echoes an ambience very similar to our own Club. It was formed in 1881 as a gentlemen's Club serving the Riverina region, and the Club building reflects a style of old-world charm with accommodation offering spacious, comfortable bedrooms with balcony access.

The Riverine Club is an ideal place to base yourself while exploring the delights of the region, and it is a convenient stop-over en route to Melbourne.

The Renmark Club is situated in Renmark, 1.5 hours drive from Mildura and 3 hours from Adelaide. The Club was established in 1909, again as a "gentlemen's club" to serve the settlers of Australia's first irrigation area.

Its original building, of typical SA sandstone, has been totally redeveloped to provide modern club facilities on the riverbank overlooking the River Murray, with motel-style accommodation.

Whether you are visiting the beautiful Murray River or driving through to Adelaide, you will enjoy a stay at The Renmark Club.

**Members wishing to take advantage of the Club's reciprocal program are reminded that a formal introduction is required, and this referral can be arranged through the Masonic Club office.**

### A WORD OF CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Pam Deane, wife of former Vice President of the Club, Frank Deane. Pam was acknowledged in the Australia Day Honours List for her community services in North Western Sydney and received the Medal of the Order of Australia.

### ENJOY THE BENEFITS

An important and valuable benefit of Membership with NSW Masonic Club is the ability to accrue points when dining in the Club's venues. It is a pleasure to see members earning points to use 'like cash' on food and beverage.

**Remember for every 1000 points you accrue, you can spend \$10 on food and beverage in the Club. Please make sure that you ask our staff how much you are entitled to spend.**



### NEW MEMBERS' MEET AND GREET

A warm welcome to all our New Members! We will be hosting a special event for you on Monday 11 March 2019.

Your invitation to join our Directors for a Meet and Greet and tour of the Club will be sent out very soon. The new Members' Night is specifically for all new Members who have joined the Club within the past 6 months. We look forward to seeing you then.

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

This is a friendly reminder to make sure you renew your Membership if your card has an expiry date of 31 December 2018. Please contact Rita on 02 9284 1006 or email [admin@nswmasonicclub.com.au](mailto:admin@nswmasonicclub.com.au) to organise your renewal. Otherwise, simply renew online through our website:

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

Your new Membership card can be mailed out to you or collected at the Administration office on Level 1 in the Club.

Our Members are very important to the Club, and we do not want to lose your support. Likewise, you will not want to waste any Members' Benefits points that you have accumulated.

Why not encourage your friends or family members to join this wonderful Club? The more the merrier!



Castlereagh Meeting Room

## CASTLEREAGH Boutique Hotel

### LOCK IN YOUR 2019 BUSINESS EVENT DATES

Enquiries are pouring in for business events in our convenient, centrally located, function rooms which provide value for money and personalised service.

With more function spaces than ever before, the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel is the ideal location for your next event.

### 7 ROOMS TO CHOOSE FROM

Packages start at \$38 per person

**BOOKINGS: Call our Events Coordinator on 9284 1006 to secure your date!**