

# CLUB CHAT

## NEW SOUTH WALES MASONIC CLUB

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CASTLEREAGH  
Boutique Hotel

EVERY FRIDAY FROM 5PM  
IN THE REAGH BAR (GROUND FLOOR)



### REAGH BAR

OPEN THURSDAY, FRIDAY &  
SATURDAY NIGHTS FROM 5PM  
Call in for a drink and soak up the  
'new look' refurbished Reagh Bar –  
it's the cool place to be!

Join us from 5pm Fridays, with  
oysters and champagne flowing,  
along with entertainment by our  
resident pianist - Patricia Wong.



Photo courtesy of Melinda Hird Photography.  
Book launch for author Joe Hart held in  
the new-look Reagh Bar.

## BOARDROOM BANTER

Welcome to our 40th edition of Club Chat and some great news!

If you have been in the Club recently you will have noticed how much busier it is. We are thrilled to report that since early March 2022, accommodation, food and beverage, and meetings have all bounced back to higher levels than the same time in 2019 (pre-Pandemic).

In fact, May 2022 reached 100% occupancy five days per week, balancing out to 83.4% for the full month. Functions and meetings have also bounced back, running at 80% of our available room capacity.

This is good news for Members as we can now rebuild our finances and continue to reinvest into the property. On the flip-side, we are trying to build up our staffing numbers, like the rest of Australia is, particularly in Food and Beverage and Housekeeping. We will continually add more outlet times as staff availability improves so please bear with us.

## MEMBERS' MATTERS

### NEW MEMBERS

We have seen a flurry of activity lately with new Members joining the Club. We warmly welcome all new Members to our special Club. Rita will be in contact soon to invite you to our next new Members night. Do you know a friend who would love to join? 1, 3 & 5 year Membership options are available on our website - simply visit [www.nswmasonicclub.com.au](http://www.nswmasonicclub.com.au)

### STAY & PARENT NSW VOUCHERS

Did you know we are registered as a STAY NSW business? Stay and Parent NSW vouchers can be used for entertainment or accommodation, PLUS you can use multiple Parents NSW vouchers up to a total of \$250 towards the same bill!

Vouchers can be used 7 days a week until 9 October 2022. Call 9284 1000 for details.

## WORLD GYM PASSES NOW AVAILABLE

We are now able to offer casual use of World Gym located in the Castlereagh Club to our Hotel Guests and Members.



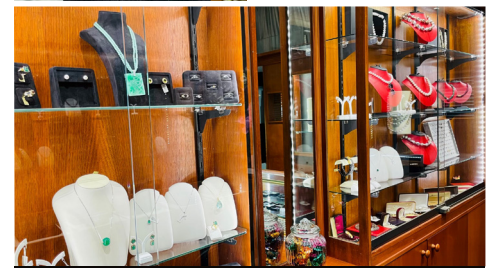
World Gym is open 24 hours and only a short stroll from the Club, located at 199 Castlereagh Street.

If Members or hotel guests would like to visit the gym, please see our staff at reception (ground floor). A casual visit is \$12 per day and you can access the gym as many times as you like up until midnight that day. Our staff will issue you with an access token upon payment.

## TERRIFIC TENANTS

We are pleased to announce that Trinity Jewellers and Co. opened on 10 June 2022. It is so great to see the Jewellery shop at the Club's entrance re-activated and full of colour!

Please call in and see Alen for all your jewellery and repair needs, or call him on 0423 385 753. Next time you are in the Club, ask about the 15% discount for Members!



TRINITY JEWELLERS AND CO.  
169A Castlereagh Street Sydney 2000

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## SHARE THE LOVE!



We love seeing Members and guests enjoying the Club and sharing our wonderful facilities with their friends and colleagues.

Below are a few snaps from some of the groups who recently met at the Club.

- CBD Sydney Chamber • Rotary Club of Sydney • Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for Australia • The Glugs
- Lions Club of Sydney Inc.

Thank you for your support!

Thank you also to all of our valued Members and our Clubs within the Club.



We'd love you to share your social and event photos with us:

Email: [admin@thecastlereagh.com.au](mailto:admin@thecastlereagh.com.au) or tag us in your social media posts.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHAT YOU'VE BEEN UP TO!

Photos by: (From top L-R) @michael\_thompson\_photography; sydneyrotary.com; glugs.com.au; @A.A.S.R.Australia; @rissa.mcinnis

## PAUL'S PUNS 🤔

- What do you call a parade of rabbits hopping backwards?  
*A receding hare-line.*
- Two artists had an art contest.  
*It ended in a draw!*
- I have a fear of speed bumps.  
*But I am slowly getting over it.*

## EXCITING EVENTS

### CHRISTMAS IN JULY LUNCH

**WHEN:** 12.30pm, Wednesday 13 July  
**WHERE:** Cellos Grand Dining Room

Christmas in July is back and it seems Members couldn't be happier. Tickets have only been on sale for a few weeks and selling so fast we are already nearing capacity! Get in quick to joins us for some festive fun, with all the trimmings and Kym Parrish on piano.



**Member \$75pp, Non-member \$85pp +bf\***

3-course lunch with a welcome beverage (soft drink, local beer or house wine).



### DINE & WINE TASTING LUNCH

**WHEN:** 12.30pm, Friday 29 July  
**WHERE:** Cellos Grand Dining Room

Our fabulous wine tasting lunches are also back and we're very pleased to welcome James Manners from Manners Wines as our special guest presenter.

James sources grapes from across NSW to create small batch premium wines and has become especially known for his rosé as well as the Tempranillo wines - a variety he believes will have a big future in NSW.

**Tickets \$75 per person\* + booking fee**  
2-course lunch with wine tasting.  
Additional beverages available for purchase.



### SORCERY & SWING GALA DINNER

**WHEN:** 6.30pm, Saturday 10 September  
**WHERE:** Cellos Grand Dining Room

It's not often do you have a chance to get dressed to the nines and dance the night away at a Roaring Twenties speakeasy - Members and guests are loving it!

Dance and dine to 1920s music by Greg Poppleton, Australia's only authentic 1920s-30s singer and band, plus be amazed by the stunning illusions of the Gentleman Magician, Bruce Glen.

Book a table of friends and a hotel room for an absolutely fabulous night out!

**Tickets \$150 per person\* + booking fee**

Sparkling wine "moonshine" and canapés on arrival, 3-course dinner/ and entertainment.



### EVENT & FUNCTION BOOKINGS

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

**Enquiries:** Call Rita on 9284 1006

or email [admin@nswmasonicclub.com.au](mailto:admin@nswmasonicclub.com.au)

*\*Prices include GST & Member discount, online booking fees additional.*



Your new favourite coffee shop is right at the doorstep of your favourite Club! Chapter Five .1 is perfect for a quick breakfast, lunch or coffee, and is open every day.

**OPEN:** Weekdays 6.30am - 4pm  
Weekends & Public Holidays 7am - 2pm

Did you know Country Members\* receive 20% off our best available accommodation rates?

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YOUR NEXT CITY STAY**

\*A Country Member must live a minimum of 200 km from Martin Place, Sydney 2000. Country Members pay the standard membership fees and enjoy a 20% discount off the best available accommodation rates, plus a 5% discount on parking.



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