

AUGUST 2011

# RACA NEWS



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## New Year's Eve AT THE CLUB



31st December 2011 - between 6.00pm - 2.00am

### The secret is out!

The Club is the best spot to welcome in the New Year, come in and celebrate this special occasion with your family and friends. Be quick this year in order to book either of our sumptuous NYE 2011 Dining experiences...

Your Club is delighted to be able to offer you a choice of two different dining experiences to help celebrate the New Year.

You can either dine in style and elegance in the Harbour Dining Room, delighting in our 5 course dining package, or on the other hand, you can revel in a lively evening of cocktails and canapés all night long, dancing to your favourite tunes from the last four decades and current chart topping songs, with SoulArte who have the perfect "old meets new" song list guaranteed to please everyone!

Children are very welcome and can have fun in the supervised play zone with movies and games on big screens.

Both New Year dining experiences, showcase wonderful menus and include all drinks, entertainment for all ages along with dancing.

This year why not bring in the New Year, at the Club!

#### NYE Dining Package in the Harbour Dining Room

From 6.00pm to 2.00am, dine in the stylish atmosphere of our Harbour Dining room and enjoy a 5 course sit down menu with all beverages included.

See the fireworks at 9.00pm and midnight from one of the Harbour's best spots and take part in dancing the night away in the Victoria Room.

#### NYE Canapés Package and in the Victoria Room

From 6.00pm to 2.00am, enjoy canapés and substantial finger food all night long including beverages in the grace and sophistication of the Victoria Room.

See the fireworks at 9.00pm and midnight from one of the Harbour's best spots and dance the night away to your favourite party hits.

Dear Members, when you make your reservation with Reception please let us know which one of the above dining experiences you would like to join into.  
Our Member only exclusive NYE rates include either one of the two Dining packages above, Accommodation, Valet Car parking and also take into account either a two or three night stay at the Club.

#### MEMBERS EXCLUSIVE PACKAGE

Room Type	Number of Guests	Two Night Package price
Flat	3	\$1,815.00
Harbour Deluxe	2	\$1,420.00
Macq St Deluxe	2	\$1,390.00
King	2	\$1,360.00
Queen	2	\$1,310.00
Twin - Large	2	\$1,240.00
Twin - Small	2	\$1,190.00
Single with facilities	1	\$785.00
Single with no facilities	1	\$730.00
Room 621 - Single with no facilities with Harbour view	1	\$785.00
Additional Adult in room	1	\$500.00
Additional Child in room (13-17yrs old)	1	\$355.00
Additional Child in room (5-12yrs old)	1	\$280.00

Room Type	Number of Guests	Three Night Package price
Flat	3	\$2,310.00
Harbour Deluxe	2	\$1,860.00
Macq St Deluxe	2	\$1,810.00
King	2	\$1,770.00
Queen	2	\$1,700.00
Twin - Large	2	\$1,600.00
Twin - Small	2	\$1,500.00
Single with facilities	1	\$1,040.00
Single with no facilities	1	\$910.00
Room 621 - Single with no facilities with Harbour view	1	\$980.00
Additional Adult in room	1	\$510.00
Additional Child in room (13-17yrs old)	1	\$380.00
Additional Child in room (5-12yrs old)	1	\$300.00

Our New Year packages go on sale on the Monday 15th August 2011.

To book please contact Reception on T: (02) 8273 2300.

\*At time of booking full payment is required and is non-refundable.

# CLUB NEWS

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UPDATES AND INFORMATION FROM AROUND THE CLUB

## NEW MEMBERS

*Welcome*

Mrs Marie Johnston	Mr Narelle Sheridan
Mr Leo Barry	Lt Col Gary Bieser
Ms Victoria Austin	Dr Joachim Fluhrer
Mr Mark Whitely	Mr Anthony Durbin
Mrs Jennifer Kingsley	Mr Gary Seller
Mrs Kathryn Vosper	Mr David Wald
Mr Kevin Fitzpatrick	Mr James Brown
Mr Rainer Diepolder	

## SNOOKER CLUB



### SOCIAL NIGHT

All Members are welcome to join our Snooker Social Night on the 17th August from 6.00pm. Come in and participate in a game, please meet in the Albert Room or for more information contact our snooker co-ordinator, Nigel Renton via email: [nigel.renton@credit-suisse.com](mailto:nigel.renton@credit-suisse.com) Ladies Welcome, we already have two women playing in our competition at present.

## BRIDGE CLUB



### Why not learn Bridge or improve your game at the Club?

Come in, bring guests and participate each Tuesday at 10.30am. Join into our supervised learning or improve your play with our experienced and caring Bridge Director, Fay. Relaxed atmosphere, friendly company, morning coffee and delicious lunch for \$28.00 per person. Strengthen your game and be a more confident player.

\*Special parking rates for players



Nicole Cullen



Scott Connolly



Samara Greedy



Stuart Wright

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HEALTH CLUB

## OUR HEALTH CLUB TRAINERS HAVE ALL YOUR HEALTH AND FITNESS NEEDS COVERED

Their scientific knowledge of the human body, combined with motivation, experience and expertise provides the winning combination in elite personal training and goal achievement.

Personal training with an Exercise Physiologist will change the way you perceive exercise, your goals and ambitions will be achieved through the prescription of industry leading and scientifically proven strategies.

Get started and contact us on  
T: 8273 2314 | E: [sydney@keepinguontrac.com.au](mailto:sydney@keepinguontrac.com.au)



Come in or call us today and book your Free Fitness Assessment and get started!

## MEMBER EVENTS

Come in and get involved in our Member Club events.

In July we hosted two wonderful and well supported Member events, these were the Bastille Day Winemakers Dinner and our Christmas in July celebration at the Club.

Discover some of these lovely moments from these two events as shared by Members and their guests.



Mrs Cockburn with Santa



Left to right Mr Michael Callanan, Mrs and Miss Salter and Nick Bath from Vintage and Vine.



The Taylor Party with Santa.



Dr Milana Votrubic and her guests

Receive complimentary room hire when you secure your next meeting at the Club!



### Day Delegate Package

- Complimentary room hire of ISC, Elizabeth and Philip Rooms for functions with twenty guests or more.
- Tea and Coffee on arrival.
- Morning and afternoon tea served with a selection of pastries.
- Lunch – daily selection of sourdough rolls with assorted filling, fresh fruit, platter and coconut macaroons, coffee, orange juice and mineral water.
- Conference accessories including flip chart, data projector screen, whiteboard, notepads, paper, pens, mints and ice cold water.

\*(minimum 10 guest apply)

**\$60.00 per person**

# CLUB DINING

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HARBOUR DINING ROOM AND MEMBERS' BAR



## SEAFOOD PLATTERS FOR TWO!

Executive Chef, Simon Flanders captures the essence of freshness with a tempting new selection of Hot and Cold Seafood Platters for two, inspired by flavour and simplicity.

### *Plateau De Fruit de Mer* Chaud (Hot)

Selection of Local Shellfish, Cooked to Order With Extra Virgin Olive Oil, Verjuice, Lemon, and Fresh Herbs.

Includes

**Blue Swimmer Crab, Tasmanian Mussels, Pippis, Sydney Rock Oysters, Balmain Bug, Yabbies.**  
Accompanied with an Avocado and Vine Tomato Leaf Salad, Rouille, Shoe String Fries

### *Plateau De Fruit de Mer* Froide (Cold)

Fresh Shellfish Served on Crushed Ice with a Roast a Remoulade Mayonnaise, lime and Ginger dip, Mignonette.

Includes

**Lobster, Sydney Rock Oysters, Blue Swimmer Crab, Tasmanian Mussels, Tiger Prawns, 1/2 Shell Scallop**  
Accompanied With an Avocado, vine Tomato Leaf Salad, Shoe String Fries

**\$135.00 for two**

Please call the Harbour Dining Room to order our new Platters before you arrive, 24 hours notice is required.

Our telephone number is T: 8273 2370

## HARBOUR DINING ROOM

Going out on the weekend, come in and have breakfast at the Club?

We have extended the opening hours for breakfast in the Harbour Dining Room.

Commencing Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th August we will open from 7.00am to 12.00 midday on Saturdays and Sundays.

Come in and try our new Breakfast Menu with favourites like Eggs Benedict, Toasted Bagels with smoked salmon, crème fraiche, avocado and beetroot, or our "Big Breakfast" of sausages, bacon, vine tomatoes, grilled mushrooms and free range eggs done your way!  
Sweet breakfast options also available.

**Bookings preferred, please telephone T: 8273 2370 and we look forward to seeing you soon for Breakfast in the Club.**



## RUGBY WORLD CUP DINNER

Join in the excitement of the upcoming Rugby World Cup with dinner at the Club along with special guest speakers and rugby union legends, Nick Farr-Jones and Mark Ella.

**Date:** Thursday 25th August 2011

**Time:** 6.00pm for 7.00pm Dinner

**Room:** Victoria Room.

**Price:** \$145.00 per person, includes 2 course dinner, premium wines, beer and soft drinks and a free Magnum of wine for every table of ten to book.



## FATHER'S DAY

Thinking about taking your dad out for a special treat this coming Father's Day, look no further, come into the Club and join us in the Harbour Dining Room for a special Father's Day luncheon on Sunday, 4th September.

Lavish Entrée and Dessert Platters will be served to your table along with your selection of Main Course.

There will be gifts for Dad, a plate draw and raffle to keep everyone entertained.

Cost is \$65.00 for Adults, \$37.50 for under 15 year olds.

**Bookings are essential, please call 8273 2370 to reserve your table now!**

## AUGUST MEMBER FUNCTIONS

Member Functions to get involved in.

All Members and guests are welcome to attend our Club functions.

### BRIDGE CLUB

Tuesdays, 10.30am-2.30pm \$28.00 per person for supervised bridge game including light lunch and beverages. Meet on level 3 in the Albert Room, \*Special valet car parking rates.

### GENEALOGY GROUP

Wednesday 10th August, meet in the Members Bar at 10.30am. Please book to attend and contact our convener, Mr I Palmer T: 9522 8317

### REGULAR ARMY OFFICERS LUNCH

Friday 12th August. Meet in the Members Bar at 12.00noon. To attend, please contact Ellen on T: 8273 2320 or functions@raca.com.au

### WOMEN'S PIONEER SOCIETY

Wednesday 17th August. Is the AGM commencing at 11.00am for 11.30am, then we will have three Members giving a short history on their ancestors. Please book to attend and call Mrs Barbara Dreverman on T: 9498 1156.

### LADIES COMMITTEE LUNCHEON

Monday 29th August, meet up for two course luncheon with special guest speaker Michele Cranston - "Food Editor at Large" with the Australian Women's Weekly. Michele will give an insight into creation and production of the Women's Weekly Food Supplements and Magazines, and share with us where they get the recipes and who cooks and tries them.

Join us, meet in the Macquarie Room on Level 4 at 12.00pm for 12.30pm luncheon, \$50.00 per person. Please book to attend and contact Ellen on T: 8273 2320 or email: functions@raca.com.au

## AUGUST WINE OF THE MONTH

"This month the Club is delighted to present some South Australian classics from Scotchmans Hill Wines new "Estella" Range. The Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz both hail from McLaren Vale's famous Terra Rossa soils. Hand-picked grapes are treated with love and care before spending time in both French and American oak barrels. The resulting deep garnet coloured wines display pleasing complexity and are ripe for drinking now, or for short to medium term cellaring. The Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Gris are from the Adelaide Hills, hand harvested, and they feature upfront juiciness with strong mineral backbones. Drink now!

All wines are \$220.00 per case of 12 including FREE DELIVERY.

To order these wines through our Cellar Door please contact us on T: 8273 2315, or complete and return the enclosed Cellar Door Wine Order form, or download the form from the Members section of our website, www.raca.com.au.



See what's on offer today

## SEAFOOD & BUFFET NIGHTS

Friday 23rd and Saturday 24th of September in the Harbour Dining Room.

**Love seafood?** Come in and dine on our buffet whilst enjoying spectacular views of majestic Sydney Harbour from the dining room on L7 and delight in the freshest local seafood!

Cost: \$75.00 per person, to book for Dinner please telephone T: 8273 2370

# GET INVOLVED

*with our Club Events*

HARBOUR ROOM DINING // MEMBERS BAR // SHOWS // FAVOURITES // MEMBERS

## AUGUST

WEDNESDAY 10TH

### Genealogy Group

Meet in the Members Bar at 10:30am. Please book to attend and contact our convener, Mr I Palmer T: 9522 8317.

FRIDAY 12TH

### Regular Army Officers Luncheon

Meet in the Members Bar at 12:00 Noon. To attend, contact Ellen on T: 8273 2320 or functions@raca.com.au.

WEDNESDAY 17TH

### Women's Pioneer Society

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FRIDAY 19TH

### The Lenigrad Symphony: War & Peace

Vasily Petrenko conducts Shostakovich. Includes A-reserve seating at the Sydney Opera House, dinner and wine in the Harbour Dining Room, \$165.00 pp.



THURSDAY 25TH

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\* Len Pascoe will MC our Dinner.

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MONDAY 29TH

### Ladies Committee Luncheon



Meet up for two course luncheon, beverages with special guest is MICHELE CRANSTON – Food "Editor at Large" with the Australian Women's Weekly. Michele will give an insight into creation and production of the Women's Weekly Food Supplements and Magazines, share where they get the recipes and who cooks and tries them. Please meet in the Macquarie Room on Level 4 at 12.00pm for 12.30 lunch.

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## SEPTEMBER



SUNDAY 4TH

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FRIDAY 9TH

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MONDAY 12TH

### Roman Holiday – Sydney Symphony Orchestra

A musical fairytale, a horn concerto, baroque-inspired birds, and a sunlit symphony. Includes A-reserve seating at the Sydney Opera House, dinner and wine in the Harbour Dining Room. \$165.00 per person.

WEDNESDAY 14TH

### Genealogy Group

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TUESDAY 20TH

### Macbeth – Opera Australia

Includes Circle B-reserve seating at the Sydney Opera House, dinner and wine in the Harbour Dining Room, \$195.00 per person.



### EVERY TUESDAY

#### Bridge Club

\$28.00 per person for supervised Bridge game including light lunch and beverages. Meet on Level 3 in the Albert Room.

\*Special valet car parking rates.



### CONGRATULATIONS

TO THE WINNERS OF THE ROBERT OATLEY HAMILTON ISLAND TRIP!

#### 1st Prize goes to Dr Brian Trudinger

- Hamilton Island Holiday for 2 people consisting of 3 nights accommodation for 2 people staying in a Coral Seaview room at the Reef View Hotel and daily breakfast for 2 adults.

2nd Prize goes to Prof. R West - A Wild Oats Official Supporter Pack including Wild Oats Sailing Jacket, T-Shirt, Cap.

3rd Prize goes to Mr Shiro Takechi - A Wild Oats Hamper.

WEDNESDAY 21ST

### Women's Pioneer Society

Luncheon with special guest speaker Siras Clifford-Smith will talk on Percy Lindsay, artist and Bohemian, elder brother of Norman. Lunch served with light refreshments. Please book to attend, contact Mrs. Barbara Dreverman on T: 9498 1156.

MONDAY 26TH

### Ladies Committee Fashion Parade and Luncheon with Liz Davenport.



Women's fashion and clothing for every occasion – Travel, Corporate, Special Occasion, Casual – brilliant colours, fantastic styles.

Come in, have fun and see her fashions, along with a two course luncheon, including beverages. Please meet in the Macquarie Room on Level 4 at 12.00pm for 12.30pm luncheon and fashion parade.

\$50.00 per person. Please book to attend, contact Ellen on T: 8273 2320 or functions@raca.com.au.

FRIDAY 23RD AND SATURDAY 24TH

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