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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome gentlemen to the October newsletter.

Undoubtedly the most significant event to occur in the past month, not only in our Club but across the whole world, was the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. This sad event happened on the morning of our second New Members Dinner for the year. Attendees at the dinner showed their respect by observing a minutes' silence at the start of the meal, followed by a loyal toast to the new King later in the evening. May the Queen rest in peace.

At the New Members Dinner on 9 September, 13 new Members were formally welcomed to the Club by the Committee, Proposers, Seconders, Supporters and other Members. As I said in my remarks on the night, the proposing and election of new Members is vital to the ongoing life of our Club. While the nomination process is rigorous, it is not supposed to be mysterious or overly difficult. If you have a friend who you think might enjoy being a Member of The Weld Club, please don't hesitate to see the Membership Manager, Susan Yagmich, to get the ball rolling.

Earlier in September the Secretary and I had the pleasure of joining our new Governor, His Excellency the Honourable Christopher Dawson APM for morning tea at Government House. The Governor was thoroughly charming and seemed genuinely interested to find out a bit more about our Club. It was clear that tradition is important to the new Governor and we look forward to maintaining a good relationship with him and Government House during his time in office.

As you will see in the remainder of this newsletter, there is a wide variety of interesting and entertaining Club events coming up over the next few months. I encourage all Members to get involved in the life of the Club and attend as many of these as possible. I look forward to seeing you there.

Mike Best

FROM THE SECRETARY

It was quite incredible to be in London in the week between the death of Her Majesty the Queen and her funeral. Many of the Clubs I called on had cancelled all events and there was a very sombre mood in the dining rooms. During the week I had the pleasure of staying at both the Oriental Club on Stratford Place and the Garrick Club, near Covent Garden, and I am very happy to share my travel notes with any Members intending to visit London. On a lighter note I called on the Secretary at Bucks Club, which is a military Club in Mayfair, where I was served a "Buck's Fizz". I had no idea such a famous drink originated in a gentleman's club in London.

As frightening as it may sound, Christmas is rushing towards us and upon my return all the arrangements for this year's Christmas events and activities have been finalised. In the next week or so a special Christmas newsletter, and importantly the 2022 Christmas Pantry order form, will be circulated to assist Members with their forward planning for the Christmas season. A reminder that now the Club has a refrigerated catering van Christmas pantry orders can be delivered to Members' homes within a 16 kilometre radius of the Club House.

Finally I am pleased to welcome on board Kirsty Kelly and Angus Duong, who will be helping oversee service in the Members' Dining Room and The Verandah. I invite Members to make themselves known to Kirsty and Angus when dining at the Club.

Hugh Stowell

NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE 2022 -2023 CLUB YEAR

In accordance with Club Rule VII, Sub Rules 2 and 5, notice is hereby given that the following gentlemen were proposed for election to the Committee prior to nominations closing on Tuesday 13 September 2022.

NOMINATION	PROPOSER	SECONDER
Stuart Hunter Beattie	Paul Lewin Carter OAM	Carey Stuart McDowell
Stephen James Carre OAM	John Lucien Prevost	Michael Snell
Desmond Frank Crawley OAM	John Lucien Prevost	Geoffrey Donald Church
Anthony Kevin McGrath	Nicholas John Aitken	Evan Campbell Hillard

The number of nominations is equal to the number of vacancies that will become available at the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 12 October 2022.

DRESS CODE FOR THE CLUB HOUSE

Members have recently been enquiring about the current dress code when visiting the Club House. In accordance with By-Law 7 the following dress requirement apply for Members and their guests:

Gentlemen

Gentlemen are required to wear a suit and tie or long-sleeved tailored jacket and tie between the hours of 11.00 am and 5.00 pm Monday to Friday. At other times the following applies:

Monday to Friday

Up until 11.00 am jackets and ties are optional in The Verandah and the adjoining outdoor verandah. Ties are optional in all other parts of the Club House. After 5.00 pm, while a long-sleeved tailored jacket is still required, ties are optional throughout the Club House unless a specified dress code is designated for a Club or private function.

On Weekends & Public Holidays

On Saturdays tailored jackets and ties are optional throughout the Club House until 5.00 pm. After 5.00 pm tailored jackets are then required or the dress code designated for a Club or private function. On Sundays and public holidays tailored jackets and ties are optional throughout the Club House at all times.

Billiard Room and Bridge

Jacket and ties may be removed in the Billiard Room and jackets may be removed in any room nominated for playing bridge.

Ladies

Unless a dress code is designated for a Club or private function ladies dress should at a minimum be smart attire.

General

No denim is permitted in the Club House at any time other than those residing in the Club bedrooms who may enter or leave the Club House in any clothing appropriate to their destination.

The Club will recognise the uniform of a Member of any Defence Force, Police or other statutory authority and the national dress of a visitor from overseas.

2022 MELBOURNE CUP SWEEP SHEETS

The \$5.00 and \$10.00 Straight-Out sweep sheets for the 2022 Melbourne Cup are located in the Main Entrance Hall until 1.30 pm on Monday 31 October 2022. Members are welcome to observe the draw on the same day for places in the sweep, which will be conducted by the club Secretary in the Billiard Room at 1.35 pm.

MEMBER WELL-BEING FITNESS CENTRE TRIAL PERIOD AT VAULT GYMNASIUM

Personal well-being is increasingly important to Members in all age categories and the House Sub-Committee is mindful that Members are looking for ways in which the Club can provide a focus on wellness. Conveniently located across the road from the Club House at 44 St Georges Terrace, the Vault Gymnasium is considered one of the best fitness facilities in the Perth CBD and has an excellent reputation for tailoring fitness to suit personal needs. Arrangement has been made for complimentary use of the Vault's facilities on a trial basis from 1 October until 30 November 2022 with absolutely no obligation to take up membership beyond that period. This includes access to the facility's gymnasium equipment, specialised training, invitation to a series of well-being educational sessions to be held in the conference centre in Exchange Tower and other wellness services. Access is also provided to the building's adjoining change room and facilities at no charge.

Members interested in taking up this exclusive offer are invited in the first instance to contact the Interest Group Co-ordinator, Samantha Kerrison, via <u>communications@weldclub.org.au</u> or on direct telephone number 9323 7008 to arrange for the first private consultation at the Vault Gymnasium with a qualified instructor.

EVENTS

OYSTER & LOBSTER SEAFOOD LUNCH THE VERANDAH WEDNESDAY 5 OCTOBER 2022

The next monthly Seafood Lunch for mixed company in The Verandah falls on Wednesday 5 October 2022. The menu features tiered platters of freshly shucked oysters, shelled king prawns and salmon, followed by West Australian lobster either chargrilled in butter and lime or mornay sauce. Fresh grilled market fish is available as an alternative. The meal concludes with a cinnamon pannacotta served with a granny smith apple sorbet.

Due to the popularity of this event, bookings in advance are essential and can be made by telephoning reception during normal office hours on 9323 7000 or via an email to <u>reception@weldclub.org.au</u>

151st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & POST MEETING DINNER WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER 2022

Subscriptions are open for the 2022 Annual General Meeting and Post Meeting Dinner on Wednesday 12 October 2022. The Annual General Meeting will be convened at 6.00 pm (sharp) in The Verandah and then a three-course dinner with wines from the cellar will follow in the Members' Dining Room. The AGM and Dinner is a Members' Only function. The dress code is lounge suit or coat and tie. Subscriptions can be made to this event via email to the Events Manager, Emma Madigan to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u>

MEMBERS' WINE GROUP DINNER TUESDAY 18 OCTOBER 2022

Several places remain available for the Wine Group Dinner on Tuesday 18 October 2022 commencing at 7.00 pm. At the request of the Convener, John Hopkins OAM, Members may each invite one gentleman guest whose name will be placed on a waiting list. If there are less than 24 Members attending as of the Friday prior to the dinner, then guests will be invited to attend in order of their names being placed on the waiting list. Dress is jacket and tie.

Subscriptions can be made on the subscription form, or with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, in an email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or via the Club's website <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>

SOUTHWEST GOLF TOUR TUESDAY 18 - FRIDAY 21 OCTOBER 2022

Registrations for the 2022 South West Golf Tour commencing on Tuesday 18 October 2022 are now closed. A reminder for those who have subscribed that the program commences with a match at the Dunsborough Lakes Golf Club, teeing off from 10:50 am. There will then be a Welcome Cocktails Function at the Bunker Bay Resort on the Tuesday evening. Members requiring further information are asked in the first instance to contact the Interest Group Co-ordinator, Samantha Kerrison, via <u>communications@weldclub.org.au</u>

MEMBERS' DINING ROOM SEAFOOD LUNCH MEMBERS & GENTLEMEN GUESTS WEDNESDAY 19 OCTOBER 2022

October's Seafood Lunch in the Members' Dining Room will be held on Wednesday 19 October 2022. Tiered platters of freshly shucked oysters, fresh market king prawns, and smoked salmon will be served at the tables, after which Members may enjoy a range of hot seafood dishes and baked whole fresh fish served by the Chefs from the buffet.

This is an excellent opportunity for Members to host gentlemen guests at the Club. A special charge of \$56.00 per person applies on Seafood Lunch days. Due to the popularity of this event, bookings in advance are essential and can be made by telephoning reception during normal office hours on 9323 7000 or via an email to <u>reception@weldclub.org.au</u>

WCWG PICKERING BROOK SPRING WALK LUNCH AT LA FATTORIA SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER 2022

Places remain open for the Spring Walk through the Perth Hills on Sunday 23 October 2022. The walk will take us through some scenic parts of the Perth hills leading us to a long table lunch overlooking the working orchard and vineyard at La Fattoria in Pickering Brook.

Date: Sunday 23 October 2022 Walk grade: 2.5 grade Distance: 15 kms Start time: 8.00 am from Perth, walk commences from 9.00 am



This walk is graded at 3.5 difficulty which is approximately 15 kms and contains some strenuous sections throughout the walk. Members who would like to attend the lunch but believe the walk will be too difficult are welcome to join the group at La Fattoria. More details will follow on the logistics. It is suggested that you carpool to the walk and share a ride home with an appointed skipper.

We will finish our walk with lunch at La Fattoria, a family owned trattoria where we can enjoy a series of seasonal Italian courses with wine. The cost of the lunch is \$65.00 per person, excluding wine. The property has 11 varieties of grapes which are made into excellent wines by Bickley Valley wine makers Myatts Field Vineyards.

Subscriptions for this event can be made using the subscription form enclosed with this newsletter or directly with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u>

Steve Carre OAM – Convener

MUSIC OF THE NIGHT FEATURING MEZZO SOPRANO: ASHLYN TYMMS & BARITONE: MATT DIXON FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER & SATURDAY 29 OCTOBER 2022



The Weld Club Choir invites Members and guests to join them for "Music of The Night" together with renowned Mezzo Soprano, Ashlyn Tymms and Baritone Matt Dixon, who have both performed with the West Australian Opera.

Ashlyn and Matt will both be performing solo pieces and duo performance with the Weld Club Choir including songs, *ll core vi dono* (Cosi Fan Tutte - Mozart), *Music of the Night* (Phantom of the Opera - ALW) and a selection from Carmen including *Habanera*, *Seguidilla & Toreador Song* (Carmen – Bizet). The Weld Club Choir will also undertake performances of the *Roman War Song* and *The Prayer*.

The evenings will commence with pre dinner drinks in the Wittenoom Room at 6.30 pm prior to Members and guests moving through to the Member's Dining Room at 7.00 pm for a three course dinner. Dress is black tie. This event is open to Members and up to three guests. Subscriptions can be made with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, in an email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or by visiting the Club website at <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>

MARGARET RIVER FINE WINE & ART TOUR THE GALLERIES OF LEEUWIN ESTATE & VASSE FELIX SATURDAY 29 & SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER 2022

Subscriptions will close on 15 October for Members and their partners to enjoy the very best of art and wine in Margaret River. The weekend will commence with brunch at the Club on the Saturday, followed by a leisurely coach journey to Margaret River arriving at the elegant Basildene Manor for a night's accommodation. On the Saturday evening the coach will transfer everyone to a private dinner in the art gallery of Leeuwin Estate amongst one of the most important private collections of Australian art. The dinner will comprise a six course degustation menu prepared by Executive Chef, Dan Gedge, paired with museum wines from Leeuwin Estate's reserve cellar. During the course of the dinner, winery owner Trisha Horgan, will speak about the collection.

On the following day the coach will take the scenic route up to the Vasse Felix Winery for a tour of the Holmes à Court Gallery with the curator and then enjoy a three course tasting menu paired with Vasse Felix wines in the restaurant before setting out back to Perth in the late afternoon.

The cost of the tour is estimated to be \$860 per person inclusive of all coach travel, meals and wines. Members participating in the tour will be permitted to leave a vehicle at the Club House on the Saturday for the duration of the tour at no charge.

A limited number of places will be available for Members wishing to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements and attend the two events, which is estimated to be a charge of \$480.00 per person.

Booking inquiries should initially be made with the Interest Group Co-ordinator, Samantha Kerrison, via <u>communications@weldclub.org.au</u>

MELBOURNE CUP CALCUTTA & DINNER MONDAY 31 OCTOBER 2022

Bookings remain open for the 2022 Melbourne Cup Dinner and Calcutta on Monday 31 October 2022. This event is open to Members and gentlemen guests. New Members are encouraged to participate in this event and should contact the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, if needing assistance in joining a table.

The evening will commence with pre-dinner drinks at 6.30 pm on the Grand Lawn and adjoining verandah with the dinner prior to the auction commencing at 7.10 pm.

Subscriptions for this event can be made using the subscription form enclosed with this newsletter or directly with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> nominating the table captain and table number. Please note a fee will be charged for cancellations notified after Friday 28 October 2022, unless the place is filled from the waiting list, for non-attendance.

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH THE VERANDAH TUESDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2022

Members and their partners together with invited guests are invited to subscribe for a Melbourne Cup Lunch in The Verandah from 11.15 am on Tuesday 1 November 2022. Commencing with champagne and the opportunity to purchase sweep tickets, the Melbourne Cup Race will be shown on the theatre screen at noon in The Verandah before everyone enjoys a two-course lunch with wine.

Ladies are encouraged to wear their best Melbourne Cup hats to be in the running to win a magnum of Pol Roger champagne. A charge of \$75.00 will apply including champagne on arrival, two-course lunch and wines.

Bookings can be made with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via events@weldclub.org.au or by telephoning 9323 7006.

DISTINGUISHED CLUBS OF THE WORLD DINNERS THE VERANDAH THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER – SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2022

Following the success of last year's Distinguished Clubs of Europe Menu featuring the clubs of Paris and London, the Chef will be producing a menu featuring the signature dishes of the chefs of the Distinguished Clubs of the World located in Australia, New Zealand and Hong Kong for the enjoyment of Members and guests. Advance bookings can be made with reception via <u>reception@weldclub.org.au</u> or by telephoning 9323 7000.

WINEMAKER'S LUNCH GUEST SPEAKER: LUKE JOLLIFFE WINEMAKER FOR STELLA BELLA WINERY FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2022

Members and guests are invited to attend the final Winemaker's Lunch for 2022 with guest speaker Luke Jolliffe, chief winemaker for Stella Bella Winery on Friday 11 November 2022.

Luke Jolliffe grew up in the Clare Valley wine region and completed his Bachelor of Agricultural Science (Viticulture major) at Adelaide University. After graduating in 1999, Luke joined Hardy's Tintara operation in McLaren Vale as Viticultural Technical Officer, where he stayed until 2003.

Luke has structured most of his vacation time around visiting wine regions to enhance his knowledge of world wines and their unique terroir – visiting renowned regions of Tuscany and Piedmont in 2011, and Bordeaux, Burgundy, Champagne and Mosel in 2013. He's a regular Wine Show Judge at the Qantas Wine Show of Western Australia and Perth Royal Wine Show.

The event will commence with pre-lunch drinks in the Frederick Barlee Room from 12 noon. The cost will be \$110.00 per person inclusive of wine. This event is open to both ladies and gentlemen and each Member may bring up to five guests. Dress is coat and tie. Members are invited to subscribe via an email to the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, at <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or by visiting the Club website at <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>.

BACHELORS & SPINSTERS BALL SATURDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2022

Members are invited to subscribe to the inaugural "Bachelors & Spinsters' Ball", which is being convened by the Country Members Interest Group on Saturday 19 November 2022.

The Club House will be transformed into "The Weld Town Hall" with oblong dining tables and candle lanterns in the Members' Dining Room. The doors will be open to the adjoining lawn, which will feature festoon lighting over a dance floor garnished with bales of hay and barrels to set the scene for pre-dinner drinks and dancing to live music later in the evening.

> <u>Menu</u> Shaved Spring Lamb on Damper with homemade chutney Onion and Cheese Savoury Scones Individual Bacon & Egg Tarts Rum Punch Cocktails

<u>Grazing Table</u> Ploughman's Cheese, Pickled Onions, Damper and Cold Meats

Main Course

Carved Beef and Horseradish Yorkshire Puddings Roasted Potatoes, Home Smoked Pumpkin & Chargrilled Carrots

Dessert

Lamington with a Twist Quenelle of Chocolate Roulade with a Raspberry Coulis Centre rolled is desiccated Coconut with a Malibu Sauce





Please note for Country Members to maximise their enjoyment of the weekend the Country Interest Members Club Table for November will be moved to Friday 18 November and then later that same day drinks and canapes will be served in the Bar for Country Members and their partners. Additionally, given the number of Country Members who may seek to subscribe to the Ball overflow accommodation at a comparative rate to the Club has been arranged at the Duxton Hotel on St Georges Terrace, with Members still allowed to park their vehicles at the Club.

Subscription is open to Members and up to seven guests. The evening will commence with pre-dinner drinks at 6.45 pm for one hour prior to dinner and dancing. Dress is Black Tie. The anticipated cost will be \$190.00 per person and will include a contribution made on behalf of the Club to the Royal Flying Doctor Service. Subscriptions can either be made on the enclosed subscription form or directly with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u>

ANNUAL FATHERS', SONS' & DAUGHTERS' DINNER FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2022

Members are invited to subscribe for the Annual Fathers', Sons' and Daughters' Dinner, which is extended to sons, grandsons, sons-in-law, daughters, granddaughters and daughters-in-law. The evening will commence with drinks on the Grand Lawn from 7.00 pm and will be followed by a three-course dinner in the Members' Dining Room matched with wines from the Club's cellar.

Following dessert, coffee and petit fours will be served in the Wittenoom Room and beverage service will then continue in the Members' Bar, Billiard Room and on the first floor verandah to enable Members and their guests to continue to circulate after dinner. Dress is black tie. Subscriptions can be made on the subscription form, or with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, in an email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or via the Club's website <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>

FROM COLONIAL SETTLEMENT TO NATIONHOOD WA HISTORY GROUP LUNCH GUEST SPEAKER: DR BILL EDGAR MONDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2022

Subscriptions are open to attend the final WA History Group Lunch for 2022, with an address by Dr Bill Edgar entitled "From Colonial Settlement to Nationhood" on Monday 28 November 2022. Bill is a social historian with a special interest in the pioneering generations of WA who laid the foundation of the fortunate society in which we live today. Bill will be discussing the Colonial Settlement to Nationhood (from first settlement in 1829 to the promulgation of the Commonwealth of Australia in 1901), incorporating:

- Early settlement period and the wide range of problems (1829-1849)
- The convict insertions a necessary 'evil' (1850 1868)
- The fractious movement toward self-government (1869-1889)
- The gold rush period protectionism Vs free trade (1890-1900)
- Federation (1901)

Many of the machinations of the period are still with us today in Western Australia and at the core of who we have become.

The address will commence at 12 noon (sharp) in The Verandah and after question time a two-course lunch will following the Members' Dining Room. Dress is jacket and tie. Subscriptions can be made on the subscription form, or with the Events Manger, Emma Madigan in an email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or via the Club's website <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>

Rodger Gibson - Convener

YOUNGER MEMBERS' CHRISTMAS "LONG TABLE LUNCH ON THE VERANDAH" PRELIMINARY NOTICE FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER 2022

Younger Members, and the young at heart are welcome to subscribe for the Annual Younger Members' Christmas "Long Table Lunch on the Verandah" on Friday 2 December 2022. Drinks will be served on the terrace outside the Members' Bar from 12.30 pm before moving onto the verandah for lunch at 1.00 pm.

Members may invite up to two gentlemen guests. Subscriptions can be made using the enclosed subscription form or via the Club's website at <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u> or in an email to the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> noting that bookings will be confirmed in order of receipt.

TURKEY CARVING LESSON TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER 2022

Members nominated to be the "carver" for the Annual Turkey Carving Competition in December, are invited to attend a turkey carving demonstration given by Chef, Clayton Green, and pursuant to the rules of the International Turkey Carving Committee. If you would like to attend this lesson please subscribe to the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u>

ANNUAL TURKEY CARVING COMPETITION & CHRISTMAS LUNCH JUDGED BY THE EXECUTIVE CHEF ROCKPOOL BAR & GRILL MEMBERS & GENTLEMEN GUESTS PRELIMINARY NOTICE WEDNESDAY 7 DECEMBER 2022

Preliminary notice is given to Members to subscribe for the Annual Turkey Carving Competition and Christmas Lunch being held on Wednesday 7 December 2022. The Guest Judge this year is one of Perth's leading chefs, Brendan Owens, Executive Chef of Rockpool Bar & Grill. Brendan completed his apprenticeship at The Weld Club and is looking forward to returning to the Club House to judge Members' carving skills.

Table Captains are encouraged to rally their group and to contact the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, if they have a vacancy at their table this year. Seating is limited to 8 Members and gentlemen guests per table.

The carving of the turkeys will be subject to the rules of the International Turkey Carving Committee. The nominated "carver" for each table will be provided with a chef's apron embossed with the Club's crest and for all others the dress is jacket and tie. Subscriptions can be made using the enclosed subscription form or in an email to the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u>. Tables will be allocated in order of receipt.

STAFF CHRISTMAS GRATUITY FUND PRESENTATION PRELIMINARY NOTICE THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER 2022

Members are asked to mark Thursday 8 December 2022 in their diaries to join the President, Trustees and Committee for refreshments and the distribution of the Christmas Gratuity Fund to staff from 3.00 pm until 4.00 pm in the Frederick Barlee Room. This occasion provides an opportunity for Members to extend their personal thanks to the staff for their service throughout the year. Please note the opportunity to contribute to the fund will close on Monday 5 December 2022.

Dress is jacket and tie and Members are invited to complete the enclosed subscription form or subscribe on an email to the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or via the clubs website <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>

PERFORMANCE OF HANDEL'S SAMSON ST GEOERGE'S ANGLICAN CATHEDRAL CONCERT SERIES CONDUCTED BY CLUB MEMBER, DR JOSEPH NOLAN THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER 2022

The Club has secured excellent seats at the Perth Concert Hall for Western Australia's first professional performance of Handel's dramatic oratorio "Samson", the legendary story of Samson and Delilah, complete with leading soloists and Baroque orchestra.

Delilah's aria 'Let the Bright Seraphim' is an evergreen favourite and will be sung by the highly regarded Sara Macliver. The role of Samson will be sung by Paul McMahon, and mezzo Fiona Campbell will take the role of Micah. The production, conducted by Club Member, Dr Joseph Nolan, also features the St George's Cathedral Consort and award-winning Australian baritone David Greco, who makes his debut with St George's Concert Series in 2022.

The evening will commence with pre-dinner drinks from 5.45 pm at the Club House, and following a pre-concert twocourse meal including wine, Members and partners will then enjoy the short stroll to the Perth Concert Hall for the 7.30 pm curtain. The cost of subscription is \$145.00 per person including dinner and A reserve seats at the concert. Places are restricted and bookings are limited to Members and up to three guests each.

Subscriptions can be made on the subscription form, or with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan in an email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or via the Club's website <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>

BLACK TIE DINNER & CAROLS EVENINGS THE CONSORT OF ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CATHEDRAL PRELIMINARY NOTICE FRIDAY 16 DECEMBER & SATURDAY 17 DECEMBER 2022

Members are encouraged to subscribe to this years' Black-Tie Dinner and Carols Evenings on Friday 16 and Saturday 17 December 2022. This year The Weld Club Choir will be joined by the fine voices of Consort from St George's Anglican Cathedral for a selection of classic Christmas carols, under the direction of Club Member, Dr Joseph Nolan in collaboration with Club Choir Master, David Woods and Choir Convener, Brian Pass.

The evening will commence with refreshments served on the Grand Lawn at 6.30 pm followed by a three course Christmas inspired menu matched with wines from the cellar in the Members' Dining Room. Members may invite up to three guests. Dress is black tie. Subscription's can be made using the enclosed subscription form or via the clubs website at <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u> or in an email to the Events Manager, Emma Madigan via <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> noting that bookings will be confirmed in order of receipt.

ART NEWS

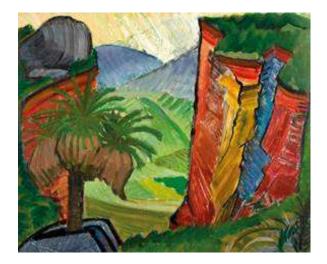
EUROPEAN MODERNIST INFLUENCES

Kathleen O'Connor (1876 – 1968) and **Elise Blumann** (1897 – 1990) were two of the most significant Western Australian artists of the 20th century. Both were heavily influenced by their experiences of life and art in Europe and both are recognised nationally as major contributors to Australian modernist painting.

Kathleen O'Connor was the daughter of C Y O'Connor, famous for building Fremantle Harbour and the Kalgoorlie water pipeline. Educated in Perth O'Connor lived much of her life in Paris where she exhibited frequently. By the time she moved back to Perth in 1955 she had become thoroughly French in her attitude, habits and painting style. Although her paintings of still life and portraits are expressionistic they reflect a soft charm.

The Weld Club's *White Hyacinths* is an excellent example of O'Connor's work. Interestingly, the reverse side of the canvass contains another O'Connor painting, probably a study for an intended work.





Abandoned Quarry in the Darling Ranges demonstrates Blumann's bold use of colour and technique.

Elise Blumann was born and educated in Germany where she taught art. In 1937 Blumann, her husband and two children fled Nazi persecution arriving in Fremantle and settling in Crawley near the Swan River.

In the 1940s Blumann produced a significant body of painting, taking as her subject the Western Australian landscape, her family and friends. Her work reflected the unique colour and light of the environment painted in the bold and evocative style of German Expressionism. The Perth art scene was not prepared for Blumann's expressive style and her first exhibition in 1944 was met with bewilderment and, in the case of her nudes, even scandal.

Chairman Art Sub-Committee – Chris Humphry