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NEWS

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome fellow Members to the July newsletter. I am writing this report having just returned to my desk after enjoying an excellent speech on the subject of North and South Korea, presented as part of our Monday Guest Speaker program. Our speaker was Associate Professor Jo Elfving-Hwang, and as I said when proposing the vote of thanks after her speech, anyone who can lay claim to the title of "Associate Professor of Korean Society and Culture in the discipline group of Social Sciences within the School of Media Creative Arts and Social Inquiry in the Faculty of Humanities at Curtin University" is sure to deliver a fascinating address. Myself, fellow Members and guests were not disappointed. Associate Professor Elfving-Hwang gave an entertaining, witty and very informative presentation which left all of us much better informed about the Korean Peninsula than we were when we entered the room.

My thanks must go to Club Member John Goodlad who has recently taken on the role of convenor of the Monday Guest Speaker program. If this speech is anything to go by, we are in for some very interesting presentations over the coming months.

I was privileged to attend several other important Club events last month, including the Wine Dinner on Friday 2 June with Penfolds Chief Winemaker Peter Gago AC. The food, wine and after-dinner speech were all nothing short of spectacular, and my compliments must go to the Wine Committee and Chair, Michael Hollingdale, for a wonderful evening. Special thanks must also go to our Club Secretary, Hugh Stowell, whose close personal friendship with Peter Gago went a long way to ensuring the success of the event.

One week later on Friday 9 June I was lucky to join a full house of Members and guests for the Mid-Winter Dinner, which featured two entertaining brackets from our very own Weld Club choir. Club Member and choir convenor Brian Pass deserves special mention for continuing to develop this group of gentlemen into a formidable musical force.

A number of important Club events are scheduled for the next few months, including the Younger Members' Dinner, the Bastille Day Dinner, the Fathers' and Sons' Dinner, the Game Dinner and the President's Dinner. Details can be found elsewhere in this newsletter, and I hope to catch up with many of you at one or more of these events.

Lastly, and on a somewhat more sombre note, last week we were saddened to learn of the passing of Club Member Erl Peter Anderson. While the passing of any Club Member is a sad occasion, this was even more poignant because at the age of 96, Peter was our longest standing Member having joined the Club 69 years and 6 months ago. May he rest in peace.

FROM THE SECRETARY

The Members' Dining Room plays a very important part in the life of the Club and the fellowship I see enjoyed amongst Members in this dining room is very special. A timely reminder that for any Member who is time poor or not inclined to eat a large lunch that there is a main course only and coffee option available for under \$27.00 per person. In The Verandah there is also the option of a quiet table in the corner and a sandwich menu for those Members looking for some quiet time and a light lunch away from their work commitments.

Thank you to those Members who support the At Home Dining service, which has moved into its fourth year, and for the positive feedback regarding the refreshed presentation of the weekly menu launched two weeks ago. A reminder that there is no limitation on the number of portions of each dish that can be ordered and therefore the At Home service can provide a great solution when catering for a dinner party at home.

Hugh Stowell

Mike Best

GENERAL NEWS

STAFF NEWS

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Charles Peter as a Duty Manager to replace Alex Pekin, who left recently to pursue a career in electrical engineering. Charles comes to the Club with many years of experience in Perth's hospitality industry including senior roles at Royal Perth Yacht Club and Caversham House. Dare I say his "old school" approach to service is to be admired and I invite Members to make themselves known to Charles in the weeks ahead.

I am also pleased to report that having last month promoted Mr Ringo Hoi Chung to Chef de Partie, that Chef has appointed Mr Igor Kirsto to fill the Demi Chef vacancy and I invite Members to introduce themselves to Igor when he is serving in the Dining Room.

Hugh Stowell

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE PASSENGER LIFT UPGRADE PROGRAM

As foreshadowed in last month's newsletter the parking garage passenger lift was re-opened for Members and guests on Wednesday 14 June 2023 and I have received numerous favourable reports on the improved ride and speed of the refurbished lift. Work has now commenced on the passenger lift adjacent to the Members' Dining Room and it will be out of service until the end of July. Members requiring access to the first floor are reminded the passenger lift adjacent to reception remains in service.

2023 MEMBERSHIP HANDBOOK COLLECTION REMINDER

Members are reminded that the 2023 edition of the Membership Handbook featuring a current List of Members and the Club's By-Laws is available for collection from the Club House from the Membership Manager's Office between the hours of 9.00 am to 5.00 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding public holidays. Pursuant to By-Law 18 on Privacy and Confidentiality, Members will be asked to sign for their copy of the handbook. Collection of the handbook from the Membership Manager's Office also provides an opportunity to vote in the Ballot announced in this month's Membership Report.

TRAVEL NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY ON RECIPROCAL CLUBS THE TRAVELLER'S CLUB IN PARIS



Commencing with our newest reciprocal club, The Travellers in Paris, each month I will provide from my travel notes an article on a reciprocal club to assist Members with their own enjoyment of clubs when they are travelling.

The Travellers Club, Paris, finally brings to Members accommodation in the centre of Paris on the Avenue Champs-Élysées. Originally built between 1856 and 1866 by a wealthy courtesan Esther Lachmann and known as the Hôtel de la Païva, it has been

occupied by the Travellers Club since 1904.

I have stayed at the Travellers Club on several occasions over the years and the location is remarkable. As you step out through the wrought iron and gold leaf gates onto the avenue and cast your eyes to the left, there is the Arc de Triomphe. Many of the now public rooms remain true to the architecture and decoration of the 19th century and you can spend hours walking through the rooms. Dinner in the dining room, which was originally part of Madame Lachmann's suite, is a must with classic French food and wines to match. The accommodation is located on the top floor and be wary as some of them are converted servants quarters they are not overly large and do not have full ensuites. I recommend paying a few euros extra for the "La Courtisane" or "La Païva" rooms. The staff are all extremely friendly and welcoming and the Club is ideal if you wish to immerse yourself in Paris.

Hugh Stowell

UPCOMING EVENTS

YOUNGER MEMBERS ANNUAL DINNER BOOKINGS CLOSING ON TUESDAY 4 JULY Friday 7 July 2023



Members have a final opportunity to book for the Annual Younger Members' Dinner next Friday 7 July 2023, at which The Hon. Andrew Hastie MP, Federal Shadow Minister for Defence, will be attending as the Guest of Honour.

With the recent release of the Federal Government's Defence Strategic Review and the increasing focus on global geopolitics, Andrew Hastie's after dinner address is certain to be one of the most important addresses given at the Club in 2023.

The evening will commence with pre-dinner drinks at 7.00 pm and dinner will follow at 7.30 pm. A three course menu paired with wines from the reserve cellar will be served, and following the dinner, the Billiard Room and Members' Bar will be open together with the refurbished First Floor Verandah for those who wish to bring a cigar to enjoy with fine brandy and ports. Dress is black tie.

Subscription is open to Younger Members and gentlemen guests and can be made by completing the enclosed subscription form or subscribe with an email to the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or by visiting the Club's website <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>.

BASTILLE DAY DINNER "Vive La France" & Long Live the Wines of France Friday 14 July 2023

To celebrate the Wine Sub-Committee's expansion into cellaring a number of quality wines from France, this year's Bastille Day Dinner will draw on wines from Champagne, Burgundy, Bordeuax and the Rhone Valley paired with a menu created by Chef, Clayton Green, of signature dishes from each region. The dinner will be held in the Members'



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Dining Room at 7.30pm.

To place your name on the wait list, please contact the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u>.

CLASSIC CAR & MOTORING GROUP LITERARY LUNCH 'SPEED THE SECRET OF CIVILISATION' GUEST SPEAKER: MS KATHARINE WORTH Monday 17 July 2023



2023 marks the Centenary of the LeMans Grand Prix 24 hour race and to celebrate 100 years of Grand Prix racing you are invited to subscribe to the sixth in the series of Motoring Literary Luncheons.

On this occasion our guest speaker will be Ms. Katharine Worth a PhD candidate from UWA whose research examines the role of nationalism and national identity in

formula one motor racing. She has graciously agreed to speak on the topic 'Speed-the secret of Civilisation': Politicising Grand Prix Racing in 1930s Germany and Great Britain. Her fascinating talk covers the development and political machinations behind the legendary Silver Arrows of the period 1934-1939.

Members will enjoy a two-course luncheon, inclusive of wines and coffee, while enjoying this interesting and fascinating talk, with the opportunity to ask questions. On this occasion Members may invite partners and guests.

Subscriptions may be made via e-mail to the Club Administration Manager, Mr. Tim Tucker on <u>communications@weldclub.org.au</u> or by telephoning the Club.

AVIATION GROUP TALK & LUNCH "AN INSIGHT INTO PERTH TRAFFIC CONTROL" GUEST SPEAKER: MR DEAN KALLAWK Friday 28 July 2023

Aviation Group Convenor, Mr Kim Keogh, is pleased to advise that Mr Dean Kallawk has re-scheduled his presentation, An insight into Perth Traffic Control, which will be held on Monday 24 July 2023.

Many Weld Club members are avid travellers who would have seen a number of



changes in the industry over the years. Overseas air travel has become even more popular with the latest generation of passenger aircraft capable of reaching most destinations in the world from Australia non-stop.

Automation in the aviation sector is remarkably advanced but at least for now pilots still have a place, so too those who are charged with ensuring separation between inbound and outbound aircraft as they converge at major airports.

Have you ever wondered how this is achieved (for the most part) without incident.?

Dean Kallawk served as an RAAF air traffic controller, has international experience as an approach controller in Auckland and Christchurch, Doha, Qatar and at Dubai in the UAE. He is currently an approach controller at Perth Airport and has been invited by the aviation group to talk about his experiences both here and abroad.

He will cover topics such as the co-ordination of aircraft entering Perth airspace, the circumstances that would necessitate a pilot to institute a "go-around" on final approach, and why inbound aircraft are sometimes required to enter a holding pattern before making an approach.

The presentation will commence at 12 NOON sharp with an opportunity for questions at the end of the talk. This event is open to Members and Gentleman guests and a Buffet lunch will be available from 12:45 pm in the Dining Room. Subscriptions can be made by completing the attached subscription form contacting The Club Administration Manager, Mr Tim Tucker on <u>communications@weldclub.org.au</u> or by visiting the Club's website <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>.

FATHERS' & SONS' ANNUAL BLACK TIE DINNER Friday 28 July 2023

Limited places remain for the annual Fathers' and Sons' Dinner, which this year will be held on Friday 28 July 2023. This event is open to fathers and their sons, grandsons and sons-in-law. A Member who is the son of a non-member father may of course also bring his father as a guest to the dinner as well.

The evening will commence with drinks at 7.00 pm and will be followed by a three-course dinner with wines from the reserve cellar. This year the traditional long tables will return to enhance the fellowship amongst those attending. After dinner, coffee will be served in front of the fires in the Wittenoom Room and the first floor verandah will be open for those wishing to retire for port and their own cigars. Alternately, an honour bar will be available in the Billiards Room for those wishing to practice their billiard and snooker skills after dinner.

Please complete the attached subscription form or subscribe in an email to the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or by visiting the Club's website <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>. Please note that bookings will be confirmed in order of receipt.

10TH ANNIVERSARY GAME DINNER Friday 11 August 2023



The perfect evening in winter, commencing with mulled wine and wee drams of whisky served in front of the fires in the Wittenoom Room at 7.00 pm before the bagpipes lead everyone into dinner in the Members' Dining Room at 7.30 pm. This year's dinner on Friday 11 August 2023 celebrates 10 years since the inaugural dinner was held and Chef will be drawing upon some of the most popular dishes served at previous dinners complemented by wines from the Cellar with ten years of bottle age.

As is tradition the haggis course will be led in with bagpipes prior to the reading of "Ode to the Haggis" and a toast with a single malt whisky. The dinner is open to Members and gentlemen guests and is an ideal evening for Members to introduce their sons, grandsons, friends and colleagues to the customs of a Game Dinner. Dress is Black Tie or Kilt.

Please complete the attached subscription form or subscribe in an email to the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, via <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or by visiting the Club's website <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>.

WINE GROUP DINNER Members Only Event Thursday 17 August 2023

Advance notice is given of a further Wine Group Dinner scheduled for Thursday 17 August 2023 from 7.00pm.

Convenor, Mr John Hopkins OAM, will again test the palettes of Members during the evening, with an intriguing selection of wines paired to the menu served from the kitchen.

Members wishing to attend this sought after event, should book early to avoid disappointment by contacting the Club Administration Manager, Mr Tim Tucker on <u>communications@weldclub.org.au</u> to secure a place. If numbers have not reached capacity by the Friday prior to the event, Members may be invited to bring a guest along.

PRESIDENT'S DINNER Member Only Event Friday 25 August 2023

Members are invited to subscribe to the President's Annual Dinner on Friday 25 August 2023. The evening will commence with pre-dinner drinks in the Wittenoom Room at 7.00 pm to then move through for a three course dinner in the Members' Dining Room. This is a Member only event and new Members are encouraged to attend with their proposers. Dress is black tie.



Subscription can be made with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, in an email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or by visiting the Club's website at <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>.

FATHERS' DAY LUNCH SUNDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2023

Members are invited to make up tables for their families on Father's Day for a relaxed lunch in the Members' Dining Room. This is a wonderful opportunity to bring generations of the family together to acknowledge grandfathers, fathers and fathers-in-law on Father's Day. On this occasion there is no age restriction for children so that all children, grandchildren and great grandchildren may be included at the lunch. For gentlemen ties are optional and the dress for children under 16 years of age will simply be "Sunday Best".

Tables are available from 11.30 am and bookings will be accepted up until 1.00 pm. Reservations can be made with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, in an email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or on the Club's website via <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>.

NEW MEMBERS' EVENING MEMBER ONLY EVENT FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2023

Bookings are open for the New Members' Evening on Friday 8 September 2023. This is an important opportunity for all Members to extend a warm welcome to the new Members who have joined the Club in the recent past.

The evening will commence with pre-dinner drinks in the Wittenoom Room at 6.30 pm and dinner will follow in the Members' Dining Room at 7.00 pm. This is a Members' only event and dress on this occasion is lounge suit. Please note, a private reception will be held for the new Members and their proposers only to meet the President and the Committee at 6.00 pm.

Bookings for this event are essential and can be made with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, in an email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or on the Club's website via <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>

COUNTRY MEMBERS INTEREST & ROYAL SHOW WEEK LUNCH PRELIMINARY NOTICE THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2022



The Country Members Interest Convener, Tim Johnston, is pleased to announce that Mr Shane McLinden, CEO of Honey for Life, has accepted his invitation to give an address at the Royal Show Week Lunch on Thursday 28 September 2023.

With access to untouched forests here in Western Australia, Honey for Life has created some of the most sought-after honey with the infusion of Jarrah, Karri and Red Gum botanicals, which are unique to the South West region.

Since 2016 the company has worked hard to establish Manuka honey plantations on regenerated farmland and following rapid expansion now exports overseas to Singapore, Japan, Saudi Arabia, China, Canada, Italy and Hong Kong.

The lunch will commence with refreshments at 12 noon in the Frederick Barlee Room and a two-course lunch will follow in the Members' Dining Room. Dress is jacket and tie. This event is for Members and their partners, together with widows of deceased Members as guests of the Club, and other invited guests. A charge of \$87.00 per person, including wine, will apply.

Subscription can be made with the Events Manager, Emma Madigan, in an email to <u>events@weldclub.org.au</u> or by visiting the Club's website at <u>www.weldclub.org.au</u>.