

ANZ RETIRED OFFICERS' CLUB (N.S.W.)

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Welcome to our July 2025 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - ANZROC(NSW) JULY 2025

Welcome to the July 2025 Newsletter, enjoy the read.

How quickly time passes as we enter another financial year.

Reminder: If you hold a Commonwealth Seniors Health Card you can claim the Seniors Energy Rebate for 2025/2026 year as from August 2025.

Make sure you have a Service NSW Account.

1. Log In to Service NSW via your PC.
2. Click on **Concessions Rebates & Assistance**
3. Under Heading **Energy & Utilities** click on **Energy Rebates > Seniors Energy Rebate**, and follow the prompts

You will need:

- 2 forms of ID (Driver's License, Medicare Card)
- Your latest Electricity Bill from 2024/2025.

These above two documents will need to be scanned into your PC for uploading when requested.

- Your Commonwealth Seniors Health Card (CRN Number).

Regards

Philip

NEW MEMBERS

Alan Hyatt

Alan had a lengthy career of 43 years with the ANZ Group, having spent much of his time with Esanda. Welcome to ANZROC(NSW) Alan.

A BIT OF HUMOUR TO BREAKUP THE NEWS

Customer: Hi, good afternoon, this is Martha, I can't print. Every time I try, it says 'can't find printer'. I've even lifted the printer and placed it in front of the monitor, but the computer still says he can't find it.

A customer called the help desk with a problem with her printer.

Tech support: Are you running it under windows?

Customer: 'No, my desk is next to the door, but that is a good point.

The man sitting in the cubicle next to me is under a window, and his printer is working fine.

Customer: I can't get on the Internet.

Tech support: Are you sure you used the right password?

Customer: Yes, I'm sure. I saw my colleague do it.

Tech support: Can you tell me what the password was?

Customer: Five dots.



AUGUST 2025 BIRTHDAYS

TO ALL MEMBERS WHO ARE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST 2025.

BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM ALL CLUB MEMBERS.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Marilyne	ATTEWELL	2nd
Michelle	BALL	3rd
Roy	CRAWFORD	16th
Cosmo (Cos)	DELFINO	10th
Ray	HAWKES	27th
David	JONES	5th
Tracy	MABER	1st
Sandra (Sandy)	McCALL	26th
Harry	McKERROW	15th
Val	MUDFORD	13th
Graham	PELLEY	31st

Geoff	POLLACK	31st
Jamie	ROBERTS	18th
Stephen	SARGENT	8th
Kayleen	SHAILES	18th
Ron	SKEEN	5th
Frank	SLADE	22nd
John	SLOAN	11th
Robert (Bob)	SMART	30th
Bruce	STEVENS	27th
Phil	TIMMS	29th
Lily	TRAN	7th

THE HONS

Verlie	BEHLEVANS	1st
Albert	BEN MAYOR	24th
Allen	BURRIDGE	26th
Betty (Ednie)	BURWOOD	16th
Bill	CHAPMAN	10th
John	COX	10th
Keith	CRAWFORD	25th
Robyn	DAY	9th
Vic	EAST	17th
Roy	EASTON	12th
Richard	HEHER	28th

Keith	JOHNSON	16th
Grahame	LLOYD	13th
Gary	MASON	20th
Chris	MIRANA	8th
Kevin	NELSON	4th
Gary	O'MEARA	24th
Graham	POPE	24th
Wayne (Scooby)	SMITH	29th
Colin	STONER	27th
Keith	TUDOR	23rd

John Cox is the sole new entrant to the Hons this month. Welcome John.

WELFARE REPORTS

PHIL COHEN.

Quick calls to some of the HONS who have birthdays scheduled in August 2025.

Verlie Behlevanes

Health good. Enjoys crocheting garments. Attends local Probus. Looks after grandchildren when necessary.

Albert Benmayer

Health not too bad. Walks a lot when he can. Plays bridge from time to time with the other residents in the nursing home where he now resides so he can visit wife Sandra in the same nursing home each day. Enjoys relaxing in front of the TV. Also attends Concerts and other activities at the nursing home.

Betty Burwood

Betty tells me she is fortunate to have good health. Is about to attend a driving test so that her driver's license will be renewed. Unfortunately, she has had to give up her volunteering as the Treasurer of the local hospital after 16 years as they have gone digital for all systems.

Therefore, now has more time meeting up with friends on a Tuesday and Saturday for coffee and a chat. Also gives her more time looking after her garden.

John Cox

Health good. Has completed three cruises in the past year plus trips to Italy, Spain and the USA. When home spends time looking after his own family financial affairs. Also enjoys walking for exercise. Meets up with other residents in his unit block each Tuesday at the Pub for a bite to eat, a drink and a chat.

Keith Crawford

Health good, enjoys veggie growing in his big back yard although the last few months have not been very fruitful because of all the rain. Plays golf twice weekly. Involved with a Travel Group who raise funds for the Children's Hospital Westmead, Sydney via a golf charity day each year. Also involved with a local group to raise funds for local doctors.

Has some grandchildren minding service at times with ten grandchildren.

Robyn Day

Health still very good. Walks every day. Involved with Probus Club and enjoys their excursions. Is the Treasurer of her local quilting Club. Just purchased a new replacement sewing machine for use at home with her quilting. Will celebrate birthday with friends and family over a couple of days.

Grahame Lloyd

No health problems Still plays golf 3-4 days a week plus tennis. The rest of his free time is predominantly spent helping family, with two daughters and four grandchildren.

Gary Mason

Health good from all that mowing of his 2.6 acres using sit on mowers, although not much mowing needed at present due to drought conditions in his area in Victoria. Also attempts to keep fit playing tennis and swimming. Spends time at the local shopping Centre regularly for a coffee. Volunteers at the local Primary School helping the 2nd grade pupils with their spelling/reading. Also involved with the local Little Theatre. Also involved with the local Rotary.

Graham Pope

Health not too bad, except for minor issues relating to age. Was playing bowls twice weekly, but now mainly once per week with an occasional second day when asked to fill in. Spends time driving to and from Grafton and Foster where he has family.

Wayne Smith

Attempted to contact Wayne on a few occasions without success. Left a message. Maybe also absent overseas and unable to be contacted.

Keith Tudor

Health good. Enjoys fishing around his local area. Keeps busy working at least four days a week, on sit on mower, maintaining the grass and buildings on a nearby 67 acre property that includes a horse stud along with cattle for a local person that Keith knows.

In addition, also busy looking after his own 10,000sq.m property where he lives.

When I spoke to Keith mid-July, he had just completed four hours of mowing which only covered a quarter of what needs mowing.

TERRY AULD - WELFARE REPORT – JULY 2025

Ian Auld

Ian turned 93 this Birthday.

Advised he is keeping reasonably well, although he does have a problem with a blockage of nerves in the lower section of his body which does have some impact on his mobility and he uses a walker more regularly nowadays, mainly to prevent any falls.

Otherwise, he is feeling well within himself and still manages the occasional red wine and scotch or two. Terry, Heather, Angelo and Marina Briganti recently had lunch with Ian and Pam plus Ian Tredinnick. Ian Auld's cognitive faculties are as sharp as ever. Ian Tredinnick is also keeping well and it was a very pleasant lunch.

Ian is the full-time career for his wife Pam, who is unfortunately suffering some health issues, which restrict his social ability.

That occasional red wine and scotch are certainly doing wonders Ian.

Allan Edmonds

Allan advised that he is keeping well and enjoying life.

He lives in the ANZAC Memorial Retirement Village at Narabeen and is still the President of the Bowling Club and plays three days a week.

On his Birthday, his Granddaughter is taking him to Megalong Valley for the day to have lunch at a restaurant he and his wife used to visit often. He mentioned that he enjoys the Blue Mountains area.

Allen said that his daughter, Linda, also worked in the ANZ & he suggested to her that she should join ANZROC & they could both attend the occasional lunch.

What a great idea, Allan. I hope to see you both at a future lunch.

Dan Moriarty

Dan turned 90 this Birthday.

When I rang, he said he was sitting in a sunny room having coffee.

Advised that he is keeping well but that he relinquished his driving license this year. His wife, Margaret, still retains her license & is now the designated driver.

He celebrated his Birthday at a family BBQ which he enjoyed.

Harold Tilley

I telephoned Harolds' listed phone number several times and left a message but was unable to contact him. I also sent him an email to his listed email address but, to date, have received no reply. It may well be that he is away.

If any member knows or has contact with Harold, I would appreciate an update on him and his well-being.

Brian White

Brian had cancelled his landline and not told us but, with the assistance of Reg Smeaton, I was able to obtain his mobile number.

When I contacted him, he advised that he had been in Canberra for a few days visiting and celebrating his Birthday with family.

Brian advised that he is doing all right keeping well.

I reminded him that the last time I saw him in Wollongong, the group of wives present were questioning him regarding him cooking vegetables for himself.

Brian said he still does not cook vegetables, but he does eat out 2/3 times a week & always has vegetables with his meal.

Well done, Brian. The wife's group will be pleased.

Allan Aylward

I communicated with Allan via email.

He thanked me for the message & advised that, apart from what appears to be fairly normal aches & pains from worn-out joints, he is okay.

His Birthday is 29 July, but he advised he had enjoyed a pre-birthday lunch with a number of Family members on Sunday 27 July.

Keep well Allan.

UPCOMING FUNCTION DATES



SYDNEY

OUR FOURTH BI-MONTHLY LUNCHEON FOR 2025

WILL BE AT THE CASTLEREAGH BOUTIQUE HOTEL SYDNEY

169 CASTLEREAGH ST (AROUND THE CNR FROM ANZ TOWER)

MONDAY 18th AUGUST 2025.

FULL DETAILS & BOOKING REQUIREMENTS ON LAST PAGE THIS NL.

ANZROC Illawarra Christmas Function

Co-Ordinator Reg Smeaton has advised that the Illawarra Christmas function has been set for: -

- Date Sunday 30 November 2025.
- Venue The Coniston Hotel - 28 Bridge Street Coniston NSW
- Time 12.00pm.

Bookings and enquires: -

Reg.kini@bigpond.com or phone 0423 661 789

COMPLETED FUNCTIONS

ESANDA Luncheon 18 July 2025 - Orient Hotel The Rocks.

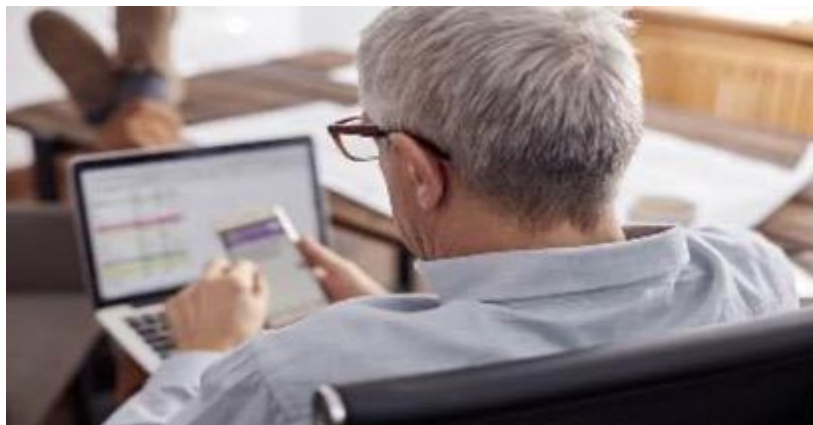
Everyone had a great time sharing old stories and solving world problems. The beer and wine flowed.

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Ken Dighton
Bert Wood
Steve Cross
Max Morris
Tim Deeble
Graham Kirchner
Clive Reid
Harry Hammond
Doug Richardson
Alan Hyatt
Craig Smith
George Harloe
Brian Manuel
Ivan Radovnikovic
Bob Jones



Correspondence/emails & letters received from members.



No correspondence received in July 2025.



To all our Hon's who are celebrating a birthday in August 2025.

RESPONSES RECEIVED FROM HON MEMBERS, GENERAL OR WHO HAD BIRTHDAYS IN JULY 2025 AND RECEIVED BIRTHDAY CARD WISHES FROM THE CLUB.

Paul Jacka wrote: -

Thanks for the wishes. Life good at Wangi and enjoying bowls regularly.

Rathmines Bowlo enjoyed another prosperous result and increased Membership with the closure of Toronto BC.

Health as well as expected and under control. 1941 was a good year! year! Best wishes to all. Thanks, Phil, for your call.

Paul J.



Trevor Mitchell wrote: -

Hello Graeme

Thank you for the greeting card for my 80th.

The first photograph was taken December 2024, me and my wife Robyn, also ex-ESA/ANZ, Terry Auld and his wife Heather, and Phil Timms, also ex-ESA/ANZ. We try to catch up when we are in Sydney. The other is the day of my birthday celebration, we had



Christmas in June with our family, at our rural block out of Murwillumbah, where we have lived for 39 years.

Our three kids travelled from Sydney, Bungendore and San Francisco to join us and our friends.

Thank you for your service with ANZROC, it's very appreciated and we look forward to each issue.

Regards to all

Trevor.

Colin Stoner wrote: -

Hi Graeme,

Please advise Terry Auld who chases me in August for birthday. Am away again. On this fundraiser for RFDS (The Royal Flying Doctor Service) since 1999. This is the only long one I do these days, mostly small local or recently The Entrance to Nora Head and back.

I have an E bike, but it is not a motor bike. You must pedal and on economy, it will assist to 80k on a good surface with no headwind. I am in trouble for five days, especially as June tries for dirt roads and tracks to avoid cars. They will operate the SAG wagon at 4.30, so I am resigned to that.

Also, less shearers beds and four bush camps? At almost 88 I am getting past a 2-man tent on the ground at 6.30 in the morning in winter and creeping out of a warm sleeping bag.

Cheers. Colin Stoner

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CASTLEREAGH BOUTIQUE HOTEL



CELLOS ROOM 4TH FLOOR.

**THE CLUB'S 4th BI-MONTHLY LUNCHEON FOR 2025 WILL BE HELD AT THE CASTLEREAGH BOUTIQUE HOTEL SYDNEY
WITH DETAILS: -**

DATE: 3rd MONDAY 18th AUGUST 2025.

TIME 12 NOON FOR 12.30PM LUNCHEON.

**VENUE CASTLEREAGH BOUTIQUE HOTEL – 169 CASTLEREAGH STREET SYDNEY
AROUND THE CNR FROM ANZ TOWER. CELLOS ROOM 4th FLOOR.**

ENTRY TO THE 4th FLOOR IS ONLY PERMITTED AFTER 12 NOON SO FOR EARLY ARRIVALS THE BAR ON THE 2nd FLOOR WILL BE OPEN FROM 10.00AM.

THE CLUB IS PLEASED TO ADVISE THAT FOLLOWING NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE CASTLEREAGH BOUTIQUE HOTEL, THE CLUB HAS AN AGREED MEAL COST FOR OUR BI-MONTHLY LUNCHEONS IN 2025 AND MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS WILL REMAIN AT \$25.00 FOR 2025, BEVERAGES ARE FOR MEMBERS OWN ACCOUNT.

BOOKINGS & PRE PAYMENT \$25PH

CLUB MEMBERS YOU MUST PRE BOOK AND PAY IN ADVANCE.

➤ **BOOKINGS FOR THIS LUNCHEON BOOKINGS ARE TO BE MADE VIA: -**

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IF YOU RING ON MOBILES & IT IS UNANSWERED, PLEASE LEAVE MESSAGE.
CUT OFF DATE FOR BOOKINGS IS 13th AUGUST AS WE NEED TO INFORM CASTLEREAGH BOUTIQUE HOTEL OF FINAL NO'S BY THAT DATE.

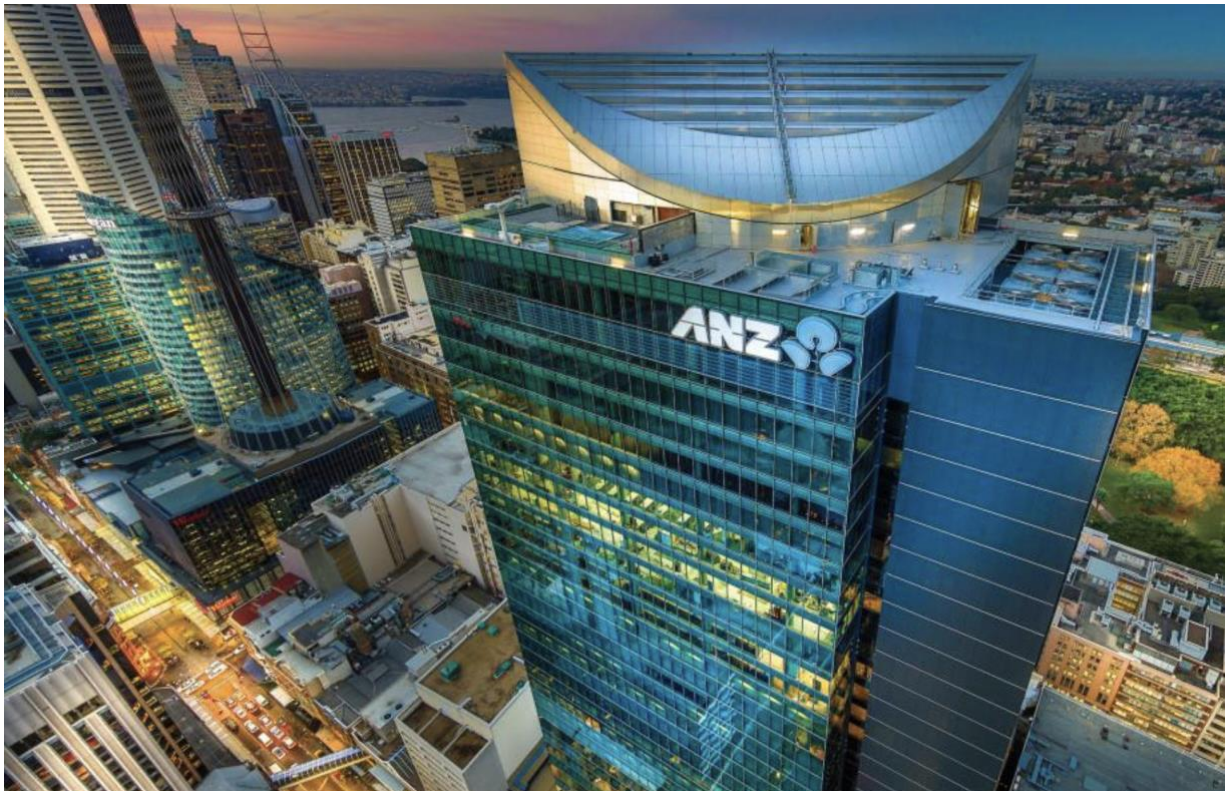
PREPAYMENT \$25PH TOWARDS MEAL COSTS.
WE ENCOURAGE MEMBERS TO PRE-PAY IN ADVANCE WHEN BOOKING AS ABOVE BY DIRECT CREDITING CLUB'S BANK ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS: -

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE INTERNET BANKING & NEED TO PAY AT THE DOOR ON THE DAY IT WOULD GREATLY ASSIST IF YOU COULD PAY WITH A SMALL NOTES. AS WE DO NOT HAVE A FLOAT MANY THANKS.

BANK: -	ANZ.
BSB	012-006
ACCOUNT NO	0089-06464

IN EFT REMITTANCE PLEASE ADD YOUR NAME & MESSAGE AS LUNCHEON 18 AUGUST. WE LOOK FORWARD TO A BIG ATTENDANCE AT OUR AUGUST BI-MONTHLY LUNCHEON & SEEING THOSE WHO CAN ATTEND ON 18th AUGUST 2025.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE WHO HAVE A BIRTHDAY IN JULY OR AUGUST 2025, YOUR MEAL COST WILL BE COVERED BY THE CLUB.



Members that is the Club July 2025 newsletter.

Enjoy the read.

Club Committee.