

**AUGUST 2025**

## **BEREAVEMENTS**

### **PHIL NEWSOME - PAST PRESIDENT AND LONG-TERM CLUB MEMBER.**

It was with great sadness that we were advised by Life member Reg Smeaton and Phil's wife Helen that Phil had passed away in hospital in Wollongong on Thursday night 14<sup>th</sup> August 2025 aged 78 years.

Reg said: -

As advised previously, Phil Newsome passed away on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2025 after a long battle with renal issues and later heart issues that he could not counter.

**Phil's funeral was held at: -**

**Mary Queen of Croats Church**

**7 – 9 Bellevue Rd Figtree at 10.00am**

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2025, followed by the burial service at Lakeside Memorial Park 230 Kanahooka Rd Dapto.**

Mourners were then invited to attend the Wake at The Grange Golf Club at 10 Kembla Grange (off the Old Princes Highway) where there was a photo memorial display and a brief eulogy on Phil's career and Bank connections.

Reg provided the following resume on Phil's ANZ career.

Phil joined the ANZ Bank at Armidale in April 1964; he had a stint at Wee Waa as well before joining relief staff where he covered most of the Branches in NSW. Then about five years at Martin Place in Ledgers and Advances, before his first Accountants post at 131 Clarence Street Sydney, he then spent time in Methods Department before moving back to the country to Woden Branch as accountant, Asst. Manager Narrabri and Manager Wauchope. Followed by a long stint in Tamworth in various lending and management roles. His move to Area Manager Wollongong evolved over time to Regional Manager South Coast from which he retired in October 1999, after 35 years of service.



**Phil & Helen Newsome**

Very involved in ANZROC after retirement and at one stage as President. Phil has left many friends that he accumulated throughout his career behind.

Rest in Peace Phil

Reg Smeaton

Sincere condolences from all Club members to Phil's wife Helen and all his family at this very sad time.

RIP Phil you will be missed.



**Honorary Member Keith Arthur Johnson.**

We were sadly advised by his daughter Kym Bryant that her father has passed away on 17 July 2025 in Care Facility in Port Macquarie aged 92 years.

Kym said her father had been in ill health for some time but enjoyed reading the monthly Club NL when he was able to.

A private family service was held for Keith.

Sincere condolences to all Keith's family at this sad time.

RIP Keith.

**Retired ANZ Officer Reg Wilson.****Vale Reg Wilson**

Club member Gail Haviski advised: -

I am saddened to share the news of Reg Wilson's passing. Although not a member of ANZROC, many people, especially those from the Illawarra/South Coast, would have very fond memories of Reg, who worked through the 70's/80's for ANZ Merchants.

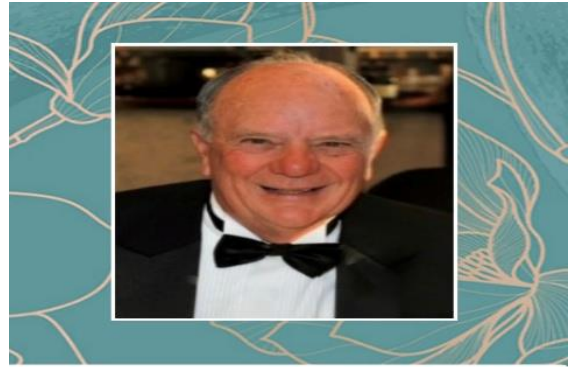
Reg passed away on Saturday, July 26th, 2025, at the age of 84. He was one of life's true gentlemen and never had a bad word for anyone. Reg was always up for a good chat, always with a smile on his face. A very active and social man he was golfing, paddle boarding, and bike riding only 12 months before he passed away from cancer. Now reunited with his much-loved wife, Margaret, who he lost last year. The world is a much poorer place for his passing!

Regards

Gail Havasi (Harris)

ANZ Illawarra

Sincere condolences to Reg's family at this sad time.



**Reginald Alexander  
James Wilson**

RIP Reg



### **HONORARY MEMBER - MALCOLM DAVID MATTHEW.**

We were sadly advised by his wife Glenda that her husband and Honorary Club member Malcolm David Matthew passed away on 17 August 25 aged 87 years. Glenda said that Malcolm had not been in good health for some time and went down quickly over last few weeks.

Funeral notice from SMH on 23 August 2025 reads: -

MATTHEW Malcolm David Late of Oatlands 16.05.1938 - 17.08.2025. Loving husband of Glenda, cherished father of Andrew (dec) and Stuart, father-in-law to Jo and grandfather to Rory, Cate and Phoebe. 'Always with us' Malcolm's family and friends were warmly invited to attend his Funeral Service which was held on Friday 29th August 2025 at 11 am in the Lotus Pavilion, Macquarie Park Cemetery and Crematorium, Cnr Delhi & Plassey Roads, Macquarie Park followed by refreshments on site. Sincere condolences to Malcolm's wife Glenda and all family at this sad time.

RIP Malcolm.



### **MEMBER JOHN HARRIS**

We have just been informed and following contact with his daughter Louise, received confirmation that her father and club member John Harris passed away on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025 aged 77 years.

John had a long career in ANZ and served in International Division for many years; he also worked in Corporate Banking division.

Louise said that that John had been suffering with Parkinson's disease for the past couple of years and towards the end was in a nursing home as well as in and out of hospital with related complications.

Sincere condolences to all John's family at this sad time.

RIP John.

