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Welcome to our November & December 2026 Newsletter.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT – ANZROC(NSW) NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 2026

Welcome all to the November and December 2026 newsletter, the last for this year. Where has the time gone?
Before it escapes me, on behalf of all members, sincere thanks to Secretary Graeme Bool and IT expert ("Head Geek"?) Craig Smith for the countless hours they have spent over the year preparing the Newsletter each month, with Craig even being able to finalise one issue whilst holidaying in the USA. The world of IT never fails to amaze me with what can be achieved. Real intelligence beats the other one hands down.

Our bi-monthly luncheons continue to be well supported, and my thanks to all who regularly attend to keep the old network running, although, considering our ages, "running" would not be the correct terminology. Perhaps "ticking over" is more appropriate. A gentler connotation.

I am looking forward to our Christmas function to be held on Monday 30 November at the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel, to round out our 2026 gatherings, and trust that you can attend. Before then I will be attending the Newcastle function, always an enjoyable event.

The Festive Season, as it is regularly referred to, is a time for families to get together to celebrate and share memories of what has happened since they last met. However, during the year we have lost many members/spouses, and our thoughts will be with their families as sadly they gather with one empty seat.

Finally, to all, on behalf of your Management Committee, I extend best wishes for Christmas and look forward to seeing as many as can make it in 2027 to our bi-monthly luncheons. The first of these, which will also incorporate the AGM, will be on Monday 15 February 2027 at the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel.

Regards,

Ken

NOTICE TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS: ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS 2027

As we move towards 2027 the Club Committee has confirmed that annual subs for 2027 will again be $10.00.

This is a small amount for members to pay and gives support to the Clubs operations.

NOTE.

Annual Subscriptions are payable by members aged under <80 years in terms of Club Constitution.

Exemptions.

- **Honorary members and widows/widowers of former members are exempt.**
- **Any member who will turn 80 in 2027 and obtain Honorary status in 2027 are also exempt.**
- **Life members are exempt.**

Payment of $10 Subs direct into Clubs Bank account would be appreciated.

Details are: -

Bank	**ANZ**
Branch	**Martin Place & Pitt Sts Sydney (Previously King & George Sts)**
Account Name	**ANZROC(NSW)**
BSB:	**012006**
Account #:	**008906464**

If you pay via EFT, please record your name as reference. If you pay at a branch, (either via ATM or over counter) please record your telephone number on your transaction as the reference, (the system will not recognise your name).

Any donations our members choose to give will always be warmly welcomed by the Club.

Many thanks to all members for their support of the Club.

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

BEREAVEMENTS

HONORARY MEMBER BARRY GIBSON.

We were very sadly informed that our Honorary member Barry Gibson passed away on 10 November 2026 aged 84 years.

Barry had a very long and distinguished career in ANZ and was very well known and respected by officers who either worked with him or knew him during his banking career.

Barry's health position over past twelve months was not good and he was in hospital for an extended period from late 2025.

Welfare Officer Terry Auld said he had contacted Barry several times during the year and he always had that positive vibe, although Terry knew he was masking the real issues.



Barry at Club Luncheon 20 October 2025

Terry also regularly spoke with his daughter who more or less confirmed his feelings.

Barry was a strong supporter of ANZROC(NSW) and was a regular attendee at Club luncheons up until he could no longer come into the city.

He was also a very good sportsman and played a great game of Tennis, Golf and Competition Bowls.

Barry's wife Barbara predeceased him.

Barry's Funeral was held
Thursday 19 November 2026
10:15am
North Chapel
Northern Suburbs Crematorium
199 Delhi Road
North Ryde NSW 2113

Afterwards at North Ryde RSL Club (The Green Room).
Sincere condolences to all Barry's family at this sad time.
RIP Barry.



MEMBER ALAN HYATT

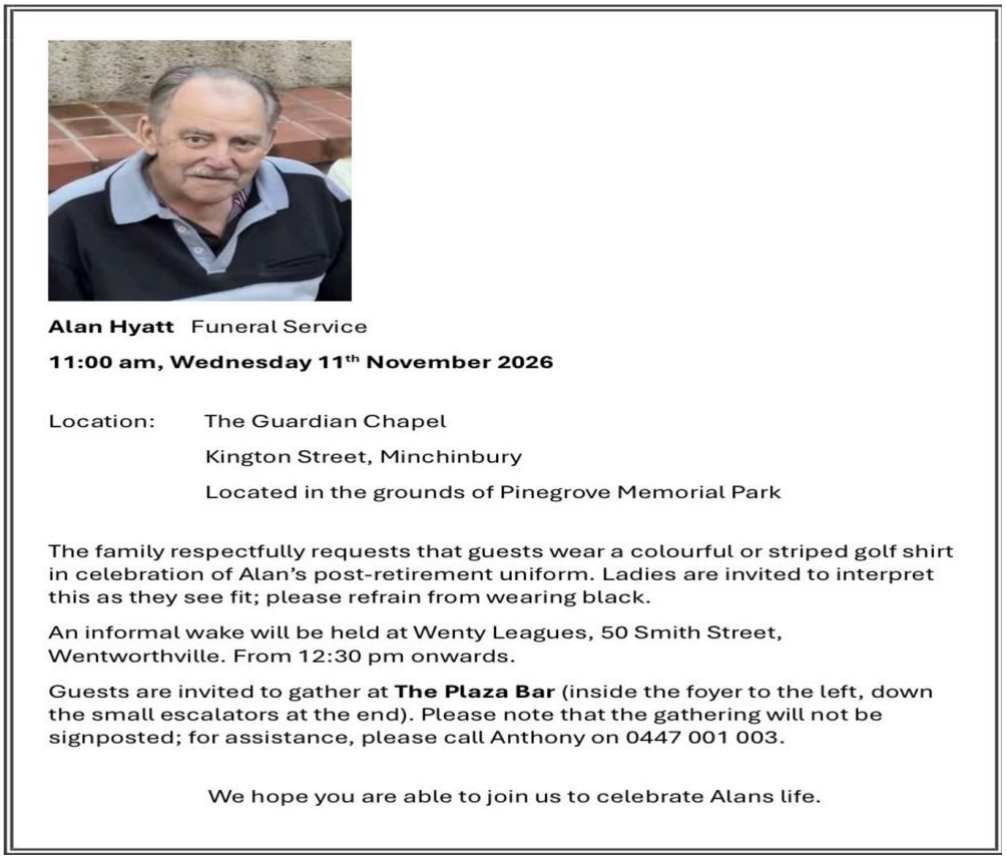
We were very sadly informed that member Alan Hyatt passed away on 30 October aged 78 years.

Alan had a long and distinguished 43-year career in the bank and member Bob Jones advised Alan's funeral service to aptly be conducted on Remembrance Day.
Bob said Alan worked for both the Bank and Esanda and was very much a "good guy". His death came as a shock, and he will be missed by all he knew him.

Funeral notice for Alan.

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

RIP Alan.



Alan Hyatt Funeral Service

11:00 am, Wednesday 11th November 2026

Location: The Guardian Chapel
Kington Street, Minchinbury
Located in the grounds of Pinegrove Memorial Park

The family respectfully requests that guests wear a colourful or striped golf shirt in celebration of Alan's post-retirement uniform. Ladies are invited to interpret this as they see fit; please refrain from wearing black.

An informal wake will be held at Wenty Leagues, 50 Smith Street, Wentworthville. From 12:30 pm onwards.

Guests are invited to gather at **The Plaza Bar** (inside the foyer to the left, down the small escalators at the end). Please note that the gathering will not be signposted; for assistance, please call Anthony on 0447 001 003.

We hope you are able to join us to celebrate Alans life.



NEW MEMBERS

No new members in November 2026, please reach out to any of your old contacts who might like to join.



DECEMBER 2026 & JANUARY 2027 BIRTHDAYS
TO ALL MEMBERS WHO ARE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS DECEMBER 2026 OR JANUARY 2027.
BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM ALL CLUB MEMBERS.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Narelle	BELINFANTE	12th
Phil	BIBLE	8th
Warren	BOBIN	11th
Alan	BREWER	6th
Anna	CARNIATO	26th
Michelle	CARTER	9th
Jenni	CEBOKLI	14th
Marcia	CUPITT	14th
Dolores	DAJCIC	16th
Cheryl	DEAN	22nd
Judith (Judy)	ELLIOTT	9th
Rachel	FARR	5th
Dennis	FELGATE	11th
Allan	GIBSON OAM	3rd
Troy	GODDARD	1st
Ed	HALE	20th

Peter	HINKS	14th
Mal	KENNEDY	14th
John	KENNEY	20th
Graham	KIRCHNER	5th
Jerry	KORNACKI	24th
Tek Kon (TK)	LIM	19th
Kerry	LOVE	22nd
Keith	MORRIN	2nd
Cheryl	RICHARDSON	27th
John	RISTIVOJEVIC	22nd
Gail	RUTLEDGE	1st
Peter	SMITH	14th
Julie	THOMPSON	27th
Linda	THORNE	21st
Steve	TRIFFITT	7th

THE HONS

Ken	ABRAHAMS	15th
Arthur	CRITTENDEN	16th
Vicki	CROUCHER	22nd
Noel	DIROU	28th
Craig	FORDER	4th
Tony	HARDMAN	8th
Chris	HARRIS	28th
Colin	KEEGAN	6th
Ella	KING	1st

Bob	McELROY	13th
Janette	MITCHELL	12th
Peter	MURRAY	5th
Robert	PRATER	27th
Rod	PROSSER	11th
Laurie	SAINSBURY	20th
Tony	SCHEMBRI	28th
Geoff	SHERWOOD	1st
Ian	STEWART	20th

Bill	KYNASTON	29th
Michael	LETHERBARROW	31st

Ian	URQUHART	1st

Craig Forder, Chris Harris and Robert Prater are the final Hons for 2026.
Welcome to you all.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Robyn	BATE	24th
Donna	BOOTH	24th
William	CHANG	16th
Geoff	CUPITT	30th
Con (Costantino)	DE FILIPPIS	30th
Marina	EYEINGTON	8th
Marilyn	FEATON	27th
Glen	FITZPATRICK	20th
Sandra	GRACE	2nd
Maxine	HELMLING	1st
Branca	JELACA	1st
Gil(bert)	LE	16th

Robert (Bob)	LOADER	24th
Ross	McKIMM	1st
Paul	McLACHLAN	7th
Fiona	MORGAN	3rd
Susie	PANG	16th
Wilf	RODRICKS	1st
Doug	RUSSELL	10th
Craig	SMITH	21st
Phil	SMITH	26th
Bill	SULTANA	27th
Bert	WOOD	19th

THE HONS

Noel	BOTTRELL	22nd
David	BRAIDWOOD	21st
Harry	BROOKES	29th
Jan	BUTLER	13th
Doug	CANAVAN	24th
Gregory (Greg)	CROAN	19th
Ramon (Ray)	CROUCHER	23rd
Rosalie	DERRICK	19th
Brian	DIGBY	29th
Phil	DURNEY	23rd
Barry (Ocean Shores)	GIBSON	24th
John	GRANT	2nd
Valmai (Val)	GRIFFIN	16th
Warren	HADLEY	27th
(Thomas) John	HILLARD	17th
Warren	HUDSON	26th
Bob	JENNINGS	22nd

Bob	JONES	13th
Julie	LAYCOCK	7th
Kenneth (Ken)	McPHERSON	2nd
Eric	MYATT	8th
Nick	OGLESNEFF	16th
Barry	PATEMAN	29th
Bruce	PHILPS	7th
Charles	ROSS	16th
Bob	ROSS	26th
Ian	ROWLEY	22nd
Tony	ROWLEY	19th
Graham	SCARLETT	16th
Brian	THOMPSON	22nd
Ian	TREDINNICK	31st
Bob	WATSON	20th
Bob	WILKINSON	8th

"Opening the batting" for the Hons for 2027 are John Grant, Bob Jones, Val Griffin, Bob Watson, Warren Hudson and Barry Pateman.
Welcome to you all.

NOSTALGIA

Member Marilyn Featon sent in the following pictures and comments on Halloween.
Me, Marilyn Featon, ex Gosford, The Entrance and Erina branches, me with my girls Casey and Denly and again with my grandchildren, happy Halloween.





A BIT OF HUMOUR TO BREAKUP THE NEWS

What's a mathematician's favourite Christmas snack? A mince pi
What's a hairdresser's favourite Christmas song? Oh comb all ye faithful
What happens if you eat the Christmas decorations? You get tinsel-itus
How did Mary and Joseph know that Jesus weighed 3.34kg when he was born? They had a weigh in the manger
What hides in the bakery at Christmas? A mince spy
Why is it getting harder to buy Advent Calendars? Because their days are numbered
What is the best Christmas present in the world? A broken drum. You just can't beat it
Why was the Christmas tree so bad at sewing? It kept dropping its needles!

WELFARE REPORTS

PHILIP COHEN.

Quick calls to some of the HONS who have birthdays scheduled in December 2026.

Vicki Croucher
Had a problem contacting Vicki so sent an email. The following reply was received:
"Hi Phillip
Sorry for not responding to your calls. No excuse. Ramon and I are still doing well and currently living at Potts Hill [near Birrong]. We are still active and able to get about. We are now members of Kogarah Probus and attend meetings once a month. We are still keen Basketball followers and attend Sydney Kings and Sydney Flames games. We also have a good social life and have many friends we catch up with on a regular basis. So, life goes on and fortunately we are still able to drive and travel when we get the urge. Cheers and thanks for the email
Vickie and Ramon Croucher"
Craig Forder
Welcome to the HONS in December.
Health Good following a few major health problems previously. Enjoys crossword puzzles, reading and looking after his garden. Attends his local church each week for activities as well as helping clean. Travels to Cairns regularly where he has family. Will be celebrating his birthday at home with a special party for friends and most of his large family.
Tony Hardman
Health not too bad, although having Type 2 Diabetes he suffers a little following a bout of Sepsis some two years ago which kept him in hospital for four days and which has had an adverse effect on his

stamina. Thus, he walks some 4kms a day to help. Enjoys looking after his Veggie Patch. Is a Great Grandparent and as he has family nearby also does a little baby sitting from time to time.

Chris Harris

Welcome to the HONS in December 2026.
Health Good, except for a few minor problems.
Chris retired from the Bank some 52 years ago and spent some 10 years in Real Estate subsequently.
He now spends time looking after his house, gardens and shopping.
Meets up with family for a coffee 3-4 days a week and travels to Wagga Wagga about every three months to visit his brother.
Enjoys watching TV.
Will celebrate his birthday, low key with family and friends at a local club for dinner.

Colin Keegan

Health good. When I spoke with Colin, he was in the process of having to arrange a visit to his Optometrist and GP and then to Service NSW to arrange his practical Driving Test to continue with his Right to Drive. All the best Colin. Enjoys his weekly Bowls Tournament at the Shell Harbour Bowls Club. Relaxes watching TV and on his computer.

Ella King

Had trouble contacting Ella as her landline is out of use. Subsequently received the email below as follows:
“Hi Philip,
Sorry you haven’t been able to reach me. My landline is out of use, so my mobile number is (withheld).
My sporting days are over nowadays. I have fortnightly lunches with my old golf buddies, a couple are still playing, the rest of us wish we were although nowadays it would probably be hit and hope. I have monthly lunches with my Samford tennis ladies, none of us play anymore. I am in a discussion group in the village. it’s amazing the problems we solve in our minds, also in a couple of book clubs, one in the village and one outside with a group of friends.
The beauty of living in a retirement village is you can be as involved with the range of activities they have if you want to. I still have a few things I’m involved with outside but know when I can’t I can be more involved here. Healthwise a few ailments nothing too serious, and five grandchildren and four great grandchildren keep me on my toes. Have raved on longer than I intended to so shall finish up
Cheers Ella.”

Michael Leatherbarrow

Health, still good. Moved into a Retirement Village about a year ago. Enjoys all the activities organized Still walks about 5kms 2-3 days a week instead of five. The extra two days he attends a Gym for the strength and Conditioning Classes. Still plays bridge Tuesday and Thursday and much time is spent on his computer. Involved with the Probus Club at the complex. Heading out on an East Coast Cruise North in December.

Bob McElroy

Health not too bad. Attends Exercise and Physio Classes once a week for exercise. Helps other family members who are older with their needs.

Robert Prater

Welcome to the HONS in December.
Health good “with the assistance of an extended health team”. Just a few aches and pains that come with age. Swims and walks in the local swimming pool every day for exercise. Helps with the grandchildren to get to school and who live nearby and provide extra support when necessary. Has family nearby, also in Sydney and Overseas.

Laurie Sainsbury

As I was unable to contact Laurie by phone, either Landline or Mobile early November, so I sent an email and got the following email (edited) which Laurie indicates only minor health matters:
“Phil,
Sorry I missed the call, The land line is no longer in use, and my mobile is operable but has a message about unable to connect. I tried to extend the ring tone by using a method on the computer and now that message comes up.
I am slowing down, ever since I had a blockage removed from the right lower leg area. I was placed on a strong blood thinner and ever since I have had an increase in arthritis in my hands, pain in the lower lumber area and stiffening of the leg muscles. I have a busy schedule of appointments in November with further scans for the leg and the usual annual heart checkup.

Still playing golf, about once a week, Handicap still on 21. Don't know how, mow the lawns once a week and keep a small garden going.
Cheers
Laurie"
NB: Thanks Laurie. All the best with the November appointments.

Tony Shembri

When all is taken into consideration, Tony tells me health not too bad as it was. He has a follow up appointment in January 2027 with his Oncologist to confirm that his past cancer problem is not a problem at this time. His prior radiation treatment has caused some health problems, and this is to be checked out with another specialist appointment.

Geoff Sherwood

Health not too bad. Except his eyesight, not good but is still allowed to drive but needs a walker to get around for shopping etc. However, still needs monthly eye injections for Macular Degeneration with left eyesight deteriorating. Still, enjoys watching TV. Able to help fill in some time chatting with the residents at his Retirement Village and where they have activities. Has appointments, for his Right to Drive, at the Eye Specialist and GP. Hope all goes well Geoff.

TERRY AULD - WELFARE REPORT – NOVEMBER 2026

Bill Horton

Bill turned 91 this month.
Bill sadly advised that his wife June passed away early this year aged 90.
He advised that he does have some mobility issues, but he still attends an over 50's Gym and has three half hour sessions a week which are specifically programmed for him, and which helps him with his mobility.
He no longer plays golf as all his playing partners have passed away, and he is the "last man standing".
He has three daughters who are spread around the state and so he had three Birthday Lunches, which he enjoyed. He still retains his unrestricted driver's license but only drives locally.
Bill advised that he maintains regular contact with our Hon Member Col Bartrim.

Noel Ryan

Noel moved into a Nursing Home earlier this year and I spoke to his wife Joan, who is also an ANZROC Member.
Joan advised that the Nursing Home is only a three-minute walk from their home at West Ryde and she visits him daily.
She said his health was not good; he lacks any mobility function and either uses a wheelchair or remains in bed.
They celebrated his Birthday at home with fifteen family members, including grandchildren, and he thoroughly enjoyed the celebrations.
Joan advised that although she feels weary at times, she is generally keeping well.

Lloyd Guthrey

Lloyd turned 92 this Birthday and advised that both he and Jan are keeping reasonably well.
However, he is still restricted by his eyesight degeneration and has eye injections every few months which have helped to slow down the degeneration.
They enjoy their Retirement Complex and especially not having to care for the garden or the pool. Lloyd said they would enjoy celebrating his Birthday over dinner with a few friends from the complex.
They have Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren living in Perth which adds to their enjoyment.

Ron Bracken

Ron turned 92 this Birthday.
He advised that he is keeping well and recently had his unrestricted driver's license renewed for a further two years. Ron moved into an aged care facility last year and his wife, who is sadly suffering with Dementia is in a nearby Baptist Care Aged Care Facility.
He still plays bowls every Wednesday. His aged care facility conducts several social activities and Ron advised that he organizes an occasional "Talent Show", although admitting it is becoming harder to encourage community members to perform in front of a crowd.
He will celebrate his Birthday at a Special concert in their entertainment room and enjoy a few drinks.
He was quick to point out that the concert was not being conducted especially for his Birthday.
Keep bowling Ron

Phil Myers.
Phil had another milestone Birthday this month, turning 94.
Despite numerous phone calls and text messages I have been unable to contact Phill.
If someone who knows Phill could provide me with an update on his wellbeing I would appreciate it.
Bob Williams
Bob advised that age has slowed him down and he uses a walking stick nowadays. Otherwise, his health is reasonably good.
Bob retired on a quarter acre block in Cleveland QLD.
He collected old cars and needed a large block of land to build a garage large enough to house his 8-car collection which, unfortunately, has now reduced to one.
He is still active in local Car Clubs and still holds an unrestricted Driver's License.
He celebrated his Birthday over a nice lunch with Family.
Bruce Foster
I have been unable to contact Bruce but will continue trying.
Jan Hawkins
Again, I have made several phone calls and sent a text message to Jan but have been unable to make contact. I will continue trying to make contact.

UPCOMING FUNCTION DATES



SYDNEY

Our first bi-monthly luncheon and AGM for 2027
will be held at the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel in Sydney,
169 Castlereagh St (around the corner from ANZ tower)
Monday 15th February 2027 at 12:00PM.
Details and booking requirements can be found on page 15 of this newsletter.

CANBERRA CHRISTMAS FUNCTION.

Details are as follows:

Date:	**Friday, 11 December 2026**
Time:	**from 7.30 pm**
Place:	**Bui's Restaurant**
	38 Giles Street
	KINGSTON ACT

Cost: $20 per person (plus own drinks)
Note: BYO alcohol drinks, with soft drinks/water available.

Bookings
Bob Dyer - phone: Mob. 0417 580 759, email: rdyer@bigpond.net.au
Albert Orszaczky - phone: Mob. 0414 616 230, email: orszo@bigpond.com

COMPLETED FUNCTIONS

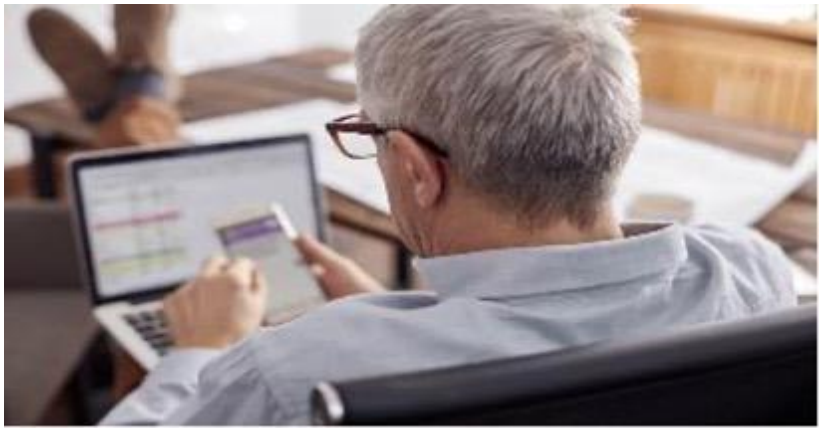
ESANDA CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON – 13 NOVEMBER 2026

Co-Ordinator Bob Jones welcomed a total of eighteen to the Esanda Christmas Luncheon.
The luncheon was held at the Aurora Rooftop Hotel, which is situated in Surry Hills (Sydney).

We remembered the sad and unexpected passing of Alan Hyatt, who was a regular attendee at previous Esanda Luncheons.

L TO R - Ivan Radovnikovic, George Harloe, Steve Cross, Tim Deeble, Graham Kirchner, Clive Reid, Barry Harris, Ken Dighton, Bert Wood, Peter Cronin, Brian Manuel, Bob Jones, Harry Hammond, Doug Richardson, Laurie Obrien, Craig Stubbs, Andrew Donato. Craig Smith was the official photographer.





Correspondence/emails and letters received from members.

ON BARRY GIBSON

Terry Auld wrote: -
Hi Graeme,
Very sad news.
As you know I contacted Barry several times during the year and he always had that positive vibe, although I knew he was masking the real issues.
I usually also spoke with his daughter, who more or less confirmed my feelings.

A bit of Barry trivia is that his Birthday is 10 January and that is the same date as Rocking Rod Stewart (the same age).
I am not sure if Barry was an Old Rocker, but he was a very good sportsman and played a great game of Tennis, Golf and Competition Bowls.
He will be missed.
Cheers
Terry.

Alex Morgan wrote: -

More sad news!
Recall Barry in NSW Divisional Office Branch Securities, back in the day...
Great bloke,,,,
Alex.

Ken Byatt wrote: -

Terry did say that he was a great sportsman. He played bowls at North Ryde RSL. Although I had never played against him - his club and mine are in the same Zone/Region - he used to come and support his daughter when her club played pennants at Pennants Hills.
Barry was also President of his club when I was President of mine.
He will be missed.
Ken.

Noel Bottrell wrote: -

I did not know Barry well during his Banking career, but in ANZROC days I enjoyed many chats with Barry and enjoyed his company.
Barry was a good bloke and will be sadly missed.
Noel.

Paul Jacka wrote: -

Sad to hear the news. Barry was a character and was a solid contributor.

Col Jefferies wrote: -

Very sad. Barry was a great guy.
Colin Jefferies

Gary Mason wrote: -

Sad news,
Barry was a true gentleman.
Gary.

Mark Monaghan wrote: -

Thanks Graeme,
That's very sad news re Barry Gibson.
He was Manager- Waterloo Branch in the early 80's when I was at South Sydney Area office.
We had a standing joke where Barry would ring and say, "Head Office calling, what's happening at the sub- branch?"
It was always great to see Barry and spend time with him at ANZROC events over the years.
RIP Barry.
All the best
Mark.

Peter Devoy wrote: -

This is very sad news.
I was not aware he was so ill. I had coffee with Barry about eleven months ago and we had a close friendship during our banking Career.
He was indeed a scallywag as when we transferred to computer's he changed the key on my keyboard. I could not understand why I could not log on.
My wife and I stayed with him on a few occasions at his house on Lake Macquarie.
RIP Barry.
Peter Devoy.

Tony Knight wrote: -

Graeme,
Sorry to hear, Barry was a good bloke, and we worked together on several occasions.
Vale Barry – condolences to family.
Regards,
Tony Knight.

TK Lim wrote.
I worked briefly with Barry at Northern Region in the mid 90's. My deepest condolences to Barry's family.
TK.
Elaine Davis wrote: -
Thankyou Graeme for this information. Condolences to Barry's family.
Kind regards
Elaine Davis
Craig Smith wrote: -
Sad to hear the news about the passing of Barry. Condolences to his family.
I worked with Barry when he was the Operations Manager at Hornsby Area Office. I was on reliving staff at that time and remember the PWEs at the Area Office very well.
RIP Barry
Craig

ON ALAN HYATT

Mark Monaghan wrote: -
Thanks Graeme,
That's very sad news regarding Alan Hyatt.
I worked with Alan in Corporate from 1984.
Not long after there were Hyatt, Byatt and Myatt working together.
A terrific guy
Very capable and a great team player
RIP Alan
All the best
Mark
Joe Van Dam wrote: -
Hi Graeme
Please accept my condolences to Alan's family during this sad time.
Thanks.
Joe Van Dam
Angelo Briganti wrote: -
Big shock Graeme. 78.
I had not seen him for a while. Had a bit to do with him in my corporate days.
A very Intelligent and articulate mind. Spoke his view.
Had big potential but between you and me, somebody put the banana skin under his foot.
Very Sad.
Angelo.
Ken Dighton wrote: -
Thanks Graeme. I did work in the same office as Alan for a time, and I was expecting to catch-up with him at the Esanda lunch on Friday 13th. He will be missed.
I won't be at the funeral service.
Cheers,
KD.
Ken Byatt wrote: -
Thanks Graeme,
Sad news indeed that Alan has passed at what many now consider a "young" age.
He and I were in Corporate together in, I think, the early 1980s, under the late Ron Miller who was a Senior Manager Corporate.
We were two of the "trinity" of Byatt, Hyatt and (Eric) Myatt, which many older members might still remember. They were good days in the Corporate sphere. Lots of good memories, and stories.
Cheers,
Ken

FAMILY GENERATION ANZERS.

This was raised by President Ken in his report in the October NL.
Some responses have been received.

Jane Rose advised:
Good afternoon, Graeme,
Whilst I don't have three generations of bankers in my family, I would like to ask the question?
How many husband and wife connections or possibly siblings have held the same position and in the same branch of the bank?
My husband Ken and I, both were appointed to the position of Accounting Supervisor at the Dee Why branch with only Graham Brown serving between us.
On family connections -
Father
Ian Fraser, Area Manager, Far North Coast
Husband
Ken Rose, Manager, Brookvale when he resigned.
Me
Accountant St Ives when I left the bank.
Brother
Rod Fraser, International Department before a short stint with Bank of Australasia(?) then a long career with National Bank.
Sister-in-law
Kayleen Shailes (nee Rose)
Long career at Lismore branch
Kind regards
Jane Rose.

Jeff Friedman advised: -
Hi Graeme.
Our daughter Jane Hellyar is a third-generation ANZ banker as Senior Commercial Home and Investment Lending Manager.

Harry Friedman
Jeff Friedman
Jane Hellyar

Also, whilst not strictly under this criteria Jane Hellyar's other Grandfather was Arthur Gander an Amin Manager at ANZ 2 Martin Place with whom I worked and married his daughter
Regards
Jeff

Peter Georman (Life Member) sent in the following reflection of his time in the Bank and life thereafter.



Joining the ANZ Bank just three months after I had stepped off the boat from Europe was the best thing I have ever done; leaving the Bank two years later was the second-best thing I have ever done.

Joining the Bank meant joining a bunch of people a cut above the rest who taught me fairly expletive-free English (although there was a chap, let's call him Graham because that was his name, who could never string more than two words together without inserting at least one expletive; he would even split a word in half to insert an expletive in the middle).

Leaving the Bank after two years meant that I had freed myself from a fairly predictable and rather unexciting career of doing much of the same for the next twenty or thirty years, by which time it would've be too late to try anything else and so another ten or fifteen years would pass before I'd be given a gold watch and retired on a small pension.

Instead, I tried many other things over the next forty years until, in December 2010, I attended the Christmas Lunch of the ANZ Banking Group Retired Officers' Club (NSW), where I met several people who had been my bosses at one time or another during those first two years.

One of them, John Burke, had been my most immediate and longest boss when I was ledger examiner and he had been head ledgerkeeper.

He was still so used to my limited English from those first two years that, more than forty years later, he kept reassuring himself by adding to each sentence a questioning

"Do you understand what I mean, Peter?"



Ken White, Doc Wilson, John Burke, Peter Goerman, Peter Bradford.

I felt like saying, *"Yes, John, and not only can I give you the etymology of every word you said, but I can also translate it into at least three other languages"*, but instead, being taller, I looked down at him with eyes full of gratitude for having been so forbearing forty-five years ago, and also for having taught me, with a twinkle in his eyes, one of the basic tenets of banking: -

"Once you withdraw you lose all your interest".

Peter



To all our Hon's who are celebrating a birthday in December 2026 or January 2027.

RESPONSES RECEIVED FROM HON MEMBERS, GENERAL OR WHO HAD BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER 2026 AND RECEIVED BIRTHDAY CARD WISHES FROM THE CLUB.

Ian Auld wrote: -
Hello Graeme,
My sincere thanks to the committee for including Pam's death notice in the newsletter and the minutes silence in her remembrance.
She had a bad fall breaking her femur, could no longer walk, suffering much pain.
Having had dementia for ten years it was a blessing in many ways as she Is now at peace.
Keep up the good work, your long hours in turning out the monthly newsletter are much appreciated.
Having been staff club president twice,1975 and 1980, with several sporting teams attached, it is only volunteers like you and the committee that create such enjoyment for others.

Cheers
Ian

ANZ Retired Officers' Club (NSW)

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CASTLEREAGH BOUTIQUE HOTEL



CELLOS ROOM 4TH FLOOR.

THE CLUB'S 1st BI-MONTHLY LUNCHEON FOR 2027 AND CLUB AGM WILL HELD AT THE CASTLEREAGH BOUTIQUE HOTEL SYDNEY
WITH DETAILS: -

DATE: **MONDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2027**
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 MEAL COST FOR THE AGM WILL BE COVERED BY THE CLUB WITH BEVERAGES FOR MEMBERS OWN ACCOUNT.

BOOKINGS

CLUB MEMBERS YOU MUST PRE BOOK.

- **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 10 FEBRUARY AS WE NEED TO INFORM BOUTIQUE OF FINAL NO'S BY THAT DATE.



Members, that is the Club November Newsletter.

Enjoy the read.

Club Committee.