



ANZROC SA & NT

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You are all invited to join peers and colleagues at our **Melbourne Cup Lunch** which will be held on **Monday 2nd November** from 11.45am – 2.00pm at the Strathmore Hotel (Balcony Restaurant, 1st Floor), 129 North Terrace, Adelaide.



Don't forget to wear your best Melbourne Cup hat for the parade and the chance of a prize which will be awarded by our Judge for the best hat.

Sweeps will be conducted so bring your coins and notes to get your \$1, \$2 and \$5 tickets to be in the draw.

Cost of lunch is \$30 for the meal, soft drinks, bottled wine and beer. Order forms for lunch will be on the tables, so please complete as soon as possible after your arrival to assist staff in serving our meals promptly.

The Committee understands that many of you don't "travel with cash" much anymore and continues to offer option for you to pay a day or so prior by EFT to the Club's account.

BSB 015-300 Account No. 6525 94422.

Cash on the day is still available (envelope on the table) if you would prefer.

You will however still need \$5 cash for the raffle as Crowds doesn't have an EFTPOS machine!!

Please advise Secretary Lyn by Email, SMS or telephone if you will be attending.

Contact details are above. Numbers help the Strathmore with setting up for us to enjoy our afternoon. If you unexpectedly find yourself free to attend and haven't advised, please come - we can always find room for one more!

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Greetings to all Members

Spring is in the air and after a brief break from Club activities we head into the busy season.

You will see from Lisa Nugent's excellent lunch report that the August gathering was successful. After having 104 first acceptances we ended up with 95 attending on the day to enjoy our Italian themed menu.



I had the pleasure of Honorary member Dennis Pellizzari and his wife Maria joining me as a guest of the Club for lunch. As detailed elsewhere in the newsletter we have now finalised how the Club proposes to recognise our Honorary members (those over 80 years of age). Past President Brian Pedler is thanked for his work in conjunction with the Committee in putting together a consistent way to celebrate our 'wise ones' in the future.

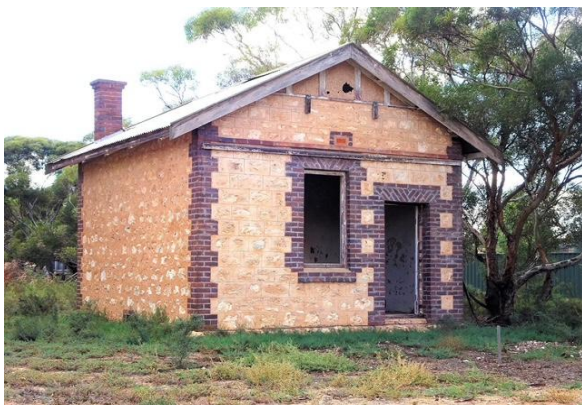
Dennis and Maria Pellizzari were wonderful company full of stories from both Dennis' banking career and their retired life heavily involved in the Two Wells community. I was fascinated to hear Dennis recall June 12th, 1964, when he was joined by 300,000 fans (unfortunately not for him) of the Beatles when working at Town Hall Branch. The international themed lunch was well received, so perhaps next year Greek fare may get the nod.



Above: Beatle Mania outside the Town Hall Adelaide, 12th June 1964

I would suggest given 100 odd attending the last lunch that if you are considering attending either the Melbourne Cup or Christmas lunches you do not delay your RSVP. Given that the next two lunches are busy with activity and frivolity we will delay our next 'Decade Photo'. The 'Sensational Seventies' will get their chance in the New Year.

I look forward to seeing many 'fillies and stallions' at the Melbourne Cup lunch saddled up with hats to dazzle.



This photo of the former Bank of Adelaide Agency in Meribah - built in about 1926. I think it would have been serviced by Loxton branch. Do any of our members remember working there while living in the Riverland?

Regards, Mike

A Taste of Italy, Served with a Side of Friendship reported by Lisa Nugent

Benvenuti! Our August luncheon brought a touch of la dolce vita to the Strathmore, where Italian hospitality was in full swing and members were treated to a delicious menu inspired by the flavours of Italy. From hearty favourites to the standout barramundi topped with a zesty lemon and caper sauce (which earned rave reviews), every course was enjoyed with gusto—and, naturally, accompanied by plenty of free-flowing vino.



With 95 members rugged up in their winter woollies, it was one of our biggest gatherings yet. The room was alive with conversation, laughter and the unmistakable warmth that comes from sharing good food with great company

President Mike Edson welcomed everyone and gave a special ciao to first-time attendees Lucy Della Porta and David Marsh. A heartfelt round of applause also went to Tracy McIvor, who packed an incredible trio of milestones into one unforgettable week—celebrating 40 years of service on 28th July, officially retiring on 31st July, and then turning 60 on 2nd August! Tracy was joined by her line manager, Julie Grills (daughter of long-time member and former Secretary Geoff Loveday), making the occasion even more special.

The spirit of Italian hospitality extended to our guests, with several prospective members joining us under our "try before you buy" membership initiative. Craig McLaren welcomed Greg Wallace, Veronica Zahra introduced Anita Hobbs, Brett Hosking hosted Susan Hawkins, Kevin Rock was joined by Kim Strong, and Colleen Dwyer welcomed Michelle McCormack. Judging by the smiles around the room, they all had a wonderful time—and we're delighted that three guests signed up as members on the day. Benvenuti!

Mike noted there were a number of apologies this month (see list below) before sharing the sad news of the passing of George Charlesworth on 13 July, aged 77. Members paused to raise a glass in George's honour and reflect on his contribution to our community.



Lew Pfeiffer

The raffle proved as popular as ever, with record ticket sales keeping Peter Crowder busy assembling extra ticket books to satisfy demand. Maria Pellizzari drew the birthday raffle, with Ray Nicholson (September) and John Mallinson (October) taking home the honours. General raffle prizes were drawn by Lew Pfeiffer, who was celebrating 31 years of retirement on the day, with the lucky winners being Greg Wallace, Geoff Glynn-Roe, Terry Welsh, Bruce Forster, Trevor Drew, Lisa Nugent, and Kay Whitelaw.

In keeping with the Italian theme, Mike introduced a wonderful new tradition—recognising an Honorary Member (members aged 80 and over) at future luncheons. Our inaugural honouree was Denis Pellizzari, accompanied by his wife Maria. The couple recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a holiday to Kangaroo Island. While the trip ended with Denis taking an unexpected tumble, he can now proudly tick a flight with the Royal Flying Doctor Service off his bucket list—a story that certainly added to the afternoon's conversation!

Members who began their careers during the 1960s were then invited to gather for this month's commemorative photograph. It proved to be such a popular call that multiple photos were needed to fit everyone in, so keep an eye out for these in our newsletter and on the website.

Before everyone settled back into more conversation (and perhaps another glass of *vino*), members were reminded to save the date for our Melbourne Cup Luncheon on Monday, 2nd November. It's never too early to start planning your show-stopping fascinators!

As the formalities came to a close, the true spirit of the day continued. Conversations flowed, friendships were renewed, stories grew taller with each retelling, and many members lingered long after the bar had closed—a sure sign of another memorable gathering.

Until November... *arrivederci!* We can't wait to welcome everyone back for another wonderful day of friendship, laughter and good cheer. 🍷

Apologies: Linley Belford, Bob Ainsworth, Eugene Bourne, Jane Fleming, Warren Fuss, Dory Goyak, Roger Hanckel, Bob Jones, Lyn Launer, David Lawrence, Denise Lawrence, David McCloud, Marilyn Osborne, Faye Parsons, Christine Pierson, Gus Robertson, Michelle Rowley, Ian Ruth, Sarah Rule, Frances Uggiass, Bill Watson, Joy Watson, Caroline Wright.

AUGUST LUNCH SAW EVERYONE WHO STARTED IN THE 1960'S STEP UP FOR THE GROUP PHOTO



Left to right: Jack Clarke, Bea Wigley, Jeff Wegener, David Marsh, Barry Williams, Michael Parsons, Brian Fitzpatrick, Judy Oakes, John Richards-Pugh, Denis Pellizzar



Left to right: David Shannon, Maurice Adams, Steve Crawford, Paul Begg, Graeme Baum, Trevor Drew, John Dawes, Geoff Glynn-Roe, Stan Watters, Bruce Forster

AUGUST LUNCH PHOTOS



Left: Maurice Adams and Marie Horvath

Right: Michelle McCormack and Heather Cunningham



Left: Elaine Morgan, Sue Johnson and John Dawes

Right: Graeme Baum and David Shannon



Left: David Marsh and David Mann

Right: Veronica Zahra and Anita Hobbs



Below: David Jeffree, Tracy McIvor and Janine Daminato



Above:: Cheryle Ouston and Di Gerlach

Check out more photos from this lunch on our website anzrocsant.net/past-events/2026-august-lunch

Ed Harding recently celebrated his 90th birthday and did some reminiscing on his time in Darwin with the Bank. His trusty Mini Minor made the journey from Adelaide and kept on despite the speedo stopping at 40,000 miles.



Photo of his car on the left is taken during the “dry season” near Berry Springs and safely made it to the other side.

Photo below shows some wonderful old vehicles at the Mess in Darwin which was a popular meeting place, particularly at Christmas and Easter.



Ed's career started in Perth WA in 1954 before a transfer to Adelaide in late 1955. He worked in many country Branches, Darwin from 1962 to 1964 and in between was called up for National Service. One of his memories was his job counting coins in the basement of 59 King William Street. There was a coin counting machine even back then. He recalls lots of brown paper half-penny coin rolls. Thanks for sharing with us Ed.

DARWIN

At the August lunch, a group photo taken at ES&A Training in January 1960 surfaced. Photo includes Brian Farrell, Sid Cornish, Jeff Pinkerton, Trevor Drew, Barry Williams, Judy Pearce, Audrey Steele and Sue Williams)



Right: Trevor Drew and Barry Williams (owner of the photo)

(Secretary Lyn apologises for the poor quality photograph of a photograph)



'Off the Ledger'

Welcome to our second edition of "Off the Ledger", your official bimonthly report on where our retired staff are spending their time. From local weekend caravan trips to international flights, read on to see where our Members have been branching out. Don't keep your holidays off the books! If you have recently travelled locally or overseas, we want to reconcile your adventures.

How to submit: Please send 1-2 photos and a brief summary of your trip, plans and travel adventures to our e-Mail anzrocsant@gmail.com to be featured in the next newsletter. We want this page to be a regular audit of everyone's adventures, so take a look below at where our colleagues are heading, get inspired, and start digging out your own holiday snaps.

Tracy McIvor has sent these photos taken on her 7-week European holiday. She started in Italy - arrived in Rome then travelled south to Naples then on to Pescara to catch the ferry from Italy to Croatia. Three weeks in Croatia visiting islands and then final voyage on the Norwegian Pearl Cruise from Ravenna - Croatia and 3 islands in Greece with the final destination Athens for 3 nights before returning home.



David and Denise Lawrence who are currently enjoying their extended overseas trip send regards from Italy



John and Deb Flanagan set off for the Kimberley with **Michelle and Brian Rowley** – they tell us things could have gone better on their visit to the Bungle Bungles – they are all fine but the van is a write-off! Let's hope John and Deb's trip to Italy to visit the Lawrences is less dramatic experience.



We look forward to hearing details from you at lunch.

Heather Cunningham and Julianne Butler recently met up with London based Leonie Thornton (and her husband Lee) and had a wonderful holiday visiting the 3 Stans back in May 2026. Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.



The “3 Stans” are located in Central Asia, sitting directly next to each other, forming a geographic corridor right in the heart of the ancient Silk Road trading routes

All 3 countries were different, with the most historical being Uzbekistan.



Honouring the Honorary Members

ANZROC Honorary Members are defined in our Constitution as those Members who have turned 80 years of age and here in SA/NT our Honorary Members make up approximately a third of our total membership.

Many have been Members of the club for 30 years or more and their involvement goes back to the times when all Club correspondence was by post and it took 6 people a full day working together to print the newsletter, fold and place it into envelope, then address each one by hand. As a Club it is important that we don't forget the contributions made by these Members as it was their efforts in years past that have provided us with the foundation of the strong Club that we have today.

In addition, the current Committee wants to make sure that the Honorary Members are aware that they are appreciated and to that end we are implementing an updated process for them that includes:

- An invitation for all recent **NEW** Honorary Members to attend February's AGM as special guests of the Club to celebrate their new status with their peers. For those unable to attend the AGM lunch a complimentary morning tea at a location that suits them will be offered instead.
- **EXISTING** Honorary Members ... a different existing Honorary Member will be honoured and feted at some of the lunches going forward as a special guest of the Club.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Congratulations and Happy Birthday wishes to our members who are celebrating birthdays during the months of November and December

Apologies to **IAN STOCKBRIDGE** for the omission in last newsletter of his big 80th coming up on 10th October.

NOVEMBER

1	Gill Wheeler	
2	Faye Parsons	
2	Richard Smith	
3	David Shannon	
3	Nella Boffa	
3	Lisa Nugent	
4	Bruce MacIntosh	87
4	Kevin Maloney	82
6	Bruce Gallasch	
8	Bob Bean	87
9	Tony Harrison	
9	Barry Yeomans	85
9	Lyn Brooks	84
10	Jenny Evans	87
10	Lyn Sanders	
11	Kathy Foster	
12	Kevin Inglis	
12	David Wallach	85
13	Warwick Haseloff	
14	Geoff Masters	84
14	Bob Fotiou	
14	Susan Hawkins	
15	Steve Battle	
16	Don Harper	93
18	Ross Castledine	
19	Mike Welke	
19	Colin Allen	
20	Vic Yates	83
21	Minnie Pizimolas	
22	Malcolm Sweet	80
23	Leonie Thornton	
26	Neville Goss	90
26	Bob Kerr	
28	Steve Crawford	
28	Maxine Hanson	86
28	Peter Crowder	
29	Marilyn Osborne	85
30	Jim Oster	82

DECEMBER

1	Colleen Dwyer	
2	Dianne Coles-Irving	
8	Bob Tilley	86
9	Lynda Robinson	
9	David McCloud	
9	Andrew Ferrier	
11	Peter Harris	83
12	Meredith Skoravic	
12	Lindsay Nobes	
15	Phil Pizimolas	
15	Marlene Kelly	
16	Alan Colegate	84
16	Darryl Jericho	
17	Terry Fahey	
17	John Morriss	84
18	Mervin Cook	91
20	Bob Snewin	
20	Leanne Ulstrup	
22	Don Ebsary	91
22	John Bierwirth	90
23	Colleen Battersby	87
24	Don Nenke	92
24	Phil Arscott	
25	Arthur Beckmann	95
25	Geoff Loveday	84
28	John Fitzgerald	
28	John Prior	80
29	Bob Winter	
30	Allan Trenerry	
30	Dan Prentice	
31	Geoff Glynn-Roe	82
31	John Shepherd	84
31	Enza Francavilla	
31	Sharyn Wilson	

**Honorary members are listed in Red*

TRIBUTES



Our Member, **George Charlesworth**, sadly passed away on 13th July 2026 aged 77 years.

George joined ANZ Maitland in November 1965 and left in 1979 with 14 years' service.

He played competitive bowls and had a distinguished career in the sport, particularly in wheelchair bowls. He was a Member of the Hawthorn Bowling Club for over 30 years. He won a World Pairs Championship title in Adelaide alongside his partner Neville Read.

Bob Snewin recalls:

"Although playing very few games George threw himself into many roles at the ANZ Football Club and certainly enjoyed the social side of the Club. George and Lois were regulars at social events and on occasions held fund raising functions for the Club at their home, namely get-togethers and wine bottling days. The functions sure raised plenty of funds for the Club.

George was a very good administrator and was a member of both the Club social committee and management committee for many years and indeed was the Club Secretary for 5 years.

George's crowning glory I believe was the year of 1981 when we won both the firsts and seconds premierships with George overseeing the football program as well as being the Firsts Team Manager. Volunteers like George are difficult to come by if you are in a Club today you will know what I mean. He sure did a power of work for the Club."

Peter Moors advised:

"Very sorry to hear of the loss of George Charlesworth. His father, Harvey Charlesworth was the Headmaster at Kingston Higher Primary School when we moved to Kingston in the mid- 1950s. I was very friendly with George's brother Chris while they were at Kingston.

George was a very common figure at the Adelaide Central Market, and conducted training sessions for staff employed by the various market stalls. I often had breakfast with him on Saturday mornings at one of the coffee lounges on the Western side of the market. After leaving the Bank, George started up a cheese stall in the market. As I remember, it was known as "The Smelly Cheese Shop".

Phil Goodier messaged:

"I have many stories about George or as we all called him ' Noddy'. He was in fact at our wedding in Melbourne when I married Gail who was in Darwin too (a nurse). George (Noddy) was in full form with us all at the reception singing etc. with no one wanting to leave. I was the new Accountant in Alice Springs sent down from Darwin as a single man!!??..and....the Bank would not give me one day off to marry as the ASM Brian Johnson wouldn't cooperate. So, I was married at Carrum in Melbourne on the Saturday after flying down late Friday before marrying, back to Alice Springs the day after on the Sunday then back to work on the Monday.....we all had a great party as a honeymoon and in Darwin and the Mess where we all lived next door to a great patient Accountant Gordon Bowering and his family.

George was a scream, got on with everyone no matter who they were. I think there was a 'Wild Bill' at the Victoria Hotel almost next to the Bank in Smith St who Noddy interacted with somehow as no one else could. George would be all things to everyone and was loved by all....when I think back he used staples to ensure his shorts stayed together which were something again!

On and on we could go. What a man from Maitland. The love of his life Lois was a very patient girl indeed."

Sadly, we also note the passing of **Robert (Bob) Milgate** on 12th August 2026 aged 76 years.

He joined the ES&A Bank in 1967 and is remembered working in Clearing Department in the 1970's, at Grenfell Street, before he was posted to Tennant Creek in 1971. He was at Mt. Gambier in the 1980's during the transition of Bank of Adelaide branch to the combined ANZ/Bank of Adelaide Branch and ANZ Travel.



He transferred with ANZ to a position in Melbourne and was Head of HQ Human Resources when he retired in 1998.

Bob played for the ANZ Football Club from 1972 to 1979 for a total of 115 games. He also played many games for the ANZ Bank Cricket Club.

Our Member Ross Mullan worked with Bob who he described as "great fun". They got on well both being Port supporters.

Our condolences have been sent to his wife Cheryl, children and grandchildren.

Our oldest ANZROC Member, **Jack Dudley Moyle**, died on 31st July 2026 aged 101 years and 5 months.



Jack joined the ES&A Bank on 17th February 1941 and retired from ANZ on 23rd February 1985 with 44 years' service. He was the Senior Manager Lending, SA Administration at the time of his retirement.

Our Members Neville and Nicole Woolley who live in Melbourne (where Jack also lived in his later years) were able to meet with Jack and present him with a gift from all of us in SA & NT in February last year on the occasion of his 100th birthday. At the time Jack recounted his early days at ANZ St. Arnaud (Vic) Branch and bicycling 30 minutes home after the Saturday 1.30 p.m. closing. He worked at several Victorian Branches before moving to Adelaide in 1974. Jack's wife Audrey died in May 2020 aged 98 years – they were married for 63 years.

Member Teresa Goldsbrough tells us Jack was one of the first people she met when she joined ES&A in 1969 at 13 King William Street.

NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to welcome the following new Members to our ANZROC family –

Karen Denman, Claude Piscioneri, Helen Haddow, Sue Horstmann, Valerie Wearing-Smith, Todd Keough, Marina Phillips, Michelle McCormack, Lindsay Nobes, Greg Wallace, Richard Smith, Dale Dawson, Grant Lindholm, Susan Hawkins, Jenny Newton, Anita Hobbs, Bill Brown

OUR NEXT LUNCH MEETING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 2nd November (Melbourne Cup Eve)

Tuesday 1st December (Christmas Lunch)



SECRETARY SNIPS

Good to hear from **Peter Kelsh** who is still working in the family business with all going well. He and Kay still travel quite a bit as part of the deal with their two children who are also a part of the business. Peter was wanting to make contact with a former colleague and thanks to Membership Officer in Victoria we were able to put him in touch by e-Mail as his friend now lives in Fiji. He commented that relationships via ANZ never due and friendships are lifelong. Very true Peter.

Joy Watson (nee Brown) was disappointed not to be able to attend the June lunch as she would have liked to be in the 1950's photo. She began work at ANZ SA Divisional Office in 1958. Husband Bill claims a very tenuous connection as he started with the Clydesdale Bank in Scotland in February that year, six years before sailing to sunnier climes with ANZ after an employment interview in London. They sent congratulations to Kay for an interesting and comprehensive newsletter. Bill and Joy send best wishes to everyone for the next get-together.

Our Members **Denise and David Lawrence** who live in Victoria sent their apologies for the August Italian lunch....from Italy....where they are living predominantly for 12 months. They wished us Buon Appetito.

Good to hear from **Ian Stockbridge** in Tin Can Bay Qld – he is currently in denial about his 80th birthday on 10th October and is looking at a possible visit to Adelaide – would be good to catch up Ian so keep working on it.

Good to hear from **Neil Farnham** – another birthday and he tells me he is outrunning the alternative so far. He loved the photo on his card of the old ES&A Bank. He sends his regards to those who remember him. We have welcomed his daughter **Susan Hawkins** as a new Member this month. Keeping it in the family!

Zena Chapman recently had a fall and after some hospital time was transferred to respite care. We all send you our best wishes Zena.

Phil Goodier tells me life seems to be busy with him going in ever diminishing circles but keeping busy playing bowls, fishing here mainly in the warmer weather and Yorke Peninsula SA where his sister lives out of Maitland. Good to hear from you Phil.

Two regular lunch attendees who missed the June lunch photo of those who started working for the Bank(s) in the 1950s attended in August so we took the opportunity for a photo:



Left: **Kay Whitelaw** below worked in Ledgers at Port Adelaide from 1956 for 5 years.

Right:
Ray Nicholson joined ANZ New Zealand at a small rural branch (5 hands) at Taihape (population then 2,500 and only 1,700 today), on 5th March 1956 then transferred to Melbourne in 1978 before eventually coming to Adelaide.



Our beloved Treasurer **Stan Batten** and his wife **Toni** celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary on 3rd September 2026. They have two sons, four daughters (one deceased), eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Toni received an OAM from the Governor on 14th September at Government House – she now has one to match Stan's!! Well done to you both and our hearty congratulations.

THE ANZ RETIRED OFFICERS' CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON TUESDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2026

To: The Secretary,
ANZ Banking Group Retired Officers' Club of South Australia
PO Box 113
PARKHOLME SA 5043



I/We
(Names).....

will / will not be attending the Christmas Luncheon at the Strathmore Hotel North Terrace, Adelaide on Tuesday 1st December 2026 at a cost of \$60.00 per person.

Our preference for seating is to be seated at a table with

We understand if our preference is not possible.

Special dietary needs (if applicable – e.g. Vegetarian).....

**** Cheque for \$..... is enclosed to cover the cost of the lunch** \$
Plus annual subscription for 2027 \$10 \$
Advance subscription at \$10 per annum (if required) \$
Total amount of cheque enclosed \$.....

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PLEASE COMPLETE WHERE APPLICABLE AND RETURN TO THE SECRETARY NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 2026 AS NUMBERS ARE REQUIRED FOR CATERING PURPOSES BY THE HOTEL.

MENU

ENTREE

ROGAN JOSH ARANCINI mint, coconut yoghurt, crushed papadum (ve)
CHICKEN TERRINE plum, cornichon, brioche (gfo)

MAIN

200G RUMP STONE GRILL chips, mushroom sauce (gfo)
ROAST TURKEY roasted chats, asparagus, cranberry gravy (gf)

DESSERT

VERANDAH CHRISTMAS PUDDING cinnamon custard, cherry compote, biscotti
peanut butter pannacotta chocolate crumb, raspberry gel, tuille

Special dietary requirements will be processed individually following advice to the Secretary.

