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January 2021 NEWSLETTER



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Well, we've finally hit



and wait with bated breath to see what unfolds in coming months as the pandemic is still with us causing havoc. However, with vaccinations on the horizon it is hoped that this year is the start of better things to come. So,

Happy New Year

to everyone. The committee is planning a big year for you to enjoy so get out your walking shoes again and be ready to join us.

Our walks resume at **7pm on Tuesday, January 12**, and the new calendar will be circulated shortly.

Don't forget that annual fees are due by February 28, and that a direct deposit option is available to make it easy for those who wish to pay electronically. Just remember to identify yourself so that Maureen can easily trace all payments.

To start our year off, Robyn has sent in the following report which will bring back some happy memories for you. A big thank you to Robyn!

A VERY PEAKY XMAS PARTY



We did it! Yes, Peakies finally got together for Xmas after much doubt over the past 9 months due to Corona.

Twenty eight members came together at J.D's Cronulla on Saturday 5th December for a light lunch and a few ales. The mask competition was so much fun – not too sure if some of them would prevent “the spread” but they sure gave us a lot to laugh about which was the best medicine of all!! The competition was judged by a J.D's staff member and the winner was Anne Wilson's Corona Beer Minion – not quite a mask Anne but you certainly were a worthy winner. The masked gnome will be a constant reminder of 2020!! There was no second prize, but if there was my pick would have been Glenn Williams' effort – well done Glenn on sourcing Xmas lights and attaching them to your mask, very Xmasy!

Anne



Glenn



Having to keep seated throughout the afternoon was annoying but necessary – unfortunately we missed the change of rules by 2 days! Doh! Nevertheless, everyone managed to follow the rules even when performing the Chicken Dance whilst playing pass the parcel – Denice Blomfield I know this was not easy for you. Lots of giggles as the parcel

slowly became unwrapped, with the Di Craven's look of surprise when she uncovered a plastic takeaway box as the main prize! She soon found out she was taking home a gingerbread house. I didn't think it would have survived the “chicken dance” hence the plastic box. A big thanks to Russel Spence for providing the music – not easy finding Beer Hall music on Spotify.

It's always great to catch up with fellow members socially, especially this year, but I was really chuffed that Barbara Seager made the trip up from her beloved Southern Highlands

to join her Peaky family for Xmas. Thanks Barb, you are such a fun person and we love seeing you.

Prizes were presented at the end of the lunch with most well received however, Anne Mattison did a quick swap with Di Craven as giving glasses to Anne was like taking Coal to Newcastle and equally the shortbread Queen was happy to offload her tin of shortbread biscuits!!

May I take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Corona free 2021. Hopefully next years Xmas Party will be one for the books with no restrictions. Maybe we will be able to dance! Get ready Denice, only 12 months to prepare.

Below are some of my favourite snaps of the event. To see more go to the Peaky Face Book page.

Sue



Maureen



Shirley



Judi



Terrie and Russell





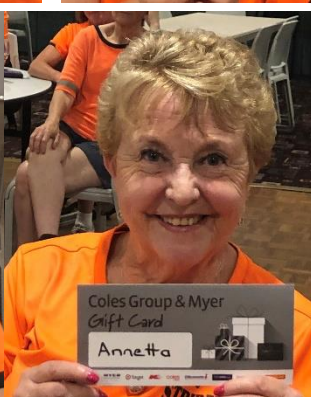
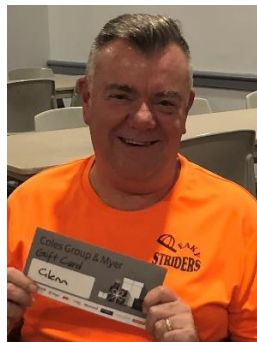
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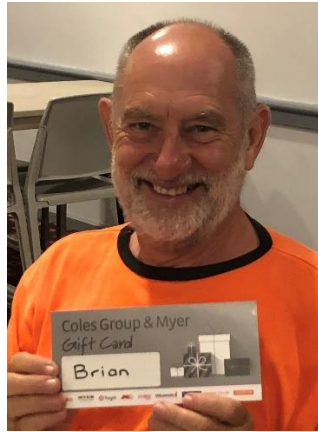
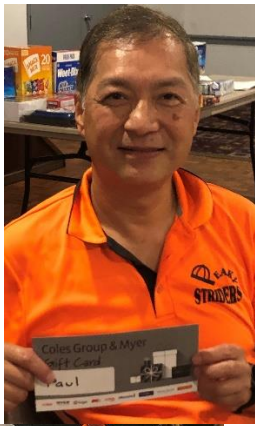


**Time to make those resolutions!
100, 75, 50 or 25 walks in 2021**

Look how you shaped up in 2020

The last walk of the year did not eventuate due to an imminent storm so all adjourned to the Maso's where the auditorium was set up covid style for our presentation. Dinners and drinks were ordered and demolished, after which awards were presented. **32 members received vouchers in recognition of their walking activity in 2020.** 8 members walked 75 + walks with Carol King leading the pack with 90 walks. 11 members walked between 50 and 74 walks and 13 members walked between 25 and 49 walks. Below are photos of those present to receive vouchers together with the list of club awards that were earned as at December 17, 2020.





Recipients	Walks	Award
Philippe Donnadieu	200	Cap & Torch
Paul Tam	300	Vest
Judi Mealey	500	Tracksuit Jacket
Lyn Morriss	500	Tracksuit Jacket
Jennie Howard	750	Glasses 1
Carol King	750	Glasses 1
Terrie Spence	1000	Glasses 2
Elizabeth Whitcombe	1250	Glasses 3
Anne Wilson	1250	Glasses 3

Canberra Weekend ON (covid restrictions permitting)

As many members are booked in to attend this event having transferred from 2020 to 2021, here is the latest information for those wishing to participate this year.

The **Aussie Peace Walk** (previously Canberra Walking Festival, renamed 2021) is an internationally recognised, non-competitive walking event, with participants of all ages. Most Peakies head south on Friday 26/03 and stay two nights at Pacific Suites, 100 Northbourne Avenue, Braddon (Tel: 6262 6266). You can choose to walk on one or both days. As a guide, a few will do the longer walk on Saturday and if walking two days the shorter one on Sunday. Even if accommodation is elsewhere, everyone gets together for dinner on Friday and Saturday night. It is a very enjoyable Peakie event, with walks **27-28 March 2021** so mark these dates in your diaries and start planning to attend.

Entries are now open on <https://aussiepeacewalk.com.au/>. For more information about the 2021 event, see these links:

Saturday Walk Options: <https://aussiepeacewalk.com.au/saturday-events/>

Sunday Walk Options: <https://aussiepeacewalk.com.au/sunday-events/>

Early bird entries close January 12.

Earlybird Entry Fees: <https://aussiepeacewalk.com.au/entry-fees-categories/>

Happy Birthday!

January is light on for birthdays – only one

Patsy Williams
Have a great day!