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PEAKY NEWSLETTER



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Cheers to health, happiness and prosperity in 2022

As covid is still causing havoc, our committee is planning future events quarter by quarter in the hope that restrictions on the day don't interfere too much. Things that have been agreed are:

The club sponsored walks will remain the same – Mt Annan, Canberra, Mothers' Day Cronulla, Sutherland2Surf and City2Surf. Dates are yet to be confirmed except for Canberra, and details about this weekend are on page 5.

Our first social event will be a walk and picnic day on Sunday February 20 at Peter Depena Park, Russell Avenue Dolls Point, so keep this date free and more info will be emailed soon.

The proposed date for a March AGM has changed to **Thursday April 7** – so again keep this date free. Whilst there is no walk on this night you will get a stamp for attending.

Saturday morning tea has increased from \$1 to **\$2.00**, the first change in decades. The reimbursement is a maximum of \$20.

It is felt that the benefits of doing double ups should be reinforced as a great way to challenge yourselves. Aim to go out hard for a little way then double back to the group, then repeat. By pushing yourself this way you are gaining extra steps and improving your fitness but still maintaining social contact with other walkers and enjoying their company.

December ✓

Presentation Night

Christmas morning Tea

Christmas Harbour Cruise



Helen - 100 walks



Brian - 2000 walks

Once again covid messed with our presentation plans but those able to attend were delighted to receive their awards and enjoyed a great spread of hot and cold platters. 17 members achieved between 25-49 walks, 10 between 50-74 and 6 reached 75+ walks. Well done everyone.

Accolades for the highest number this year went to Anne Wilson who did 83 walks. Carol King was wearing the crown for the most walks but an unfortunate accident in November put a halt to her walking. Carol will be back next year ready to earn the crown for 2022.

Helen Galanis was excited to move into the 100 Club Awards and couldn't wait to try on her new white shirt. Four more moved up the ladder - Antoinette Ilardo into 200, Denise McKay into 300, Jean Facey into 1000 (all unable to be present) and then **Brian Craven made 2000 walks** joining Maureen in that exalted space.



20 Peakies enjoyed our last Saturday morning walk for 2021. It was celebrated in the castle at Oatley Park with Maureen treating us to her delectable Chrissy treats. A big thank you to Maureen.

Our newest member, Alicia Dong has been delighted with the welcome she has received and all the wonderful events that Peaky Striders have been able to put on for our members in the last month.



Henry, Glenn, Alicia and Anne

Here is Robyn's report following the very enjoyable **2021 Christmas function**. Thanks Robyn.

Peakies are Cruisin.....



It took from May 2021 to Dec.4 2021 to get 35 Peaky Party People on board the Vagabond Princess, but we DID IT! Yeah!! Covid has been the cause of so many disappointments throughout this year and sad to say it's not over yet, however, we were able to celebrate Xmas on Sydney Harbour in style, as did many, many other Sydney siders; King Street Wharf was packed with eager folks anxious to have some fun after lock down.

All Peakies arrived at Wharf 6 on time and ready with their QR codes (won't be sorry to see these disappear). Vagabond Cruises had us all sitting together in well set tables and even though there were quite a few others on board, I for one didn't feel cramped although I did feel sorry for Carol King and her broken wing. Trying not to get bumped at these type of functions is tricky. Really glad you came Carol, brave of you, I am not too sure I would have given your circumstances.

I hope you all enjoyed the food. I thought it was pretty good, but I am happy with anything I don't have to prepare. I was glad not everyone likes oysters, it gave me the opportunity to go back for more YUM! Terrie hates them, so I had her share. Coffee and cake was a challenge, having to negotiate stairs to the upper deck but whenever coffee and cake are mentioned in the one sentence I'm first in line, sore knee or not. Besides, these were Xmas calories which don't count. Right?

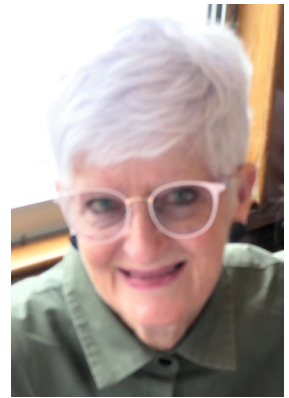


The lucky door prizes were well received. I decided 3 x \$50 Gift Cards were better for everyone this time of year than 35 \$5 stocking fillers. The winners were BRIAN CRAVEN (last time I get him to distribute the tickets), his brother-in-law Glenn Williams (a bit of nepotism here I think) and our own Morning Tea Queen Cheryl Lucas. Congrats, all worthy winners.



Vagabond had their own lucky door prize, a free cruise for 2. A BIG CONGRATULATIONS to Liz Drew. (I am available any time Liz!!!)

The 3-hour cruise went quickly and although overcast the weather did not deter. A few of you went off to find a pub, others settled for coffee, yours truly headed home to plan for next year, hopefully it will be a little bit easier with no Covid.



There are a few faces missing from the photos - they were either camera shy or on the upper deck sampling the sweet table!

Absentees from Presentation Night

Denise McKay

Antoinette Ilardo



Looking Towards 2022

How many walks are you planning to do this year? Enough hopefully to move yourselves up a notch in the 100 Club - our starting point is listed below so good luck and enjoy your efforts.

2021 Cumulative Walk Club

100 walks	200 walks	300 walks	400 walks	500 walks
LS Tshirt with 100	200 Torch & Cap	Vest	Spray Jacket	Tracksuit Jacket
Maria Campagna Liz Drew Helen Galanis	Philippe Donnadieu Robyn Donnadieu Kate Horn Antoinette Ilardo Barbara Seager	Dawn Black Julie Hawkins Jenny Hicks Denise McKay Paul Tam	Judy Jaeger	Gail Brown Jennie Davie Margaret Mayhew Judi Mealey Lyn Morriss Sue Rose
750 walks	1000 walks	1250 walks	1500 walks	2000 walks
Glasses	Glasses	Glasses	Glasses	\$100 Gift Voucher & LS Tshirt with 2000
Shirley Carr Tom Carr Jen Howard Carol King Henry King Robyn Sullivan	Jean Facey Annetta James Terrie Spence Glenn Williams Patsy Williams	Denice Blomfield Lynne Brannock Liz Buckley Elizabeth Whitcombe Anne Wilson	Jan Coghlan Diane Craven Sue Garcia Carol Hamilton Cheryl Lucas Anne Mattison	Maureen Connelly Brian Craven



MARCH 26-27

You can choose to walk on one (fee \$60) or both (fee \$80) days. Saturday is over 7, 12, 21 or 42 kms, and Sunday is over 7, 22 or 24 kms. Most Peakies will head south on Friday March 25 and stay two nights at Pacific Suites, 100 Northbourne Avenue, Braddon (Tel: 6262 6266). Even if your accommodation is elsewhere, everyone gets together for dinner on Friday and Saturday nights.

This is a very enjoyable Peaky sponsored event so make sure you book your accommodation soon and register for your walk/walks on www.aussiepeacewalk.com.au

Happy Birthday

January

Patsy Williams

February

Shirley Carr

Brian Craven

Carol King

Anne Mattison



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