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Happy New Year

This is the first newsletter for 2024. I hope Santa granted all your wishes and you celebrated New Year in style! The last couple of months have been busy with social events. Here are some highlights and dates to keep in mind.



Tuesday 16 January 2024 - Walking resumes.

Wednesday 17 January 2024 - Wednesday walks start at 7am due to hot weather (months of January February and March).

Sunday 11 February 2024, 1.30pm to 4.30pm - Social games event, 43 Ada Street Oatley. Small charge for afternoon tea. More details via email soon.

March 2024 - Mt Annan walk, date to be advised.

Friday 22 to Sunday 24 March 2024 - Canberra Peace walk.

Monday 1 April 2024 - Easter Social walk, Wolli creek walk ending at Bob Hawke Beer and Leisure Centre. More details later via email.

Tuesday 9 April 2024 - Annual General Meeting.

Monday 10 June 2024 (June long weekend) - Social walk.

Sunday 21 July 2024 - Sutherland to Surf fun run.

Sunday 11 August 2024 - City to Surf fun run

**Friday 13 to Sunday 15 September 2024 - City Bay Run weekend
Adelaide**

Thursday 10 October 2024 - Daylight savings celebration. \$10 voucher for dinner at Masonic club after walking.

Saturday 30 November 2024 - Christmas event. Date to be confirmed.

Thursday 19 December 2024 - last walk for the year and Presentation night.

Tuesday 14 January 2025 - walking resumes.

Presentation night 14 December 2023 cont.

It was a lovely evening at the s Masonic club for our end of walking in 2023. Di Craven did the presentation and had a surprise for one member, Jan who had completed 2000 walks. Carol Hamilton had also completed 2000 walks. Di reported that “39 members received vouchers for walking during the year. Anne Wilson walked a record 160 walks in 2023.”



A surprised Jan when she heard that 2000 walks had been achieved.

Club Awards 2023 @ 14/12/2023

Angela Thornhill	100	LS Tshirt
Helen Galanis	200	Cap & Torch
Denise McKay	400	Spray Jacket
Paul Tam	500	Tracksuit Jacket
Jennie Davie	750	\$60 gift card
Carol King	1000	\$60 gift card
Denice Blomfield	1250	\$60 gift card
Annetta James	1250	\$60 gift card
Anne Mattison	1750	\$60 gift card
Carol Hamilton	2000	\$100 Gift Voucher and L/S T shirt with 2000 embroidered
Jan Coughlan	2000	\$100 Gift Voucher and L/S T shirt with 2000 embroidered

Presentation night 14 December 2023 cont.



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Christmas function 2 December 2023

Almost everyone arrived early at Enzos. Many had dressed up very Christmassy from a badly wrapped present to the Santas helper. The elves were certainly in attendance! There was so much food, we nearly burst.

The best Christmassy dressed were Anne Mattison, Denise McKay and Anne Wilson. Congratulations!



Christmas function 2 December 2023 cont.



Christmas breakfast December 10 2023

It was a very warm Saturday morning for a walk. And the usual sumptuous breakfast at Oatley Park. Thanks Maureen for a wonderful spread. And the curried egg sandwiches disappeared very quickly!



Christmas breakfast December 10 2023



Bundanoon Weekend away 3-4 November 2023

The weather did not look kind...forecast showers all weekend Social sub committee meeting on Thursday before lift off and decided on alternative plans if there was bad weather..... Members were asked to bring UNO and other games.

The weather on Friday was lovely and everyone arrived safely, enjoying the atmosphere.....until Laura picked up the keys in her room and pulled the door shut. Then looked at her keys, horror, Laura had picked up her house keys, not her room keys. At reception Laura was told there was no master key to the room, but they could get a man with a ladder to climb through the window. So that was done. See photos below.



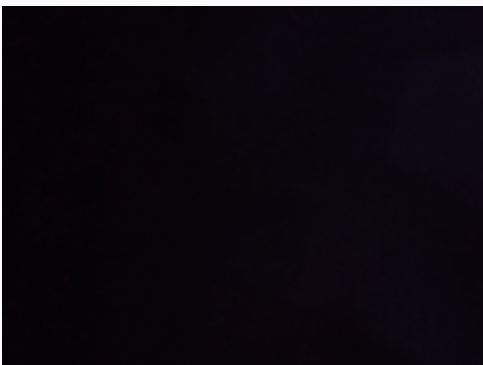
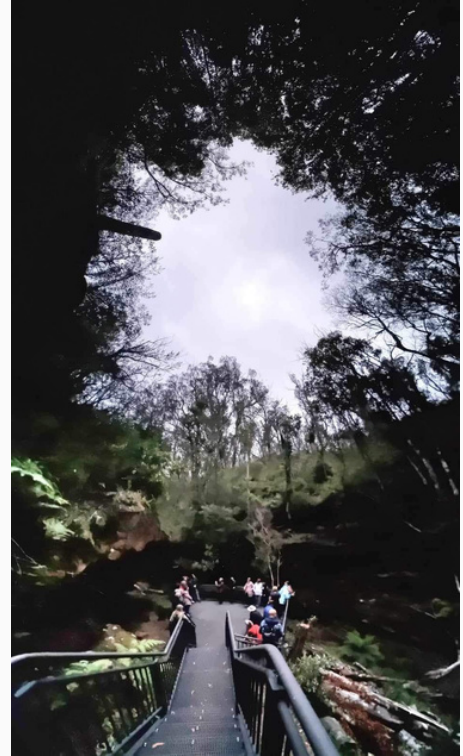
So began the weekend....Early that evening a cavalcade of cars went to the Bundanoon club for an early dinner before going to the glow worm caves. The Peakies not going to the caves joined us later after a walk around the area, led by Carol.

Food was good and and company better.



Bundanoon Weekend away 3-4 November 2023 cont.

After dinner the group went to the glow worm caves. The glowworms eventually came out. All of us had to be very quiet.. a miracle

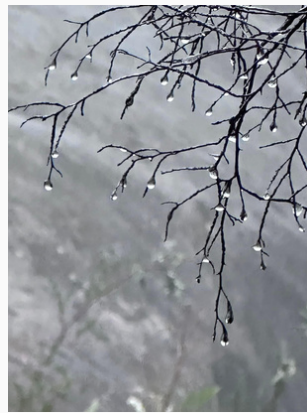


Lyn's photo of the glow worms!
They did come out, but not the photo!



Bundanoon Weekend away 3-4 November 2023 cont.

The next morning many hardy peakies and friends woke up to a misty day, ready for an early morning walk-in Morton national park. After the walk we all dispersed for breakfast in local cafes.



Thanks to Glenn for most of these photos. On the right you can see the view!



Bundanoon Weekend away 3-4 November 2023 cont.

After the walk, it was free time until barefoot bowls. Unfortunately the weather was still not kind so instead we had a games afternoon with the whackiest hat competition.



Bundanoon Weekend away 3-4 November 2023 cont.

The games played were UNO, 500, Djenga and others. The laughing could be heard through the club. The hat competition winners were Anne Wilson for the whackiest hat, Liz Drew for the Peakiest, Cheryl Lucas for the creative 4 seasons hat and Angela Thornhill for the best cause hat. Hard to judge the best hat as there were some fabulous creations.



Bundanoon Weekend away 3-4 November 2023 cont.

After a short break, we all met at the hotel at 6pm for the comedy hour. Everyone had to tell a Dad joke. Liz Drew was the first cab off the rank. After that the jokes were thick and fast. The judges, Judi and Lyn M kept looking at each other as if to say “How the hell are we going to choose the best joke?” This was even tougher than the whackiest hat competition. But judge they did. The winners were Anne Mattison, Jennie Davie and

Paul Tam.



Anne’s winning jokes were “Why wouldn’t you drink water from a toilet. Because of number 1 or 2“ and “What is a naked whale called? Free Willie”

Jenni’s joke was “The first time using an elevator was an uplifting experience, but the second time brought me down.”

Paul's jokes were:

Where can single men over the age of 70 find younger women who are interested in them?

Try a bookstore under fiction.

Three old guys are out walking. The first one says, “Windy, isn’t it?”

The second one says, “No, it’s Thursday!” The third one says, “So am I. Let’s go get a beer.”

You know you’re getting older when you have a party and the neighbors don’t realize it.

Bundanoon Weekend away 3-4 November 2023 cont.

At the end of the joke telling, Judi read out some jokes from Kate, Anne Wilson's daughter. The jokes were all about the Peakies.

Q. What do you call a walker with incontinence?
A. A Leaky Strider.

Q. What do you call a walker with arthritis?
A. A Creaky Strider

Q. What do you call a nerdy walker?
A. A Geeky Strider

Q. What do you call a walker that likes to know everyone else's business?
A. A Sticky Beaky Strider

Q. What do you call a gloomy walker?
A. A Bleaky Strider

Q. What do you call a Peaky Strider who deliberately cuts their walks short?
A. A Sneaky Strider

Q. What do you call a walker who is a bit stranger or unusual?
A. A Freaky Strider.

Q. What do you call a walker with bad B.O.?
A. A Reeky Strider

Q. What do you call a walker with no clothes on?
A. A Streaky Strider?

Q. What do you call an older walker?
A. An Antiquee Strider

Q. What do you call a walker who wears orange and is totally awesome and amazing?
A. A PEAKY STRIDER!!

Bundanoon Weekend away 3-4 November 2023 cont.

After the comedy hour dinner was served. A large number had the three course set menu which included Lamb shoulder, Barramundi and a few vegetable dishes and salads. According to those that had the lamb, it melted in your mouth. The barramundi was also delicious. Glenn said it was restaurant standard.



After dinner we gathered around the fireplace for Trivia. A couple of questions were repeated and one had an answer on the question page. Who won? Well, it was a draw with two teams winning. Not quite enough prizes to share, so Glenn and Patsy shared as did Brian and Di. After Trivia some went to bed, others stayed up enjoying the fire.

The next day was free and many Peakies went to the markets, visited the art places, went to the national park and then went home. An wonderful weekend!

Vacancy - Refreshments morning tea co-ordinator

After 10 years Cheryl will be retiring her role as Refreshments Morning tea co ordinator as of April 9 2024 (the AGM). The

Refreshments Coordinator duties are:

1. Arrange the Saturday morning tea roster for supply of refreshments including filling hot water pots
2. Maintain stock supplies for tea, coffee, sugar etc. and supply milk each time.
3. Collect money for morning tea and distribute as required.

Talk to Cheryl to what this entails and please nominate if you are interested. This role can be shared if you wish.

Thank you Cheryl for all your work. And your delicious treats over the years!



Happy Birthday

January

Patsy Williams

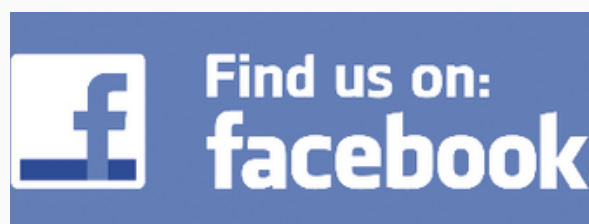
February

Lee Carr

Anne Mattison

Carol King

Brian Craven



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