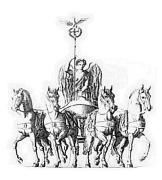
Did you know that Werner Franz, believed to be the last surviving crew member of the Hindenburg which crashed 77 years ago, died recently aged 92. He was 14 at the time of the crash.

CLUB



NEWS

September/October 2014



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Birthdays

Happy Birthday and best wishes to



SEPTEMBER

Helga Klein	5
Sandra Laird	24
Horst Andree	25
Karina Ceron	26
Werner Spitzer	30





German Unification Day	3
Josef Purscher, Stephen Byers	1
Frank Hesman	7
Ursula Simson	8
Erika Zache	9
Gudrun Gnesel, Lilo Kuhn	15
Karl Bourjou	19

Annual General Meeting ~ IMPORTANT AGENDA ITEM

At the AGM on 14 September, a very important agenda item will be discussed, OneCare, who have built units on our back boundary, is interested in *purchasing land* from us. A decision is likely to be made at our AGM. Please come along and have your say.



OKTOBERFEST
SATURDAY
18 OCTOBER
FROM 12 MIDDAY

SUPPORT YOUR CLUB

Upcoming events

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday , 14 September, 2pm ~ after the Schnitzelessen

Schnitzelessen -12.00 start

(every 2nd Sunday of the month) Sunday 14 Sept, 12 October

\$17.00 includes a glass of red or white wine & tea or coffee It is *essential* to pre-book by phoning the Club the **Thursday** prior.

Hand Craft Group Afternoon Tea - 14.00

(last Sunday of each month)
Sunday 28 September, 26 October
Visitors are always welcome.
Contact Edith Bauermeister on 62437243.

German Day Centre Lunches for Seniors

Wednesdays from 10am
Please contact the Migrant Resource Centre on 6221 0999

German Radio Program

FM 96.1 and 92.1 (Every Sunday 8am - 10am)

Committee Meetings - 4.30pm

(first Sunday of each month)
7 September, 5 October

OKTOBERFEST
Saturday 18 October
12 Midday
RSVP by 10 October
(NB Change of date)



Welcome to our new members

Callum Judd and Karin Ludwig

Choir News: Our highly regarded and popular Choir is making a tour to Canberra, departing on 2 October. They will be away for ten days in total. A number of donations have been received by the Choir to assist with the expenses. Some of these include a \$100 donation from Adriana Taylor, MLC; and \$100 donation from Matthew Groom, The Honourable Member for Denison. We wish the Choir all the very best and look forward to their report which will feature in the next newsletter.

Have you renewed your membership? Newsletters are sent to current members and if you have not renewed yours, this will be your last newsletter. If you wish to be informed about Club events via the newsletter, and support your Club, please renew your membership now.

Also, only current members may vote or have a say at the Annual General Meeting on Sunday 14 September at 2pm....after the Schnitzelessen.

German Day of Unity (*Tag der Deutschen Einheit*) - **Friday 3 October**. The bar will be open as usual from 4.00. If you wish to celebrate this momentous day in German history, please get a party together, bring a plate to share and come to the Club on Friday 3 October at 4pm.



Unfortunately, we have a few of our members on the "sick list":

Horst Andree Lilo Bagdonas Annemarie Becker Horst Ludwig

We send them all our very best "get well wishes".

The **Curry Night at the Club** on Saturday 30 August was a great success, despite the low numbers of participants. A great night was had by all, and Werner's "red rocket fuel" was particularly enjoyable.

SUNDAY SKAT

The Club has been a pretty sad place on Sundays for a while, with few people enjoying the hospitality of the Club. However on Sunday 31 August, it was great to see some regular members playing their favourite game of Skat. Welcome back to Erich, who has just returned from Europe with Shirley.

Pictured L - R: Jeff Freeman, Werner Spitzer, Manfred Blaschke, Robert Toledo and Erich Lenz.





SATURDAY 18 OCTOBER 12 MIDDAY

It's Oktoberfest so swap your apron for lederhosen and let the festivities begin!

To soak up all those steins, our licensee, Martin will be chief cook

on the BBQ and is offering a choice of sausages (2) and
a hamburger with onion and/or sauerkraut & mustard.

COST: \$15 for members \$18 for non-members

This will be followed by cake and coffee \$5.00 members \$8.00 non-members

There will be dancing DVDs projected onto the new screen for dancing afterwards.

(Bookings by Friday 10 October)

Edith Bauermesiter has some *Dirndls and Lederhosen for sale* for the Oktoberfest. Please contact her on ph: 62 437243

Groups and Communities

The German Choir is very well known in the South-East corner of Tasmania where they do public performances. The Choir would welcome more people who love singing German and Australian songs. Practice is every Monday at 15:30 at the Club. *Contact Renate Gehlhaar on 6272 2757 for further details.*

Skat Players: The Skat Players meet every Friday at 18:00 and Sundays at 13:30. There are experienced and more serious players as well as those who simply enjoy the card game. The games cater for all players. *If you are interested, please contact the Club during opening hours.*

Canasta Players: The Canasta Players love a good game of cards with lots of social interaction. They meet on Thursdays at 15.30 at the Club. *Please contact Margot Meier to 0407 495 593 if you would like to participate.*

Austrian Community: Our Austrian Club Members have a table especially booked for them on Thursdays. *Contact Horst Meister at the German Club on Thursday afternoons if you would like to join.*

Lithuanian and Latvian Community members meet at the Club. *Phone the Club to find out when they will next join us.*

GERMAN AUSTRALIAN CLUB

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Opening Times

Monday, Tuesday 4-6 pm Wednesday Closed Thursday 3-7 pm Friday 4-9 pm Saturday 2-6 pm Sunday 1-6 pm

Club Executive: prior to AGM Sunday 14 September

President Paul Kuchinke

Vice-Presidents Erich Lenz

Kaye Skinner

Secretary Gaby Seely Treasurer Gaby Seely

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Athol Lehner

22.8.1934 ~ 4.8.2014

Sadly we say goodbye to one of our Life Members ~ Athol Lehner.

Athol was born in Australia and worked at the Hydro Electric Commission for 42 years. He and Margaret joined the club in the early 90's when a friend, Karl Baier, introduced them to the very popular dances of the time. Here they become friends with Paul Kuchinke and his wife Marlene and when Paul asked Athol to join the committee, there started the many, many years of Athol's, and Margaret's, service to the club. This included doing the cleaning, helping Margaret in the kitchen including the shopping and preparing the vegetables, doing maintenance work, building bookshelves and of course, where we all saw him regularly behind the bar.

Athol worked tirelessly for the Club, often being called out at night to attend the Club during our early alarm system malfunctions. He did this without complaint. When the Club celebrated its 40th Anniversary, Athol and Margaret planned and organised the whole event with little outside assistance. As a consequence of his tireless work, Athol was made a Life Member of the Club, along with his adored Margaret.

After some back surgery, and a brain scan some eight or nine vears ago, it was found Athol had the onset of Alzheimer's disease. This terrible disease slowly took Athol's life and he passed away on 4th August.

He was the much loved husband of Margaret, father and father-in -law of Juanita and Nigel, Nicholas and Lesley and Heath (dec.) and much loved Poppy of Hayley, Nicole, Zachary and Matilda. Athol was well liked and respected by all members of the Club.

He will be sadly missed.