

Rowers Reel



What's happening @TheRowers?

Australia Day Special - 26 January

Join us for in Archie Bear for a 2.5 hour 3-course Bottomless Long Lunch, served high tea style, with bottomless drinks (served in accordance with responsible service of alcohol regulations) for only \$79pp. Or head to the Rowers Bar for an Aussie Day party with a gourmet Aussie BBQ, banging Aussie Tunes, Australian tinnies & fabulous Archie Rose Cocktails. [Book now!](#)



Trivia Moved to Wednesdays

Trivia with a Twist and our fabulous Quiz Master John Ed has now moved to Wednesday night at 7pm. [Bookings essential](#). Enjoy the wonderful and very popular Wednesday night Mussels Special while engaging the brains trust!

More Events to Mark in Your Calendar

Coming up in February, join us for **Super Bowl** on Monday 8th February for hotdogs, Bloody Marys, American tinnies and Cornhole on the balcony.

St Valentines Day is also on the horizon on Sunday 14th February. We'll be bringing all the romance downstairs with romantic lunch at Archie Bear, or join the fun at Rowers Bar, who will be hosting the Anti-Valentines Social Event. [Bookings](#) will be available shortly.

Local Business Support

We are proud to have our wonderful meat raffle trays supplied by our local butcher Meat on the Avenue. We want to continue our community focus, so if any member has ideas or ways to support the Club and to promote their local business, we would love to hear from you. Contact us at

membership@mosmanrowers.com.au

Reminders

There are a number of events in the next few weeks. **All need to be booked**. See full details in this newsletter:

- **'Learn to Surf Ski' with Paddling@TheRowers and Sydney Harbour Surf Club. 8am - 10 on Sunday 14th February**
- **Australia Day - Tuesday 26th Jan. Bottomless long lunch in Archie Bear, or activities and sausage sizzle in Rowers bar**
- **Bridge@TheRowers starting Thursday 4th Feb 12 noon for lunch, with Bridge 1 - 4pm**
- **Fishing@TheRowers hosting Fishing Day & Tournament on Saturday 6th Feb 8am - 12pm**
- **InConversation@TheRowers with Zali Steggall on Thursday 11th February**
- **Valentine's Day - Sunday 14th February. Special dining options in both Archie Bear and Rowers Bar**

President's Message

As we warmly welcome and look forward with positivity to 2021, the Board and I would like to wish all our members and guests a Safe and Happy New Year.

We started the New Year in style with a wonderful and carefully managed New Year's Eve party at the Club, the first in a long time. Given all the incredible feedback, I suspect next year will be booked out early! Thank you to our wonderful Rowers crew for making the New Year so special for so many members.



As you know, growing our member base is a key focus for 2021 and we are delighted to say we are off to a great start with our Members of the Year 2019, Geraldine & Rob O'Dea, welcoming the arrival of their beautiful daughter Maia on Dec 12th and warmest congratulations to our operations managers, Emma and Adam Marshall welcoming a new brother Frederik for Arna.



The future of the Club is dependent on you, our members. I would like to thank our newly announced Members of the Year 2018, 2019 and 2020, Tim James, Geraldine & Rob O'Dea and Robyn Bushell for their incredible contribution to our Club.

In 2021 we need to continue our focus on member engagement, to ensure the Club is an even more thriving community hub, where members and guests attend events, support sporting activities and generally love being in our beautiful clubhouse. We will be running membership programs in the coming months, to encourage renewal, expand to partners and spouses, and to introduce new members to our wonderful community.

Part of securing our future is being conscious of our impact on our environment and I am proud to announce, supported by our very own Professor Bushell the Mosman Rowers is much more innovative and focused on Going Green!

- Work will begin soon on replacing our sewerage system with a joint grant with Mosman Bay Scouts who share our system. Many thanks to Felicity Wilson and the NSW Community Building Program for supporting us with this critical project.



President's Message, continued

- We were awarded a federal Energy Efficiency Small Business grant. Sincere thanks to Zali Steggall and her team - we can now replace our ineffective and highly inefficient AC system in phases over the coming months.
- The Mosman Council sustainability team, working with Wattblock have subsidised a solar feasibility study so we can move to more efficient greener power for our Club. With freezers, fridges, lights and air conditioning our power consumption is fairly high. We are determined to reduce our footprint and our financial costs in every way possible. This includes shading for the building via awnings.
- We are partnering with Council in a trial of a food waste recovery program - with Feedback Organics, which will take our food waste to composting rather than landfill.

Our New Era is evolving to be greener! This will not only save us significant money in power bills and waste removal, but will also be our small contribution to climate action and our beautiful home at Mosman Bay. Mosman Rowers will proudly become an environmentally as well as socially responsible club.

To succeed as a Club, **we need your help**. Running these projects is expensive and often requires expertise we do not always have. We want to strengthen our Building Committee with members who can assist the Club with a huge number of CAPEX projects that must be completed this year. We need expertise and advice from those with plumbing and sewerage services, electrical and air conditioning, refrigeration, general building and carpentry to name a few.

Additionally, we need some smart people with construction experience who can assist ensure we make the most effective and efficient decisions for the Club. We are also looking to expand our Social Committee, as the number of activities and events continue to expand. If you're keen to do more for your Club and your community in 2021, please email membership@mosmanrowers.com.au and let us know how you would like to contribute.

Finally, as we finish off a fabulous summer at the Rowers, don't forget the Club most needs your patronage during quieter months. February kicks off a lot of new initiatives, *Bridge@TheRowers*, *Paddling@TheRowers* with SHSC, *Jazz@TheRowers*, guest speaker nights with *InConversation@TheRowers* and *OpenMicNight@TheRowers* to name a few.

We hope to see you down at the Club very soon.

Kathrina Doran
President, Mosman Rowers

All your favs and a few new surprises

2021 is shaping up to be busier than ever at The Rowers. Avoid disappointment, [book early](#) to secure your spot at all your favourites

Enjoy a great meal and house beer or wine for **only \$20** (\$25 non-members) from 5pm.

- **Monday:** Toss the Boss for Members only: toss a coin to win a free main meal
- **Tuesday:** Steak, chips & jus
- **Wednesday:** Mussels, paired perfectly with Trivia hosted by Quizmaster John Ed
- **Thursday:** Burger & Jukebox Night
- **Friday & Saturday:** Seafood platter + bottle of chardonnay from 12pm - \$120 members (\$130 non members)

Plus, enjoy our **other meal specials** throughout the week.

- **Monday - Friday:** Happy Hour from 4-6 pm. \$5 tacos, \$10 margaritas, \$5 house beers & wines
- **Monday - Friday:** Early Bird Special before 10am - our 5 star bacon + egg roll or granola with a coffee for \$10. Or, swap your coffee for a Bloody Mary for \$18.



Want even more this summer?

- \$119 bottles of **Bollinger champagne** served all day, every day!
- **Sunday:** Live music session in Rowers bar + \$10 bombay spritz from 3-6pm, with live local artists performing.
- **Monday - Thursday:** School holiday kids meal deal 4-6pm - \$12 meal, drink + gelato, under 12 only
- **Friday:** Meat Raffle! Come down to the Rowers or [buy your tickets online](#) and you could be walking away with a meat or veggie tray!

Coming soon:

- *Jazz@TheRowers*
- *OpenMicNight@TheRowers* hosted our own talented Jimmy with great cocktail specials
- Jukebox & Cocktails on Thursday
- Karaoke

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
Archie Bear 8am - 4pm	Archie Bear 8am - 4pm	Archie Bear 8am - Late	Archie Bear 8am - Late	Archie Bear 8am - Late	Archie Bear 8am - Late	Archie Bear 8am - Late
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Happy Hour 4pm - 6pm	Happy Hour 4pm - 6pm	Happy Hour 4pm - 6pm	Happy Hour 4pm - 6pm	Happy Hour 4pm - 6pm		
Toss The Boss for Members	Steak Night	Mussels Night + Trvia	Burger Night + Jukebox	Seafood & Chardy + Meat Raffle		

Christmas@TheRowers

It seems ages ago, Sunday Dec 13th we hosted around 100 members and families to a great Christmas party complete with Santa gifts for kids and bad Santa fun for adults. As well as gorgeous cupcakes and mince pies, everyone having loads of fun. A great way to thank celebrate as a community after a challenging year!

A huge thanks to Santa who arrived in style by boat for making time to be at The Rowers, despite his very busy schedule. Thanks also to Santa's helper.



There are so many people to thank: our fabulous President and to the other Santa's Helpers for all the hard work re decorations, gifts and wrapping! Bailey, from [Blang Landscape](#) for his great help with the decorations. Brian Hall of [Print Direction](#) for the awesome Christmas panel for the Santa photos; Anna from [The Classic Cupcake Company](#) for the delicious Cupcakes - very popular with everyone; the incredibly talented [Fab Fun](#) balloon man, a great hit with all - young and old - whose Christmas themed balloon twisting provided hours of fun.



During the party the president announced the **2018, 2019 and 2020 Member of the Year**. No surprises 2018 went to Tim James whose dedication mobilised the team that ensured The Rowers survived. Many thanks Tim and so well deserved.

2019 went to Geraldine and Rob O'Dea who oversaw the renovation of the Clubhouse working tirelessly for months to ensure everything was done on time and within budget. Our heartfelt thanks.

2020 was awarded to Robyn Bushell MacFarlane for her work on the Board, chasing grants, social activities and ensuring the Club operates in a more sustainable way. However, the 2020 award could have easily gone to so many people who work tirelessly for the Club. Not naming them all as there are quite a few, they were at the Christmas function and supporting the Club as always.

Bridge@TheRowers

Mosman Rowers' Bridge Club is **starting Feb 4th**, every Thursday 1-4pm in the Rowers Bar, with a special Bridge Lunch Special from midday. Places are limited, please contact membership@mosmanrowers.com.au for details.

TRUMPS Bridge company will provide the professional support including scoring and points system. They will also offer beginner bridge courses to enable non playing members to get up to speed and join the fun.

This group of Bridge enthusiasts are looking forward to joining the Club!



Watersports@The Rowers

RadioControlledSailing@The Rowers

Special Kids Radio Controlled Sailing Workshop with sausage sizzle will be held on Sunday 28th Feb from 10am – 12 noon for children 10 years and over. Children will be organised and supervised at all times but parent participation strongly encouraged. Meet in the Rowers Bar at 9.45am. Bring plenty of sun protection and a bottle of water. [Bookings open now.](#)



Fishing@TheRowers

Fishing Day - Saturday 6th February 2021

The Mosman Rowers Fishing Club is back! Saturday 6th February 2021 - 8.00am to Midday on the water in Sydney Harbour aboard the mighty A-Team. Compete for our prestigious perpetual trophy (soon to be displayed in the Members' Bar).



\$110 per person - BYO drinks but all bait and gear provided. Starting at Mosman Bay Wharf at 7.45am for a Rowers bacon & egg roll & coffee. Returning to the Club for a 12.30pm presentation of the fishing trophy and great prizes by our President all welcome to hear all about the big ones that got away!!

Limited positions available due to COVID social distancing requirements. Contact the Fishing Captain to reserve a place - mosmanrowersfishingcaptain@gmail.com or text 0408 DENNIS.

Paddling@TheRowers

We are delighted to announce a new partnership with Luke Horder and **Sydney Harbour Surf Club** to bring *Paddling@TheRowers* to the next level.

We will have Club events in February and again later in the year, but also opportunities for Rowers paddlers to join many of the wonderful programs and fun paddling activities with SHSC at the Spit and Rose Bay.

Our exciting partnership with will kick off Sunday 14th Feb with a "Learn to Surf Ski Paddle" session at Mosman Rowers Club. Luke can accommodate 10 participants in each session: 8 – 9am and 9.15 – 10.15am. No experience needed but participants **MUST** be able to swim 50m unassisted. Age limit 15 years and over.

Cost to members? The first session is free! Head to the [Sydney Harbour Surf Club website](#) and download the SHSC app, then book in - for Mosman Rowers financial members only. Book session 'Mosman Group Paddling Lesson' on Sunday Feb 14th for **8am** or **9.15am**. Select the time slot to book and then select 'schedule' this class. You are then booked into your first class. This first class is FREE. Subsequent bookings for members will receive a 20% discount, using a discount code that will be applied when you provide your membership number.

When members download the app they agree to a waiver and liability. Bring sunscreen, water bottle and a hat. \$10 breakfast deal after the session. For additional info, visit the [Sydney Harbour Surf Club website](#).

If interested, or if you would like to get involved with the Paddling Committee contact the Club's Water Sports Co captains, Becky Mates and John Leyden via paddling@mosmanrowers.com



Our Guest Speaker Series is about to start

***InConversation@TheRowers* - Tickets essential. Book now.**

This is a fundraising event for Rowers Future Fund so book a table. Bring your family and friends. \$25 pp with a glass of house beer or wine. [Book](#) your table now!

We launch the series 6pm Thursday 11th Feb ***InConversation with Zali Steggall MP.***



Join a *Conversation with Zali*. The former Winter Olympian and Member for Warringah will discuss the challenges of a changing climate and how we, as individuals and a community, can contribute to a healthier future for generations. This was one of Zali's core election promises, and late last year she introduced the *Climate Change Bill* into Parliament that sets out real climate action and a commitment to Net Zero by 2050. This is now before a Parliamentary inquiry. The Bill has had enormous support from business groups, environmental organisations and Australian citizens. Contribute your ideas, learn more or ask a few questions.

Zali is very well placed to discuss how we as a community tackle the challenge.

Places are limited because of current restrictions so book early. If you plan to stay for dinner, please book separately for dinner as well.

The next *InConversation@TheRowers* in March welcomes well known local identity **Peter Fitzsimmons**.

Time to Celebrate

Good times are guaranteed at the Rowers this summer.

You are still able to plan to celebrate at Mosman Rowers. We have something to suit every occasion. From leisurely lunches on the deck; birthdays, graduations, weddings and corporate functions in The Rowers Bar, or small private functions in the upstairs Gallery. Host your next event with us, but be mindful of the current indoor 4m² restriction.

[Email the Events team](#) to plan your special occasion, or head to our [website](#) for more information.



Friday Night Meat Raffle

Friday Night Meat Raffle is on again and continues to draw a crowd!

As well as being in the draw, you might fancy being one of our volunteers on a monthly basis helping to sell the raffle tickets from 6 - 7pm on a Friday night. If you can help, speak to our Social Committee Convenor Sam, staff or volunteers on a Friday night or email membership@mosmanrowers.com.au

We are also looking to build up our Social Committee. We have a busy schedule and welcome new members keen to become more engaged and make new friends.