

# Rowers Reel



## What's happening @TheRowers?

### ***New Head Chef @The Rowers***

We have listened to you!

It is our pleasure to introduce Carlos Guzman, our new Head Chef of the Club. Carlos brings a wealth of experience and passion for his craft. A consummate professional. Carlos's 18 years of experience include tenures at the Park Hyatt Sydney, 6-star Qualia Resort (Hamilton Island), The Greens North Sydney and The Cut Bar & Grill. More recently Carlos has been a Food Consultant working on television programs including Masterchef, Chef's Line and My Kitchen Rules. Carlos has South American roots, and is incredibly passionate about bringing the freshness and vibrancy of these flavours into the new menu he is currently working on! A very warm welcome to Carlos.



*Mosman Rowers acknowledges that our Club is on Cammeraygal country*

## Reminders

Book online now for our up and coming events:

- Valentines Day - 14th February
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- **Art@The Rowers, 2nd-29th March**
- Award Night: Saturday 4th March.
- **International Women's Day, Wednesday 8th March, 6pm.**
- **Tuesday BYO for dinner**
- **Jazz@The Rowers: Tuesday March 7th 6-9pm**
- **Trivia: Wednesday, 7pm fortnightly**
- **Friday night meat raffle: 6-7pm weekly**
- **All your favourites: Happy Hour all weekdays and mid-week dinner specials**

# President's Message

To all our wonderful Mosman Rowers Members,

I hope everyone has enjoyed a great break and families are settled back into school and work routines. We were all in need of a really good break after a busy 2022. It certainly was full at the Rowers, including a large number of private functions which is fantastic, and we enjoyed our very successful Art@The Rowers, a Vivid Cruising@The Rowers, and our In Conversation series.

In November we worked with Kiri Stejko to host a fundraiser for UNICEF, raising over \$25,000 to help children and families whose lives have been and continue to be torn apart in the Ukraine. The night featured a special In Conversation@The Rowers, sale of work by local Ukrainian artist Leon Stejko, Ukrainian jazz singer, Julia Shved, a fabulous dinner, and an auction of generously donated prizes. Sincere thanks to all involved, including our staff who worked hard to make the event such a special evening. These events are part of what makes The Rowers such an important asset for the community, which is our vision for the Club. We welcome your inputs, not only for ideas, but for help to run activities for all to enjoy. Contact Linda Holub, one of our fabulous volunteers, who convenes the Social Committee, via [info@mosmanrowers.com.au](mailto:info@mosmanrowers.com.au) if you are interested/willing to be more involved.

Jazz@The Rowers just keeps getting bigger and better, starting back last week, with a pretty full house of enthusiastic jazz lovers, so book early. The Club is also enjoying good patronage to all our other regular favourites, like fortnightly Wednesday Trivia, which is a night of laughs and friendly rivalry, and our Friday night raffle continues to be very popular at the regular time of 6 - 7pm, with meat and fruit and veg trays. Some lucky people won hams in time for Christmas. Can't thank all involved enough, week after week making this happen. Our volunteers are simply awesome.

Our annual Christmas party was another great success, with Santa delighting lots of our member's young children, and later joined Members in Rowers Bar, where we were able to acknowledge all the hard work of our volunteers, including announcing our wonderful 2022 Member of the Year, Gill Burke. Thank you Gill for your tireless efforts, not only helping with the weekly raffles, all things done by the Social Club, including convening the group for several months, but especially for the fantastic effort in creating and running our highly successful, inaugural Art@The Rowers.

Speaking of which, the team are busy again, with the 2023 Art@The Rowers kicking off March 2nd - 29th. Members and guests will again enjoy a really wonderful exhibition. We have 53 selected works, inspired by our beautiful Sydney Harbour, available for sale downstairs in the café throughout March. We are very grateful to Lynne and Richard Crookes, of Richard Crookes Constructions for their generous sponsorship of the major prizes, ArtSmart for sponsoring the Members Choice award and we are honoured to have highly distinguished Australian Artist Ben Quilty as our judge. It doesn't get better than that! If you would like to hear Ben when he opens the exhibition, names the winners, and be there when the sale of exhibits begins, book early for the Awards night, Sat 4th March, 6.30pm. Places are limited. There will be a special dinner menu up in Rowers Bar after the opening so keep an eye on the marketing emails or on our website. <https://www.mosmanrowers.com.au/reservations>





# President's Message Continued...

The Club sadly continues to be closed each Monday. Our very dedicated team of staff are working very long hours and doing everything they can to recruit and train new staff. As we all know, this remains an industry wide issue, so your understanding is much appreciated. We are however delighted that our fabulous GM, Tom Woods maintains his enthusiasm with many exciting plans for the Club. This included special activities introducing a Rugby passport scheme; supporting Mosman Councils' Pets Day Out; and the Aperol promotion during the Australian Open. Expect to see many more. Keep an eye on posters in the Club. Tom is also driving our ongoing efforts to be an environmentally responsible operation, supporting the move to plastic free operations. The Bird & Bear group who are very committed to this ethic, have moved to 100% paper cups across their businesses, so we are able to ensure all take away coffee cups can be fully composted or recycled and our lid's are biodegradable. Even better, you could bring your own keep cup. A small amount of effort with a huge benefit! Think sustainable.

2023 is shaping up to be another exciting year for us. The Club enjoyed good numbers watching the cricket, the Australian Open and Australia day. Keep your eye out for news re the date of the next Rowers family Fishing Day. Coming soon.

Valentine's Day will be your first chance to sample the culinary delights of our new head chef, Carlos. We are very excited about his plans to reset our menus. See more below and see you at the Club.

Regards

Kathrina Doran, President



Gill Burke, Member of the Year

# Valentines' Day @The Rowers

Valentine's Day is just days away, and we invite you to join us for a relaxed and casual afternoon or evening by Mosman Bay, treating your special someone to a simple yet special experience at The Rowers.

We will be hosting live acoustic tunes by our favourite Jimmy Hazelwood, 4 - 6pm, and offering our full a la carte menu, as well as an exclusive Valentine's Day Menu for those looking for a little extra indulgence, including hot and cold seafood platters for two.

Book your table and join us for a special day at The Rowers.

<https://www.mosmanrowers.com.au/reservations>

The Valentine's Day Special Menu will be running all day with the usual 10% discount for members.

## Food:

Hot & Cold Seafood Platter for 2 - **\$135**

- Peeled Australian Tiger Prawns
- Escabeche of Baby Octopus
- Sydney Rock Oysters w/ mignonette
- Ora King Salmon with taramasalata & crostini
- Flash fried Calamari & aioli
- Grilled W.A. Scallops in sauce vierge
- Beer Battered Fish & tartare
- Seasoned Fries

Seafood Platter Upgrade - **+\$55**

-Add on ½ lobster thermidor (pre-order only!)

Strawberries for Two - **\$22**

-Strawberry Cheesecake, Chocolate Dipped Strawberries, Strawberry Fool

## Drinks:

Pomegranate Negroni Cocktail - **\$18**

Gin, vermouth, Campari and pomegranate

Gin Rose Cocktail - **\$18**

Gin, Campari, Cointreau, Lemon, Rosewater

Laurent Perrier NV France - **\$21 / \$120**

# Membership@The Rowers: New and Renewing

A reminder to all our current Members, if you have received a reminder notice, now is the time to renew. Annual fees have been reduced to \$60 for individuals. We are not offering family memberships.

Member benefits include the 10% discount on drinks and 5% on food.

We have a 2 for 1 lunch deal available for 2 weeks in May/June (and to be repeated throughout the year) for Members only.

Our special events like *Dining Differently@The Rowers* and the coming *Vivid Cruising@The Rowers*, Members get priority bookings plus discounted prices.

Please also remember Members are the life blood of the Club, and essential to a secure future, so renew today online and support your Club.

Members should also recognise our membership system, hosted by Member Jungle, which automatically sends out renewal notices dependant on when you joined. These are not sent by the Club. The Club end is run by a volunteer, Julie Dagleish who works tirelessly to make things as smooth as possible, so please be patient and grateful to Jules, or volunteer to help her.

Any queries please email:

[membership@mosmanrowers.com.au](mailto:membership@mosmanrowers.com.au)





## Art @The Rowers

Members and guests will be delighted to know that **Art@The Rowers** is on soon! It promises to be another really wonderful exhibition, with the **very distinguished Australian artist Ben Quilty** as our judge. Widely known for his thick, gestural oil paintings, Quilty has worked across a range of media. His works serve as a reflection of social and political events, from the current global refugee crisis to the complex social history of Australia.

Ben has won both the Doug Moran National Portrait Prize in 2009 and the most prestigious Archibald Prize in 2011 with his portrait of artist Margaret Olley. In 2011 he travelled to Afghanistan as an official war artist for The Australian War Memorial. He was invited by World Vision Australia to travel to Greece, Serbia and Lebanon with author, Richard Flanagan, to witness firsthand the international refugee crisis in 2016. He brings considerable gravitas and expertise, making it a huge honour that he is supporting us and our exhibiting artists. Our sincere thanks to Ben.

We will have 53 works in the exhibition, inspired by our beautiful Sydney Harbour, including its foreshore, coves, inlets, wildlife, animals, people and the surrounding built environment. Prizes generously sponsored by Richard Crookes Constructions and ArtSmart.

*The artworks are available for sale downstairs in the café throughout March.*

If you want to hear Ben Quilty open the exhibition, book early for the Awards night, Sat 4th March, 6.30pm.

<https://www.mosmanrowers.com.au/whats-on/art-at-the-rowers>

Members are also reminded that they are able to vote for their favourite piece of work.

**Members Choice** voting will be on line between March 2nd – 4th. So come down to the Club and see the works, then vote and then feel free to revisit many times.



## Weekly Member Classes@The Rowers

Classes are back in the Gallery as the classes and activities resume. Keep an eye on the website [What's On @The Rowers](#) or contact the class co-ordinator directly.

**Mah-jong:** Tuesday

Contact Carole Boyden: [Carole.boyden@gmail.com](mailto:Carole.boyden@gmail.com)

**Mums&Bubs exercise:** Wednesday 10.30am and Friday 10 and 11am

Contact Emily Reynolds : [em@barrewiththem.com](mailto:em@barrewiththem.com)

**Pilates** Wednesday 12pm

Contact Fiona Malone [fiona@theeloquentbody.com.au](mailto:fiona@theeloquentbody.com.au)

**Community Choir** Thursday 10am

Contact Joanna Weinberg:  
[joanna.weinberg@bigpond.com](mailto:joanna.weinberg@bigpond.com)

**Vintage Fitness:** Thursday 12N

Contact Andrew Fisher:  
[andrew@vintagefitnessandhealth.com](mailto:andrew@vintagefitnessandhealth.com)

See [mosmanrowers.com.au/fitness](http://mosmanrowers.com.au/fitness) for more details on all classes

## Sail GP X Skyy Vodka Activation

**Wed 15th of February - Wed 29th of March**

To celebrate the Australian Sail Grand Prix Sydney, we have partnered with major sponsor, Skyy Vodka to bring some incredible drink and food specials. Sail GP events will be televised in Rowers Bar and there will be Sail GP Merchandise giveaways daily.

### Drink Specials

- SKYY Highball - **\$12.00**

*Long pour SKYY Vodka, Soda, grapefruit*

- Pornstar Martini - **\$12.00**

*SKYY Vodka, Passoa, Lime, Fresh Passionfruit*

- SKYY Vodka Lime Soda - **\$7**

*SKYY Vodka, Soda, lime*

### Food Specials - 12pm to kitchen close

- Cod croquettes with dill mayo - **\$16**
- Chilli salted squid with sweet & sour passionfruit sauce - **\$18**
- Grilled chicken caesar salad - **\$21**

## It's All On @The Rowers

In case you haven't already heard, you have been missing out for months. **Every Tuesday is BYO wine for dinner. How good is that ?**

Take advantage and bring a friend for a meal with your favourite wine. Tuesday is also our **Members special steak night dinner deal**. Just \$20, with a glass of house wine or a beer.

Monthly **Jazz@The Rowers**, continues to be extremely popular, the first Tuesday of each month guaranteeing a wonderful evening of highest quality jazz there is to offer.

Book in for our **prix fixe two course dinner special**, \$49 with Jazz entry included. Tuesday night steak specials are also available. Bookings welcome from 4pm. The new spring weather invites you to settle in, kick back and enjoy happy hour on the deck before the music begins.

Our next Jazz Night will be held on the 7th of March. Book online now.

<https://www.mosmanrowers.com.au/reservations>



**Every second Wednesday**, come on down and enjoy the best trivia in Mosman (maybe Sydney!) with the truly fabulous Trivia master John Ed. So grab your friends, rally the brains trusts and join us for *Trivia with a Twist* in the Rowers Bar. Enjoy a guaranteed load of laughs, and our delicious Wednesday night pasta special!

The next Trivia night is Wednesday 22nd Feb 7 - 9pm.

## International Women's Day @The Rowers



Michelle Arnott w Ken Done

This year we celebrate International Women's Day with an *In Conversation@The Rowers* that celebrates both a successful local woman and links directly to *Art@The Rowers*.

Join us for an insightful and interesting evening with award-winning local artist Michelle Arnott. Last year Michelle was the winner of the inaugural *Art@The Rowers*. Her beautiful rendition of Mosman Rowers has graced the wall in Archie's café receiving constant comment and praise. Michelle will discuss the many challenges and rewards of building a successful career and life as an artist.

We invite you and your friends to enjoy a glass of bubbly to celebrate the endless wonderful and inspiring achievements of women worldwide. What better occasion, and what nicer spot than by our lovely bay?

6pm to 7pm in Archie's café Wednesday 8th of March. After the talk, enjoy the company of friends to view our *Art@The Rowers* exhibition, plus a very special priced dinner prepared by our new head Chef Carlos. For bookings:

<https://www.mosmanrowers.com.au/reservations>

## Our GM@ The Rowers

Back in June we welcomed our new General Manager Tom Woods but we haven't really sung his praise or given you insights to his skills. However, from the regular comments we know you are impressed with Tom, and so are we.

He came to us with impressive experience in the Hospitality industry, most recently as a Recruitment Consultant, specialising in Hospitality industry. Before joining Rowers, Tom had been the Operations Manager for the Republic Hotel/Republic Dining & Taylor's Rooftop Bar, part of The Sydney Collective Group, (who operates 16 venues across NSW, including the Watson's Bay Hotel and The Morisson Bar and Oyster room in the CBD). Tom was also 2IC at The Buena Vista and Bistro Mosman Hotel, Mosman for around 2 years. So he brings a great range of experience that serves us well, plus loads of enthusiasm.

Tom has been working very hard since he arrived, and together with our wonderful Assistant Manager, Jimmy, and supervisors Aoife, Paige and Sophie, and our fabulous long term casuals, they have been busy putting many things in place to make the Club hum. Thanks Team, your hard work is greatly appreciated.

Tom is keen to hear what our members want from their Club, so please chat to him with any constructive suggestions. This includes the appointment of a new head chef and reworking all our food offerings which is underway.



## Happy Hour

Enjoy Happy Hour in the absolute best spot in Mosman! Sit by the beautiful Mosman Bay from Tuesday to Friday, 4 pm - 6pm with \$6 wines and local beer; \$12 Tommy's Margs and tickle your taste buds with our finger food specials. Impossible to beat, so be sure to impress your friends.

Also note our **Weeknight Dinner Specials** from 5pm, Tuesday to Thursday.

\$20 members | \$25 non-members includes a meal + house drink.

*Tuesday: steak night and BYO*

*Wednesday: pasta night*

*Thursday: schnitzel night*



## Planning a special Event?

Contact our Events Co-ordinator for help with planning your special occasion, small business workshops and meetings; family gatherings, weddings, birthdays, life celebrations. Rowers is the perfect venue for a very special day. Wonderful views, matched with great service, food and wines!

We have several options for spaces, style of event, matched with very competitive beverage packages.

Events Co-ordinator Jasmine Scales

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