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# General Manager Report

#### Dear Residents,

Welcome to the April edition of the Breakfast Pointer. Since my last update in February there has been a lot happening behind the scenes with recruitment at the Country Club and trying to get projects underway and moving again. We are building a new team in the kitchen and look forward to introducing you to the team over the next few editions. Chef Mimmo is pleasing the palate of the members with his fresh Italian food and the Thursday night pasta bar nights booking out fast.

Preparations have begun for the dawn Anzac Day service and an outdoor cinema event in April. There are also lots of plans in place for school holiday activities and the commencement of an afterschool soccer clinic on the Village Green so keep an eye out for flyers, Facebook posts and members emails for more information.

The Country Club Strategic Plan is nearing completion and I have included in this edition a summary of the results from the survey undertaken last November. The Country Club Consultative Committee are already starting to implement some of the ideas and the results have contributed to undertaking the SWOT analysis and identifying the business priorities. More information will be shared as the Strategic Plan is finalised shortly.

Just a reminder the lap pool and spa will be closed from early May

for renovation works. The lagoon pool will also be closed for a 3-week period for landscaping renewal works. The exact closure days will be communicated to members once finalised.

Until next edition, stay safe.

Kim Radford, General Manager

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## **Association Committee Report**

#### Country Club Strategic Plan & Survey Results

413 surveys completed. Age of respondents: 0.25% - under 20 years 10.84% - 20-39 years 28.33% - 40-59 years 55.91% - 60-79 years 4.68% - 80 + years

- Most members want the Club to be open longer but there were differing views on increasing levies to pay for extended opening hours; over 70% do not want the Club's service/hours/access reduced to lower costs
- 56% of members rated their Club experience as excellent or above average
- Attentive service is rated as very important (78%)
- The upstairs restaurant/café is most

important to members and should stay open longer

- We should not keep changing hours of operation; stick to an annual schedule
- 90% of members are satisfied with Club staff's courtesy and friendliness
- Technology should be introduced and improved
- Members choose the Club to use the facilities, meet friends and enjoy the ambience
- There was a strong sense of community, ownership & belonging.
- Quality of food is very important and menu options need to include more healthy choices
- Menu prices should not increase; Members prefer reasonably priced food & drinks; cost management is very good
- The most important factor determining a return visit is enjoyment (good food + good service + good value).

**The Finance Sub-Committee (FSC)** meets monthly to consider the CA's monthly financial results and make recommendations to the Association Committee. The FSC aims to ensure the Community's funds are efficiently spent and achieve desirable outcomes for the Breakfast Point Community. We are seeking additional members; you will either have a financial background or have business management experience. Formal accounting or financial qualifications are desirable, but not essential and the time involved would be 2-3 hours per month. If you're able to help with this important work, please contact the CA Treasurer, Richard Cowan: treasurer@breakfastpoint.org.au





## Foxes in Breakfast Point

There have been numerous fox sightings in Breakfast Point over the last few months. In discussions with Canada Bay Council's Bushcare officer, and they have confirmed that they are not currently undertaking any fox culling activities around Breakfast Point, and therefore there are no intentions for fox culling to take place in Breakfast Point by Council nor the Community Association.

Urban environments are highly productive for foxes and can support population densities up to 10 times greater than in rural areas. Foxes can cause a variety of problems in urban environments. They will certainly kill lambs and kid goats and many native species as they do in rural areas. Foxes will rarely attack or even interact with domestic cats and dogs. Foxes are also known to turn over garbage bins, dig holes in lawns and disturb the peace through their own vocalisations and by making dogs bark.

Although primarily carnivores, foxes can survive on a variety of food sources. In urban environments their diet can consist of over 50% scavenged food scraps and left-over pet food.

More information can be found at: <u>https://</u> www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/vertebratepests/pest-animals-in-nsw/foxes/urban-foxes

Council officer's would also encourage the community to upload sightings of foxes to: https://www.feralscan.org.au/foxscan/

## CA Meeting – 15th March

Thank you to the CA representatives who attended the meeting and were given a very interesting presentation about:

- Tree Canopy in Breakfast Point
- Our Strategic Plan and how we are progressing on the actions from Year 1

The reps were asked to vote on some of the areas presented and prioritise areas in the business plan and Country Club plan. A Q & A time was lively and involved a lot of discussion. Did your CA rep attend?

Sending get well wishes to our OOM Chairperson, Sue Campbell... A new knee is her focus this week.

### ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

- Sue Campbell-Lloyd AM Chairperson
  - Kerryanne Knox Secretary
- **Richard Cowan** Treasurer
- Laurie Ihnativ Member





## Welcome Chef Mimmo

It is always a pleasure to interview a person who is enthusiastic about the job they are doing! I had the pleasure to interview an Italian born, Canadian raised gentleman who loves Australia and especially Breakfast Point!

Our new Chef at the Country Club is Dom, also known as Chef Mimmo. As a welcome gesture, I wanted to find out a little more about him. Dominic has credentials an arm long with two restaurants and a function centre as his major achievements. He loves talking food, preparing food and, despite his trim figure, eating it as well. He credits his great recipes and culinary interest to his mother and grandmother. How many kids grew up rolling arancini balls?

The food at the Country Club has been given "Chef Mimmo" touch - it's fresh and it is cooked in house. Just as an example... the arancini balls really are delicious!

## What do you want to achieve at Breakfast Point?

I want to take the Country Club restaurant to the next level by offering more variety, home cooking, fresh produce, favourite recipes and high quality. I want the community of Breakfast Point to be coming in here in droves...

#### Why do you like Breakfast Point?

I live close by and I can access the foreshore walks, the atmosphere and the

# Village Green

**SAVE THE DATE!** We will be holding a free open-air cinema on the Village Green at 6pm on Saturday 29 April 2023. BYO picnic rug, chairs, blankets and picnic dinner. Information will be distributed on the family movie and other details soon.



scenery. I love it! I love the Country Club and its members. I want to give the community something special...

#### Are you excited about anything?

I am excited about our "A" team of chefs whom I have worked with before and who are joining me from April 3rd. Continuing my great relationship with Rowanne. I am also excited about the great group of people front of house and back of house who I get to see almost every day!! I am looking forward to the future!

## How has your first few weeks at the Club been?

Busy and I love it that way. The Pool Party was a little different and members have said they liked that style of event. The Pasta Night on Thursdays has been fully booked and I have had lots of member compliments... I like that!

Dom has come a long way from Calabria, Italy and is bringing 22 years of experience to our club. He tells me his brothers and sisters have stayed with Mum in Toronto and he is a bit of a black sheep by having a travel bug and ending up in Australia... thank goodness for black sheep... we love having you here in Breakfast Point and look forward to some new menus, exciting events and a visit from Mum!!!

# Lap Pool

The lap pool will be closed after Anzac Day for its renovation. Despite the closure we are looking forward to this planned upgrade.

As it will be a construction site, more information about the continued use of the lagoon pool and the spa will be updated regularly.

Please ensure you keep checking the website www.breakfastpoint.info as updates will be posted as soon as information is available.

## Term 2 After School Football

Football coaching with Ninko10 Team Venue - Breakfast Point Village Green Guest appearance Milos Ninkovic

9 weeks Ages 5 to 13 Weekly on Wednesdays 3.45pm to 4.45pm \$335 per child Limited spaces

Includes snack, fruit and bottle of water *More details to come* 

## Anzac Day Dawn Service

The dawn service will be held again this year starting at 6pm near the Community Hall. We are so grateful that the Men's Shed will be hosting the barbecue and there will be bacon and egg rolls available. As usual, there will be buckets around the area for any Legacy donations on the day.

If there is any family who would like to lay a wreath this year in memory of a loved one who was in the services, please contact Kerryanne Knox at: Kerryanne.Knox@breakfastpoint.org.au by April 15th.

For those community members who have not been to one of our Dawn Services, it is a very bonding experience for the community and we have been very proud of our ongoing commitment to the memory of our servicemen and servicewomen on Anzac Day.

There will be a lunch at the County Club with a live band "ALL THAT JAZZ" and a fun "Two-Up" experience. Keep checking emails and the website for more info.

## End of Summer Pool Party

Did you hear the music coming from the Country Club to signify that a DJ was in the house? It was a great way to officially end summer and the paella dinner added to the atmosphere. A change in the venue from the pool to the café area was unexpected due to the weather but it didn't stop the dancing and the happy vibes that emanated from the club.



The entrees and delicious shared boards were a great success.

A change in the way we celebrate was welcomed... thanks for the support!

## Term 2 After School Tennis

Tennis coaching with Tennis Pro Joel Andriolo Venue - Breakfast Point Country Club Courts

8 weeks Ages 8 to 12 and Beginners aged 13 to 16

Beginners aged 13 to 16 Running weekly on Monday and Wednesday afternoons \$280 per child



Includes snack, fruit and bottle of water More details to come



# COUNTRY CLUB CORNER



## What is Happening at The Bayview Bar & Dining

## Pasta Bar Thursdays

**OMG!!!** Thursday night at your club is the place to dine from now on. The Pasta Bar has taken off to the point where on some Thursday evenings, it is standing room only (true story!!!). So if you have not been in to dine on delicious pasta in a variety of sauces and toppings, do so. You do not want to be the only one in Breakfast Point not talking about the delicious Marinara brimming with fresh seafood, or the authentic Spaghetti and Meatballs (Chef Mimmo's Nonna's recipe), or the delicious Zucchini Flowers that keep you ordering seconds and thirds. We will let the photos do the talking showcasing some of the menu items, and we will see you for dinner!!!



## Anzac Day

This Anzac Day the Bayview Bar and Dining will be open for lunch only (no breakfast service) and we will be offering an Anzac Day inspired a la carte menu for you to choose from on the day (the regular café menu will not be available). We will also have a Jazz band and do not forget the traditional Two-up will be played. The doors will open at 11:45am and lunch service will commence from 12:00pm with the kitchen closing at 3pm and the luncheon concluding at 4:30pm.



## Easter

Your Bayview Bar and Dining will be closed on Good Friday, 7th April 2023 (along with the entire Club) but will be open on Saturday 8th April and Sunday 9th April for breakfast and lunch from the café menu with some Easter inspired breakfast and lunch specials. Monday 10th April 2023 the café will be open offering the light menu as normal.

## Valentine's Day

The couples who attended Valentine's Day dinner were met with white tablecloths, vases and roses and a table service to honour the romance of the day. It was well attended and couples were delighted with the way in which the special dinner was prepared and helped to make their day special.



# St Patrick's Day

It was a change in menu for the St Patrick's Day luncheon on March 17th. Green and orange decorations reminded us that it was a celebration and the Irish Pot pie, in the words of a dinner guest was "to die for!" A birdie has suggested that the pot pie will be added to the lunch menu... order it! Yum...



From Rowanne & her <u>AMAZING</u> team

## Circle of Friends

Are you a lady or gentleman (over 60 years of age) living alone and would like to enjoy meeting new people at the Country Club restaurant for dinner? For further

information regarding Circle of Friends, please contact Diann Peirce at diannspeirce@gmail.com



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