

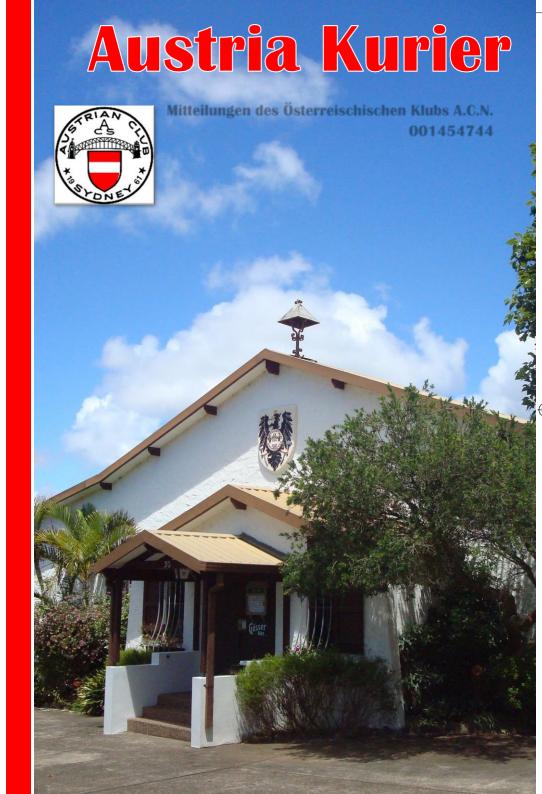


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56th Jahrgang - April to June 2018

Welcome to the

AUSTRIAN CLUB SYDNEY

The club provides a friendly and lively atmosphere throughout the year with our numerous club functions, live bands, local and international floorshows. Celebrate your birthdays, weddings and other functions at the Austrian Club.



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Programme

Weekend 5th & 6th May Photographic Exhibition of The Old and The New Vienna by David Starr

Saturday 26th May Tirolean Night

Saturday 23rd June Italian Night

Saturday 14th July Viennese Night, 57th year celebration

Saturday 4th August Roaring 20's night

Weekend 8th & 9th September Eurofest

Saturday 6th October Oktoberfest Dance

AUSTRIAN CLUB RESTAURANT OPENING TIMES

Friday, Saturday from 6 pm, Sunday from 12 noon to 8.30 pm.

For restaurant bookings only please ring Steve on 9975-3172 or 0432 588 013 - e-mail: contact@austrianclubrestaurant.com

website: http://austrianclubrestaurant.com

For Austrian Club functions please ring Sylvia on 0414 973 959 or email bookings to

bookings@austrianclubsydney.com.au

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ACS Golden Oldies Soccer	Peter Graf	Tel: 4981 1827
Walking Group	Ella Leithner	Tel: 9476 0681

ACTIVITIES

Sunday 20/5/2018, Sunday 1/7/2018, 29/7/2018, Sunday 26/8/2018, Sunday 23/9/2018, Sunday 4/11/2018 and Sunday 25/11/2018.

Every Tuesday from 7.30 pm at the Club.

Soccer: Every Sunday from 10 am at the oval.

To join any of the activities, you must be a member of the Austrian Club. Please contact the Sub Group Leader.

GET INVOLVED IN YOUR CLUB

Volunteers are always needed: For bar duties, selling raffle tickets, working bees, decorations and other duties. If you can spare some time for your club, it would be very much appreciated.

For more information, please ring Jutta Grabe on Tel: 9818 4083.

CLUB ENTRY

It is the law and the club's responsibility that guests living within a 5 km radius are signed in by a member of the Austrian Club (member's name, address and his/her membership number). Other guests must write their name and address in the temporary member column. Thank you.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

The New Year for our club opened with all our regular diners welcoming us back. They missed their good food and friendly atmosphere.

Our first function night – the Fasching Fancy Dress was very well attended, with members and guests dressing up in the spirit of the occasion. See the photos in the colour section.



This was followed in March by a visit from the Austrian band – Die Laterndl. Following photos in the Manly Daily and the on-line segment of the guys playing Austrian music on a cold and windy Manly Beach, the club was packed on Saturday March 23rd. The band played the music we love and remember from Austria. The new generation and our Aussie members had a ball too, even if they don't remember the old times. I very strongly suggest that even if you have joined our club because of the great food and the terrific atmosphere, you try one of our dance nights. You'll come back for more!

The Austrian Club is still the "little club that could". Without poker machines! However, the club is run by volunteers, and our only income is from memberships, the bar, and entry on dance nights. If you love YOUR club, and love coming here, please think about helping out so that we can stay the great club that we are. We need people to work on the bar, and to help out at working bees, where there is work for everyone. We need gardeners to keep the grounds looking spruce, and we need people to just give everything a good clean. We need to dismantle the old chairs ready for the tip.

Our sub groups welcome new members and would love to hear from you. Details on page 2.

Please come to the Club often, say hello to me when you get there, and if you have any queries or offers of help phone me.

Mark GRABE (9818 4083 or 0408 228 330)

The Austrian Club welcomes the following new members



Vladimir BALTOVSKI, Brendon DOWNS, Sacha OVERHOFF, Andy THOMPSON, Matthew & Sally GLASNER, Marianne & Peter HELLER, Janice HERNAN, Mike & Lynda THOMAS, Michael & Joanne MEYER, Delia & Chris NEGREA, Brigitte EMDE, Lisa DINGELMAIER & Sebastian ZENTILOMO, Jasmin SAXL and Jenny VUONG

KAISERSCHMARRN—sweet chopped pancakes



The Austrian "Mehlspeisen", or "flour desserts", have their own magic. The king of all "Schmarren" became one of Emperor (Kaiser) Franz Joseph's favourites. He famously tried the Kaiserschmarrn at a small country inn and praised the dairyman for his culinary prowess.

Ingredients:

120 g (4.2 oz./ ¾ cup) flour 3 eggs, separated 30 g (1 oz./ 2 tablespoons) sugar a pinch of salt about ¼ litre (1 cup) milk 3 tablespoons butter raisins

How to make it:

Mix the flour, egg yolks, sugar and salt with the necessary amount of milk to make a viscous batter. Let rest for 30 minutes.

Then beat the egg whites until stiff and carefully fold them into the batter.

Heat the butter in a pan, pour in the batter and sprinkle with raisins as desired.

Fry on the underside until golden brown, turn and finish cooking over low heat.

Using two forks, tear the pancake into small pieces and brown again very briefly.

Sprinkle with confectioner's sugar and serve with a fruity side dish.

Suggested side dishes: suitable accompaniments are the universally popular stewed plums or any kind of fruit compote.

Want to get your Kurier by email? Send your email address to kurier@austrianclubsydney.com.au

Save the club the cost of postage, have all pages in colour and get your Kurier first!

THE AUSTRIAN AIR RIFLE CLUB

	<u>February</u>		<u>March</u>		<u>April</u>	
1)	Walter Roth	407	Alan Price	409.3	Walter Roth	397.1
2)	Colin Whatman	406	Walter Roth	402.6	Erik van Voorthuysen	
3)	Andrew Iggo	405	Greg Aghavar	າ 391 በ	Greg Aghayan	368 O

The fun continues at the Shooting club on Tuesday nights. Our Monthly Shooting competition is held on the first Tuesday of each month. This year Walter Roth has been almost unbeatable with his consistent performance.

These friendly monthly competitions to win the wineglass keep us striving. We compete on handicap, so to win, shooters must be improving from their past performance.

The annual Easter Bunny shoot was held on the 27th March, and this victory was also claimed by Walter Roth, but closely followed by Andrew Iggo and Stephen Birrell, who all took home a very fine chocolate bunny.

We have a number of shooters now regularly shooting on a benchrest, which provides another interesting way to have a go at air rifle shooting.

Larissa KALT

The shooters always welcome new members.

Come along on Tuesday night at 7.30 pm and have a go.

All members welcome.

In Loving Memory of Wolfgang Huebel

6. 9. 1929 - 10. 3. 2018

He is survived by his wife Ursula, his daughter Kersten, his brother Hans, relations and friends.

Wolfgang was cellar master for 16 years in the Committee of the Austrian Club.



GOLDEN OLDIES

Our Golden Oldies AGM was on 18 March and still had 14 members attending, of which only 4 were still playing (5 were absent), which sounds ominous, but the fact that they still attend and pay their fees is positive. This confirms what I predicted long ago that our soccer club would evolve into a



social club, which is good for the ones, unable to keep going physically, but are still with their partners part of our GO club.

Though before the '18 competition trials, we were still mustering up to 10 a side, but since our young players now train and play trial games, our 5 a side made President Peter Graf suggest placing an awareness advert in the Manly Daily. So thanks to Jenny Wandl we continue to keep our field from 10 to 12 on Sunday mornings and after the winter competition many of these youngsters will return again to remain fit during the next summer break.

The fewer players also badly affect our ability to make the most of our revenue raising functions, therefore it was suggested that GO sponsored functions would only be held in our Austrian Club to avoid budget blow-outs. Though we scraped through last year and are still in the black, but we have to look after the pennies.

Due to many players, including myself, being often overseas too long and though all elected position holders remained the same, it was agreed that the Treasurer's position would be taken by John Vitusek, who does not venture far or long when functions are held, to enable tighter control of our finances. Thanks for that John.

Frank Lang, one of our oldest players (with the biggest trophy), who did not play for the last months is not feeling well and is undergoing tests. Frank, we know also in soccer you always played it safe and from all our guys and their wives, we wish you good luck and we hope to see you and Eva for a drink or a kick again soon.

After our soccer-free Easter weekend we look forward to seeing you all on the pitch.

Pim RAVESTIJN (mob. 0407021669)

BAR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Austrian Club relies on Volunteers to run the BAR.

Would you have some time to help run the BAR on a casual basis?

Do you have a current RSA (Responsible Serving of Alcohol) Certificate or be prepared to do the course to obtain your certificate (paid for by the club)?

Helpers are always needed, just let me know how often you can help and what day suits, Friday, Saturday or Sunday lunch or dinner.

Contact Jutta on 9818 4083



Serious Faschingsfest fun



Walter & Nina at Fasching



New members Jenny, Jasmin, Lisa with a visitor from Austria





Bushwalkers at Thredbo



OTH ladies BBQ near Khancoban



KING ELVIS

MEETS

QUEEN MARGRETHE
Saturday April 21st, 2018

Dinner from 6 pm

Featuring Elvis impersonator Norm Bakker

Danish Club members will join us for their Queen's Birthday celebration

Dress up in Elvis era gear if you like.

Members \$12.00, Guests \$15.00

Photographic Exhibition by David Starr

5th and 6th May, 2018

Beautiful Photographs of Old and New Vienna

Displayed in the Club. Come and enjoy the photos

— Stay for a drink or a meal. Entry Free

TIROLER ABEND

Saturday 26th May, 2018

Dance to the TIROLEAN ECHOES

Floorshow: HUBERTUS FOLK

DANCE GROUP



Members \$12.00

Guests \$15.00



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TALIAN NIGHT

Saturday 23rd June, 2018

Dancing with the TIROLEAN ECHOES

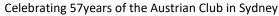
Floorshow: Michael Montgomery

Members \$12.00

Guests \$15.00



VIENNESE NIGHT



Saturday 14th July, 2018

Dance to the MASTERS

Floorshow: Our own FELICITY

HADER

Members \$12.00 Guests \$15.00



ROARING 20'S NIGHT

Saturday 4th August, 2018



With Carolyn Packer and the New Orleanians and Bill Dudley

Members \$12.00, Guests \$15.00



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Old interior of the Austrian Club



Swiss group at Die Laterndl



Rudi & Lida



Gordon and Felicity Lambkin and guests

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Heidi Hirschback

July 31st 1940 to January 30th 2018





Born in Graz, Austria, Heidi came to Australia in 1961. Having had a very good job as a secretary in Austria, she found the transition here difficult at first. Always very positive, she studied to improve her written and shorthand English, to the extent that she was employed by Bohler Steel assisting management in translations and communications with German-speaking colleagues.

She joined the Austrian Club in 1966, met Heinz Hirschback through the club, and they married in 1967. She served as ACS secretary from 1977 to 1982, during the busy years of building the club house. President Rudi Burst appreciated her many skills and professional approach. She came back to the committee in 1995, and was Vice President until 2002, when her husband Heinz (dec. 2006) was also Treasurer.

Heidi once again took over as Vice President on the death of Hermann Wandl in 2012 and continued in this position as Vice President to John Dagn until his passing in 2015. She then became Acting President until September 2016. During this time she felt the call of her roots and made visits to her beloved Graz on two occasions. During these visits she took an interest in the work of the Auslandsösterreicher-Weltbund, becoming their Australian representative. Health problems prevented her carrying on as President at the 2016 elections, but she remained a committed and faithful club member until the last.

Heidi we will miss your energy, your commitment, and your lovely smile.

Check out our facebook page. Updates and photos of all functions.

Interesting information on the Austrian Community.

https://www.facebook.com/Austrian-Club-Frenchs-Forest-149436055101039/

Have you seen our website lately?
Have a look, post a comment on the Forum, keep track of Austrian Club Events.

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THE HISTORY OF THE AUSTRIAN CLUB

The 1970s.

Presidents during this decade – Joe Wendelberger, 1970-1976, John Dagn, 1976 – 1979, Rudi Burst, 1979 – 1982.

Although dance functions were well attended, the club was struggling financially. New members were sought who would work to secure our own clubhouse. The Austria Kurier was established by Gerhard Scheibmair in 1970. A Ladies Auxiliary was formed by the dynamic Estonian Inna Ohandi with the brief of fundraising, social events and fun. Members such as Sigi Burst, Sabine Weissenberger and Ilse Heins worked to make the events profitable. Dances were held at the Estonian Club and the Forestville Memorial Hall. At one festival alone the hard working members managed a net \$1,200. Members prepared and supplied food, and everything had to be brought to the function and removed afterwards. Rudi Burst and John Dagn each kept half of the equipment needed for a function at their homes!

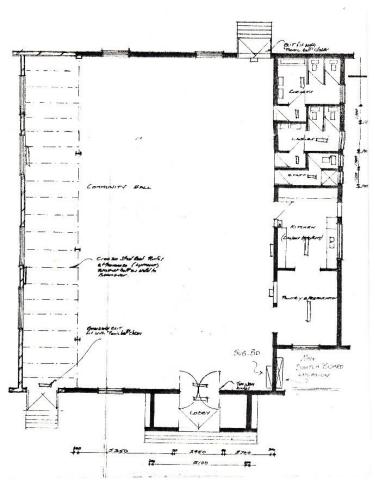
In 1973, the government released land in Grattan Crescent for community halls for different nationalities. With the help of then local politician, Dick Healy, the ACS was granted a site at a rental of \$50 per year. Architect Ernst Prügl produced full architectural plans which were finally approved in 1974. Fund raising to build the hall began in earnest. Apart from the dances, fundraising events were held by the Ladies Auxiliary in homes. The concept of Life Memberships was put in place. Members donated \$100 or the equivalent of 10 years' membership and became members for life. With Life Member funds, cash donations from members and supporters, a great deal of voluntary labour and sheer hard work, by 1975 the foundations were complete, and by 1976 it was reported that Rudi Burst as builder should be able to build the new hall to a plan enlarged to accommodate the 100 – 200 people currently attending functions. A long term loan of \$30,000 from Werner Kabeck allowed the project to progress to completion.

With the club now under the presidency of John Dagn, and our regular venue prebooked by a rival club, the New Year's Eve Harbour Cruises began. Run by John and Hilde Dagn, these cruises ran for some 10 years. Using the "Royale" as a bare boat charter and with catering done by members, the cruises ran in tandem with functions at the clubhouse or in previous venues. Reimer Schmidt played the accordian and a great time was had by all.

The clubhouse was officially opened in July 1980. In his President's Report in the Kurier, Rudi Burst congratulated all the members who had worked so hard. He asked members to "visit our and YOUR club regularly in the future, attend as many functions as possible and bring your friends along. We will do our very best to make sure that you have a good time." These sentiments are echoed by our current president, Mark Grabe.

Jenny Wandl with help from the book "50 years of Austrian Club History by Helen Malcher"

More in the next Kurier.



Plan for the original clubhouse. Note that the kitchen was on one side of the dance floor and the seating along the other side.

WORKING BEES

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped out at the March working bee.

Walter & Nina Roth, Barbara Stasenka, Leon Smith, Hansi Schlegelhofer, Elisabeth
Wiesner, Istvan Toth, Mark & Jutta Grabe.

Thank you to Judy Dlask for baking the cake for the morning tea.

Special thanks to John Riedl for cutting the bar door in half. We now have a stable door effect which makes beer serving a lot easier.

The next working bee will be held on Saturday 16th June, 2018.

YOUR HELP WOULD BE APPRECIATED
Start around 9am. Lunch is provided

"OVER THE HILLS" SOCIAL WALKING GROUP

On Sunday, 25/2/2018, we walked in the Garigal National Park. Just managed to get back to cars before rain got too heavy.

On Tuesday, 3/4/2018, we went to Thredbo. Only 9 people this year, so this may be the last trip to Thredbo. We had amazingly warm weather, enjoyed some lovely walks, a drive to Khancoban and, of course, visited the distillery. In evenings had our usual "happy hour" and gourmet meals. Thanks Alena for all your organisation.



On <u>Sunday</u>, <u>20/5/2018</u>, we will go to Cockatoo Island for the 21st Biennale of Sydney (Australia's largest contemporary visual art event). Meet at Circular Quay at 9:30 AM ready to catch the 9:45 am ferry. There is a free 45 minute guided tour at 11:30 AM, 12:30 PM, 1:30 PM or 2:30 PM leaving from the Superposition Studio (building 124, Lower Island). Sunday 20/5/18 is "Community Day", with music, performances, talks, etc. Food & drinks are available, but you may prefer to bring a picnic lunch.

Please phone Ella by 18/5/2018 if coming on this walk.

On <u>Sunday, 1/7/2018</u>, we will walk in Riverview from Tambourine Bay to Warraroon Reserve. Meet at 10:00 AM at end of Tambourine Bay Road. Bring a picnic lunch.

Please phone Ella by 29/6/18 if coming on this walk.

On <u>Sunday, 29/7/2018</u>, we will go to Shark Island for a picnic. Meet at Circular Quay at 9:30 AM ready to catch the 9:45 AM ferry (cost \$20). There is a short walk around the island. Bring a picnic lunch.

Please phone Alena by 27/7/2018 if coming on this walk - 0418 633 092.

On <u>Sunday</u>, <u>26/8/2018</u>, we will walk from Tascott to Woy Woy. Be at Hornsby in time for the 9:22 AM train to Tascott. As Tascott station is small, need to be in back of last carriage. There is an enjoyable walk along the Brisbane Waters back to Woy Woy. Will have lunch at the fisherman's wharf before catching train back to Hornsby. Hopefully there will be no trackwork this time.

Please phone Ella by 24/8/2018 if coming on this walk.

Other walks will be on <u>Sundays 23/9/2018</u>, <u>4/11/2018 & 25/11/2018</u>. Please mark these dates in your diary now and keep them free so that you can join us on our walks.

Ella LEITHNER (9476 0681 or 0427 460 681)

SCENIC AUSTRIA - DURNSTEIN

If you want to get to know the real Austria, there are many small beautiful towns to visit. Durnstein is one of these. You'll pass it if you are on a cruise down the Danube, but it's worth stopping off to see it in its entirety.



The medieval castle looming over the river is, according to legend, where Richard the Lionheart was imprisoned on his way back from the Crusades. In truth, that castle is further up the mountain and there is little to see of it. The castle that you can climb up to was built with the proceeds of Richard's ransom. The climb is well worth the effort for the fantastic views of the surrounding countryside. The centre is full of beautiful buildings from across all sorts of architectural styles.

Durnstein is right in the middle of an important wine-growing region, so you'll be able to check out some of the wine that Austria is known for. The most famous varieties are dry white wines, particularly the Grüner Veltliner which is sold in our club (ask for Lenz Moser).

Durnstein is in the Wachau, or Danube valley, about 1½ hour's drive from Vienna, and reachable by train. It is fantastic for bike riding along the banks of the Danube. It is also Austria's best apricot growing area. Watch out for shops selling Marillen Schnapps. Delicious!

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Austrian Club Bar

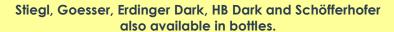
Volunteer operated, supplying a variety of alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks from Austria, Germany, & the World.

Beer on tap.

Try our beautiful crisp Stiegl Beer from Salzburg.

Ask your bartender for a "kleines" (small 330ml) or a "grosses" (large 500ml) on your next visit.

From Munich try Erdinger, a very pleasing wheat beer.





Our Wines

Lenz Moser quality Austrian wines from the famous wine growing regions of Lower Austria.

Grüner Veltliner -Yellow-green colour, fresh and spicy bouquet, fruity body, lively fresh finish.

Blaufränkisch - Ruby red colour with violet glimmer, fruity bouquet, cherry aroma.

We also have an excellent selection of Australian wines and the ever popular Sauvignon Blanc from the famous

New Zealand Marlborough region.

Introduce your kids to Austria's favourite soft drink



pronounced Almdoodler













Austrian Club Restaurant

Feeling Hungry?



Come and enjoy traditional hearty Austrian cuisine in a warm friendly atmosphere. Delicious entrées, generous main meals, mouthwatering desserts, fabulous cakes and fresh espresso coffee.

Mahlzeit!

For bookings please call 9975-3172

