

AUSTRIA KURIER

56th Jahrgang – July to September 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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Patron: Tony Hupfau

Programme

Saturday 4 th August	Roaring 20's night
Weekend 8 th & 9 th September	Eurofest
Sunday 30 th September	AGM (10am start)
Saturday 6 th October	Oktoberfest Dance
Saturday 27 th October	Sounds of Austria- National Day
Saturday 26 to 28 th October	Alena Hughes painting exhibition
Saturday 17 th November	Soccer Dance
Saturday 2 nd December	Children's Christmas Party

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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Walter Vostarek, Rudi Fressl, Maria Spitzer, Juliette Wippo, Judy Dlack, Hansi Schlegelhofer, Caroline Wood.

SUB GROUP LEADERS

Austrian Air Rifle Group	Danny Stasenka	Tel: 9975 3383
ACS Golden Oldies Soccer	Peter Graf	Tel: 4981 1827
Walking Group	Ella Leithner	Tel: 9476 0681

ACTIVITIES

Walking: Sunday 29/7/2018, Sunday 26/8/2018 Sunday 23/9/2018, Sunday 4/11/2018 and Sunday 25/11/2018.

Shooting: 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

Your club is alive these days. Younger people are joining in droves, attracted by the friendly atmosphere and by being able to bring the kids along. At the last Board meeting we approved 30 new members and more are joining each weekend. At a recent working bee several younger men with both muscles and trailers turned up. A big relief for the older workers who these days find the spirit is more willing than the flesh. Thank you for realising that this is YOUR club, run entirely by volunteers. Help is always appreciated.



Recently our functions have included an Elvis Night where a few fake Elvises turned up to join in the fun. This was also a night when our Danish friends joined us for a tribute to their Queen Margarethe. Next function was a Tirolerabend at which the Hubertus Dancers showed us a modern version of old dances. On the Italian Night the restaurant served up Osso Bucco and Tiramisu. We were joined by a good contingent of local Italians and Michael Montgomery serenaded us with well-known Italian tunes. We have a few different functions coming up. The band which gave us the 20s Night last year are back with their lively music. Dress twenties style if you like and HAVE FUN. In September we will be busy with Eurofest, the Northern Beaches multi-cultural festival. We have a stall in the main Marquee. We need both helpers and customers. Phone **Jutta (9818 4083)** to offer help -. In early October we have our Oktoberfest Dance and at the time of our National Day, a function entitled "Sounds of Austria."

Please come up and talk to me when you are in the Club. I like to meet all our members if I have not already done so. Think about having your next birthday party at the club, and we'll help make it a great occasion. Don't forget to check our website for Club news at www.austrianclubsydney.com

Mark Grabe (9818 4083 or 0408 228 330) president@austrianclubsydney.com.au

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.

www.austrianclubsydney.com

GLÜHWEIN

Glühwein is enjoyed at traditional Christmas markets or after a day on the Austrian slopes at one of the huts. It is also available at the Austrian Club in winter.

The secret to getting a great Glühwein is the right mixture of red wine, cinnamon stick, sugar, oranges and cloves.



Ingredients (serves 10):

- 2 bottles of good quality red wine
- 2 cups of water
- 6 cloves
- 2 cinnamon sticks
- 2 oranges - cut into bite-size pieces
- oranges for decoration

How to make it:

Put all ingredients in a pot and bring it close to boil. Do not allow to boil. For additional taste, cut 2 oranges into bite-size pieces and add to the wine. Let simmer. Remove clove and cinnamon stick before serving it into lightly pre-warmed glasses. Decorate glasses with an orange slice.

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

May

1)	Larissa Kalt	414
2)	Greg Aghayan	414
3)	Hubert Habicht	347

June

Greg Aghayan	321+ hcp
Jim Scott	309
Wayne Trisic	210 no hcp



Member attendances were down in May with a resurgence in June. Many of our shooters are now shooting bench rest, enabling them to be more steady and therefore achieve a higher score.

Our AGM will be held on 28th August 2018 commencing at 7.30pm.

Danny Stasenka

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 Otto Nutz

who passed away peacefully on May 31st, 2018 in Canberra Hospital. He will be missed greatly by his sister Gertrude, Frank, Gary and Brigitte Mente and Otto's children and grandchildren, Karl and Ellenore.

Otto was a Life Member who contributed to the Club in the early days. We send our sympathy to Trudie and family.



WE CALLED – THEY CAME

Fifteen people answered the call to the working bee. A lot of work was done both in the club and outside in the garden. Thanks to all. Giving us their time and energy were Wolfgang Loeb, Mark and Jutta Grabe, Peter Keller, Sylvia and Steve Miller, Leon Smith, Maria Spitzer, Barbara Stasenka, Mike and Lynda Thomas, Cameron and Olivia Virtue, Jenny Wandl and Elisabeth Wiesner. Maria baked a cake for morning tea and young Olivia kept us entertained with her pink Kiwi. She also did a lot of work. Elisabeth Wiesner brought along some plants and tidied up the front. Some of the guys brought trailers to get rid of the junk. Sylvia brought some lovely permanent flowers for the window boxes. Thanks again. We couldn't do it without you.

WORKING BEES

The next working bee will be held on Saturday 22nd September, 2018.

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

GOLDEN OLDIES

Our Golden Oldies were thin on the ground over the last weeks due to early rains and cold winds, although when they came we had games with teams of 4 or 5 players each.

Until the end of the current competition, we cannot expect too many of our regular younger players to turn up due to their training nights and their Saturday games.

I have sent twice emails with recruitment adverts to the Manly Daily Editor, both for the free Notice Board column and as a paid advert, but NO reaction while messages were NOT returned. They must be thinking it is a FAKE message to pay for adverts for an over 70 team. We should blame Trump and NOT Confucius or Xi for all this confusion.

Our annual dinner, this time after our game at the Austrian Club, was well attended by 24 hungry diners, but NOT too many were hungry for the ball, as we are now more of a social team today with the real anxiety and passion going more into watching of the World Cup games.

Other than retiring due to age, we also have had some players (6) who elected to go to Europe for good, with Brad and David Hayman leaving us for England over the next few weeks.

The Golden Oldies herewith wish them the very best of luck in their new environment and may they remember with fondness our friendly and sunny games when they are over there.

That is it folks, see you at the club or on the pitch, but don't stay at home if you can help it.

Cheers, Pim

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





Barbara and friend



Italian night Michael and Adriana



Elvis night guests



Nina and Walter (or Elvis?)



Danny, Blue and Brigitte



Elsie and Nicolas at the Italian night



Golden Oldies night out



Oktoberfest girls



Bar girls Julie & Jutte



Elvis trio



Cheeky Elvis party night



Norm Bakker as Elvis

ROARING 20's NIGHT

Saturday 4th August, 2018

With Carolyn Packer & the
New Orleanians and Bill
Dudley

Members \$12.00,
Guests \$15.00



EUROFEST

9am till 8pm Saturday September 8th and
9am till 7pm Sunday September 9th, 2018

Two days of family fun; Non-stop music and dancing
Children's amusement park, lots of rides
Austrian Club food stall in the marquee
Giant marquee with beer from all over Europe
Fireworks at 7.30 pm Saturday and 6.30 pm Sunday

Help is needed for this stall. Contact Jutte on 9818 4083. Be
at the club at 12.15 pm either day in your national costume to join the parade



OKTOBERFEST DANCE

Saturday October 6th, 2018

Dinner from 6 pm
7.30 until 11.30

Be entertained by the Tirolean Echoes

mit Armdrücken Wettbewerb (arm-wrestling competition)



Alena Hughes

PAINTINGS EXHIBITION

Friday 26th to Sunday 28th October, 2018

No charge



SOUNDS OF AUSTRIA

NATIONAL DAY

Saturday, 27th October, 2018

Dance to Geoff Power and the Great
Gatsby Orchestra playing the music of
Austria

Members \$12.00,
Guests \$15.00



GOLDEN OLDIES DINNER DANCE

Saturday 17th November, 2018

with raffle and band as usual
Details of band and entertainment in next issue of Kurier



For all Austrian Club functions please ring
Sylvia on 0414 973 959
or email bookings to bookings@austrianclubsydney.com.au

SCENIC AUSTRIA - Gmunden and Traunsee

Gmunden is a small town at the edge of the large lake Traunsee in the Salzkammergut area of Upper Austria. It is generally considered a tourist town but is also used as a summer health retreat for Austrians owing to its variety of brine and salt related treatments available.



The town has existed in some form since the 1100's and had fortified wall defences. During the 17th century battleships were constructed in Gmunden and it has served as an important military base too. The stunning surrounding Alpine scenery and mountain ranges provide fantastic hiking opportunities and the numerous parks and public spaces make Gmunden the perfect place for the adventurous and active types.

The Traunsee has a depth of 191m. There is a rumour that during World War 2 various treasurers were hidden in its depth. Activities on Traunsee include water sports such as kayaking, canoeing, stand-up paddle-boarding.

Gmunden is nestled right on the banks of the northern edge of the lake and has great accessibility to its waters.

Attractions in Gmunden include the "Villa Toskana", a manor for the Duke and Duchess of Tuscany, and the manor "Schloss Cumberland". There is a little fountain made of porcelain on the Rinnholzplatz Square, which is supplied with tap water and suitable for drinking. The paddle-steamboat "Gisela Luise Marie von Österreich" can be seen next to the Kammerhof, which also holds the local town museum.

Another interesting means of transport is the old tram, the steepest in Austria, which takes you straight to the main ceramics factory. In the attached outlet shop you can purchase the rustic and coarse pieces of pottery they produce. The water castle, Schloss Orth, built in the 10th century is truly impressive.

THE HISTORY OF THE AUSTRIAN CLUB

Settling in to the new clubhouse

The Grand Opening in July 1980 of the much-anticipated clubhouse was the beginning of a new era for our club. All functions could be held in our own home, we had a kitchen and supplies could be stored. Much necessary work continued to keep updating the club and make it attractive. By the end of 1982 it was reported that the Club and the new Clubhouse were debt free.

Hermann Wandl, in the first year of his presidency, suggested that an extension was needed. A better stage area with change rooms for the entertainers, which included Jenny Wandl's children's theatre group, was a priority. The kitchen was on one side of the hall and the seating on the other. Taking a full plate across the dance floor was quite an adventure. Plans were drawn up by Richard Fries to relocate the kitchen to the south side, adjacent to a new seating area, christened the Bauernstube. With the bar at one end of the Bauernstube and the kitchen at the other, and views over Bantry Bay to be enjoyed, this was a practical solution to the problems.

The members accepted the new plans – and the expense – and set about raising funds and doing as much as possible with their own labour. Helmut Horvath and Rolf Deisel altered the front porch and Walter Bosch with Rudi Burst rendered the outside, both to give it a more Austrian look. Franz Swoboda supplied and fixed the roofing, John Riedl built a Schnappsbude in the main hall, Albert Karlowatz did the gyprocking, George Gerner the painting, and John Dagn, Ludwig Schmidberger and Hermann Wandl, together with many other helpers assisted in the project.

Obtaining the funds was a huge exercise. Many generous members supported the building fund with donations of up to \$5000. Jenny Wandl put on a Variety Concert. Chris King from The Young Doctors and Yodeller Mary Schneider headed the bill of excellent artists who gave their time freely. Over \$16,000 was raised in a very short time.

By 1986 the interior was complete, and Frank Mente started work on the rear garage, necessary to comply with Council's parking regulations. In another major win for the Club the Ararat Reserve Management Committee, of which our club was a member, achieved the clearing of the area opposite the club for football and festival grounds, opened in February 1987. The Soccer boys now had a home ground to which they have Sunday morning rights to this day.

Excerpts adapted by Jenny Wandl from "50 years of the Austrian Club" by Helen Malcher

MEET THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

This Month – Acting Treasurer Danny Roller

Danny was born in Uster, Kanton Zurich, the oldest of five children, on August 24th, 1955.

His mother was Swiss, his father Austrian. The family moved back to Austria when Danny was 1 year old. He grew up in Austria and remains an Austrian citizen to this day. Danny immigrated to Australia in January 1982, and his son Dean was born in May 1983. Dean has been married for 3 years to the lovely Lexy, the mother of “the most beautiful granddaughter, two year old Ruby.”

Danny has known and regularly visited the Austrian Club Sydney since 1982 and has been a member for the last few years. He is noted for parking his caravan in the car park, and spending a weekend enjoying the club hospitality, especially when there is a special function.

Before he left Austria, Danny worked for the CREDITANSTALT BANKVEREIN (Now BANK AUSTRIA), the largest Bank in Austria, as an Apprentice Training Manager. With a Bachelor of Commerce and a Master of Business – Marketing gained since his arrival in Australia, Danny is a valuable addition to the Board.



Alena Hughes – Entertainment Officer

As the Club’s Entertainment Officer, Alena is responsible for organizing the entertainment programme, for sourcing bands and performers, and for making sure that the year’s programme runs smoothly. Since she took over the job, she has changed the style of our special functions, introducing acts and bands which appeal to our younger members and bring the club into the 21st Century. The 20s Nights and the Elvis Night are typical of these.

Alena was born in Kolin, near Prague. In an interesting life, she has lived in London, where she worked for the Wall St. Journal while studying German at London University. In 1974 she moved to Germany, did a crash course in German at the university of Vienna and met and married her Australian husband. In 1989 the family moved, lock, stock and barrel to Australia.

Here she taught Folk Art (Bauernmalerei) and Interior Design at Hornsby Kuringai Community College while bringing up her family.

Now a retired widow, she likes to follow her love of theatre, concerts, festivals, exhibitions and walking. A skilled amateur artist, she will be showing some of her work during the National Day Weekend in October.

After 30+ years in Australia, she never forgets her European origins and ideally would spend her time living in both worlds. The Club is lucky to have her here.



"OVER THE HILLS" SOCIAL WALKING GROUP

On Sunday, 20/5/2018, we went to Cockatoo Island for the 21st Biennale of Sydney. Was a beautiful day. We walked around the island and we enjoyed the unusual “artworks”.

On Sunday, 1/7/2018, we walked in Riverview from Tambourine Bay to Warraroon Reserve and return. Then enjoyed a pleasant picnic and time socialising.

On **Sunday, 29/7/2018**, we will go to Shark Island for a picnic. Meet at Circular Quay at 9:30am ready to catch the 9:45am 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 **Sunday, 26/8/2018**, 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.

On **Sunday, 23/9/2018**, we will walk from Taronga Zoo to Chowder Bay (easy paved walking track). We will then walk around Georges Heights Army Barracks. Bring a picnic lunch. Meet at 10:00am at corner David Street & Morella Road, Clifton Gardens, for car shuttle to zoo.

Please phone Ella by 21/9/2018 if coming on this walk.

On **Sunday, 4/11/2018**, we will meet at 10:00am in the railway station carpark on Richardson Street, Tempe, for car shuttle to Canterbury. We will walk 5 km along the Cooks River Track back to Tempe. After the walk we will visit the Concordia Club for lunch and enjoy the Fruhschoppen.

Please phone Ella by 2/11/2018 if coming on this walk.

Last walk for the year will be on **Sunday 25/11/2018**. Please mark this date in your diary now and keep it free so that you can join us on this walk.

Ella LEITHNER (9476 0681 or 0427 460 681)



The Austrian Club welcomes the following new members

Willkommen

Paul & Donna MARCELLINO, Fred & Sharon SPITZER, Marc STAMMBACH, Marianne RONNENBERG, Warwick & Silvia HERBERT, Michael & Edwei ALAGICH, Ian & Alison JUNIPER, Walter & Denise RATHGEB, Rene & Nadia LOUW, Stephen CALACOURAS, James CURTIS, Peter MASSEY, Richard BUZAS, Jan & Karenn MEYER, Cameron & Kirsty EDWARDS, Grant SAINSBERY, Gregory GARDNER & Stephanie TWOMEY, Zander PEDER, Jessica LAI, David RENNICH & Nadine RIEZOUW, Scott & Celia RIGBY, Jean-Marc & Lorraine KLEBER and Sheila WALTHOE & Doug TYSON.

OUR HARD-WORKING COMMITTEE

Our committee and subcommittee members work hard, even when on holiday. Kurier Editor Graeme Smith is doing his thing from the Oodnadatta track.



Membership Secretary Ella Leithner will be doing the proof reading from a cruise ship sailing out of Southampton. Entertainment Officer Alena Hughes has been consulting over entertainment from somewhere in Germany. Meanwhile those not on holiday keep the club running very well at home. Thanks All.

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