

't Penseeltje

March 2022

Rembrandt
Social Club

Club Hours

Wednesday 9:30-1:00pm

Friday 3.00-8.30pm

Old Mt. Druitt Hall

87 Mt Druitt Road,

Mount Druitt.

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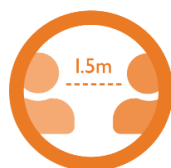
The Board wishes to advise:

Covid regulations are being relaxed and QR sign in may not be mandatory anymore and mask will soon be a thing of the past. We ask all to maintain their commitment to stop the spread. If you don't feel well, please stay home and visit us another day. Sanitiser is available but hand washing is still best practise. Singing and dancing will be back on our programs as soon as we are able to organise these. Using your Dine and Discover vouchers gives you a great excuse to come for dinner. Parents with the new NSW \$50 vouchers can also use them to shop. Come and join into our Wednesday morning coffee and games or the Friday dinners and activities. Remember to sign into club register on entry.

Members and Guests,

Please be advised that the club operates under State Government and Local Council COVID regulations and needs your help to maintain a safe environment for all. You are required to sign-IN to Club register on entry. Our COVID marshal will take your temperature. The club provides Alcohol based sanitiser for your convenience. Our volunteers and Council cleaners work hard to keep the hall clean so we can keep operating. Your continued patronage is valued. As one we are working together, on the occasion that you are not feeling well, have a cold, snuffle or cough, look after yourself and others and consult your GP and come visit us another day.

Thank you for your assistance,
Rembrandt Board



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President's report

By Allan Potter

Valued Members,

January was a challenge for my family, being aware of Covid we avoided as much as possible all close contact with crowds, shopping centres, entertainment venues and the like. Even so, my wife Trudy became sick displaying symptoms of headaches, coughing, tiredness and lack of appetite. To be on the safe side we arranged for a Covid test, which was eventually confirmed as positive and myself clear. Several days later, I still displayed no symptoms but as a precaution submitted another test, where I tested positive result. After our mandatory seven day isolation period we both reported negative result. The new year started with a glass of bubbly for our members that I missed, being in isolation, heard it went down well with our regulars. On a brighter note, on returning to the club Friday we enjoyed our Saturday Night Fever event which proved to be a success, our members enjoyed music and dvd clips of the Bee Gees. The kitchen provided members with a tantalising meal. Our delayed AGM saw the Board return for another year where we hope to build on two eventful years with lockdowns and all. The Australia Day celebrations saw four of our members use their new member cards and claim the inflatable Flip Flops. Valentine's dinner saw our happy couples enjoy a good night out. The Lucky door prizes brought a couple of people to tears as they had to say goodbye to the beautiful cuddly bear that went home with Bepp. Anton is working on his puzzling skills with the runners up prize. Members be ready to show your cards, more things coming your way.

Allan J. Potter



Your members card is your rewards card

Kitchen Corner

By Alice Vanderheg



Chicken bami goreng



Valentine's day beef stroganoff



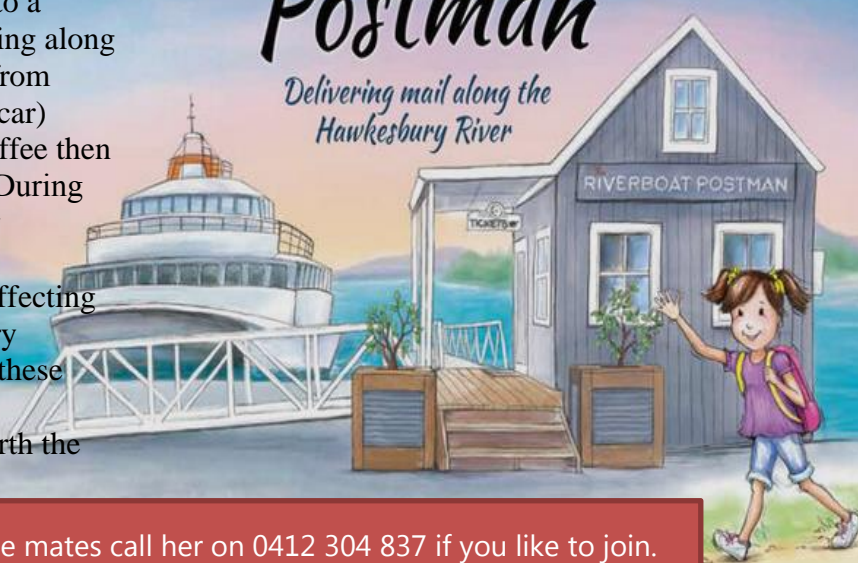
"Delightful cruise along the Hawkesbury River from Brooklyn"

"The Riverboat Postman is ostensibly a working boat taking mail and provisions to outlying communities some with no road access. It has been turned into a lovely vacation experience pottering along for about 3 hours in a round trip from Brooklyn. (accessible by train or car) We were treated to snacks and coffee then a handsome ploughman's lunch. During the trip the skipper kept up a very informative commentary on local geological and historical events affecting the region as well as contemporary comments on what it is to live in these riverside villages.

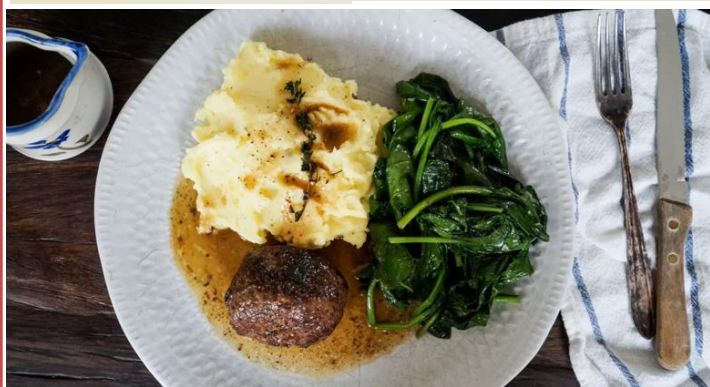
A very good day out and well worth the journey from Sydney."

The Riverboat Postman

Delivering mail along the Hawkesbury River



Chef Alice is looking for cruise mates call her on 0412 304 837 if you like to join.



Meatballs, potato and spinach



Week after week, our kitchen keeps on turning out fabulous meals. Check out the Friday special meals on Facebook to see what's up next, that's just the start. On the menu are also a number of Dutch traditional meals and of course the famous snack foods. There is something for everyone, pull up a chair and join the conversation. Have a relaxing time out among friends, enjoy the music and activities or join in with a friendly game of Dominos. Plenty of free parking right at the door. Shop for the spices that make the food so special and talk to the chef about the kitchen secrets

Talk of the town

By Rebecca Hook

March 4th is first dinner and music night where we should be able to have people on our dance floor. The main attraction of our 97 year old cinema and dance hall are the fabulous timber floors. We have to make sure they are still as good as the day they were installed so bring your partners have a little spin and spin and sit down to a special dinner. That's should be a good night out for all ages.



March 11th brings an old Dutch game to Mount Druitt Hall that players of all ages should be able to participate in. come and try your luck at something different and put your name up in lights.

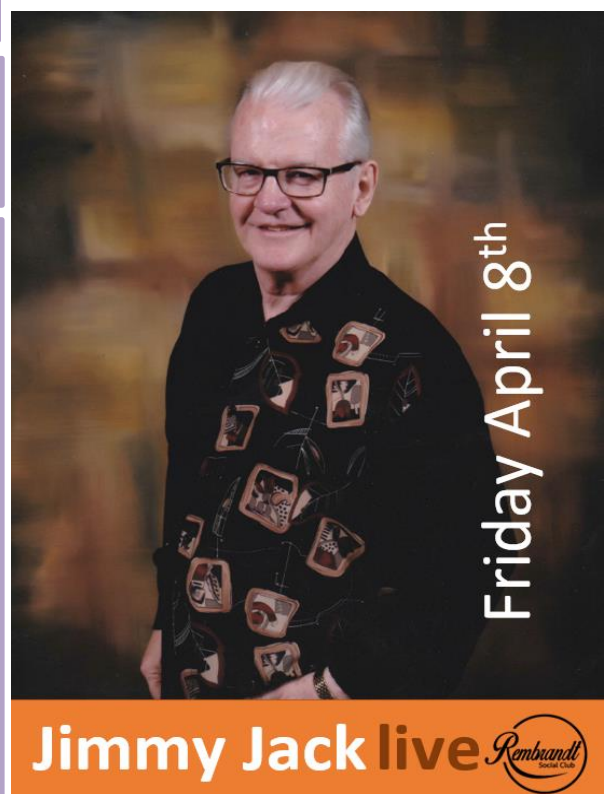
March 18th is 70's music night at the Rembrandt with a nostalgic look back at a great time in music. Come and dress the part and join in if you remember the words



March 25th is games night, you can play alone or with friends we know what we prefer but we don't judge. Triominos, cards, scrabble, sjoelen, word search or hide n seek as long as you are back in time for dinner.

1st Friday of the month is a special day we have a big night on and we hope it's not too cold out for those participating.

With restrictions finally making way for our new live line up to get started for the year we welcome Jimmy Jack to the stage Friday the 8th of April. No performing solo after many years in groups traveling around Sydney some might be familiar with his singing and keyboard playing. Boasting a wide repertoire of songs in a wide range of genres this is one night not to be missed. If you own a pair of dancing shoes it is time to dust them off and return to the dance floor as Robert our club dance instructor will be sure to get the most of this live performance. Friday afternoon dancing is set to start in May put your name down and get back out there. For beginners to advanced this is a great way to make new friends.



Friday April 8th

Jimmy Jack live 

Laughter is the best Medicine

By YOU

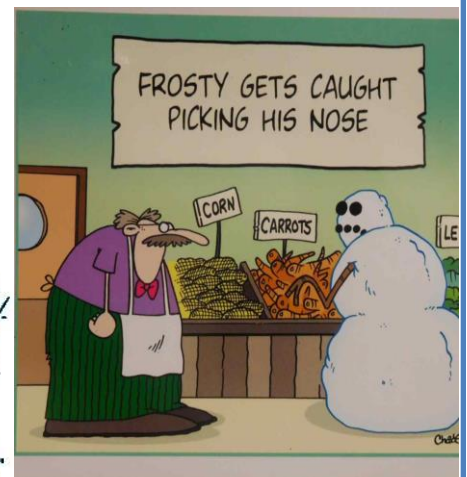
'Now, Paula,' said Doctor Ross, 'you say you have shooting pains in your neck, aching knees, frequent dizzy spells, and constant nausea. Just for the record, how old are you?' 'Ah, yes,' Paula spoke brightly, 'I'll be 49 on my next birthday.' 'Really?' commented the doctor quietly, 'I see your memory loss, is deteriorating too.'

One day a police car pulled up to Granny's home and Grampy got out. The constable explained that this elderly gentlemen had said he was lost in the Victoria park. 'Why, Ian, 'said Granny, 'You've been going there for over 30 years! How on earth could you say you had got lost?' Leaning close to Granny so the police officer couldn't hear, he whispered, 'Wasn't exactly lost. I was just too tired to walk home.'

Top 10 Senior Texting Codes * ATD - At the Doctor's * BFF - Best Friend's Funeral * BTW - Bring the Wheelchair * BYOT - Bring Your Own Teeth * DWI - Driving While Incontinent * FWIW - Forgot Where I Was * FYI - Found Your Insulin * LOL - Living on Lipitor * ROFL...CGU - Rolling on the Floor Laughing...Can't get Up! * TOT - Texting on Toilet * WWNO - Walker Wheels Need Oil * GGLKI (Gotta Go, Laxative Kicking in!) Married for many years, Paul had been ignored by his wife, Liz, for some days, so eventually he confronted her with what he perceived as the problem. 'Come on Liz, admit it,' he ranted, 'You only married me because my granddad left me \$6 million, didn't you?' 'You really are silly, Paul,' retorted Liz loudly, 'I couldn't care less who left it to you.' Relationships can be very puzzling as we all know. Take celibacy, for example; this can be a choice, or a condition imposed by environmental factors. While attending a special Marriage Awareness Weekend in Doncaster, Yorkshire, England, Nicky and Victoria listened to the facilitator intone, 'It is so very important that husbands and wives know the things that are important to each other.' He turned to the men and asked, 'Can you each name your wife's favourite flower?' Nicky leaned over, touched Victoria's arm gently and whispered, 'Self raising, isn't it?' Thus began Nicky's life of celibacy. **A man, his wife and his mother-in-law went on vacation to the Holy Land. While they were there, the mother-in-law passed away. The undertaker told them, 'You can have her shipped home for \$5,000, or you can bury her here in the Holy Land for \$250.' The man thought about it and told him he would just have her shipped home. The undertaker asked, 'Why would you spend \$5,000 to ship your mother-in-law home, when it would be wonderful to have her buried here and spend only \$250?' The man replied, 'a man died here 2,000 years ago, was buried here, and three days later he rose from the dead.'**



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Activities groups

Klaverjassen & sequence

Wednesdays 10:00AM till 1:00PM

Triominos

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Scrabble Second and Fourth

Wednesday of the month

10:00 AM till 1:00 PM

Knitting first and third

Friday of the month

3:30 PM till 5:00 PM

Book swap every Wednesday

9:30 AM till 1:00 PM

Puzzle mania second and fourth

Friday of the month

Ballroom Dancing group Fridays

4:30PM till 5:30PM register now

Bingo Fridays on games night

Past and present

By Mia & Jan Joosten

The time that the Rembrandt Club resided at Lee Holm Drive was coming to an end. The building where the Rembrandt Dutch Club would be staying next until 2019 was at 87 Dunheved Circuit. At that time Rembrandt only rented part of the building.

To change this old factory into a typical Dutch lounge room, a lot of people were involved, and we remember that one of the members even took 6 weeks long service leave.

It was a coincidence that our business Tulip Upholstery was in the little building on the same property.

Imagine the surprise when Jan met these Dutchies working next door. Every day we would go and look at the progress of the improvement to the inside of the building and so make it a permanent home. Jan was handed a key with the words: you can keep an eye on this for us.

The bar was the main feature and it looked amazing. The kitchen was small with one domestic stove and a sink. No shop for now. The billiard tables stood on the right hand side of the one and only main hall. The stage was on the left hand side. When there was a dance night it was usually the young ones that were seated at the billiard tables. I did hear some complains about this: why do we have to sit uncomfortable?? The events that were organised always involved club members and their family. It was not until about 1982 that "strangers" were welcomed. To keep this club going we had to broaden our horizon. I remember one board member in particular who was very much against opening the door to the wider community.

In 1981 the Federation of Netherland societies called a meeting of all affiliated Dutch organisations in NSW to start a new project for the Dutch community. A subcommittee was formed to start working on a Dutch Festival. Jan was one of the four persons that formed the executive committee. In February 1982 the first NSW Holland Festival was held at Fairfield showground. This was an opportunity for all Dutch organisations to get involved and raise money for their own club.

The Rembrandt Club has been involved from day one. Be at either a bar (one year with a dance floor and own stage) or a 'touwte trekken' (pull a string) stall.

I remember in 1988 when Queen Beatrix and Prins Claus visited the Festival in Fairfield, their entourage all had a go at pulling a string and most of the royal party wanted to win a giant dummy. It was great fun on a 'ROYAL' level.

Back to the first years in Dunheved Circuit; the floor in the main hall was covered in vinyl tiles and looked cool rather than warm and homely. So, one Friday night it was discussed amongst members that this could be improved. I can say that one member spontaneously grabbed a bucket and went around the hall. The end result; a new floor covering of Heuga carpet tiles was ordered and Jan, being a floor layer by trade, was the first volunteer to put his hand up for the job.

The opening hours for the first years were; Tuesday and Friday nights only. During dance nights the club operated with a function licence.



VOLUNTEER NOW

Job title :-
Club Librarian

Brief Description :-

Organising book swap at Rembrandt Club as well as making books available to local nursing homes.

Location :-

Rembrandt Social Club,
 87 Mount Druitt Road
 Mount Druitt NSW 2770

Hours :-

2-4 hours per week
 during club opening hours.

Application deadline :-

This position is currently vacant and immediate start is preferable.

Qualifications :-

Fondness of the written word.
 Drive or have access to transport
 Outgoing personality to interact with patrons.

Call to Action :-

Email Rembrandtclub@optusnet.com.au
 Or
 Call Gerda on 02 9746 8420

Rembrandt Social Club for members and guests.
 Wednesdays from 9:00AM till 2:00PM for coffee, cake shopping and games.
 Fridays from 2:30pm till 9:00pm for dinner and activities.

87 Mount Druitt Rd, Old Mount Druitt NSW 2770

VOLUNTEER NOW

Job title :-
Kitchenhand/Cook

Brief Description :-

Food preparation in commercial kitchen making home cooked style foods.

Location :-

Rembrandt Social Club,
 87 Mount Druitt Road
 Mount Druitt NSW 2770

Hours :-

4 hours per week on Fridays from 4:00pm till 8:00pm. 10 weeks initial starting in middle of June till end August

Application deadline :-

25th March 2022. Email your interest or call to make and appointment with the Chef.

Qualifications :-

Ability to work in team environment. Previous kitchen experience a bonus. Clean and tidy with attention to detail. Knowledge of food handling practises. Suitable to mature applicants.

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Looking to join a great club and join in the fun, become an active member and join the volunteers. We are looking for commitment of a different kind, it has to be enjoyable for everyone.

We are looking for Chess players, Checkers players, Scrabblers, card players, Knitters and book worms, chatters and loungers, diners and coffee connoisseurs. If you sing or perform come have a chat to see if we can get you on stage. All others are also welcome to come have a good time and try some of our fabulous foods.

Wanted Chess and Checkers players
Wednesday mornings 9:30AM - 1:30PM
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Rembrandt Social Club MEMBERSHIP

By Mia Joosten

YEARLY MEMBERSHIP FEES:

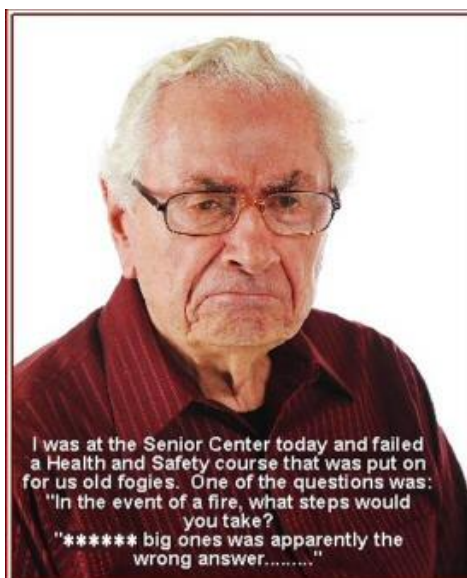
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Membership year is
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For details on
events please check



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events secretary.

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**Dinners can be
pre booked to
help our kitchen
ladies and chef.**

Rembrandt Calendar

Fri Feb 25th Bingo Night

Fri Mar 4th Music & Dinner

Fri Mar 11th Bowl me over

Fri Mar 18th 70's music night

Fri Mar 25th Games Night

Fri Apr 1st clothes optional party

Fri Apr 8th Jimmy Jack Live

**Wednesday mornings Café & Shop
Triominos, Cards, Chess & knitting**



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