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## THEATRE REPORT

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### LOVE LETTERS – PLAY GUILD THEATRE ROCKDALE

SATURDAY 25th November 2pm \$25/\$30

Tickets will be given out at the November meeting.

The Senior's Christmas Concert is to be held on at the Pavilion Sutherland on 23rd November and Mark Vincent's Concert is on 22nd December.

(see the Pavilion website for details and for you to arrange your tickets if required)

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## THEATRE NEWS

**SENIORS CONCERT & FESTIVAL EXPO 2024 - ICC THEATRE SYDNEY** The concerts will take place both morning & afternoon on Wednesday March & Thursday 14 March.

I have requested booking for us & will update you with date & time we are allocated.  
This is a free event.

& we are only allocated 20 tickets. More details when booking confirmed.

### **GREASE THE MUSICAL - CAPITOL THEATRE**

Looking at booking for us May 2024.

### **CHICAGO - CAPITOL THEATRE**

Looking at June booking for us.

Will ask for show of hands at meeting for those interested in attending these theatre shows.

Thank you to all for attending our past theatre outings most recently Neil Diamond & Good Old Days concert.

Both were very enjoyable & thank you to Robyn Tolhurst for her report. See you all next week.

**Aileen Wagstaff** 0408 235 952 or 9521 6539 - [dandawagstaff@optusnet.com.au](mailto:dandawagstaff@optusnet.com.au)

### **Review of the Neil Diamond Tribute submitted by Roby Tolhurst**

#### **Peter Byrne a tribute to Neil Diamond The Pavilion, Sutherland 4 November 2023**

Believe it or not it was a warmish evening when we arrived at The Pavilion to see a throng of Peter Byrne groupies – and others (maybe) milling around the beautiful Christmas Tree standing tall in the courtyard on Eton Street. Yep, Santa is on his way.

The orchestra is on stage – a heady mix of young and ancient (like us) musicians and the conductor, Shannon Brown was mesmerising to watch. He bopped his tall lithe body to the beat, swing and glory of the music. There was a lot to see - the violins, the trumpets, the piano and keyboard, the guitarists. Absolutely fabulous.

Byrne glides on stage playing his guitar and even in a suit I smile at this Irish leprechaun when he tells us in his brogue about the hippies up in da treeees at the back of the Greek Theatre all those years ago in Los Angeles. I love the crescendo of the Hot August night Prologue : heart pumps, hands clap and off we go to the Greek Theatre, 4 August 1972.

He doesn't draw breath for about three songs. He reckons he isn't going to sing Sweet Caroline, but he lied. We all knew every song - Solitary Man, Red Red Wine, Shilo, Song Sung Blue, Cracklin' Rosie, You're so Sweet, Play Me, Porcupine Pie etc etc and Sweet Car-o-line duh, duh duh ...

Peter took his show back to his hometown of Dublin and to Norway and other places in Europe throughout the year. Can you imagine him in Dublin with his now Aussie/Irish accent?

Fab seats again Aileen - thanks for all the shows you book for us. [Robyn Tolhurst](#)

## **Review of Merrily We Roll Along submitted by Lorraine Stocks**

What a time to be alive, this musical is about three bright eyed and bushy tail dreamers told in reverse chronological order, has gone through almost as much love, loss and growth as it's protagonist. The story follows the 20 year long friendship between power hungry composer, virtuous playwright and novelist- turned theatre critic.

This was a star studded cast filled with big laughs and equally big heartbreaks. The costumes which were worn throughout the whole play was to depict the fashions from the past 20 years. The trios bond cannot be denied as they toe tap, sashay and leap their way through the sparkling performance.

This play is to be their last for the year, they will return in May for a new play Anything Goes, looking forward to that one, lots of music, dancing and colourful costumes, it will be fabulous, excellent talent this musical society has.

Thank you Sue Obrien for the tickets, sorry you missed it, the theatre is only small but seating is excellent and close to the stage and performers. Another enjoyable outing with members from EYP Group.

## OPAL TRIPPERS

If you have an Opal Tripper activity you would like me to look into, please email me on [eypc.opaltrippers@gmail.com](mailto:eypc.opaltrippers@gmail.com), phone me on 0405 405 702 or come and see me at the monthly meeting or at any activity. See you soon. **Greg Deane**

**WARRRRHOOO !**

*After reading this adventure of the Opal Trippers I am sure you will agree they are an intrepid group and well worth being with them on their various outings. The Editor*



## Opal Tripper's



Well, what an eventful night Thursday November 9<sup>th</sup> 2023 was for the postponed Lantern Ghost Tour of the Rocks! At 3.30pm on the day of the activity, Evon, sadly had to pull out due to being very unwell. I hope you are now feeling much better. As I gathered my thoughts on suddenly taking on running the activity and hoping I could meet with Evon to collect the necessary paperwork for our tour guide to escort us on our tour of the rocks. But, what could possibly go wrong???

Following me in the car, as I was dropped off at Engadine station, was the biggest, blackest, meanest looking storm cloud, I have ever seen. I made it to the platform and cover without too much getting wet. Where's Evon with the paperwork? Train arrives in 15 minutes! Met up with some Probus members and told them the story. Paced up and down the platform, looking up at the footpaths in the middle, at the northern end and down in the tunnel – Where is Evon? Train arrives in 10 minutes!! More Probus members arrive – more story telling – Where is Evon? More pacing – more looking. Train arrives in 5 minutes!!! Where IS Evon? As I peered out into the rain, once again, there trudging through the puddles off in the distance is Evon, coughing and spluttering, with our soggy paperwork. What an effort!

We made the train, except for one member, who just missed it and jumped on the next train hoping to catch up at dinner. We made it all the way to 1 kilometre north of Engadine station and stopped and waited and waited – setting the scene for the rest of the trip into the city, which only took four trains and a whole lot of time, thanks to storm damage to the signal system.

During this time I kept amused by phoning the café where we had reservations to advise we were running a tad late and could they hold the booking for us. Could not advise the tour company, as I only had an office number, which was closed. Suddenly, Evon rings me to advise the tour guide has just discovered he has Covid and understands if we would like to postpone the tour. We



immediately cancelled, because we were not going to make the meeting time for the tour. Finally, a break which goes our way! I then had to ring our straggling member, whilst stuck at a station under a shopping centre with no reception, who was in a following train and having just as much luck as us, and advise of the cancellation of the tour. She decided to jump off the train at the next station, wherever and whenever that was, and make her way home.



We eventually made it into Circular Quay and staggered into the café, where we met two other members, who had spent the day in the city, and had already finished their dinner, and relaxed as they waited for us. We all got seated, had some drinks and food and got happy again, without a ghost in sight.

After taking on sufficient food and refreshments, we all climbed aboard the correct number of trains, which stopped where they are supposed to and made it home, crawled into bed and dozed off smiling about our adventure. We *will* all set off again in the future and *will* complete the Lantern Ghost Tour despite what both the Weather and Covid gods throw at us!!!

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December will be our last Opal Trip for the year. We will be travelling by train and bus to Paddington, immediately to the east of the city. After landing in Paddington, a short walk will take us into the serene Paddington Reservoir Gardens. The gardens incorporate the former Paddington Reservoir ruins, which is on the NSW State Heritage Register. The site operated as a reservoir for the water supply system between 1878 and 1899, when the larger Centennial Park Reservoir was commissioned to replace it. There is also a host of cafes, boutiques and arty-crafty stores to window shop, along with a shoe shop which will be especially exciting for our household. Following our tour of the gardens and shops, we will adjourn to either Paddington RSL club or one of several trendy pubs in the local area for refreshments and lunch. The registration sheet was out on the rear table last meeting and will be out at the upcoming meeting next Wednesday.

**Travel to Paddington:** 9.29am Heathcote Station / 9.32am Engadine Station / 9.36am Loftus Station / 9.39am Sutherland to Martin Place at 10.23am. Alight at Martin Place and walk for 5 minutes to Bus stand E in Elizabeth Street. Catch the 333 bus at 10.32am and alight at

Oxford Street Paddington (opposite Paddington Town Hall) at 10.45am. Walk for 2 minutes to Paddington Gardens.

We will walk the gardens and shops at leisure and leave approximately 11.45am for the short walk to Paddington RSL or a local pub where we will settle in for lunch and refreshments until 1.15pm approximately or later if you wish.

**Travel Home:**

Walk from club or pub to the bus stop at corner of Oxford Street and Oatley Road No 333 bus at 1.40pm to Martin Place Station at 1.56pm. Walk to Platform 1 to catch train at 2.03pm to arrive at 2.48pm Sutherland Station / 2.50pm Loftus Station / 2.55pm Engadine Station / 2.57pm Heathcote Station.

## **Activities for 2024**

Suggestions have been made by members for visits to the Australian Museum for the “Ramses & the Gold of the Pharaohs” display and also Madame Tussaud’s Display at Darling Harbour, both of which are ticketed events at around \$30 – 40 per head. Lunch and refreshments would be at Members’ cost on top of the admission to the venue. I will put out some sheets to gauge interest only, at the October meeting. No dates or arrangements have been made at this time as I only want to see if numbers are there, in order to be able to book and negotiate tickets. We also have a Planning Meeting with the Activity Coordinators soon and dates will be organised soon after. Emails to advise ticket prices and dates of the activities will be sent out after that.

## **Cancellation**



We were to be heading to Kembla Grange Races on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023, but I have had to postpone this event until the New Year. A registration sheet will be on the table at the back of the hall, as soon as the draw for the 2024 racing calendar is released.



***See you at the next meeting***

***Greg Deane***

## **GUEST SPEAKER**

### **OUR GUEST SPEAKER FOR NOVEMBER Clinton Ludlow**

**NOVEMBER GUEST SPEAKER, CBA ENGADINE -- SCAMS AWARENESS** Our guest speaker for November will be Clinton Ludlow, Manager of CBA Engadine. Clinton will present on **BANKING SCAMS** and how to identify and avoid them. He has also requested that some CBA experts also attend to provide additional expert information. We hear so much nowadays about scams that seem to mostly occur through complacency and misunderstanding of our affairs which will only get worse with future AI systems. This will be a very informative 45 minute presentation with time for Q&A before we finish at 12pm for lunch. .Regards All

**John Duthie – Acting Speaker coordinator**

### **Review of October's Speaker submitted by John Duthie**

Our guest speaker for October was Clive Baker who spoke on military and civil air crashes and other incidents in the Shire. During his 50 years as a Shire resident, Clive developed a growing interest in the history all around us. Clive's particular niche is the military history of the Shire, from Cook's arrival to the army depot at Sutherland today. After a period working with the Sutherland Shire Historical Society, CLIVE became a founding member of the Shire Military History Club. CLIVE and the club researchers have revealed many interesting military stories of the Shire and people who lived here. Clive's presentation highlighted some dare devil performances by both civil and military barnstorming acts of ??? that we didn't know occurred.

## Coffee morning at the Den



## **ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!**

Please note I have cancelled December's Coffee Morning as I felt too much was happening with Christmas coming so fast. The next one will be **1st Wednesday in February**. I will send reminder via Newsletter. Wishing you all a very Happy and safe Christmas and New

Year. All welcome **Maria Caldow 0414 690 794**



## **Gourmet Wanderers events**

**EYPC CHRISTMAS FUNCTION**

MONDAY 11 DECEMBER 2023

KAREELA GOLF CLUB

BATES DRIVE KAREELA

\$65/70.00 PER PERSON

Payable by the Club Meeting Wednesday 22 November 2023

**Diane Simpson Gourmet Wanderers 0414 510 217**

**Message from Maria,**

Ps To all tea drinkers in the Club. Could you please save the teabag tags? I will have a container on the table at the Gourmet Wanderers information. Many thanks

Book Swap

See you there. Ann



Our Probus club loves to read I hope these books fulfill your  
need Bring along a few to swap To help the flow and feed the  
crop All sorts of interests we should cover So come along and  
choose another Ann

## TENNIS ANYONE?



. 😊 Chris Stewart 0431 886 109

Hi everyone,

Tennis has gone back to 9am start as the weather warms up. If you would like to join us on a Friday, come along to the courts at Waterfall or give me a call if you have any questions. Maybe this could be something to think about for the New Year. Chris Stewart

# WALK:

## WALKING GROUP REPORT

**Walk 14 November 2023**

**Sandringham.** After meeting at Cooper Street Park, we travelled to St George Sailing Club. The weather was perfect and we did a leisurely walk to Georges River 16Ft Sailing Club. We had to leave the Botany Bay Shore for a short distance due to work being carried out on the shore footpath. We were going to have morning tea at Kiss the Barista, but had take-away in the park next to the club as a large group had booked just about all seating, A very nice day for all on a beautiful sunny day. Submitted by Gerard Reyerink



## CRAFTY NEWS



We've had many fun times this year with our craft ladies. Knitting, crocheting & quilting are just some of the crafts we do on our get togethers. As well, how could we forget the wonderful creations we attempted with balloons, glue and tissue paper thanks to Jan S or the Easter bunny thanks to Kerry D. Debbie



and Joy wrestled with a macrame project on Anns clothesline and Ginny, ever patient did a great job with her book marks and later on Christmas decorations. Not to forget Ann who did great work with her beaded necklaces and who very graciously welcomes us into her home for all our meetings.



see all back in the new

All welcome to join in next year even if it's just for coffee, tea, cake & a chat. Definitely my forte!  
Wishing everyone a very happy



Christmas and hope to year.



		DECEMBER
Joy Pogson	1 <sup>st</sup>	
Jill Fitzpatrick	4 <sup>th</sup>	
Barbara Bell	10 <sup>th</sup>	
Ian Stepto	10 <sup>th</sup>	
Jan McHenry	11 <sup>th</sup>	
Peter Wren`	13 <sup>th</sup>	
Lorraine Stocks	14 <sup>th</sup>	
Kathy McDonald	14 <sup>th</sup>	

Ian Chambers	29 <sup>th</sup>	
Jan Styles	29 <sup>th</sup>	
Ed Holt	30 <sup>th</sup>	

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## EYPC Social Events Calendar

<b>Mon</b>	<b>EYPC Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event Coordinator</b>	<b>Cost &amp; Code</b>	<b>Pay By</b>	<b>Name on List</b>	<b>H I F</b>
<b>N o v</b>	<b>Club General Meeting Tradies Gynea</b>	Wednesday 22 November 23	10:00AM	Joy Pogson	<b>Elouera Room, Tradies Gynea 57 Manchester Rd, Gynea</b>			
	<b>Tennis Group Warabin St Waterfall</b>	Friday 24 November 23	09:30AM	Chris Stewart				
	<b>Love Letters - Guild Theatre Walz St Rockdale</b>	Saturday 25 November 23	06:00PM	Sue O'Brian	<b>\$25/30PP LETTERS</b>	<b>PYMT Due Oct Meet'g</b>		
<b>D e</b>	<b>Tennis Group Warabin St Waterfall</b>	Friday 01 December 23	09:30AM	Chris Stewart				
	<b>Opal Trippers Paddington Reservoir</b>	Monday 04 December 23	See Newsletter for details	Greg Deane	<b>Heathcote Station @ 09:29AM PAYG Engadine Station @ 09:32AM</b>			
	<b>Morning Coffee The Den, Engadine</b>	Wednesday 06 December 23	10:30AM	Maria Caldow	<b>PAYG</b>			
	<b>Christmas Lunch Kareela Golf Club</b>	Monday 11 December 23	12:00PM	Diane Simpson	<b>\$65/70PP XMAS</b>	<b>PYMT Due Nov Meet'g</b>		

<b>C</b>	<b>Games Group</b> 4 Salix Place, Engadine	Wednesday 13 December 23	10:00AM	Irene Harris				
	<b>Craft Group</b> 7 Dural Cres Engadine	Friday 15 December 23	10:00AM	Kerrie Murphy	<b>Christmas Lunch</b>			
	<b>Tennis Group</b> Warabin St Waterfall	Friday 15 December 23	09:30AM	Chris Stewart				
<b>Mar</b>	<b>Melbourne International Flower &amp; Garden Show. Carlton Gardens- Melbourne City.</b>	18th-23rd March 2024	See Info Sheet at Meeting	Pauline Herring	<b>\$100 Deposit</b>	<b>KTG Tours</b>		