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Welcome to our January 2022 **NEWSLETTER**

(PRESIDENT'S REPORT CLUB UPDATE)

“A WARM WELCOME TO 2022 TO ALL OUR MEMBERS”

AT THE TIME OF WRITING THIS I AM SUFFERING FROM TENNIS INSOMNIA. WHAT A GREAT WEEKEND FINISH TO THE AUSTRALIAN OPEN & HOW INSPIRATIONAL IS ASH BARTY? AND LOVE THEM OR LOATH THEM, THE “SPECIAL K'S” DID LIGHT UP THE MENS DOUBLES.

UNFORTUNATELY, FROM A COVID POINT OF VIEW, THE NEW YEAR HAS COMMENCED MUCH LIKE THE OLD YEAR FINISHED. HOWEVER, WITH MANY MORE OF US NOW DOUBLE VACCINATED & WITH A BOOSTER JAB WE HAVE NO OPTION BUT TO TRY & LIVE OUR LIVES AS NORMAL AS POSSIBLE.

WITH THAT THOUGHT IN MIND, YOUR COMMITTEE IS CURRENTLY CONSIDERING HOW WE CAN PUT IN PLACE A NUMBER OF LUNCHESES & EVENTS DURING THE YEAR THAT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO OUR MEMBERS. A MAJOR PART OF OUR CONSIDERATIONS ARE AROUND LOCATING SUITABLE VENUES WITH EASY & SAFE ACCESS FOR OUR MEMBERS & WHICH ADHERE TO THE BEST CURRENT GOVERNMENT HEALTH ADVICE IN PROVIDING THEIR SERVICE. THE ABOVE RELATES MORE TO OUR SYDNEY BASED MEMBERS. OUR REGIONAL CENTRES CONDUCTED A NUMBER OF SUCCESSFUL LUNCH/DINNER ACTIVITIES DURING 2021 & I AM CONFIDENT THEY WILL BE ABLE TO SAFELY DO THE SAME DURING 2022.

THE BANK HAS AGAIN BEEN GENEROUS THIS YEAR WITH THEIR SUPPORT OF THE AUSTRALIA WIDE ANZROC COMMUNITY & WE ARE KEEN TO SPREAD THAT GENEROSITY AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE AMONG OUR WIDER ANZROC(NSW) MEMBERSHIP.

WITHIN THE SYDNEY REGION WE ARE CONSIDERING VARIOUS TYPES OF FUNCTIONS THAT MAY APPEAL TO MEMBERS, INCLUDING INVITING MEMBERS PARTNERS TO SOME LUNCHESES AND/OR HAVING “SPECIAL EVENT” LUNCHESES.

WE WOULD CERTAINLY APPRECIATE ANY MEMBERS FEEDBACK/COMMENT ON THIS ISSUE.

THIS MONTH'S ISSUE OF OUR NEWSLETTER CONTAINS SOME GREAT PHOTOS, ARTICLES & “LIFE AFTER ANZ” UPDATES SENT IN BY VARIOUS MEMBERS. AS PREVIOUSLY STATED, THEY MAKE OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER MORE INTERESTING. PLEASE KEEP THE PHOTOS & COMMENTS COMING IN DURING 2022.

**STAY SAFE & STAY IN TOUCH.
TERRY AULD
PRESIDENT**

NOTICE TO CLUB MEMBERS RE 2022 AGM.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS.

Club Members would all be aware of the affect that the Covid 19 virus has had on the Community & our Club functions over the last 2 years.

"As a result of restrictions imposed by State & Federal Governments we were only able to have 2 functions in 2020 & 2021 in both Metro & Regional Centres."

Under our Constitution our AGM is to be conducted in February each year, however in 2022 it is highly unlikely that we would be able to have a quorum of 25 members attend, taking into account the ongoing Covid situation here in Sydney Metro.

Following review & investigation by Club Committee covering rules for AGM's for Club's such as us, relief is available and taking into account the impact of Covid over the last 2 years the following decision has been made:-

- Club AGM has been deferred for 12 months until February 2023.
- Current Officers Bearers & Committee are to remain in place for a further 12 months.
- Club Constitution to be reviewed in coming 12 months.

Dated at Sydney this 3rd day of February 2022.

Terry Auld Club President.

Angelo Briganti Club Vice President.

Bereavements.

Denis Twohill.

We were informed by our Honorary member Ian Stewart of the passing of retired ANZ Officer Denis Twohill.

Ian commented as follows:-

I have been informed by Denis' daughter Skye Napier and Skye's Mother, Susie Pirie, that Denis (aged 79) passed away in Port Macquarie hospital on Tuesday 30th November. He was grandfather to Finn and Ruby Napier. Denis was born at Ryde, his parents being Irish immigrants from County Derry and County Cork.

Denis started his banking life at "The Scottie" bank S(K&G). Senior appointments were at Mann Street Gosford (late 1960's), Walker Street North Sydney (upon merger), West Ryde branch, Relieving Manager (mid 70's), Internal Investigations (NSW), Esanda (Area Manager Eastern Suburbs and North Shore to Gosford). Following his banking relationship with Retravisation he resigned from ANZ Group in 1982 to acquire, with Roger Walder (also Esanda), the Retravisation businesses at Port Macquarie and Wauchope. Denis was a keen supporter in the early days of The Scottie Rugby team and a regular in the Social Golf Club. During our time together in "The Scottie" Denis and I shared a "never to be forgotten" bachelor road trip to Surfers Paradise in the mid '60's!

Denis would have been known to many former colleagues in the bank and Esanda. I understand the large Twohill family will hold a private memorial service in January.

Sincere condolences to Denis's family from all Club members.

RIP Denis.



Barry Trollope

We were sadly informed that our Honorary member Barry Trollope passed away on 9th January aged 81 years.

Barry's partner Ronelle Bradford advised that Barry was only diagnosed 4 months ago with liver cancer, and sadly did not survive for long.

Barry would be well known to a lot of members from his long service in ANZ mainly in Sydney Metro.

Barry's funeral was held on 19th January at:-
Gregson & Weight 202 Eumundi-Noosa Road,
Noosaville. Noosa Qld.

Sincere condolences to his partner Ronelle Bradford & all his family from Club members.

RIP Barry.



Barry Thompson

We were sadly advised that our Honorary Member Barry Thompson passed away on 6th January aged 87 years.

Barry would be well known to a lot of members from his extensive service in ANZ, and his family and specifically his Wife Beverly has provided us a resume of his ANZ journey over the years.

Barry joined the ANZ Bank in February 1952 at Kingsgrove branch, then to Oxford Street branch. Barry was of the age group to do National Service at Holsworthy for 3 months, and on completion of National Service was he was transferred to Southern Branch.

Barry & his wife Bev were blessed with 64 years of happiness and produced 3 beautiful children Melanie, Matthew and Nicole. they have since had the delight of being very involved in the lives of their 8 grandchildren. Barry progressed in the usual manner and was the first manager appointed after the merger of ESA and ANZ. He was appointed asst. manager of Canberra City branch under Bob Reid, where he was involved with many wonderful experiences. He was President of ACT Spastic Centre, Treasurer of Red Cross and many other interesting positions. He was host to the Governor General, Sir John Kerr at the Miss Australia Ball at the Lakeside Hotel,

After Canberra Barry & his wife returned to Sydney where he was manager at Neutral Bay and finally ended 39 years of service at North Sydney..

His wife Beverly said Barry left us after a massive heart attack at the age of 87. He was a wonderful husband and father and will be sadly missed by many people.

Barry's funeral was held:-

St. Martin's Church
9b Arnold Street. KILLARA
at 11am
on Friday the 21st January.2022.

Sincere condolence to his wife Beverly & all his family from all Club members.

RIP Barry.



Rona Kynaston

Our esteem Honorary member Bill Kynaston, informed our Welfare Officer Ron Miller recently that his wife of 72 years , Rona had passed away in December. Rona was an ex Australasia Officer.

Sincere condolences to Bill for the passing of his beloved wife.

RIP Rona.



John Russell Punch

It is with Sadness to report the passing of our Member and ANZ Esteemed Colleague John Punch affectionately known as “PUNCHIE” Age 70 on 11th January 2022, following his determined battle with cancer.

His Funeral and Celebration of Life was held on Wednesday 19th January, 2022.

John commenced his Career with ANZ in 1969 and concluded in 1998 when he ventured out to Financial Brokerage. He will always be remembered by many as a Gregarious and Loyal Persona. He had worked in Personnel/Group Training and other General Banking operations finally landing in Corporate Banking circa mid 1980's for almost 15 Years.

It was during his Corporate Banking tenure that John excelled with his strong Customer Relationship skills and in particular the Agri Business Portfolio. Many tours were undertaken in Rural NSW with his team headed by another of our Esteemed Bankers known as “The Wild Colonial Boy.” They were fondly referred to as the “Busrangers” by colleagues. There are many stories and anecdotes to reminisce in John's memory.

He was the perfect fit in this role and his tall figure stood out well in the Cotton Fields in Wee Waa-Narrabri and Moree. The Boss Cockies simply loved him and as many of us did also.

He will be sorely missed from our regular group get-togethers and by his Golfing friends.

We extend our Warmest and Sincere Condolences to Joy and Family.

VALE “Punchie” Requiescat in Pace. See you in Sorrento or Portofino.



William.(Bill) Gregory

We were sadly informed by our Victorian member Jeff Pitt that Bill Gregory had passed away on 16th January in Melbourne, after a long with cancer.

Whilst Bill was not a member of ANZROC(NSW) his ANZ service was mainly in NSW, and Jeff requested we publish details in our next NL, so that members who knew Bill would be aware of his sad passing.

Jeff commented that Bill was a very prominent figure in the establishment of the Sydney EMANZA Centre in late 1960's. He was asked to go to Sydney after the prior branch conversions to the GE225 computers in Melbourne to utilise his experience in Branch Liaison. Bill was a very capable manager of his various teams and a highly respected individual throughout his long career in ANZ. He started in the branch network in WA, and was selected to go to Melbourne in 1966 for the start of computer processing. He then went to Sydney in 1968 for a number of years to manage the branch conversions across the State. From Sydney he went to WA as Manager Computer Operations in 1976 when the State commenced its branch conversions. He later moved back to Melbourne on promotion in the 1980's.

Sincere condolences to all Bill's family. RIP Bill



New Members.

Pamela Morton of Lake Albert Wagga Wagga.

Pam had 20 years- service in ANZ from October 1992 until December 2012.

Pam attended our Wagga Charter Christmas Luncheon on 11 December 21 at Wagga RSL Club, and was made most welcomed by Co-Ordinator Kevin Cameron.

A big welcome to ANZROC (NSW) to Pam..

Malcolm Kennedy of Mooloolaba Qld.

Malcolm's service in ANZ was in Sydney from 1970 to mid 80's.

Some members who worked or knew him during his time in Sydney would remember Malcolm.

Whilst he lives in Qld Malcolm said he will read with interest our monthly NL, to see if any of his old fellow workers from those days are mentioned.

A big welcome to Malcolm, and maybe one day you will be in Sydney and able to come along to one of our Club luncheons.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

TO ALL MEMBERS WHO ARE CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY IN FEBRUARY 2022.

BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM ALL CLUB MEMBERS

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Terry	AULD	22nd
Barry	BAILEY	15th
Graeme	BOOL	8th
Peter	BOX	12th
Geoff	BOYTON	12th
Ray	BRENNAN	17th
Ken	BYATT	16th
Colin	CLARKE	18th
Chris	COLLINS	14th
Ted	COLLISON	3rd
John	FARRUGIA	23rd

Lyall	KEPPIE	1st
Dermot	LEWIS	13th
David	LUSCHWITZ	13th
Michael	MARONEY	15th
Peter	MAROTTA	14th
Jeff	MASON	1st
Bob	MINER	7th
Col	PAFF	7th
Mal	PFEIFFER	18th
Mike	PRANCE	28th
George	ROWE	4th

Pam	GRIFFITHS	1st
Louise	HALLGATH	1st
John	HARRISON	19th
Liz	JOYCE	23rd

Julie	SLATER	19th
John	STAVERT	11th
Wayne	SUMMERS	19th
Karen	SVENNE	28th

THE HONS

Kevin	BUGG	11th
Earle	COCHRANE	17th
Ed	COLLINS	8th
Lyn	CONOMOS	20th
Les(lie)	HOWELL	10th
Bob	JANSON	23rd
Bob	JOHNSTON	21st
Ken	KEEN	26th
Clieve	LENNON	3rd
Barry	MACARTHUR	16th
Rino	MARIANI	1st

Peter	McCABE	17th
John L	MITCHELL	22nd
Bob	NAISMITH	9th
Wal	PENDLETON	6th
John	PIPER	1st
Alan	SKIDMORE	3rd
Bob	SKIDMORE	5th
Warren	TAYLOR	28th
John	TIER	20th
Al (Alastair)	TURNBULL	17th
Judith	WILLIS	28th

Welcome to Ed Collins, Lyn Conomos, Bob Johnston and Bob Naismith as the latest inductees to the "Hall of Hons"

Welfare Reports from our 2 Welfare Officers.

WELFARE REPORT JANUARY 22 Ron Miller.

Contact with Honoraries December, 2021 and January, 2022.

Following have been sent cards and contacted with Birthday Greetings December, 2021.

Noel Chie who is travelling O.K.

Arthur Crittenden

Noel Dirou

Noel Hall

Bill Kynaston. Recorded number has been deleted so I sent an email. Bill responded and we now have his up to date details. Unfortunately his wife, Rona, passed away several months ago after 72 years of marriage.

Otherwise he is travelling well.

Bob McEwan. After a number of calls I was finally able to speak to Bob at the Nursing Home. I have also been in contact with his daughter Anne-Maree and she advised that the family enjoyed a Birthday lunch with Bob at the Nursing home.

Peter Murray. Peter is travelling well. He always was very fit and played a lot of tennis but less these days.

January, 2022

Allan Sear

Harry Brookes. Had a pleasant chat with Harry. He is O.K. but has had a few problems with a hip replacement. Still lives in his own home and health generally is good. When Harry retired from the Bank he opened a Newsagency at Ingleburn for 10 years.

Doug Canavan. In his own words "Good as Gold". No problems but has had to give up tennis at 84. Walks regularly.

Geoff Brown. I left a message on his phone. He later returned the call but missed me. I will catch up with him shortly.

Phil Durney. As well as an be expected at 86 y.o. Some back problems and has given up golf. Really misses the face to face meetings and hopes they will resume in early course. I passed on Phil Cohen's best wishes as requested.

Alan Deveson. Has had some back problems and has had home care when needed.

Charles Ross. Recorded phone number does not appear correct so I have sent him an email. Charles wrote to me in September, 2021. He retired in 1988 as Manager, Rose Bay. He and his wife now live in Brisbane with their daughter. Health is pretty good. Would

Phil Cohen. Welfare Report.

Ed Collins

Welcome to the HONS in February 2022.

Ed advises health OK and lives in Port Macquarie where he retired from the branch many years ago.

Lyn Conomos

Welcome to the HONS in February 2022

Unable to make contact with Lyn as the number in our data base is incorrect. Lyn, Please let Graeme Bool know your contact number, if desired.

Bob Johnston

Welcome to the HONS in February 2022.

Health OK. Presently building an extension on his house to allow family living with him.

Bob Naismith

Welcome to the HONS in February 2022.

Health OK except for his eyes. Unable to drive anymore and difficult reading a paper. His wife Zelma drives him if necessary. They live just outside the ACT and use a ride on mower to cut the grass. Has family assistance nearby.

Bob Janson

He and his wife still drive but is about to go for his annual driving test. Health all good. Travels to Kiama from time to time to their holiday weekender.

Barry Macarthur

Spoke with Barry who lives in the ACT. 30 yrs in the bank. Retired in 1990. Health OK and has family support.

John Mitchell

Health Ok. Had a family get together for Christmas at Toukley.

Rino Mariani

Had a long convo with Rino as we have known and worked together previously over many years.

To quote Rino "still alive". His cancer is stable. Able to eat and drink and do house work. Has family support.

John Piper

Health OK except for a dose of shingles which he has been suffering from since March last year.

Said he just needs to live with it and hope the treatment will eventually help clear it up.

Bob Skidmore

Like everyone is over this Pandemic.

Health good. Hoping to get away in their caravan Mid-February for a trip down the South Coast of NSW.

Did a trip around Australia back in 2000 and other shorter trips since.

Warren Taylor

Had a long talk with Warren in Melbourne. Because he is no longer able to drive has downsized to an apartment handy to all the amenities and shops he needs. Working on his memoirs which at present is up to 900 pages. It covers much of his working life offshore with the ANZ Bank.

John Tier

Health OK. Has commenced establishing a "Mens Shed" in his area. In the early stages of start up. Both he and his wife both still drive.

Alastair Turnbull

Health OK. Plays golf on a Wednesday and has lunch with friends.

Nostalgia.

Shelby Mills forwarded in this picture of old Cowra branch.



1926 Union Bank

Shelby provided the following commentary.

Hi Graeme.

Sad to report that just before Christmas the ANZ Bank permanently closed in Cowra NSW

See attached the image of the Union Bank in 1926. The ANZ was housed in this building for many years before relocating further down Kendal St

I worked in the old building as the first women teller in Cowra in 1972. I was too short for the counter - where the taller men had always served the customer so I had to stand on a box to work

The old safe - was like a small room and had the names of all the staff that had worked in the branch written on the walls.

Sad that the town no longer has an ANZ Bank after so many years

Kind regards. Shelby Mills

Geoff Minett has sent in the following picture of Branch Managers Course from July 1980.

There are a few familiar names of the NSW attendees that will stir a few memories.

Course Principal was our Welfare Officer Ron Miller.



**Branch Banking Managers' Course No.10
Reserve Bank Training College Kirribilli NSW**

6/7/1980-18/7/1980

Principal: R.R. Miller (Ron) [First Row last left]
Registrar: L.J Clarke (Lindsay)

The course was attended by 21 represented of ANZ staff from all states of Aust. and New Zealand.

NSW

John Hooper, Phil Newsome [2nd Row last right near steps]
Nick Oglesneff, Allan Rowley, Gordon Parish [1st Row 4th right]
and Geoff Minett [2nd Row 5th from left]

Janette Mitchell has send in the following photos & commentary.



Janette added the following commentary.

Dear Graeme

The photos I have attached are of Sandstone column capitols from this beautiful Bank once in George Street, were the Apple Store now is. The magnificent building was demolished around 1973. Over the years they have been damaged.

My husband purchased this beautifully carved sandstone from the demolisher.

We were in the process of building a home at the time and my husband planned to use this sandstone as part the building.

He purchased some really large very heavy pieces as well as these, sadly a few days after they were delivered and stored in a locked garage on the property, they mysteriously disappeared.

Fortunately, we still had these much-treasured pieces stored elsewhere..

We used these lovely carved sandstone pieces; plus, others we had purchased, for many years in the garden.

I sold them not that long ago. They were very very heavy. We had more as well as these ones.

All the best. Please keep safe. Thank you.

I did send you a photo of this Bank Building before but I did not send you or give you this extra info.

Janette Mitchell

FUNCTIONS DECEMBER 2021

Great to see that Newcastle, Wagga & Canberra were able to have functions in their districts to finish off 2021.

Newcastle.

Co-Ordinator Chairman Geoff Boyton reported a very good attendance of 29 on the 25th November at Cardiff RSL Club. and all enjoyed the luncheon and catch up following months of lockdown.

Wagga Wagga.

Kevin Cameron advised that

Our lunch on Saturday 11 December went off very well with 7 members in attendance including new member Pam Morton and partner Wayne.

In attendance were John and Norma Gray, Tony and Linda Williams, Neil and Marie Murray, Robert and Jackie Stremple, Chris Hardy, Pam and Wayne Morton, Kevin and Jannette Cameron.

Canberra.

Co-Ordinators Albert & Bob reported:-

Our local group held a very successful and enjoyable Christmas dinner function on 17 December at the Royal Canberra Golf Club in Yarralumla. There were 24 attendees, including long time members of that Club in Warwick Denton and Ian Aust, and first-time attendee Anthony O'Brien.

On request, Anthony provided a brief background of his past bank career in the area and beyond.

At the time Albert & Bob sent their very best wishes for the festive season to the ANZROC (NSW) Committee and a sincere hope that 2022 can see a return to the more regular social get-togethers for the various groups.

Best regards

Albert Orszaczky & Bob Dyer
CANBERRA ACT

Thank you to all the Country Charters that were able to have functions in the last 2 months of 2021, and yes as Albert states we all look forward to 2022 with more confidence than the last 2 years.

Correspondence/emails & letters received from members.



On David Kerr.

Ron Miller wrote:-

Sorry to hear of David's passing.

When we lived in Baulkham Hills he lived quite close and his kids used to play sport with mine. He was a great bloke.

Ron.

Tony Schembri wrote:-

Hi Graeme

Sad news to hear David Kerr passed on, I worked with him in Bankcard at S(M&G) in the mid 70s. I think he was one of the credit officers working with Alan Burrridge.

David always had a smile on his face, RIP

Regards

Tony

Mike Cunneen wrote:-

David was Accountant at Winsor Branch and his wife Michelle worked in our Bank also. She was at Seven Hills Branch when my brother Steve was Accountant at this Branch.

Regards

Mike.

On Ivan Briggs.

Ron Miller wrote:-

Very sorry to hear this but not unexpected

Kevin Nelson wrote:-

I worked with Ivan for many years and played many rounds of golf with him. A lovely man.

Regards. Kevin Nelson.

Ken Byatt wrote:-

I did not work with Ivan as he was principally an ESANDA man, but I know that he was very well respected in the organisation.

Cheers,

Ken.

Phil Cohen wrote:-

Hi Graeme,

Sad news.

I worked with Ivan over a period of a couple of years and found him to be very friendly and a real gentlemen.

Regards
Philip Cohen

On Barry Thompson.

Col Jefferies wrote.

Very sad to hear of Barry's passing

Colin Jefferies

Ray Brennan wrote,

Thanks GB Sad news indeed.

I remember Barry well from the days when I was in the "blue room " and looked after Canberra City which was a PBO at that time. We spoke regularly on the phone and he was always very pleasant to deal with. Another good man gone.

Regards,

RB

On John Punch.

Tony Knight wrote.

Graeme,

Received a call on Wednesday to advise that Punchy had left us, quite suddenly in the end.

Regarded John as one of my best ANZ friends after meeting him in early 70s and we later worked together in Corporate Banking. A true "relationship banker" who endeared himself to staff and customers alike. In later years he took over my old "Commodities" set in Corporate where he continued that basic street smart relationship role developing many friendships both inside and outside the Bank. At the time the organisation was tending towards tertiary qualified personnel in its Senior roles, but John was able to hold his own.

Some of the stories of our time together; and later his time spent with Cotton and other Rural customers became somewhat of an exaggerated legend. The customers with whom I still have contact speak highly of John and his ability to mix in all company.

Perhaps one of the best acknowledgements of his relationship skills came when John was one of 5 ANZers invited to attend the 2013 Meriton 50th Anniversary Dinner at the Overseas Terminal – two of those from ANZ were the current and previous Chairmen of the Bank.

Punchy will be sadly missed and my sincere condolences to Joy and his family.
RIP mate! Regards, Tony Knight

Mark Monaghan wrote,

I was so happy to have been able to have several chats to John about 10 months ago when he'd asked me to help he and Joy's son with his home loan Typical Punchie he had James call me after to say thanks and I said Gee you sound like your Dad As I said at ROC Xmas 2 years ago he was the first person I saw the day I joined 2/2/81

Best Regards.
Mark.

RESPONSES RECEIVED FROM HON MEMBERS GENERAL OR WHO HAD BIRTHDAYS IN DECEMBER 21 OR JANUARY 22 & RECEIVED BIRTHDAY CARD WISHES FROM THE CLUB.



To all our Hon's who are celebrating a birthday in February 2022

Barry Booth wrote:-

Hi Graeme, thank you for your continued effort in producing such a great monthly Newsletter. Having been Newsletter editor for the Probus Club I belong to I have an idea of the amount of work you have to put in. Season's greetings to you.
Kind regards,
Barry Booth.

Ian Stewart wrote,

Hi Graeme

Thanks to the committee for the birthday greeting card, received in good time. As noted in December newsletter, I was also pleased to receive a phone call from Phil Cohen recently. Phil and I last met at the Christmas Lunch 2 years ago.

I noted from the birthday greeting card the encouragement for ANZROC members to "reconnect" so what follows is written in that spirit. Graeme, should you wish to include some or all of the following in a Newsletter in 2022 I leave it to the editorial staff to deal with as you wish.

Our recent communication re the name of your street in Bangalow, (Jamberoo Place), led me to do a bit of research as to how this might have come about. Jamberoo is a small town just west of Kiama and one of the early settlers was a Thomas Fredericks. I believe some of his descendants moved to the northern rivers district many years ago. So I guess the connection may have originated that way.

I joined The Scottie Bank at Jamberoo and my career in ANZ spanned 21 years before resigning in 1976 to join the growing ranks of foreign banks in Sydney. To digress a little, other local Jamberoo folk to join the bank were John Robson, Alan Trapp, Barry Booth, Pat Walsh and I believe Helen Fredericks joined at Kiama branch.

From Jamberoo branch I moved to Gerringong and then Kiama before being transferred to Rockdale, Sydney. From there I was transferred to S(K&G), Bill Department. That started my involvement in the International banking stream and I was appointed as Assistant Representative to Ron Horne (Representative) for ANZ Tokyo Rep Office in late 1969. This was a formative role in a period of intense international banking growth. Exciting times. My wife Irma (formerly at S(K&G) and Citibank Tokyo) and I subsequently married in Tokyo in 1970. Next came S(M&G) Overseas Department and International Department NSW S(M&P).

I was fortunate to be able to work alongside many talented people in ANZ. I remained in the international space for the rest of my banking life, joining Bankers Trust subsidiary BT Australia, AIFC, Swiss Bank subsidiary SBC Australia and finally Fuji Bank subsidiary (subsequently Mizuho Bank). I retired from Mizuho in December 2007.

A few years later I was delighted to join ANZROC at the invitation of Mike Cunneen. "Reconnecting" and fraternisation with former ANZ colleagues followed. Thanks for the memories!

Kind regards. Ian Stewart

Janette Mitchell wrote,

Our Honorary member Janette has provided the following,

Dear Graeme.

I was very thrilled to receive the Birthday Card from ANZROC. Welcome to the "Hons". Thank you. Including a note from Philip Cohen in very nice, hand written words.

Thank you, Philip. Very much appreciated. The card arrived in time.

Am pleased to say I am now out of Hospital and continuing to have rehab for my fractured back. My GP told me it will be at least 2 months before I start to feel better.

I hate taking all these pain killers but if I miss out I am really suffering. I have had a very bad year, 2021, first fell and broke my left leg near the hip in two places.

Had to have a major operation for that and spent many months in Hospital and rehab. Because of Covid I did not get the rehab I really needed; all hydro pools were closed.

Am trying to make up for all that lost time now. Could not even see the physio, only phone consultations plus my Dr etc only phone consults.

I am taking lots of very strong pain killers. Even so the pain has been shocking.

Noticed in the last Newsletter that John Becroft is also celebrating his Birthday this month.

As I mentioned I also worked with John at ANZ Oxford Street Branch when I was a teenager.

I was able to go with friends to Vauclose House for lunch on my Birthday. We all had a lovely celebration, weather was perfect.

Merry Christmas to you all and your families. Plus, Happy New Year. Just love reading the Newsletter, thank you all. Really look forward to receiving it each month. Thank you again.

Kind regards
Janette Mitchell

Thank you Janette form these kind words , and trust you are now recovered and that 2022 will be better for you than 2021 was.

Great picture of our beautiful Sydney Harbour Bridge.



Cath Woodward wrote.

Lovely hand written note received from Cath who said:-

DEAR RON + ANZ ROC/NSW

THANKS FOR CARD AND BIRTHDAY GREETINGS.

MY STORY STARTED WITH INTERVIEW FOR BANK ON BALCONY AT PITT
& HUNTER STREETS BRANCH. APPOINTED AS JUNIOR TO HURSTVILLE BRANCH.
MANAGER, ACCOUNTANT AND MYSELF, JUNIOR. NO ADDING MACHINE, FIGURES
COLLATED BY HAND.

OUR FAMILY MOVED TO DUNDAS WAS LEDGER KEEPER AT EPPING BRANCH.

START KITCHING, JUNIOR WAS ON COUNTER, NO FEMALE TELLERS,

REQUESTED MOVE BRIEFLY IN TYPING POOL MARTIN PLACE & GEORGE STS.
BRANCH WEEKLY AND ANNUAL BALANCE
COLLATED, FIGURES ON MERCEDES ACCOUNTING MACHINE.

AFTER MERGER WITH K&A BANK, SHORT TIME AT METHODS. HANDLED
VOUCHERS, STORAGE ETC,

WHILE AT KING & GEORGE MY MOTHER DIED, HAD FRAIL FATHER AT HOME.

RESIGNED AFTER 3 1/2 YEARS. THE STAFF AND CUSTOMERS GAVE ME FAREWELL

LUNCHEON AT HILTON INTERNATIONAL SYDNEY, DROVE HOME IN STRETCH
LIMOSENE.

THANKS FOR ALL THE NEWS PASS THE ANZ ROC NEWSLETTER TO MY SISTER
MARION IN VICTORIA. EX ANZ WESTON RELIEVING STAFF, MARRIED LOCAL FARMER
AND SETTLED WITH FAMILY.

REGARDS, THANKS & BEST WISHES.

Cath Woodward

Cath also forwarded in the following 2 photos.



**HILTON INTERNATIONAL SYDNEY
ANZ TRAVEL LUNCHEON
FRIDAY 12TH AUGUST 1988**



**MY PRIVATE CELL B2
17/02/1976
PICTURE TAKEN BY JIM JOBENT STATIONERY.**

Cath. Thank you for these photos, which have lovely memories for you.

All the best from all members of ANZROC (NSW) and please look after yourself.

Graham Scarlett has forwarded the following lovely hand- written message.

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DEAR PHIL

THANK YOU FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY
CARD FOR MY WIFE, ON BEHALF
OF THE CLUB.

CAROLINE & I ARE BOTH WELL,
TAKING THINGS QUIETLY BUT
ENJOYING OUR LARGE GARDENING
AREA.

PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR ADDRESS
IS NOW THE SAME - NOTED
ABOVE.

KIND REGARDS,

GRAHAM.

PS CAROLINE & MYSELF
BOTH ENJOY & LOOK FORWARD
TO THE CLUBS NEWSLETTER.

Thank you Graham for these comments and all the best to you & your wife for a happy & healthy 2022.

Clieve Lennon wrote.

Thanks to Ron for the phone call and to the Committee for the Card for my 86th Birthday. Made me feel really appreciated.

Life for me these days is a far cry from the action of the city and comradeship of the network. I retired in 1997 but the banking years creep into my thoughts now and then.

Noelene and I enjoyed some of the world with John Mair, Ian Tredinnick, Ivan Devalak and their spouses early in the piece, I did some volunteer work for the Church on the Finance Committee.

We sold up in 2010 and moved into Nelsons Grove Retirement Village at Pemulwuy. We were both active in various capacities, One that I held on until recently was Barman.

Neither of us is travelling all that well. Noelene still gets around but the highlight of my week is Happy Hour on Friday evenings.

The Committee has operated at a difficult and unique time but top marks for their initiatives.

Regards to all. Clieve

**Members that is our January 22 Newsletter.
Enjoy the read & look after yourself & stay safe.**

ANZ Banking Group Retired Officers' Club (NSW)