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2024



Office:	Monday- Friday	10:00 am to 3:00pm
Bar*:	Tuesday	7:00pm to 10:00pm
	Wednesday	6:00pm to 10:00pm
	Thursday	6:00pm to 10:00pm
	Friday	6:00pm to 10:30pm
	Saturday**	6:00pm to 11:00pm
	Sunday	4:00pm to 8:30pm



Kitchen*:	Wednesday	} 11:30am to 2pm (Lunch)
	Thursday	
	Friday	} 6:00pm to 9:00pm (Dinner)
	Saturday**	
	Sunday	
	6:00pm to 10:00pm	
	4:00pm to 8:00pm	



* please note opening times may vary for special occasions (see back page)

** on Saturdays we have entertainment and possibly charge a small cover fee

Welcome to our 70 new members!

Ambrosia Nestler, George Schug, Daniel Holmes, Benjamin Cowley, Robert Harte, Luke Gobby, Philip Knowles, Bernadette Knowles, Elizabeth Clarson, John Mumford, Frances Thoms, Jaiden DiLanzo, Nicole Elischer, Jan Fromm, Ezekiel Gherardi, Summer Coutanche-Smith, Jacob Turner Polt, Toby Northam, Jan Herzberg, Claudia Stenger, Matthias Michel, Julia Remmert, Stefan Praxl, Alex Munut, Karl Hennicke, David Jones, Martin Doyle, Ariana Kiermeier, Dale Wembley, Gabriela Rath, Linda Evans, Matthew Ross, William Evans, Sylvia Parsons, Miles Parsons, Christin Boensen, Kate Welch, Michael Welch, Nicole Nachbaur, Naree Richardson, Sarah Mahony, Hamish Beer, Irmela Maluga, Dr. Gabriele Maluga, Dr. Gerhard Janssen, Gabriele Irmela Maluga, Michael Farmer, Margaret Swinbourne, Sven Werner, Bailey Scholz, Laurence Mann, Melissa Mann, Tim Koop, Emily Koop, Oliver Fonda, Jennifer Kosmala, Fiona Ung, Nicole Burman, Rodney Iseppi, Basil De Mello, Yvonne De Mello, Choy Lee, Sharon Lee, Mark Gavock, Carol Wong, Mary Egloff, Basilius Egloff, Greg Rosati, Meike Daeffner, Michael Peckham

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Vice Secretary	Maria Forbrig	0469 575 502
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Vice Treasurer	David Ramsay	0419 695 234
Cellar Master	David Vieceli	0438 755 156
Entertainment Manager	Brian Muir	0407 479 513
Equipment Warden	Hermine Wagner	0437 711 127
Extra Committee	Julianne Pulver	0401 685 268

Trustees:

Jeff Cadzow, Michael Giustiniano, Debbie Solomon, Stephen Brown

Club Manager | Social Media | Club Magazine | Accounts: Petra Weiss

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Note from the Editor

Dear RDC members, this magazine is here for all members to share their stories and experiences. This is what brings the magazine to life. Therefore we welcome your contributions for the next issue, December 24/January 25. Entry deadline for the issue is **Friday 8th November 2024**, please send your contribution to accounts@rheindonau.com.au



Erwin Selke

22 März 1933 - 5 July 2024

Erwin Selke was one of our longest Club members - he joined the Rhein-Donau Club in 1969 and was part of our community for over 50 years!

He was very loyal and supportive, and in the last few years you could find him at nearly all of our bigger events, together with his nephew Jason Ryan, who always drove his beloved uncle to his favourite place for a good German beer.



Manfred Apfel

2 June 1941 - 8 August 2024

Manfred Apfel was born in Meinheim, Germany. He was a dedicated member of our Table Tennis Group for more than 20 years, together with his wife Christina.

Apart from playing table tennis, him and his family (including 3 children and various grandchildren) celebrated many family functions at the Club over the years. The family also gathered together at the Club on the night of Manfred's funeral to celebrate his life. Chef Boby made platters of Manfred's favorite foods for them, including the pork knuckle! Christina said it was a wonderful night.



May Erwin and Manfred rest in peace. Our deepest sympathies go to the families in these difficult times.

President's Report

Dear Members,

With sadness I had to learn of the passing of our long-standing members Erwin Selke and Manfred Apfel. My deepest condolences go to their families.

The St. Martin Laternenumzug was well organised by Annette and Christine Reger from the Goethe Society. Many kids and parents attended, and it was great to have everyone back at the Club after the walk.

Thanks to the Edelweiss Dance Group we had another great Alpengaudi party. The Edelweiss Hall was full of happy members and guests and the bar and kitchen were busy all night long.

Later in August we had our Deutsches Abendbrot. Our two hundred guests loved the buffet style food that was provided by Dirk, Tina and Bobby. The delicious bread and pretzels were served by Fabio from Laib Bakery. This was an exceptional cultural event that attracted many German guests into the Club.

Our 66th Club Anniversary celebrations were attended by our past presidents, Wolfgang Leonhardt, Dieter Ducke and Marlene Porzig, the honourable Sam Lim MP, Councillor Terry Lee and many longstanding members of the Club. We all sang a birthday song for Senior group leader Rita Zeller who turned 89 on that day as well. Carmel Nimmerrichter received a RDC badge for 45 years membership and Julianne Pulver for 50 years.

The WA Mandolin Orchestra held a wonderful concert at the Club on a Sunday in late September, conducted by Robert Schulz.

Further to our major investment in the kitchen this year we also replaced an old, unsafe chest freezer and replaced old kitchen utensils.

The kitchen staff is wearing aprons with the Club logo and uniform shirts to enhance their professional appearance. Our head chef Bobby has settled well into the new kitchen and sales have improved a lot compared to the past years.

To keep up at busy events, the kitchen has now a second point of sales terminal.

I would like to thank Bobby for always looking after our members, guests and staff and for being creative when it comes to events and functions. We are getting a lot of good feedback for the great German food we serve.

After many years we have also managed to bring the joy of tap beer back into Karl's Bar.

As another long-term strategic investment, the upgrade will ease the workload of ordering, stacking, and recycling beer bottles, and will help to reduce the long lines for tap beer at the beginning of major club functions like Oktoberfest.

Just in time for Oktoberfest we have also upgraded the large, illuminated sign on North Lake Road to LED and replaced the sun damaged acrylic see through panels. In the next step the sign below will be replaced as well. The front entry garden beds have also undergone a little clean up and upgrade.

I would also like to congratulate our Members Julie and Graham from Dance Power for their 25 Year Business Anniversary.

We had a great opening weekend of the 2024 Oktoberfest season with our special guests, the Hon. Dr Tony Buti MLA, Kim Giddens MLA, Sam Lim MP, City of Melville Mayor Katy Mair and Deputy Mayor Glynis Barber, Councillor Terry Lee with family and Honorary Consul of the Federal Republic of Germany, Dr. Gabriele Maluga.

Wishing everyone a happy, fun filled and successful Oktoberfest, and I would already like to thank all involved in making that happen.

Steve Schlegel, President



Rückblicke

The Christmas in July table tennis fundraiser on 20th July this year was another successful night at the club. The band "Rhythm Deluxe", extensive raffle, prize giveaways and the table tennis skit added to a fun night. Many thanks to the club members who booked a table or just came along to support this event. And thanks to our entertainment manager Brian Muir for his Ray Charles act, to Annette from the office as one of our nuns, to our friend Christine and her grandson for their part in the skit and my daughter and granddaughters for helping in the skit and selling raffle tickets. And of course to our table tennis macho men!

Debbie Solomon
Group Leader





DEUTSCHES ABENDBROT



Aktivitäten / Groups at the Club

Group and Group Leader

Phone

Meeting Times

Billiard (Snooker)

Paul Muckett

0417 918 309

Weds & Fri 7pm

Edelweiss Dance Group

David Vieceli

0438 755 156

Sun from 5-7

Model Railway

Bret Hummel

0412 939 699

Fridays from 6pm

Perth Miniature Gamers

Michael Walsh

0402 408 778

Wednesdays from 6pm

Pistol Club

Philip Kroczek

0467 787 857

Murray Bow

0424 160 750

Thursdays from 5pm

Eagle Eye Air Rifle Group

Jeff Cadzow

0412 381 373

Fridays from 7pm

Folksingers

Irene Harrop

0488 585 850

Fridays 1:30pm to 3pm

Senior Group

Rita Zeller

0419 331 601

Fortnightly on a
Wednesday from 10am to 1pm

Table Tennis Group

Debbie Solomon

0427 354 153

Tuesdays from 7pm

WA Mandolin Orchestra

Robert Schulz

0490 868 344

Weds from 7:30pm to 9:30pm

WA Brick Society

Kelly Hanson

0438 593 646

every 4th Tues/Month (Ladies)
every 4th Weds/Month

WA Strategy Boardgamers

Greg Colgan

0424 109 976

Once a month on a
Sunday from 10am to 4pm

Neerlandia

John Zwartkruis

0434 920 252

Seniors/Bingo/other events
please call John for more info



66TH
CLUB ANNIVERSARY





Oktoberfest



Every Friday and Saturday from 27 Sept through to 26 October

6:30pm Adults only Tickets sold via TryBooking

Sun 27 Oct Family Day Oktoberfest from 2pm Tickets on Waitlist

What's on in November 2024

- Sat 2** WWIM Festival
All day event from 12pm
- Sat 9** Deutscher Flohmarkt
2pm - 5pm Flea Market
- Sat 9** DUO Best Friends
6:30pm Members \$5, Guests \$10
- Sat 16** Western Night
6:30pm Members \$5, Guests \$10
- Sat 23** TBA
- Sun 24** Members Meeting
4:00pm from 4pm - Save The Date!
- Sat 30** DUO Best Friends
4:00pm Members \$5, Guests \$10



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www.rheindonau.com.au
9330 6488 for enquiries
110 North Lake Road, Myaree



What's on in December 2024

HAPPY HOUR every SUNDAY
5pm - 6pm



- Sat 7** WAMO End of Year Concert
4pm onwards
- Sun 8** Kinder Christmas
2pm-8pm Member Families Free, Guest Families \$10 additional Guests \$5
- Sat 14** Members Christmas Party
6:30pm with Duo Best Friends - details to come

The Club and Restaurant will close their doors on Sunday, 22 Dec 2024 for the Christmas/New Years Period after another successful year!



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DEUTSCHER "Flea Market" FLOHMARKT

SAMSTAG 09 NOVEMBER 2024

VON 14:00 -17:00 UHR



Anmeldungen bis 01.Nov an
admin@rheindonau.com.au oder
telefonisch bei Pamela unter

0421970089

Folgende Infos werden benötigt:
Name, Telefonnummer und was
verkauft wird.

Rhein-Donau Club
108 North Lake Rd, Myaree
WA 6154, Australia



WESTERN NIGHT

SATURDAY, 16. NOVEMBER 2024



with
**Billy Higginson
and the Pale Moon Riders**

6.00pm till late

Members \$5 Guests \$10

**Put on your finest Western
Outfit and let's have some fun!!**

<https://www.trybooking.com/CVZNW>

**Boot Scootin' | Great Food
German beer on tap | Music & Dance**



THE RHEIN-DONAU CLUB- 108-110 NORTH LAKE RD, MYAREE
LICENSED VENUE WITH RESTAURANT AND BAR

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Dear Seniors,

Our group is still going and we get together every fortnight.

Our next get-togethers are on Wednesdays, 9.10, and 23.10.

We play Rummikub or cards from 10 to 1pm and new members are always welcome.

A few Ladies also take part in the Folk singing on Friday from 1.30 to 3 pm and Irene would like to welcome new members to join in.

Rita

Seniors Group Leader



Written by a 90 year old:

Life isn't fair, but it's still good

When in doubt, just take the next small step.

Life is too short – enjoy it.

You don't have to win every argument, stay true to yourself.

Cry with someone, it's more healing than crying alone.

Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the present.

It's OK to let your children see you cry.

Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.

Take a deep breath. It calms the mind.

Get rid of anything that isn't useful. Clutter weighs you down in many ways.

Whatever doesn't kill you really does make you stronger.

It's never too late to be happy. But it's all up to you and no one else.

Burn the candles, use the nice sheets, wear the fancy lingerie. Don't save it for a special occasion.

Frame every so-called disaster with these words "In five years will this matter?"

Forgive but don't forget.

What other people think of you is none of your business.

Time heals almost everything. Give time time.

However good or bad a situation is, it will change.

Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.

Believe in miracles.

All that truly matters in the end is that you loved.

Get outside every day. Miracles are waiting everywhere.

Envy is a waste of time. Accept what you already have not what you need.

The best is yet to come.

Table Tennis Group



Our Christmas in July fundraising event on the 20 July this year was very successful. Many thanks to David Ramsay, Paul Robson, Brodie Dawkins and Philipp Maurerbauer who participated in our skit (after many rehearsals!) and to the members who donated raffle prizes and came along on the night to support our table tennis group. During the night we took the opportunity to wish Philipp and his girlfriend Barbara a fond farewell as they were heading back to Austria. Philipp had joined our table tennis group for the year he was in WA and was a popular player. We presented them both with going away gifts, Philipp with a kangaroo skin Aussie bush hat and Barbara with a musical note pendant (she was a concert pianist).

One of our long term players, Manfred Apfel, sadly passed away on 8 August. He was a member of our table tennis group for just over 20 years. Manfred was born in Mannheim in Germany and first went to Melbourne before coming to WA in 1968, where he raised a family and went on to run a successful business, Manfred's tiling Service. Condolences to Christine and family.

A date for your diary will be Tuesday 17 December for this year's table tennis Christmas breakup. Details to follow in the next magazine.

Debbie Solomon
Group Leader



Pistol Group

Rhein Donau Pistol Club members travelled to Geraldton recently to compete in the ISSF State Championships capping off the event by winning the State Champion Team Aggregate Trophy.

Pistol Club members winning State Titles and Aggregate Trophies.

Jay Arsiratham, Men's 10m Air, - Katie Nicholls, Women's 10m Air and Women's 3 Match Aggregate, - Siobhy Nicholls, 25m Pistol, - Caity Worth, Junior 10m Air and Junior 25m Pistol.

Team State Titles, 10m Air Men - Jay Arsiratham, Mike Knapp and Raghav Bhat. 10m Air Women - Jane Steel, Katie and Siobhy Nicholls. 25m Pistol - Jo Muir, Katie and Siobhy Nicholls. Mike Knapp teamed up with Katie and Siobhy to win both the 25m Standard and 50m Pistol Team Titles.

Two Rhein Donau Club members who compete for other pistol clubs, Mike Giustiniano won the 50m Pistol State Title and Scott Anderson the Rapid Fire, Standard and Centre Fire State Titles as well as the Men's 5 Match Aggregate.

Our members both adult and junior were on the podium for State Title Silver and Bronze medals and others were successful in the Grade competitions, winning Gold and Silver medals.

Since then, club members have been busy assisting the Rifle Group running the Oktoberfest Shooting Gallery and we will be training for the last two open competitions for 2024.

Caity Worth is at the time of writing, in Canberra attending the Pistol Australia National Junior Camp and will then compete at the NSW State Titles with Jill joining her for a bit of friendly Mother - Daughter competition.

Members are welcome to try pistol shooting.

Rhein Donau Pistol Club



Edelweiss Dance Group

Hello to all Members

Our Alpengaudi was well attended; the Edelweiss Hall was full with guests - memories of days gone by... Alex, our new Musician, was excellent as usual - a fantastic Muso!



Medals for long service in the Dance Group were handed out. Julianne Pulver received her 50 year medal, Rebecca Harper received her 20 year badge and Mason Kemp his 10 year badge. Congratulations!

On Monday, 2 September 2024 Drew and Rebecca Harper welcomed a Baby Girl into their family. Her name is Ainsley Mary Harper, the newest member to the Dance Group. That makes now 4 Generations in the Group (Sieglinde, Susan, Rebecca, Monica and now Ainsley). Also Congratulations, Rebecca and Drew!



We are currently busy with our Oktoberfest performances. After the Oktoberfest we will have a short break and then start practising for the Cairns Volkstanzfest in Palm Cove, Far North Queensland.

Wir sehen uns im Club.

David Vieceli
Group Leader



RDC Küche

Anno 1958



- A la carte menu including a selection of authentic German, Swiss and Austrian meals.
- Catering for private functions for 30 - 220 guests

We have rooms available for your private functions, conventions or meetings, in the Karl's Bar, Sports Hall, Edelweiss Hall and Beer Garden.

For bookings please call the Club Office
Phone: 9330 6488 (weekdays 10am - 3pm)

Opening Hours of Restaurant

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for lunch 11:30am to 2pm

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings from 6pm to 9pm

Saturdays 6pm to 10pm

Sundays 4pm to 8pm

During our Oktoberfest the Restaurant is NOT open to the general public on Friday evenings, Saturdays or Sundays



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