



**CAVIAR WEEK**  
13-18 NOVEMBER

**HENSCHKE BLACK TIE DINNER**  
24 NOVEMBER

**CAVIAR NIGHT**  
7 DECEMBER

**CHRISTMAS LUNCH**  
25 DECEMBER



# RACA

## NEWS

NOVEMBER  
2017

### MESSAGE FROM THE CEO



Dear Members.

On the 18 October the Presidents Cocktail Party was held for long standing members of 25 years and above. It was well visited and all guests enjoyed the evening.

The Club held the AGM on Thursday the 19 of October 2017, and those of you in attendance heard the President's message stating what a good result we were able to achieve in 2016/17. The first

quarter of this Financial Year has started very well and is running ahead of budget.

This year we were once again required to run a postal ballot to elect the 2017/18 Board. We received 12 nominees for election and I would like to thank all candidates and all voters for taking part.

The elected Directors were announced at the AGM. The Board has remained unchanged from the previous year, with one new addition: Mr Morgan Kelly. If you would all join me in welcoming Mr Kelly to the Board.

The position of President, Vice President and Treasurer were determined at the Board Meeting that followed the AGM.

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| Mr Michael Callanan<br>(President) | Mr Graeme Jones (Director)   |
| Mr Jim Warren (Vice President)     | Mr Fabian Marsden (Director) |
| Ms Megan Lavender (Treasurer)      | Mr Nigel Renton (Director)   |
| Mr Robert Armitage (Director)      | Mr Morgan Kelly (Director)   |
| Mr Peter Reed (Director)           |                              |

**May I please remind all members that the Club will be closed from the 2 of January 2018 until the 23 of January when we reopen.**

**As you all know, we do this so we can action large maintenance issues we cannot get to during opening times. The club also gets a major clean and freshen up. We do apologise for any inconvenience.**

2017 has nearly come to an end and once again the past year has just flown by. I have now been with the Club for over 6.5 years, and I would like to thank all members for making me welcome and all your support and contributions you have made during the last 12 months and indeed throughout my time here.

As always at this time of year, we ask Members' to acknowledge the great efforts of the team by way of gratuity, your staff are always extremely grateful for your contributions.

Yours Sincerely,  
Markus Friedler - CEO/Secretary Manager

# MEMBER EVENTS

In the lead up to Christmas we have many special events happening at the Club - from Caviar Food Week at the Harbour Dining Room to our annual NYE Party at the Club; book now to avoid missing out!

## CAVIAR FOOD WEEK

13-18 November - Harbour Dining Room



Caviar was one served as an appetiser in the saloons of the Old West. In another time, it was considered extremely valuable and only suitable to be served to royalty. In November, our Executive Chef has prepared an exquisite caviar themed menu in the Harbour Dining Room for you to enjoy! Call the Harbour Dining Room on (02) 8273 2370 to book now!

## WOMEN'S PIONEER SOCIETY

The Battle of Ypres **\$35**

15 November 12pm - Macquarie Room



2017 marks the centenary of the 3rd Battle of the Ypres, which for many, epitomises the First World War. We welcome back Geoff Pearson, a Vietnam Veteran who spoke last year about Armistice Day, to tell us about this battle.

**Bookings/Dietary Requirements:**  
Mrs Lorna Stone (02) 9522 8924

## HENSCHKE BLACK TIE DINNER

24 November 7pm - Macquarie Room **\$175**

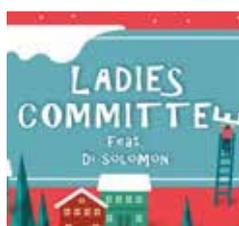


An indulgent menu prepared by our Executive Chef, perfectly paired with Henschke wines. Join the Corks 'N' Forks in November as they host their annual Henschke Black Tie Dinner, and celebrate the crown jewel of the evening, the 'Hill of Roses' Shiraz. This is an event which you will not want to miss out on!

## LADIES COMMITTEE

Christmas Luncheon **\$65**

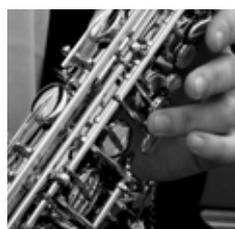
27 November 12pm - Macquarie Room



Join the Ladies Committee for their final luncheon for the year. A special Christmas luncheon featuring vocalist Di Solomon, where she will grace us with her beautiful voice and festive carols. Enjoy a wonderful afternoon over some delicious canapes, main, and dessert, as we carol through the afternoon with some festive classics.

## JAZZ NIGHT

1 December - 6pm - Members Bar



Join us in the Member's Bar for our final Jazz Night of the year. Talented musicians from the Sydney Conservatorium will be coming along to play some well-known Jazz standards, along with some more festive tunes for the lead up to Christmas! Also don't forget to grab some of our delicious Christmas themed Jazz Bites for only \$18 too.

## CAVIAR NIGHT

7 December 7pm - Victoria Room **\$215**



This exclusive event brings together Beluga Vodka and Simon Johnson; to create a night of luxury and decadence. Like wine and cheese, vodka is the ideal complement to caviar, as the subtle flavour of vodka, allows for the distinctive taste of caviar to shine. One of our most exclusive events at the Club, you are invited to join us for a night that is sure to impress.

## WOMEN'S PIONEER SOCIETY

Christmas Lunch **\$35**

20 December 12pm - Macquarie Room



Join us for our annual Christmas Party; a fun day of fellowship, food and frivolity. Mrs Linda Hurley will also be joining us for the day. Christmas Raffle tickets available, with the prize being a Government House decoration. A Bring & Buy table will also be available.

**Bookings/Dietary Requirements:**  
Mrs Lorna Stone (02) 9522 8924

## CHRISTMAS LUNCH

25 December 12:30pm - Harbour Dining Room - Child from \$84/Adult \$152



We pride ourselves on serving you the finest Christmas fare in Sydney, featuring the freshest local seafood, seasonal salads, roast meats, decadent desserts, and so much more. Let go of the stress of cooking a huge Christmas lunch and instead, join us and make memories filled with laughter, fun, and good times with your friends & family.

## NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

31 December 6:30pm - Harbour Dining Room - Child from \$60/Adult \$215



The Royal Automobile Club of Australia invites you to join us as we welcome the New Year with a cheer. Bring along friends & family as we enjoy the spectacular view of the fireworks across the Harbour at midnight! Book in for our New Years Eve Party, with dinner and drinks to ring in the New Year with class and style in one of the best locations in Sydney.

# LADIES COMMITTEE

On Monday 25 September, the Ladies Committee held their luncheon. 68 members and their guests were fortunate enough to have fashion designer Liz Davenport give a presentation followed by a special fashion parade. Norma Rosenhain a member of the Liz Davenport team also gave an interesting talk about the direction the fashion house is going.

It was a very happy luncheon and the Ladies Committee appreciate Directors Graeme Jones and Megan Lavender attending and showing their support for the Ladies Committee.

The final luncheon for the year will be held on Monday 27 November this will be a festive Christmas afternoon with Di Solomon leading us in the singing of carols. Di is a pianist and vocalist with a special creative talent which makes her highly sought after in entertainment.

The Ladies Committee greatly appreciates the support of President Michael C. and the Board. Perhaps we will see many of you at our Christmas Luncheon.

Regards,

**Mrs Margaret Dawes-Smith, OAM**  
President, RACA Ladies Committee.

# CORKS 'N' FORKS

Dear Members

## Tasting/Tour - 'Rounding Both Capes'

In the comforts of the Vintage Room, our final tasting/tour for 2017, we've tasted our way through 13 wines from South Africa and South America. The wines were served in brackets of four matched to some wonderful food.

My favourites were the 2012 Marichal Chardonnay from Uruguay served with spanner crab salad, and the South African 2015 Boekenhoutskloof 'Chocolate Box' red blend served with the braised beef cheek. The 2013 Catena Zapata Alta Malbec from Argentina served with some Taleggio cheese was the perfect way to finish the night.

There'll be more tasting/tours next year, so watch this space.



**HENSCHKE**  
**BLACK TIE DINNER**

24 NOV 7PM  
\$175 per person



Group photo from the 'Rounding Both Capes' tasting tour

## Black Tie Henschke Dinner - Friday 24 November

Corks 'n' Forks Black Tie (optional) Henschke Dinner is our signature event of the year. This year's dinner, our sixth, will have a roses theme, and will feature Henschke's 2010 'Hill of Roses' Shiraz which, as you probably know, is made from shiraz vines growing in the Hill of Grace vineyard that were taken as cuttings from some of the old 'grandfather' vines around 30 years ago as a means of securing the longevity of the vineyard. It's a unique, hard-to-get, wonderful wine, and will be served with five other red and white wines from the Henschke cellar. There'll also be an options game wine to test your vinous skills.

Chef has devised a bespoke menu to complement the wines, finishing with some cheese with which the Hill of Roses will be served.

Our dinners are always a lot of fun, as they provide an opportunity for members and their guests to glam it up a bit as Christmas approaches, and enjoy good food and Henschke wines in the unique ambience of the Club's Macquarie Room.

The all-inclusive price per head is \$175.

**Graeme Jones**  
For the Corks 'n' Forks Committee

To book an event please call 02 8273 2322 or email [eventsadmin@raca.com.au](mailto:eventsadmin@raca.com.au)

# RACA MOTORING

The RACA Motoring event calendar is designed to continue the Motoring origins of our Club and develop an interesting programme of events that will appeal to all RACA Members. Some events appeal to dedicated motoring enthusiasts while others will appeal to members who enjoy a pleasant drive to a place of interest, with a long lunch or meeting with friends and fellow members. We extend a warm welcome to all RACA Members to attend any of our upcoming events.

## MOTORING NEWS

Fluid Friday held on the last Friday of each month continues to attract members looking for an informal gathering. Great opportunity to catch not only with our motoring pals, but also other members in a relaxed atmosphere.

“Congratulations to the eight re-elected RACA Directors and welcome to newly elected Director, Morgan Kelly”

This month will see the RACA trophies contested at Sydney Motorsport Park in SA, SB and SC classes.

We will again be trackside to present the winners with the RACA Trophies. All Members are able to view these historic trophies which are permanently on display in Members Bar.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Sunday 12 November (two invitations)

1. HSRCA's historic race meeting at Sydney Motor Sport Park (Eastern Creek) including competition for the RACA trophies.
2. The Rolls Royce Owners Car Club (RROCA) Annual Display and Concours which will be held at Linnwood House, 25 Byron Road, Guildford NSW 2161.

## Friday 8 December

RACA Motoring Christmas drinks. An informal event to enjoy the company of RACA members from 6:00pm in the Members Bar for a meal and a few Christmas drinks. This year special guest, Barry Farr will be on hand to sell and sign his recently released book "Ferraris in Australia in the 1950s and 1960s".

## CONTACT

RACA Motoring Events and Bookings

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# CHRISTMAS HOURS



## HARBOUR DINING ROOM

## MEMBER'S BAR

## GARAGE

DATE	DAY	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	MEMBER'S BAR OPENING HOURS	GARAGE OPENING HOURS
23 Dec	Saturday	Open	Closed	Open	Closed	1500-2300
24 Dec	Sunday	Open	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
25 Dec	Monday	Open	Club Function	Closed	Closed	1100-1600
26 Dec	Tuesday	Open	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
27 Dec	Wednesday	Open	Open	Open	Closed	0630-2300
28 Dec	Thursday	Open	Open	Open	Closed	0630-2300
29 Dec	Friday	Open	Open	Open	Closed	0630-2300
30 Dec	Saturday	Open	Closed	Open	Closed	0630-2300
31 Dec	Sunday	Open	Closed	Club Function	Closed	0630-2300
1 Jan	Monday	Open	Closed	Club Function	Closed	Closed
2 Jan	Tuesday	Open	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed

PLEASE NOTE THE CLUB WILL BE CLOSED FROM TUESDAY 2 JANUARY 2018 & RE-OPENING ON TUESDAY 23 JANUARY 2018

26 Jan	Friday	Open	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
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# CLUB UPDATES

In October, the Club held its annual President's Cocktail Party for its long standing members. Needless to say, this event was a success as the honourees and their guests enjoyed a wonderful evening. A huge thank you to everyone involved in the organisation and planning of the event; a night that reflected the hard work and dedication of the staff here at the Club. The Trafalgar Dinner was also a huge success as members came together to celebrate Nelson's famous victory at Trafalgar with a beautiful three-course menu (prepared by our Executive Chef), and copious amounts of wine and port!



## BOER WAR MEMORIAL

Many members would be aware of the New Memorial to the Boer War which has just been constructed in Anzac Parade Canberra. The centre piece is four mounted troopers 150% life size in bronze.

During November the genius of the sculptor will be on display in the 3rd floor Bar area. This is the creation of the first mounted trooper in bronze by the sculptor Louis Laumen, which was copied to produce the full size National Memorial model. Brochures available have a photo of the Canberra memorial and a historical summary of the Boer War; Australia's first war.



## 7 DAY OFFER

We personally invite your friends & colleagues to enjoy and access all of the Club's facilities and events through our exclusive 7 Day Offer.

It doesn't get much better with a seven day experience; to the culinary flair of the Harbour Dining Room, pre-theatre drinks in the Member's Bar and an overnight stay in one of our Harbour View Rooms. Experience the Club just like our Member's do.

Member benefits range from unlimited access to the building, Members Bar, Harbour Dining Room, 'members only' rates when holding your next conference and events, 29 accommodation rooms with free Wi-Fi, valet parking, gym business hub, and access to 200 global reciprocal private member clubs.

For membership enquiries and to find out more about the 7 Day Offer, contact the Memberships and Marketing team on 02 8273 2318 or [marketing@raca.com.au](mailto:marketing@raca.com.au)

## WINE OF THE MONTH HENSCHKE



### Eleanor's Cottage Sauvignon Blanc Semillon 2015

Signature sauvignon blanc aromas of gooseberry, fresh cut passionfruit, and white currant.



### Peggy's Hill Riesling 2016

Fragrant jasmine, frangipani & almond blossom scents are complemented by signature Eden Valley riesling aromas



### Five Shillings Shiraz Mataro 2016

Satsuma plums, Turkish delight & rocky road, create a soft and plush palate with purity & balance.



### Stone Jar Tempranillo 2015

Satsuma plums, red cherries & raspberries. On the palate; soft, fine, rolling tannins intertwine with red & blue berries & spice.

## THE BOARD & CEO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

Mr Andrew Elfverson  
Miss Fiona Fox  
Miss Margaret Horgan  
Mr Lachlan McNeill  
Mr Robert Minkus  
Mr Nigel Moreton  
Mr Vince Nicita  
Mrs Esmee Sugerman  
Mr Matthew Trevillion  
Mr Anthony Whittle  
Mr David Whittle  
Mrs Noreen Whittle



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## CHRISTMAS GRATUITIES FUND

As members are aware, the club does not support a staff tipping policy. The trading results achieved by the club reflect not only on the support of members but also the service offered by all staff members.

The Board encourages member support of the Staff Christmas Gratuities Fund to ensure that all staff receive some monetary recognition for their efforts in making our visits to the Club as pleasant as they always are. Members will be supplied with a gratuities donation form with statements this month.

If you wish to contribute, please ring the club accounts team on 02 8273 2311

## CAVIAR WEEK 13-18 NOV



## FOR YOUR DIARY

### NOVEMBER

- 3 Jazz Night
- 7 Melbourne Cup
- 9 Faulty Towers
- 13-18 Caviar Food Week
- 15 Women's Pioneer Society
- 24 Henschke Black Tie Dinner
- 27 Ladies Committee

### REGULAR EVENTS

#### Bridge Club

Every Tuesday  
\$30pp 10.30am in the Albert Room

#### Regular Army Officers

2nd Friday of the Month  
\$65pp 2 course lunch & beverages  
12pm in the Members Bar

### DECEMBER

- 1 Jazz Night
- 7 Caviar Night
- 11-23 Christmas Food Week
- 20 Women's Pioneer Society
- 25 Christmas Lunch
- 31 New Year Eve Party

### JANUARY

- 2 Club Closes
- 23 Club Re-Opens

## NYE DINNER

**31.12.17**  
**HARBOUR DINING ROOM**  
ADULTS \$215  
CHILD (13-17) \$105  
CHILD (3-12) \$60

**Christmas  
Lunch**

**25 DECEMBER 12:30PM**

**ADULT \$152**  
**CHILD (13-17) \$125/CHILD (3-12) \$84**