

MAGazine

A Newsletter for Mature Age Gay & Bisexual Men
JULY & AUGUST 2018



Caring for each other, sharing friendships & affection with each other in similar situations to lead as full a life as possible

please check our web site www.magsydney.org



Our Regal Galabration

*Dame Harley & Prince Lionel
re enact the Royal Wedding*

Events planned for MAG SYDNEY INC in 2018

SATURDAY, 14th July — SWOP - Cameron Cox

SATURDAY, 28th July — Accommodation options for older Australians
- Rob Craven

SAT, 11th August - Our AGM - Annual General Meeting

SAT, 25th August — Growing up gay with Jesus & my uncle
as a lesbian raconteur - Murray Robertson

SAT 8th September - MAG's 27th Anniversary

A Masquerade Party will be the theme - MASKS ARE TO BE WORN

SATURDAY, 10th November — Michelle's photos of VIVID SYDNEY 2018

Please check out MAG's web site for up to date information on Guest Speaker/Topics etc

www.magsydney.org

Our Thursday nite social gathering:-

If you are not doing anything on a Thursday night, then why not join some MAG guys who meet at the Petersham RSL Club, from around 7pm. The RSL Club is located very close to Petersham Railway Station.

We chat over various matters, enjoy a very reasonably priced meal, drink of whatever - some of us even partake of a slice of beautiful lemon meringue pie with ice cream — off course it is 99% fat free - haha

It is a nice environment, with a relaxed atmosphere - everyone is encouraged and most welcome to join us

Please call David for further details on 0447 600 966



When I die, I want to be cremated.

I want to be buried.

I drank so much wine, I think maybe I should be bottled!

Found these gems on Face Book

I pray whoever is reading this, that every ounce of fear, anxiety and discouragement be removed from your life. May your heart be at ease and your soul at peace.



"Homosexuality was well known in the ancient world, well before Christ was born, and Jesus never said a word about homosexuality. In all of his teachings about multiple things -- he never said that gay people should be condemned."

- Jimmy Carter

This is what a real Christian sounds like.

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Greetings Members and friends,

My apols for anyone who was inconvenienced by the wrong date being advised in the Newsletter for the MAG meeting at the end of June. The 23rd was listed, when it should have been the 30th June.

Just to remind everyone that MAG has been meeting on the second [2nd] and last Saturdays of the month for almost 27years.

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On the **11th August** we will be conducting our Annual General meeting to elect positions of a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, plus guys for the Committee. **< ALL POSITIONS ARE UP FOR ELECTION >** even mine.

Anyone who is keen to hold a position, please speak to either myself or other executive members. Should you wish to help the good work that MAG is providing for older gay and bisexual men, then I say this - you need to be able to commit of coming in early on the day of a MAG meeting — to help set up, or stay back after everyone has left to clean up and pack our gear, up to level 1.

I wish to thank everyone who dressed **regally** for our Royal Wedding Galabration evening. We had more crowns, tiaras and surprisingly wigs at our function than were at the actual wedding !!!! Hahaha. **“Ginger Megs”**, as one Newspaper headlined one of their issues covering the Royal Wedding of Prince Harry and Megan — now the Duke and Duchess of Sussex. I am so pleased that some one won a prize from the scratchies that I gave to all who dressed in **REGAL attire**. This was my way to saying thank you to the guys who helped make the nite a terrific success. I also want to thank Lewis and the guys in the kitchen, John, Lionel, Trevor, David, John & Robert for a lovely supper. Thank you Mitch our entertainer for your songs, that had us dancing & to our waiter Neal for being so cheeky. Photographs of the evening are available from Michelle. Please see her at our meetings, as she took some great shots of *you guys*.

The photos are magnificently presented in her creatively decorated books.

On the 8th September MAG will be celebrating its 27th Anniversary.

Steve, would you have thought that your “baby” is now 27.

We will naturally be planning a grand affair.

A Masquerade Party is the theme -- MASKS TO BE WORN please.

I am giving plenty of warning for everyone to start to getting ideas ready.

I am sure we will have some great looking masks and outfits.

The \$2 discount shops sell lots of masks for as little as \$2.00, so there is no excuse not to be wearing one & adding to the fun of this evening.

There will be prizes for all wearing a mask & for wearing great outfits.

Anyone who is not feeling the best, I do hope you will soon be feeling well again. Please rug up against the cold weather and take good care of yourselves.

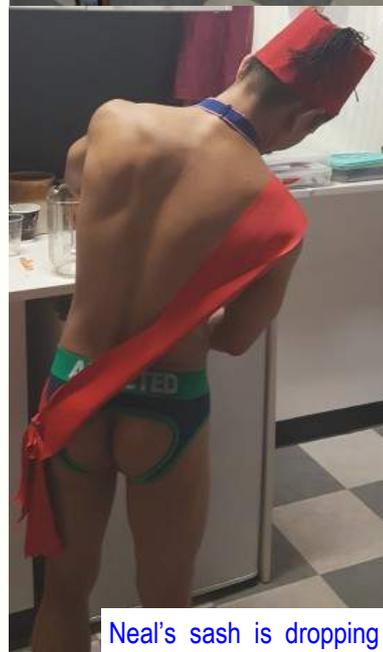
Best wishes. David MAG President

**MAY YOU BE HELD IN COMPASSION.
MAY YOUR PAIN & SORROW BE EASED.
MAY YOU BE AT PEACE.**

If you have the power to make someone happy, do it. The world needs more of that.



with Steve Ostrow



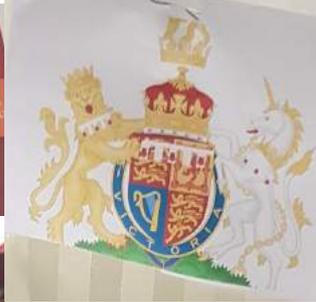
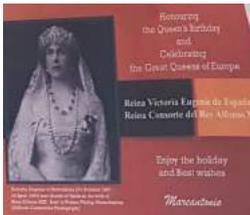
Neal's sash is dropping



with our Waiter Neal

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Photos courtesy of Michelle



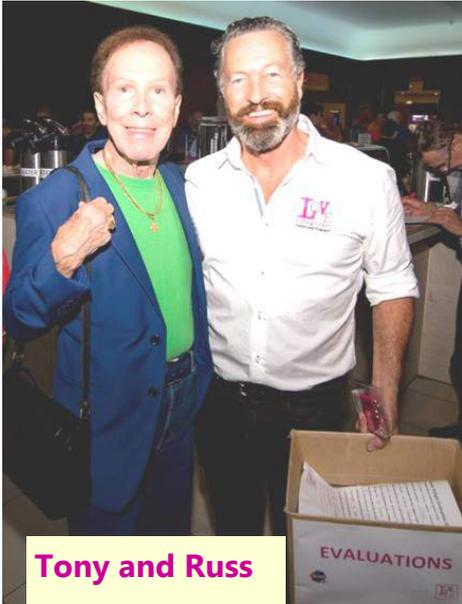
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Love Project's Afternoon Delight

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The Love Project presented "Afternoon Delight" on 22nd April 2018 at the Events Cinema. Good roll up of MAG guys were there and enjoyed the movies. Some of our guys were captured enjoying the afternoon tea, that included delicious cup cakes - served by lovely hostesses.



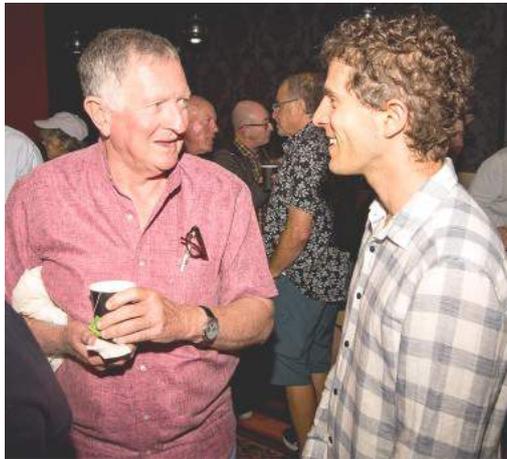
Tony and Russ



Lionel & friend enjoying cakes



Allan and friend



David and Justin ACON's President



Sau and friend

Vivid Sydney — May 2018



Examples of Michelle's photos from VIVID Sydney 2018. Michelle will show a number of photos from her large collection of Vivid Sydney 2018 to MAG members on Saturday, 10th November please mark your diaries



Photos courtesy of Richard Hedger, 2015

HERE FOR AGEING



Our LOVE (Living Older Visibly and Engaged) Project is about creating better conversations and improved social engagement with older lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) people.

FACT SHEETS

In response to consultations with community members and health professionals, a series of healthy ageing fact sheets have been developed covering topics specific to our LGBTI elders' needs.

For more info or to download the factsheets, visit:

WWW.LOVEPROJECT.ORG.AU

or contact:

Russ Gluyas | 9206 2017 | loveproject@acon.org.au



- Ageing and HIV
- Alcohol and Prescription Drugs
- Dementia
- Depression and Anxiety
- Elder Abuse and Domestic Violence
- Fitness and Exercise
- Health Checks
- Health Screens
- Legal Tips
- Nutrition
- Smoking
- Social Connections



Where & when MAG meets

We meet on the **second** and the **last** Saturdays of the month at
414 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills
 [which is near Devonshire Street]
 just up from Central Railway Station,
 from 6:30 pm for tea and coffee, with the meeting commencing at 7:00pm, usually with a Guest Speaker — every so often we might have a social, or a 'pop corn' night.

A light supper follows.

The Committee will meet whenever the need arises prior to a General Meeting.

David B is maintaining our Guest Speaker Lists. Should members feel that a certain person could give an informative talk at MAG, then kindly contact David on 9516 2063. He will be very pleased to hear from any of our members or friends.

MAG's Details:

Office Bearers:

Treasurer: Bill Alford 8096 4891
Secretary:
Vice Pres: Lewis Turtur 9319 1280
President: David Bowron 9516 2063

The Founder of MAG:

Steve Ostrow - contact the President for Steve's mobile

Committee Members:

Ross Mackinnon 0439 601 224
 Michael Darley 0408 359 989
 Trevor Pritchard 9369 4206

Our postal address is now the same address as where we meet:

**MAG SYDNEY INC,
 414 ELIZABETH STREET,
 SURRY HILLS NSW 2010**

Our web site is www.magsydney.org

The Editor: David Bowron

Our Community's Details:

Acceptance (Gay Catholics) Tel. 9568 4433. Friday Mass, St. Joseph's Church, Bedford Street, Newtown, 8pm.

Aleph Australia for gay Jews and friends, Contact *Michael* 9300 9700.

Asian Project Contact Min 9206 2080
bgay Community News - www.bgay.com.au.
 Contact Marc on 0406645075

Bobby Goldsmith Foundation [BGF]
to empower & support people living with HIV to live well
 L 3, 111-117 Devonshire Street, Surry Hills
www.bgf.org.au 9283 8666

Country Network for friendship and support through social events and networking across rural, regional & city Australia. Info at www.countrynetwork.com.au

Cronulla Gay Group - www.cronullagaygroup.com.
 Contact John 9528 9158

Cross Section for gays within the Uniting Church phone Des 9319 0722.

GAMMA - Gay and Married Men's Assoc
 Tel. 9267 4000 - www.gamma.org.au

Gaydownunder - www.gaydownunder.com

GLCS - Tel. 1800 184 527

SYDNEY GAY MEDITATION GROUP

+++SESSION DETAILS+++

EVERY TUESDAY 7PM, (*contribution - by donation*)

MEDITATION SPACE, 99 CROWN STREET, EAST SYDNEY
www.sydneygaymeditationgroup.com

GSN - Gay Sydney Nudists - www.gsinc.com
 contact *Tony James* 49725357.

MAM — Mature Age Men — Meets the last Saturday of month Sportsman's Hotel, Springhill, Brisbane at 4pm Contact Noel (07) 31721170 for more details.

MCC Good Shepherd — 6:30pm Sundays 37 East Street, Granville. Pastor *Robert Clark* Tel. 0412 481 195

MCC Sydney - 96 Crystal St, Petersham. 10:00am & 6:30pm Sundays Pastor *Rev Dale Yardy* Tel. 9569 5122
 Email — office@mccsydney.org

PFLAG - Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians & Gays.
www.pflagaustralia.org

SCOG - Southern Cross Outdoor Group: Bushwalks & other outdoor activities in Sydney area. Contact *David* 9698 9308.
 Email: southern.cross.outdoors.group@gmail.com

SPAIDS - Sydney Park AIDS Memorial Groves
 Dates on tree planting days kindly contact josken@josken.net

COMPANIONS OF HOPE - Meetings: fortnightly (2nd and last Sundays) at 11am, Level 3, 414 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills
 Contact: Bishop Peter on 9588 6893 or 0419 464 353
 Email: christ-our-hope-community.net

GONG GUYS - <http://www.gongguys.site90.com/>
<http://www.gongguys.info/>