

MAGazine

A Newsletter for Mature Age Gay & Bisexual Men
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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

MAG will celebrate its 28th Anniversary in September 2019



The Pollies Social Club celebrated their 55th Anniversary, at the Round House UNSW Pictured are the MAG guys who attended and *dressed to the nines*, to help celebrate this magnificent achievement, in silver sequins, organza, beads & feathers.

We all had a great evening.

For *dressing up*, were presented with a bottle of French Bubbly — nice.

Wayne, Andrew, Trevor, *mysterious* Lewis, David, with Raymond behind David.

Steven on his mobility scooter

Photos courtesy of Pollies

Greetings Members and friends,

A very successful Winters night in July social was held in July. Thank you to all who wore a beanie; and those who wore an array of different head dresses. The evening was most enjoyable. Thanks to our Catering guys for a nice supper. Michelle took some terrific snaps of the evening. A few can be seen on pages 4 and 5 of this Newsletter. Michelle has also prepared photo books of the evening & copies of the pics can be ordered from her. Please have a look at them, at our Meetings.

Thank you to all those wonderful people who have renewed their MAG Memberships. I am so pleased with the response. Our dear Treasurer, Trevor would be pleased to see any guys who still would like to renew their memberships. He has blank forms, if needed. The form is available on our web site. www.magsydney.org Just print off the form and post it to our address of **414 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills 2010.**

Our Members doings :- Claude H celebrated his 80th birthday & a few MAG guys attended a little soirée to help Claude mark this suspicious, sorry I mean auspicious occasion.

As you may have noticed on the front cover, a few of us guys went along to help The Pollies celebrate their 55th Anniversary. We had a great night. Thanks Trevor for arranging a table which was in a great location in the Round House, UNSW. **Congratulations Pollies for this magnificent achievement !!**

Our 28th Anniversary Social will be a really fun evening. We have 2 Pauls entertaining us with a show called "The Rocky Horror it-shrank-in the-wash Show". All you need to do is come along wearing a colour from the Rainbow Flag, or wear all the colours, if you like.

On a sad note, Member Johann Knollema died on 8th December last year. Johann lived in South Perth WA & was a great supporter of MAG. He would travel over to Sydney for the Mardi Gras Festivals each year. He loved Fair Day. The last Newsletter was RTS with a note saying that Johann had passed away. He was 82 years old. A lot of our newer members would not know Johann. May he rest in peace.

A few guys have not been in good health in recent months. We hope that you are all now on the mend

Take good care — David - President



I just loved their balloons at Pollies 55th



Trevor addressing the Meeting, as David greets Patrick [out of shot]. We both said at the same time, "I know you!!" Then laughed



Patrick telling the Meeting about his project on the Cooma Gaol



Another shot of our guys at Pollies 55th



Simon recording Patrick's talk

Photos courtesy Steve Warren

Events planned for MAG SYDNEY INC

SPRINGVALE LINE OUTING — Sunday 8 September 2019 — see page 6 for details

SAT 14 SEPT - MAG celebrates its 28th Anniversary -

A colour from the Rainbow Flag is to be worn, please. Or you may wear them all
It will be a fun evening. Entertainment courtesy of 2 Pauls -



“Rocky Horror it-shrunk-in-the-wash Show”

SAT 28 SEPT History of the Dykes on Bikes - Lyn Doherty

SAT 12 OCT — Pride History - Robert French

SAT 26 OCT — MAG Members Remembered Evening



MAG’s web site is www.magsydney.org

ALSO kindly check out our FACEBOOK PAGE for updated information - see details that are on the foot of all pages in this Newsletter

Our WEDNESDAY nite social gathering

Our social evening get togethers are now on a WEDNESDAY night.
Why not join fellow MAG guys who meet at the Petersham RSL Club,
from around 7pm.

The Club is located very close to the Petersham Railway Station.
We enjoy a very reasonably priced meal, have a drink of whatever.

Some of us partake of delicious desserts with ice cream -
Lemon Meringue Pie or Bread & butter Pudding -
off course all 99% fat free

Everyone is more than welcome to join us.

For any further information, please contact David on
0447 600 966

The best things
in life are free.
Smiles, hugs, kisses,
friends, sleep, laughter,
love, good memories.



THE FUNNIEST SIGN IN OZ

DON'T THINK THEY THOUGHT THIS ONE THROUGH



Thanks
Chris



ROGER



TOSHI & JEFF



MICHELLE



PAUL & TOM WITH BABY SANTA



BRADLEY



JOHN

Photos, taken by Michelle, of the fun of our Winters Nite in July. Some creative 'beanies' were worn. Thanks for Paul for keeping decorations from an ACON event to add to the success of our evening xxx



DAVID, TETSUYA & JIRO



JOHN & ROBERT



KELVIN



BEN



ROSCOE & STEPHEN



LEWIS & DAVID



Michelle's Card



TREVOR, PAUL & LIONEL

As we have mentioned previously, **MAG's 28th Anniversary** will be held on **Saturday, 14th September 2019.**



Steve Ostrow founded MAG with the assistance of AFAO & ACON. MAG's first meeting was held on 21st September 1991, at the Clock Tower Hotel on Crown Street, Surry Hills [which was Steve's Birthday]



Our Theme is for all to wear a colour from the **RAINBOW FLAG**. Guests **should** come in any colour of the rainbow flag, or even all of them. **We look forward to seeing some really creative creations.**

A terrific evening is being planned.

THE SPRINGVALE LINE Sunday 8 September 2019

This is the next in SCOG'S growing list of walks along old railway lines (Greystanes Quarry, Auburn Brickworks, etc).

As part of the biggest tram network in the southern hemisphere, the obscure Springvale Line connected the outer ends of two of Sydney's busiest tramlines – on Botany Road and Anzac Parade. It was used mainly for moving empty tramcars around the huge network. It closed in 1935, so just a few remnants remain. Our bushwalking completed, we'll check out other historic points of interest along the Botany Bay shoreline, including the legendary Chinese market gardens, horses, aboriginal relics and historic buildings and artefacts, and graves.

Our walk to La Perouse bus terminus is a short 5.5km, with numerous extension options, including a nude beach.

Board the **391 bus from Railway Square, Stand K, at 9.02am (Eddy Ave, 9.04; Kingsford Nine Ways, 9.22)** which gets to Matraville at 9.35. Bring sun protection, strong shoes, at least 1 litre of water, and lunch and morning tea.

There are additional food outlets at the end of the walk at La Perouse.

This is a joint SCOG / MAG event so you might make some new friends.

Enquiries to leader, Kevin, on **9819 6052**.



Thank you to all the MAG guys who attended **THE LOVE PROJECT's Afternoon Delight** events held recently. Your support of these events is very much appreciated by **your Committee** and in this instance, **THE LOVE PROJECT**.

A Sheriff in a small town in Texas walks out in the street and sees a blond haired cowboy coming toward him with nothing on but his cowboy hat, his gun and his boots. He arrests him for indecent exposure. As he is locking him up, he asks, 'Why in the world are you walking around like this?' The cowboy says, 'Well it's like this Sheriff

I was in this bar down the road and this pretty little redhead asks me to go out to her motor home with her. So I did.

We go inside and she pulls off her top and asks me to pull off my shirt... So I did.

Then she pulls off her skirt and asks me to pull off my pants.... So I did.

Then she pulls off her panties and asks me to pull off my shorts...so I did.

Then she gets on the bed and looks at me kind of sexy and says, 'Now go to town, cowboy.'

'And here I am.'

Son of a Gun. Blonde Men do exist!!!!



Zodiac Signs As Phobias

- Aries - Asthenophobia (Fear Of Weakness)
- Taurus - Neophobia (Fear Of Change)
- Gemini - Neophobia (Fear Of Boredom)
- Cancer - Athazagoraphobia (Fear Of Being Forgotten/Ignored)
- Leo - Social Phobia (Fear Of Public Humiliation)
- Virgo - Autophobia (Fear Of Being Alone/Undesirable)
- Libra - Decidophobia (Fear Of Making Decisions)
- Scorpio - Proditlophobia (Fear Of Betrayal)
- Sagittarius - Philophobia (Fear Of Emotional Attachment)
- Capricorn - Atychiphobia (Fear Of Failure)
- Aquarius - Claustrophobia (Fear Of Closed Spaces)
- Pisces - Dystychiphobia (Fear Of Accidents)



LOVE CLUB

Gathering



Russ Gluyas is currently recovering from hospital surgery.
All at MAG and THE LOVE CLUB wish Russ all the very best for a speedy recovery.
For information on THE LOVE CLUB gatherings, please contact Trevor Pritchard on
9369 4206 or by email trevm@ihug.com.au

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 intersection with Devonshire Street]
 just up from Central Railway Station,
 from 6:30 pm for tea and coffee. Our meetings starts at 7:00pm, with an informative Guest Speaker, or every so often we might hold a social, or a 'pop corn' night.

A **light** supper follows.

The Committee meets whenever the need arises.

David is maintaining our Guest Speaker Lists.

If any member 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:

The Founder of MAG:

Steve Ostrow
 contact the President for Steve's mobile



Office Bearers:



Treasurer/Secretary:
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 9369 4206

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 9516 2063



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MAG's postal address is the same address, as where we meet:

**414 ELIZABETH STREET,
 SURRY HILLS NSW 2010**

Our web site is **www.magsydney.org**

Editor of the Newsletter is **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

COMPANIONS OF HOPE - Meetings: weekly at home.

Contact: Bishop Peter on 9588 6893 or 0419 464 353

Email: petermons@live.co.uk

COUNTRY NETWORK for friendship and support through social events & networking across rural, regional & city AUST. Info at www.countrynetwork.com.au

CREMORNE VILLAGERS SOCIAL GROUP - 2nd Monday of month, 7pm — 9pm at Town & Country Bar, 2/350 Military Road, Cremorne - Maxx & John & Ian - Organisers

CRONULLA GAY GROUP - www.cronullagaygroup.com.

Contact John 9528 9158

CROSS SECTION - for gays within the Uniting Church
 Des 9319 0722.

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

GAY DOWNUNDER - www.gaydownunder.com

GLCS - Tel. 1800 184 527

Gay Sydney Nudists - GSN -

www.Meetup.com/en-AU/Gay-Sydney-Nudists
 contact *Tony James* 49725357.

Mature Age Men - MAM last Saturday of month Sportsman's Hotel, Springhill, Brisbane at 4pm
 Contact Noel (07) 31721170

MCC GOOD SHEPHERD WESTERN SYDNEY INC - Tues 7pm
 9 Carlton Street, Granville. Pastor *Robert Clark* Tel. 0412481195

MCC SYDNEY - 96 Crystal St, Petersham. 10:00am &
Sundays 6:30pm Pastor *Rev Dale Yardy* Tel. 9569 5122

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 contact josken@josken.net

SYDNEY GAY MEDITATION GROUP

Monday — 6.30pm. Heffron Hall cnr Burton & Palmer Sts, East Sydney
 www.sydneygaymeditationgroup.com

THE LOVE PROJECT - creating better conversations & improving social engagements with older gays & lesbians
 Phone Russ 02 9206 2017 . Email: rgluyas@acon.org.au

GONG GUYS - http://www.gongguys.site90.com