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**Meets second Friday of each month at 10.30am
at Balgowlah RSL Memorial Club**

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For the Meeting on Friday 14 October 2016

*Please note that renovation at the RSL Club is now complete and
all future meetings will be held at the Club as usual.*

Speaker's Corner: Our guest speaker for the October meeting is **Peter Headley**, who was scheduled to address us in July, but was forced to defer until this coming meeting! He is a regular speaker/entertainer on Cruise Ships and has a variety of lecture topics. We have selected for this coming meeting "**The Portuguese Discovery of Australia and New Zealand**". The discovery of Australia is of great interest to us all! Dutch explorers mapped our West Coast in the 17th century and English and French explorers mapped our South and East Coasts in the 18th century! Now Peter will enlighten us of the little known activity of the Portuguese in the 16th century, well ahead of the rest! The Power Point presentation will support the talk with visual evidence found in various locations. We will be much better informed after this presentation, so do not miss it!

Last month's Speaker was **Noel Phelan**, representing the Australian National Maritime Museum, speaking on the subject "**The HMAS Melbourne and HMAS Voyager Collision**". This was a very interesting and informative session, clearly presented with the visual aid of PowerPoint. Noel then included pictures taken on his recent visit to Antarctica, which were terrific, particularly some of close proximity to a group of whales .

New Membership Badges: Just another reminder that the new membership badges for all members are now available. If you have not collect yours at the previos meetings they will now be available at the this meeting.

Birthdays, We wish a very happy birthday to all of our members who celebrate their birthday in October:

Joy Simmons on the 10th, Max Cooper on the 25th, Leslie Ryan on the 28th, and Robert Stocken on the 28th.

Alex Richardson, one of our long serving member passed away peacefully on 7th. September and the funeral and a celebratory memorial was held on the 16th at the Uniting Church, Balgowlah. Alex joined the Club in 1987, and we celebrated his 100 birthday at our monthly meeting last June, and at that time he was awarded a life membership. We express our deepest sympathy and condolences to his family and friends.

WHARF REVIEW at GLEN STREET THEATRE, Wednesday 12 October at 11.00 *am*
Bookings have closed with 39 starters lining up for some big laughs at this great satire of our politicians who have made headlines this past year.
Car sharing is strongly recommended as parking at the theatre can be difficult. The show starts at 11.00 am sharp so allow yourselves ample time to get into your seats. Tickets are now available at Warwick Gazzard's home. It would be much appreciated if those attending would phone him and arrange to collect as soon as possible. 99495924 or 0418784724.

LUNCHEON at PITTWATER TRAINING COLLEGE, *Wednesday 16 November 2016 at 12 noon at Old Pittwater Road Brookvale*. Why not experience the talent and creativity of the students award winning restaurant, Northern Beaches Campus.

Cost is \$35 pp and payable at this meeting and includes a 3 course meal, house wine, beer, soft drinks and coffee.

Menu is:

Entre wild mushroom risotto or prosciutto with balsamic caramelised echelots

Main fillet of blue eyed cod with roasted vegies, olive & tomato source vierge

or fennel marinated pork loin with smashed potatoes & cider mustard source

Dessert vanilla cream brulee with fresh strawberries

or sunken chocolate cake with chocolate chilli ice cream

Note: the number of portions of each dish is limited as this is a training environment.

This restaurant can cater for 50 guests and to date we now have 36 reservations.

We need another 14 starters so more would be appreciated. Guests would be very welcome.

SYDNEY ROWING CLUB AT ABBOTSFORD. Our lunch at the Sydney Rowing Club was attended by 9 people and those who did not go missed out on a great meal and a lot of laughter between us all. There were a few spots of rain but that did not dampen our outing in any way and a great day was had by all who went. Would be a great place in summer as you can sit outside under umbrellas.

Tours: We are in discussion with Oncourse Tours and Travels for a one day coach trip to their "Windsor Heritage Tour & Farmgate Autumn Trail" next March. We need a minimum of 30 passengers to make the day successful. Watch this space!

Welfare: Ray Hamilton has contacted a number of members who have been absent from our monthly meetings to check on their welfare. He will give us an update at the meeting

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