

Members and guests.

Very good evening to you all.

I would like to introduce you to our very dear friends Fran Rosamond and Mike Fellows.

We usually meet together with Fran and Mike every Saturday morning along with a group of other friends at the Waterbird Restaurant at Manning Point where we catch up on the week, have breakfast, and then do the Sydney Morning Herald Good Weekend Saturday Quiz. These are fun mornings where we enjoy the scenery, social cohesion, and gossip. We also sing together in the Wingsong Community Choir most Thursday evenings.

We also know their wonderful grandchildren and they too have enjoyed Dianne's Cake Decorating classes.

Firstly, some more about Fran.

Professor Fran Rosamond is currently working at the University of Bergen in Norway in the Department of Informatics. Fran is developing education programs and is developing educational Computer Science programs for Norwegian schools.

Fran has received numerous awards in recognition of her work and some are:

1. University of Newcastle
2. International Conference on Mathematical Science
3. Australian Council of Deans in Information and Communication Technology.

Fran has also contributed to many published books and papers.

Apart from that she has a reputation of the 'Ninja Nanny' bestowed on her by her grandchildren.

Please welcome Fran to our club.

Secondly, some more about Mike.

Professor Mike Fellows is currently an Elite Professor of Computer Science at the University of Bergen in Norway. Mike has a hands-on role mentoring and guiding PhD students in their advanced studies.

Like Fran Mike has received numerous awards and recognition for his work. Some are:

1. Order of Australia, Companion to the Queen (Australia's Highest Civilian Award);
2. Honorary Fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand
3. Academy of Europe;
4. European Association of Theoretical Computer Science.

Mike has published or contributed to many scientific books and papers and is highly regarded worldwide for his outstanding achievements. He is also a wonderful educationalist and was a founding member of the University of Newcastle Science and Engineering Challenge. This is a program which we are still running today.

It is my privilege to introduce Fran and Mike to our members.

Please welcome Mike to our club.