



**Bulletin # 18 – 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021**



**Stephen Keating of Port Stephens Images**  
*Professional Photographer & Drone Pilot.*

After spending many years working in film and TV as an editor and teaching TV production at TAFE, Stephen now concentrates his photography around the Bay. This week he told us about the rules and regulations for flying drones, the use of which has grown dramatically in many areas ranging from real estate photography and identification, to surf life saving, to fire control, to agriculture and many other areas requiring aerial surveillance and security.

**Commercial** drone pilots must be licenced which is costly and involves a fair amount time and study.

**Recreational** drone pilots do not need a licence, but still must comply with rules set by the Federal Aviation Administration.

These include restrictions relating to flying over people, flying in controlled air space, and flying beyond visual line-of-sight. General privacy rules must also be observed. Complaints regarding drones are investigated by Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA).

With Nelson Bay being so close to Williamtown RAAF Base we are subject to controlled air space restrictions. As a licenced pilot Stephen can fly in controlled air space but must log in and out when wanting to do so.

Stephen intended to show a selection of his work in his presentation but due to computer incompatibilities (ours not his) was unable to do so. Nevertheless his presentation was excellent and thoroughly enjoyed by all present who bombarded him with many questions.

We hope to have Stephen back later in this Rotary year to talk some more about his profession and display some of his works.

In the meantime you can view his work at:

<https://.flickr.com/photos/wtftvmedia/>

**In this Bulletin:**

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**Birthdays 5/11 - 11/11**

Nov 9 Warwick Mathieson

**Anniversaries**

None this week

**Heads and Tails:** Doug Craike

**Raffle:** Henk Tobbe

**Next meeting**

**11 November**

**Door:** Richard Turner

**Grace:** John Stumchke

**Intro Speaker:** Don Whatham

**Thank Speaker:** Milton Williams

**Bulletin:** Chris Bartlett

**Photos:** Phill Smith

**Next week:**

**Club meeting**

**Plus: RTN Brian**

**Comley -**

**Behind the Badge**

**Next meeting -**

**Apologies/Extras by noon on Wednesday to**

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**Immortal**

During the meeting Henk Tobbe bestowed on Stephen Keating an Immortal Badge in thanks for the assistance he gave Henk and Agnes when their dog Bindi passed away recently.

The concept of the Immortal Badge was introduced during the Governorship of Alex McHarg in 2008-09. The badge is awarded to anyone who makes a \$100 donation to Rotary Foundation's Endowment Fund. Money in that fund accumulates and only the interest is used meaning that the money once received is there forever. Thus the term Immortal.



Visiting from Wagga was Bob Mitchell's grandson Sidney White.



On the other side of the camera for a change. Thanks Henk



### Social Day to Karuah - 14<sup>th</sup> November

Join us for a relaxing trip travelling on the Water Taxi to Karuah with lunch at the RSL.

Departing Nelson Bay 11:00Am. Return trip departing Karuah 3:00PM.

Taxi cost \$30 (You can use your \$25 NSW travel voucher).

Lunch at RSL at own cost.

**Merry Christmas!**



**2021 Christmas Party - 4<sup>th</sup> December - CWA Hall Gowrie Ave Nelson Bay**

**Early start 3:PM to 7:00PM. (home by Big Dog's bed time)**

**Buffet dinner including ham and other meats, vegetables, salads, desert and all the usual Christmas fare.**

**Some red and white (bubbles) wine will be supplied. BYO beer.**

**\$45 per head. If you have not already done so, book with Phill Smith.**

**Due to Covid we are restricted to 50 persons.**

**Annual General Meeting - Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

**Your chance to step up**

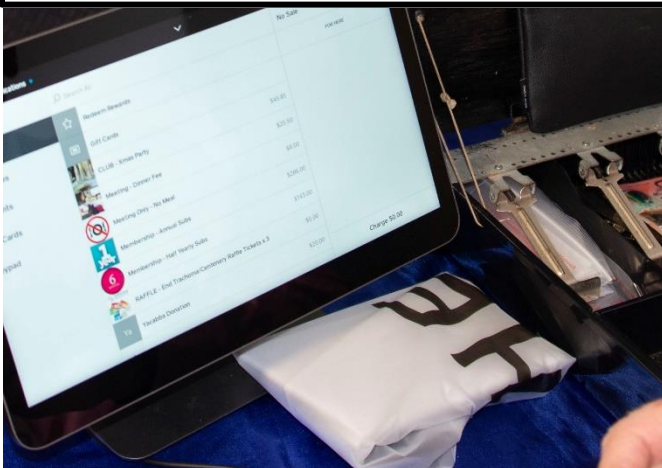


Usual format 6:00pm for 6:30 start



Bunnings will be holding their Christmas family night on 9th December and they have asked us to handle the BBQ.

They will be providing all the food and drinks and will pay us for our assistance. Unfortunately, this will clash with the AGM and we are needing volunteers to work there. Please contact Chris Bartlett.



**New Technology for receiving money.**

We now have a new tablet (replacing the square) that allows us to receive money from credit/debit cards.

The new equipment not only deposits money into our account but also details the payment making it much easier to reconcile. It will be a boon to BBQ income encouraging patrons to spend more!