

Aunty Molly's News Update

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Guten Tag, wie geht es ihnen

..... any idea what that means? If you're German you won't have a problem but, like us, you would probably surmise that it means something like "G'Day ... How are you?". And you would be right!!! It's the greeting we use to introduce you to our "OKTOBERFEST" which is one of our favourite themes of the year at Aunty Molly's and which will be held at **WANGI DISTRICT WORKERS CLUB** on **THURSDAY 12th OCTOBER** and at **DAVISTOWN RSL CLUB** on **THURSDAY 19th OCTOBER**.



Toni Stevens

This year we feature three performers: Your usual host **TONI STEVENS** who has specialized in Oktoberfest entertainment for more than 35 years and sings several German songs (*although admitting that all were learnt phonetically, and she has no idea what she's singing about!!!!*). However, German people love and understand it and Aussies know most of the songs as they eventually found their way to Australia with English lyrics. For 26 years she produced and presented her Oktoberfest show on the Sydney and Queensland Club circuits featuring 16 performers and now

brings some of her own special contributions to Aunty Molly's along with her partner for the day **ROSS MAIO**, the amazingly talented and multi award winning musician who is the consummate master of this remarkable instrument, which is an orchestra within itself. He is one of the most sort after



Ross Maio

entertainers for clubs, world class cruises, theatre and TV and will blow you away with his virtuosity and ability to produce the most incredible sounds. For many years Ross has produced his own Oktoberfest and now the two are together in one amazing show



Greg Hooper

which also features Toni's whacky musical directors for many years, fondly known as **GREG VON HOOPER** and known to many of you as a regular to the Central Coast and Newcastle and has also been MD to

lots of prominent performers including Judy Stone, John McNally, Col Joye, Lucky Starr, Wayne Horsburgh and The Beggs Bros (in Australia & the USA) plus several major productions shows including Monique Montez, "Dusty" and overseas the Jacques Renay's "Tom Jones" show in India; "Elvis" in China and is currently the resident MD for the Joan Sutherland Entertainment Centre at Penrith. But Greg now joins us for a fun filled day of frivolity with lots of good traditional German food, heaps of singing and swaying and plenty of Oom-Pah-Pah!! So, get your friends and your social groups together, book now and come and enjoy!!

For Reservations Call 4970 5105

or Email: info@auntymollys.com.au and see page three for booking details

Joey Fimmano - a Winterfest Wonder!!

After five years, we were delighted to welcome Joey again for our 2023 Christmas in July celebrations. Over six days of events, we welcomed almost 800 happy patrons with one of the finest variety performers, often referred to by Toni as “Australia’s Greatest Showman”, who held our audiences in the palm of his hand with his amazing talents both as a singer and musician, and with a repertoire of classical, international and popular songs to suit everyone.

We were also happy, once again to support Clown Doctors throughout our Winterfest season raising almost \$3,000 for this special Charity through



Joey Fimmano



Betty’s Starlight Dancers

small-change donation boxes and our Special Annual Clown Doctors Day held at Davistown RSL on Wednesday 19th July, when again we were joined by the lovely ladies of Betty’s Starlight Dancers, a group of mature Central Coast girls who delight in presenting the art of beautiful dance to many charities and aged care facilities. We congratulate Tricia Fortier OAM, Central Coast representative of the Humour Foundation, for her dedication to this wonderful cause since 2006. After all ... everyone knows that “Laughter is the Best Medicine”.

Toni’s Holiday Highlights

Toni’s recent trip overseas was a whirlwind holiday to visit family and friends in all corners of the UK. Leaving Sydney on 16th May, she initially travelled to Chiang Mai in Thailand to visit her nephew for a few days before heading over to London to meet up with friends in the south of England. First stop



was a tiny village called Cricket St. Thomas, where she enjoyed a few days relaxing at a Warners’ resort built around the manor house which was featured in the TV series “To the Manor Born”.

Then she was off on an epic journey, driving over the following few days to Plymouth (*Devon*) Southampton (*Hampshire*), Ditchling (*East Sussex*), Ashford (*Kent*),

Bedford (*Bedfordshire*) Boston (*Lincolnshire*), Rugby (*Leicestershire*) and Cannock (*Staffordshire*) and took the opportunity of visiting the Black Country Living Museum near Dudley, where many of the scenes from the TV series “Peaky Blinders” were shot. Then hopping on plane to Athens, she visited the island of Paros where her friend from the Gold Coast was



celebrating her 80th Birthday and received the OBE from King Charles – no, not the Order of the British Empire, but the “Over Bloody Eighty”. The poms thought that was hilarious – they’d never heard about it before!



Sir Lachlan MacLean with Angus McCaussie at Duart Castle

Then it was back to Scotland to visit friends, in Edinburgh, Inverness and Glasgow before her final destination, the Isle of Mull for the 2023 MacLean Gathering. Toni is a “Guardian” of Duart Castle and very much into the history. In 2010 she met the Chief, Sir Lachlan MacLean, when he visited Sydney and they have stayed in touch ever since. On her first visit to the isle, she learned how hundreds of years ago the MacLeans were at war with the MacDonalds and the MacDonalds with the Campbells and they fought many battles to try and claim each other’s land but,

as she says “they all came good in the end The MacLeans got the toothpaste, the Campbells got the soup and the Macdonalds triumphed with the hamburgers!!” She presented the Chief with a souvenir from Australia, a 3ft bear, dressed in the official Australian tartan with kilt, vest, buccaneer shirt, sporran ... cork hat and swag!! He was over the moon with his gift which he named “Angus McCaussie”. All in all, a wonderful trip covering a distance of over 2000 miles behind the wheel! She arrived back in Sydney on 1st July just in time to put the final touches to Aunty Molly’s “Winterfest”

2024 Will Bring Some Significant Changes...

New Venue and Great News!

Over the past few years, especially since Covid, we have all experienced the huge hike in all costs including food, some of which has escalated to 25% and more in price. We can all appreciate this when visiting the supermarket. At Aunty Molly's we have managed to keep our prices down to a reasonable cost knowing that some of you have an additional outlay for buses to transport you to our events. We have compared our current costs with other venues, and we are much cheaper in price for what we offer ... the best in food and entertainment.

CHANGE OF VENUE: As of March 2024, we will be moving venues from Davistown RSL Club to **EVERGLADES COUNTRY CLUB** at Woy Woy and the great news is, that we now don't have to increase our prices. The cost in 2024 will remain at **\$55.00**, except for weekend dates which will increase by just \$3.00 to **\$58.00pp**.

We have, however, also shuffled around the programme to include your tea and coffee at the end of the meal instead of on arrival. Coffee, tea and other beverages including alcohol will be available on arrival at the bar if required.

Remember, these new arrangements do not commence until February 2024 and we sincerely hope that you will appreciate that we always want to keep our prices affordable but never want to compromise on quality and we look forward to having you visit us again very soon at Aunty Molly's where "You're Always Welcome".

Bookings and Pre-Payment are Essential

A **deposit of \$10.00 per person** is payable, as soon as possible, to confirm your booking, preferably by Direct Bank Deposit which is, by far, the fastest and most efficient way to pay your deposits and balances with our Bank details being Commonwealth Bank **BSB 062-318; Account 1029 5494; Account Name RALI PTY LTD** and, most importantly, we need your **ID** which will be your NAME and the **DATE** of your function (for example: SMITH240523). Once we have your final numbers and your balance 14 days prior to your fun'tion date, we will send you an official tax invoice/receipt, which will be your ticket, although no need to bring it with you as your tables are reserved with your name clearly marked.

Our menu generally reflects the Theme of the Day, as we strive for authenticity with all of our shows. However, special dietary meals can be provided but need to be pre-ordered when paying your **balance 14 days prior** to your fun'tion. There are plenty of bus, car parking spaces and disabled facilities at both venues.

Also please note that these are private functions, and not club events, therefore all enquiries and bookings must be made via the above numbers or by email and not through the clubs.

A New Venture and Early Start for 2024

Aunty Molly's has always kicked off the year in March with our St. Patrick's Celebrations, but for the very first time, we will start the year in February, when we have secured another beautiful venue to celebrate "**VALENTINE'S DAY**" on **WEDNESDAY 14th FEBRUARY** ... the very day itself, and nowhere could be more appropriate than **VALENTINE BOWLING CLUB** and, like Wangi Workers Club, right on the shores of beautiful Lake Macquarie. The room is more of a cabaret setting with round tables and limited capacity, but with beautiful views and a great atmosphere and ambiance. So, it's a wonderful opportunity of getting your cherished ones together and "share the love". Our very special guest entertainer will be **GRAEME WRIGHT**. Read all about him on page six and call **4970 5105** soon to reserve your place.



Aunty Molly's Seniors' Entertainment Events

Presents

“Oktoberfest”

at **Wangi Workers Club** on **Thursday 12th October**

and **Davistown RSL Club** on **Thursday 19th October**

One of our all-time favourites with loads of singing & swaying great traditional food and loads of oom-pah-pah, with our very special guest and musical genius **ROSS MAIO** the consummate master of the piano accordion, our whacky Musical Director **GREG HOOPER** and your host, as always, comedy entertainer **TONI STEVENS**



And featuring lots of audience participation, singalongs and many songs that we have learned to love over the years



The cost is still only \$55.00pp – Book Now!

Arrival is at 11.00am for morning tea followed by a two-course traditional lunch of Pork Schnitzel with Creamy Mashed Potato and Vegetables plus a taste of homemade Sauerkraut followed by Apple Strudel & Custard. *Special dietary meals can be provided with prior notice.*

Book Now Call 4970 5105

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...and here's a big surprise for you!

Aunty Molly's

Seniors' Entertainment Events presents
A Legend of Australian Show Business

ISSI DYE

Appearing at **DAVISTOWN RSL CLUB**
on **WEDNESDAY 15th NOVEMBER** &
WANGI DISTRICT WORKERS CLUB
on **THURSDAY 16th NOVEMBER**

One of Australia's leading original cabaret stars with over 50 years under his belt, in the late 70's and 80's, Issi hosted his TV late night movie shows on the Nine and Ten networks in Melbourne, Brisbane and Sydney.... The first late night program on Australian TV. He has appeared on every major TV show during this time including Countdown, The Bert Newton, Don Lane and Ernie Sigley Shows, Kerry Anne Morning Shows, Family Feud, Channel Nine Telethons and many, many more around Australia. During the 60's, 70's and 80's, he supported visiting overseas stars such as Roy Orbison, Ray Charles, The Beach Boys, The Platters, The Supremes, The Everly Brothers and Aussie performers Johnny Farnham, Normie Rowe, Johnny Young, Brian Cadd, Russell Morris, Colleen Hewitt and, again, many more! Based in Melbourne and, on this occasion, travelling to perform at festivals in Queensland, we are delighted to have the unique opportunity of welcoming this amazing performer for a rare opportunity of seeing a colourful and consummate professional at work.



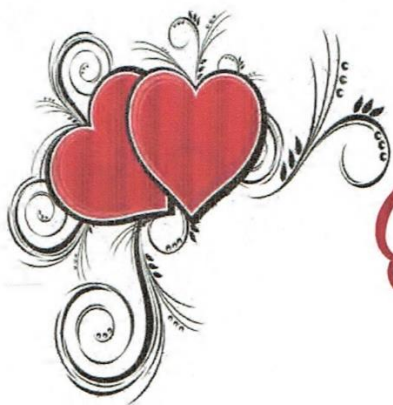
**Why not make it your end of year
pre-Christmas Special?**

Enjoy morning tea from 11am, then a delicious two course
lunch and all entertainment for just **\$55.00** per person

Call 4970 5105 for Enquiries and Reservations

Please note: A deposit of \$10.00 per person is payable to confirm your reservation and we ask if you would kindly keep us up to date with your numbers, then final numbers and balance is due 14 days prior to the event. Also, please note that all bookings should be made only on the above number – not at the club – Thank you!

Aunty Molly's Seniors' Entertainment Events
presents for the very first time



St Valentine's Day Celebrations

at **Valentine Bowling Club** on
Wednesday 14th February 2024

Join us for this romantic day of fine food, fun and entertainment presented by the eloquent and debonaire, classically trained tenor

GRAEME WRIGHT

Having been in the company of Pavarotti and Carreras and featured in several award-winning production shows, Graeme presents diverse and vibrant performance with songs from Lanza to Warlow, Orbison to Tom Jones & Elvis. Indeed, a very versatile entertainer who will charm you with his suave and gentle nature. He has performed on many cruise ships, clubs, cabaret and theatres in NSW and Interstate. This is a once only opportunity of catching Graeme in action along with your host, comedy entertainer **TONI STEVENS**. Limited seats available. The day includes a two-course lunch, tea and coffee and the menu will be announced soon! Book now and be sure of your reservation.



The cost is only \$55.00pp

Call 4970 5105 or Email info@auntymollys.com.au

A 10.00pp deposit will secure your booking with final numbers and payment 14 days prior to the event. This is a private function and all booking and enquiries need to be processed via the above numbers and not at the Club. Please call for more information and newsletter. Many thanks





Aunty Molly's

Seniors' Entertainment Events at
Wangi District Workers Club on

Tuesday 2nd, Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th July 2024

& *Everglades Country Club* on

Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th, Thursday 25th & Friday 26th July 2024

Join us for our 2024 Mid-Year Christmas Celebrations

“Winterfest”

Arriving at 11.00 am, it'll be a real Christmas affair. Why not spend a little time exploring the great facilities offered by these exclusive venues and above all, drinks at club prices!! Featuring your host comedy entertainer **Toni Stevens** with very special guest the multi-talented, multi award winning showman



DANNY ELLIOTT



With many show biz awards under his belt, we are thrilled to welcome this amazing entertainer back with his unique musical, vocal talents and his exciting show full of fun!

Also included is a delicious traditional two course Christmas lunch, unlimited Tea & Coffee with all the usual trimmings plus loads of entertainment. (Special Dietary meals must be pre-ordered)

All this for only \$55.00 pp (Weekend \$58)

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