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Meetings held at the Bridge Club, Edith Hopper Park, Ladies Mile, Manly - first Tuesday of each month.

Meeting Tuesday 4th February 2020 at 9.30am.

Club speaker is **Ken Littlejohn**.

Our guest speaker is **Heather Woodards of ASB - 'Fraud Awareness and Scams'**.

Hosted & Introduced by **George Tregidga**, thanked by **David Gatland**.

Hosts for the day : David Gatland & Fergus Small.

If it isn't too late, may I wish you a **Very Happy 2020!** We are already one month into the year and it's almost time for the club's **Annual General Meeting** in March. Following the AGM we will hand over to the new committee, all bright-eyed and bushy-tailed, ready to take on the remainder of the year.

On that subject, we are looking for a few new members to join and take on some jobs for us. The positions we are looking to fill are 1) speakers' convenor, 2) trips' convenor, and 3) Door Prizes.

The March edition of the bulletin will be my last (a job I have been doing for four years, having taken it over from Graeme McIntosh when Peter Odendaal was President) and it really needs a fresh pair of eyes to put it together and edit.

This edition is a much shorter one than previous months as I deliberately 'bloomed' it out when John McColl stepped down from adding his famous 3rd Page – named as that because the bulletin used to occupy two A4 sides, thus making the rest '3rd Page'. Recent discussions in the committee questioned the size of the bulletin and format, between 4 and six pages, so this edition gets it back, more or less, to where it used to be. Happily I can announce that Garth Dutton has offered to take over the bulletin and is already looking at a 're-format'!

Don't forget, the club's **AGM** and the handover to the new committee in March.

Regards,
Malcolm

Cinema Group

Happy new year to you all.

Well January is almost over and it's time for the club to get underway for 2020. I have picked **Tuesday 4th February** as our first movie night for the year, after our first club meeting. There is a choice of three films that members could be interested in two are already showing being, **'1917'** and **'A beautiful day in the neighbourhood'**. With starting date of Thursday 30th, **'Midway'**. Session times for the 4th should be out this Tuesday at which time I will contact you all. With luck two of these films will be a similar times late afternoon. I have picked **Picador Restaurant** in the New World shopping centre for dinner.

Is there anybody in the membership who would be happy to take on the role of organising the monthly cinema visit? I have been doing the planning and organising for two years and would like to hand it over to somebody else, to allow my wife and I to spend more time away, travelling. If so, please contact me and have a chat. It will be a non-committee role and with the current attendance numbers increasing for the cinema visits, it has been a great success and well worthwhile continuing.

Although I have arranged the next viewing, I will be away mid-February until late March, so please think about offering. I repeat, it is a non-committee job and with a membership of around 110, there must be someone willing to take over. My email address is below and my telephone number is in the club directory. Many thanks.

Regards, George.

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OUTINGS

February will be the **BBQ in Wenderholm**, on **Tuesday 18th**. Meat and salads will be provided, but we need you to bring plates, cutlery, glasses and grog. Also, some tables, chairs and barbeque hardware would be most welcome. **\$10 per person** for a good day out. Arrive at 11.30am and the cooking should be underway.

In **March** we will be going to **Brick Bay** on 17/3/20. A **Car Excursion** is planned for **April**, on 21/4/20. (Used to be called a 'Rally' until insurance companies got upset!)

Our **Christmas Lunch** was at the **Gulf Harbour Yacht Club** on **Tuesday, December 10th**.



We had a fine lunch and excellent live music by a duo called **Dual Motion** with Billie Hart & Leon Reynolds – based on clarinet and flute, keyboard and saxophone. Many thanks to all involved in setting it up, in particular, Bob Hagan who did all the organising, chef wrangling and worrying on behalf of the committee, and Julian Joy for arranging the musicians through his contacts and work on the committee of the Daphne Stevens scholarship.



A couple of thoughts...

Give a million monkeys a million typewriters and a million years, they'll eventually write Shakespeare. Give them an hour though, and they could probably bang out the U.S. president's next speech.

When I was a kid, you didn't need to say 'Don't try this at home', because we weren't a bunch of morons.

Puzzle corner

Glad to hear there were some correct answers to the last puzzle: Yes $4 \times 2178 = 8712$, is the only 4-digit number that works.

For this month we have a very practical one:

I spend a lot of time shifting furniture. A common problem arises when we must shift long objects around passage corners. What is the longest thin object that can be moved around a corner in a passage which is one-and-a-half metres wide, assuming it must be kept level throughout?

Graeme Wake

DSc FRSNZ, Professor Emeritus of Industrial Mathematics, and Principal, Wakes' Scientific Consulting (Wakescience)

Meeting Attendance 3rd December 2019.

Total membership 107, attendees 67 (62.62%), guests 1, apologies 15, silent 25. Members are respectfully reminded that an [apology to the Secretary, or any other attendee, to be recorded at the door.](#)

Welfare – should you know of any member who is unwell, please contact **John Sarcich** – 09 426 8223, or Email pyeguys@xtra.co.nz



Morning tea Roster: Bill Dowds, Mike Peake.

Reserve: Murray Paterson, 09 424 1027 Please contact him if you are unable to come.



February – Paul Wilkinson (2/2), Wayne Pointon (17/2), Colin Cathro (28/2), Bill Davis (14/2), David Winks (27/2), Karl Skeie (2/2), Des Fox (18/2)

and from our famous people catalogue :-

'Babe' Ruth (6/2), Ronald Reagan (6/2), Abraham Lincoln (12/2), George Washington (22/2), John Travolta (18/2), Buffalo Bill Cody (26/2), Charles Dickens (7/2), John McEnroe (16/2) & Pierre Auguste Renoir (25/2).

The two most important days in your life are the day you were born, and the day you figure out why. - Mark Twain

A very Happy Birthday to you all.

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Obituary



It is with sadness we announce the death of **George Kitson** on January 24th 2020. George had been a member since June 1st 2005 and was Trips' Convenor in 2007.

His funeral was held on January 29th at Grange Manor, 400 Dominion Road, Mt. Eden at 10.30am.

Our thoughts are with George's wife Margot and family. A condolence card has been sent on behalf of the Rebus Club.