

## ARPPA Newsletter July 2012

### **June Luncheon**

This was a lovely luncheon held at the Sydney Rowing Club at Abbotsford. The most pleasurable form of transport to the venue was to catch the River Cat at Circular Quay and enjoy the ferry ride under the Harbour Bridge and then alight at Abbotsford wharf with a short walk to the Club.

In the absence of our President, who we believe was somewhere in Mongolia (?), Tom Croker welcomed everyone especially new members Trish and John Eggleston and John Dawson. It was also wonderful to see Ray Causley out and about and the improvement he has already made after his stroke. To both Heather and Ray we wish you well.

### **Strike Days**

Sometimes it is good to be on the sidelines and with the conflict that is going on between the NSW Coalition Government and teachers the role of the Principal once again becomes more stressful. It is almost back to the Metherell years and keeping schools functioning and morale high becomes more difficult for Principals. Good luck to all those out there doing what is best for their school and education generally.

### **Fees**

Members are advised that membership fees for 2012-13 are due from 1<sup>st</sup> July. The annual fee remains unchanged at \$50 per annum and can be paid in either of three ways.

- 1) In cash or by cheque to the Treasurer at our next function, OR.
- 2) By post.... send your cheque to The Treasurer, ARPP, 34 Kareela Road, BAULKHAM HILLS, 2153. OR
- 3) By Direct Debit to the ARPP Account at the Commonwealth Bank, BSB: 06 2668 Account Number: 10152151- include your name for bank ID purposes.

A receipt will be issued to you. New members should include an address and an email address for our continuing correspondence.

Your membership entitles you to attend our functions at a discounted rate. Value for money and a good time is assured.

### **Elections**

Shortly you will receive information about the election of Office Bearers for the next two years. Please consider standing for positions as we welcome new people with fresh ideas on how to keep the collegiality going amongst retired principals. Dennis Suttling has already volunteered to be the Returning Officer and with his skill of getting letters published in the Sydney Morning Herald I am sure he will carry out his duties admirably.

### **Golf Day 2012**

The second Annual EdPlan/ ARPP Golf Day will be held at Castle Hill Country Club on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2013. Please circle the date in your diary.

This event promises to become one of the highlights of the ARPP Year and will include a game of Golf on one of Sydney's top courses, in a cart if that is your preference and with a

presentation of some excellent prizes and Trophies. This year, to make travel easier, the game will commence at midday.

We expect to keep the cost to ARPP members and EdPlan clients to a minimum with some very worthwhile sponsorships.

All members of ARPP are welcome to attend this event that will have sections for men and women players who are Social Golfers or Golf Club Members.

You will receive further notification in the New Year ..... but please note the dates down NOW!

Further information, if required, is available from Graham Hayton on 0409397028.

### **Luncheon at Wollongong**

You will receive information soon about this function from our event organiser, Tom Croker as it is to be held in August.

### **Who Is This?**



Captain Cook?

Superman?

It is our own Brian Powyer cleaning up Australia !!!!!

### **Jokes and Comments for Retired People**

#### **Section 1. Wine Jokes:**

“An old woman was sipping on a glass of wine while sitting on the verandah with her husband and she says, ‘I love you so much, I don’t know how I could ever live without you’

..... her husband asks, 'Is that you or the wine talking? ..... she replies, 'it's me ..... talking to the wine!'

Wife of retired principal who enjoys a good bottle of red: "Red wine is good for him it makes him sleepy and then I can get the remote and watch whatever television program I want."

## **Section 2. Some statements on old age**

"The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for."

"Ah being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable."

"Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me! I want people to know why I look this way. I've travelled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved."

## **And my favourite is about our memories:**

"Two elderly gentlemen sitting in the lounge room while the wives are in the kitchen. One says to the other "We went to a lovely restaurant last night." The other says "What was the name of it?"

The first gentleman states "You know I can't remember it but if you can just help me. You know the name of the famous English flower that smells so lovely and has some beautiful red or yellow colours and is always linked to England?"

The other replies "You mean the rose."

The first says "Yes that's it!" then he turns to the kitchen and calls out "Rose, what was the name of that restaurant we ate at last night?"

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