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Office:	Monday- Friday	10.00 am to 3.00pm
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	Sunday	4.00pm to 8.30pm
Kitchen*:	Wednesday	6.00pm to 9.00pm
	Friday	6.00pm to 9.00pm
	Saturday**	6.30pm to 10.00pm
	Sunday	4.00pm to 8.00pm

* please note opening times may vary for special occasions

** on Saturdays we have entertainment and charge a small cover fee

Welcome to our new members!

“HERZLICH WILLKOMMEN” to our 13 new members!

Mark Tidman, Robert Tidman, Len De Sales, Nola De Sales, Helmut Dobelstein, Teresa Ramon Del Gardo, Anja Härtel, Mathew John Polmear, Anya-Marie Polmear, Kester Polmear, Glen Hallissy, Rashidah McCormack, Ian David Harrison



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Note from the Editor Dear RDC members, this magazine is here for all members to share their stories and experiences. This is what brings the magazine to life. Therefore we welcome your contributions for the next issue, October/November 2023. Entry deadline for the issue is 8th September 2023, please send your contribution to accounts@rheindonau.com.au

Thank you- Petra

In Remembrance

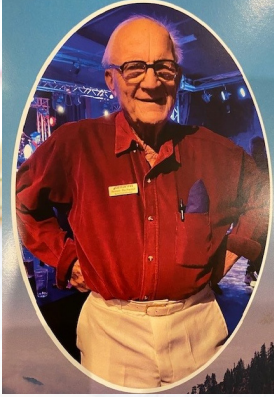
It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of

Hermann Scheidler

passed away on 16 June
2023 in hospital.

His funeral was held on 28th
June.

Hermann joined the Rhein-
Donau Club in 1998. He was
a member of our community
for 25 years.



We are also very saddened to hear about
the passing of

Joachim Burmeister

on 16 June.

Achim was well known to many of our members
and very engaged in the German community here in
Perth.



May Hermann and Achim rest in peace.

Our deepest sympathies go to their families
in these difficult times.

Just before the magazine was finished we got the very sad news that

Rolf de Groot

one of our long standing members passed away on
Thursday, 20 June 2023.

Rolf was 91 years old.

He was a passionate member of the European Model Railway Group
here at the Club. May he rest in peace.

Our deepest sympathies go to Rolf's family in these difficult times.



AFTERGLOW - Unknown

*I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun;
Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.*

Günter Best - Obituary

It is some 50 years ago I had the pleasure of meeting Günter Best. Since that first meeting, Günter and I became friends and over the years we exchanged many stories and details about our respective lives. The following is a brief reflection on Günter's life and its major events as given to me or as I remember them.

Time was his fascination, watches and clocks his world.

Günter was born on 25 Sept.1939 in Blankenrath, a small village in the German state of Rhineland Palatinate. His father, a teacher, was conscripted at the start of the second world war and was sadly killed in action. The loss of his father, whom he greatly adored, was a terrible blow to young Günter,. He hated the war causing death of millions.. His upbringing was now left solely to his mother.

One day when Günter visited a friend of his father at his watchmaker shop he was immediately fascinated by the variety of watches and their ticking. His interest in watches was aroused. A couple of years later his class visited Feuchtwangen and its clock museum. Here Günter was absolutely amazed by the seemingly endless display of clocks and watches. Their ticking was music to his ears. It was then he knew that his vocation in life was to become a watchmaker.

Günter left school at 15 and began an apprenticeship as a jeweller and watch maker at his father's friend's business. Here he started from scratch, learning how to repair all manner of time pieces, from the smallest to the largest. These ranged from intricate wrist and pocket watches to cuckoo clocks, grand-father heirlooms and even tower clocks. After finishing his apprenticeship years, Günter enrolled in a Master Watchmaker School. After passing countless theoretical exams and practical tests he was very proud to obtain his master's degree.



He later moved to Switzerland, the home of watchmaking excellence, where he worked for a number of watchmakers, including Rolex. He was sent to restore the tower clocks in various European countries. This involved climbing tall, steep clocktowers to repair gears and mechanisms or adjusting weights, sometimes of colossal magnitude.

Günter immigrated to Australia, the country of his dreams, arriving in Fremantle on 17 March 1970. Here, he was met by a number of friends from Europe, who had preceded him. After initially renting a small cottage for a short time, he found a more suitable place in Armadale. Before long he had several job offers but opted to establish his own workshop from home. Günter did not waste any time joining the Master Clock and Master Watchmakers Association.

Noticing that there was no school for watchmakers in WA, he established a course at TAFE. Through his teaching and training at these courses, Günter passed on his vast and advanced knowledge to the next generation of watchmakers.

He was highly respected and admired for his eagerness to further share his knowledge by way of a radio program which Günter broadcast for some time every Wednesday at midnight on 6PR talking about news in the world of time pieces, latest repair techniques, tools, and his favorite subject Time. He was so admired for the sacrifice of his time and efforts to further the standing of the MCAWA, that he was elected unopposed as its president. Günter felt honored and accepted the role, going on to serve as president for a number of years.

Shortly after his arrival in Fremantle, Günter also became a member of the Rhein-Donau Club, which he frequently visited. Here he felt at



home amongst people speaking his mother tongue and keeping traditions of his former home country alive . For the Club's annual Oktoberfests, the most traditional and considered the best in WA, Günter generously donated always a watch as a raffle prize. He was a member of several groups, for example the Skat group and the Karnevals group when they were still in existence.

On a party boat cruise organized by the Club Günter met Marlene, a lovely Scottish girl. The two fell in love and married in 1974. The happy couple became proud parents had two sons: Steven, who at present is completing his PhD in Physics at the University of Qld, and Paul, who is a Mechanical Engineer.

Günter was a respected and well-liked member of the Club, always friendly, giving good advice, and with a gift for settling disputes peacefully. It was no surprise therefore when he was voted on to the committee and shortly thereafter elected President of the Club. These virtues and his standing in the community of Armadale also helped him to become a councilor in the City of Armadale, a position he held for 12 years.

When Günter heard of a small number of grown men, wearing colourful clothing and helmets, meeting fortnightly to pay homage to a small bird, the Uhu, and follow other strange rituals ("Schlaraffia" - a worldwide German-speaking society), he was keen to join. After securing two sponsors within the Club, he joined up straight away. Each member had to contribute a humorous item or sing or play an instrument. It was the humor and camaraderie of these men which he enjoyed so much. After passing his apprenticeship, Günter became a Junker (a young nobleman) and finally a Knight. On becoming a Knight, he was allowed to choose a name. His choice was "Pendulum the Uhrige", cleverly referring to his profession with Pendulum and Uhr (watch). It did not take him long and he soon began to rule from the throne!

Günter was in every sense of the word a true community citizen. But he was also a fighter. In 1989 he was diagnosed with Melanoma, a few years on with cancer of the colon. A few years later again he battled cancer of the scalp . which was successfully treated with radiation. He truly carried his cross with bravery. Günter was 83 years old when he peacefully passed away. He will continue to be remembered by many he loved, met, and taught.

Notice Board - Renovation Updates

Kitchen

We are on track for the Kitchen Renovation after Oktoberfest 2023.

The club has applied for the building permit, and we have ordered the new exhaust canopy. Small works around the kitchen have started already. A new roof access point and walkway have been installed. We have professionally removed a very old ceiling containing asbestos.

Wurstbude

A new feature brick wall has been added and the Wurstbude has been extended. A new BBQ and sink have been installed and water and waste water lines connected. We will install new stainless steel splash backs behind the BBQ.



Main Electrical Switch Board

After updating our electrical Meter, Western Power has advised the Club about noncomplying connections and the bad overall state of the MSB. The Club has engaged an Electrical Contractor to fully upgrade the MSB. These works will allow for the kitchen renovation requirements and will put us in a good position for future Solar Installations at the Club.

Water stations

A new Water station cabinet and tap have been installed in the beer garden, providing our members with clean filtered drinking water during times when the bar and kitchen are closed. It also gives our guests at Oktoberfest and other major functions better and easier access to drinking water. We have also installed a double water tap at the Edelweiss Hall Bar.



Edelweiss Bar Cool Room

The Club has successfully applied for an Energy Efficiency Grant of \$25,000 for small and medium sized enterprises from the Department of Industry, Science and Resources. This grant is for the upgrade of the Edelweiss Hall Bar cool room. We are very happy about this and will try to line up these works with the Kitchen Renovation.

Whilst we know that some of these works will cause interruptions of the normal flow of activities of our groups and members, these works on our aging Club are necessary and we hope for your understanding and patience whilst we undertake these tasks to give the Club a new lease on life.

Steve Schlegel
Vice President

President's Report

Hallo liebe Mitglieder,

Nun hat der Winter Einzug gehalten. Das war einer der Gründe, dieses Jahr einen Après Ski Abend zu veranstalten.

Dank Annette vom Office, die für die ganze Dekoration bastelte und baute, hatten wir einen sehr guten Einstieg auf einen grossartigen Abend. Am Eingang hatten wir bereits den Sessellift, Ski und Schneemann. Da der australische Schnee etwas anders als der europäische ist, hatte auch unser Schneemann eine etwas andere Form.

Der Biergarten war in eine sehr schöne Winterlandschaft mit Tannenbäumen, Eiszapfen und Kaminfeuer transformiert.

Da es auch öfters Schnee rieselte, mundete der Glühwein um so besser. Alles in allem war es ein gelungener Abend, da auch der Biergarten bis auf den letzten Platz besetzt war.

Zu unserer Freude und Dank Annette und Steve, haben wir einen Grant von \$25,000 für die notwendige Renovierung unseres Kühlraums in der Edelweissbar erhalten (Siehe "Renovation Updates").

Ja, unser Club ist in die Jahre gekommen und überall müssen viele Reparaturen ausgeführt werden, die sehr viel Geld kosten. Aus diesem Grund sind wir für jeden Grant, Spende usw. sehr dankbar.

Da viele unserer älteren Mitglieder gerne zum Club Geburtstag kommen würden, aber abends nicht mehr fahren wollen oder können, werden wir dieses Mal den Geburtstag etwas anders gestalten. Wir werden am Sonntag Nachmittag, dem 17. September 2023 mittags um 15 Uhr feiern. Wir hoffen, dass wir dann auch die Mitglieder die früher nicht kommen konnten, begrüßen können. Vergessen Sie also bitte nicht, rechtzeitig zu buchen.

Ich kann Ihnen versprechen, es wird ein sehr schöner Nachmittag.

Nun wünsche ich Ihnen allen eine gute Zeit und halten Sie sich warm bei diesem kalten Wetter.

Unseren kranken Mitglieder wünsche ich eine baldige Genesung.

Hello dear members,

Now that winter is really here, this was one of the reasons to organise an Après-Ski Evening.

Thanks to Annette, our office administrator, who built and made all the decorations, we had a very good introduction to a wonderful evening. At the entrance we already had the chair lift, skis and a snowman. Since Australian snow is a bit different from European snow, our snowman also had a somewhat different shape.

The Beer Garden was transformed into a beautiful winter landscape with fir trees, icicles and a chimney fire.

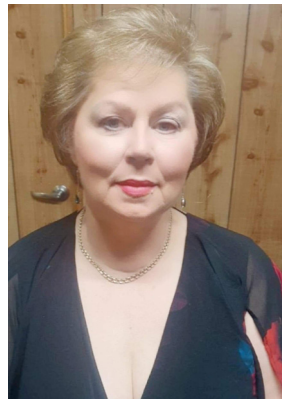
Because there was snow falling, the Glühwein tasted even better. All in all, it was a most successful evening, because almost every chair in the Beer Garden was occupied.

To our great delight and thanks to Annette and Steve, we have obtained a grant for \$20,000 for the necessary renovation of our cool room in the Edelweiß Bar (see “Renovation Updates”). Yes, our Club is getting old and there have to be a lot of repairs made, which cost a great deal of money. For this reason, we are thankful for every grant, donation etc. that we can obtain.

As many of our older members would really like to attend the Club Birthday, but no longer want or can drive in the evenings, we will celebrate the birthday in a different way this year. On Sunday 17th September we will celebrate from three in the afternoon. We hope that we will then be able to greet those members who were not able to come in previous years. Please don't forget to book in good time for this. I can promise you that it will be a delightful afternoon.

Now I would like to wish you all the best and please stay warm in this cold weather.

To all our members who are unwell, I wish a speedy recovery.



Ursula Deck
President

Rückblicke/Looking Back



WESTERN
NIGHT
*Apres
Ski*







What's on in August 2023

HAPPY HOUR every SUNDAY
5pm - 6pm

Sat 5th Best Friends

6:30pm

Members \$5, Non-Members \$10

Sat 12th Alpengaudi

6.30 pm

Members \$10 Non-Members \$15,
Family-friendly Pre Oktoberfest Party

Sat 19th Club open for dinner

6:30pm

no live entertainment

Sat 26th Club open for dinner

6:30pm

no live entertainment

Sun 27th Around the World- Winter Concert (WAMO)

3.00pm

Tickets \$20



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110 North Lake Road, Myaree



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HAPPY HOUR every SUNDAY
5pm - 6pm

Sat 2nd DUO Best Friends

6:30pm Members \$5, Non-Members \$10

Sat 9th Kids Disco with DJ Brian

5:00pm Member Families FREE,
Non-Member Families \$5 per Family



Sat 16th Club open for dinner

6:30pm no live entertainment

Sun 17th 65th Club Anniversary

3:00pm Members \$15, Non-Members \$25



Sat 23rd Club open for dinner

6:30pm no live entertainment

Fri 29th and Sat 30th

6:30pm Adults only
Tickets sold via TryBooking

Oktoberfest



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Competition

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You are invited to join our

65th Club Anniversary Celebration

Sunday 17th of September
Doors open 2pm, event starts at 3pm

The bar will be open.

Members \$15 | Non-Members \$25

Included in the price:

Welcome Drink - 1 glass of Champagne

We will serve light refreshments, an array of cakes, sandwiches and other finger food. Coffee and tea available.

Entertainment

Mandolin Orchestra, Echo der Berge, DJ Brian

To reserve your seat please call the office on
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(Mo - Fri between 10am and 3pm)

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September 29th to October 28th - 6pm till midnight**



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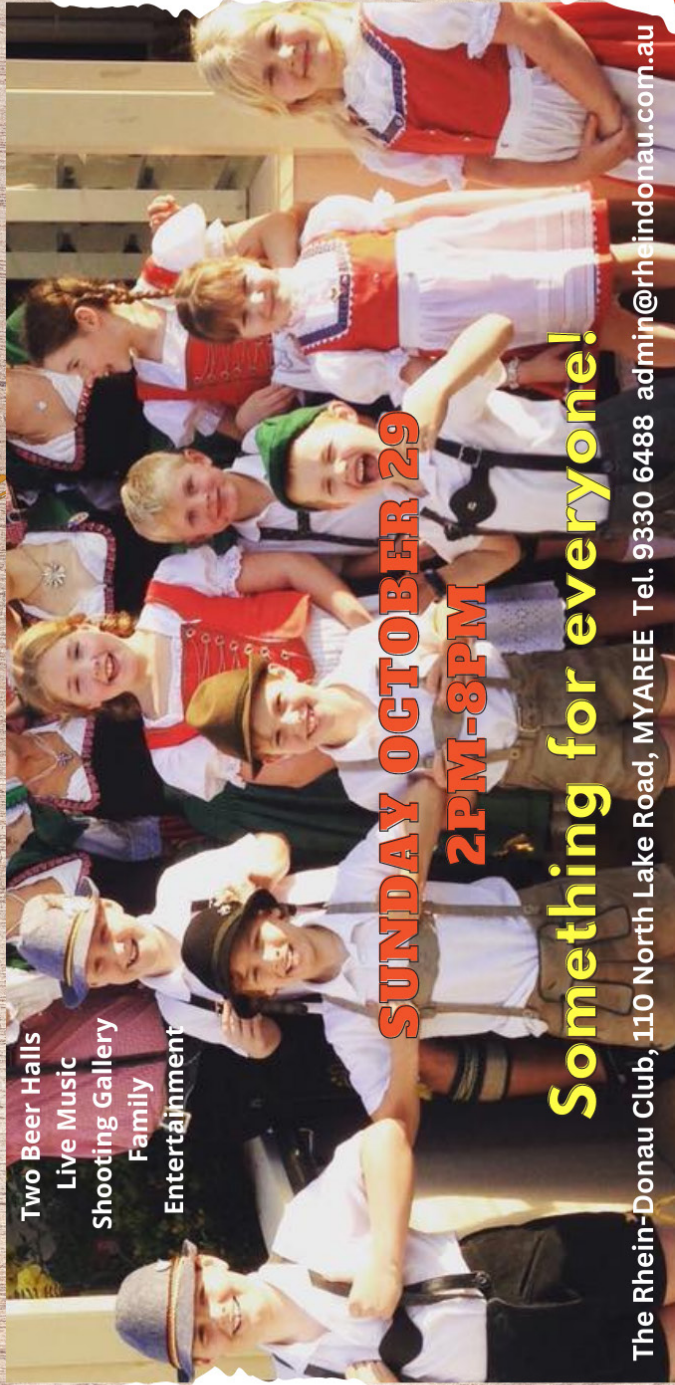
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Two Beer Halls
Live Music
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Entertainment



SUNDAY OCTOBER 29
2PM-8PM

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WAMO (West Australian Mandolin Orchestra)

By the time you are reading this, WAMO will have completed a performance at the Calloway Auditorium at the University of WA on July 9. Now we are busy preparing for our winter concert, to take place at the Rhein Donau Club on 27 August at 4 pm. The theme of this concert is music from all around the world. It is a very tuneful program which I am sure club members will enjoy. Tickets are only \$20. Bookings can be made at www.trybooking.com/CHXHH, or you can try your luck with a door sale ticket.

This concert will be our first under the baton of orchestra member Jana Buvari, while our orchestra director Robert Schulz takes up a place in the mandola section. As many readers will be aware, the orchestra consists of mandolins, mandolas, guitars – and until recently a single bass player (me!). We are very pleased to welcome a second bass player Ross Daghish, who plays double bass. I am personally very happy to have another player by my side. There is too much pressure being the only player of a part! Ross's double bass provides some additional oomph to the orchestra's sound.

We hope to see many club members at the concert.

Jim Elliott

Orchestra member (and bass player)



**The West Australian
Mandolin Orchestra Presents**

AROUND THE WORLD

**A Winter Concert
At the Rhein Donau**

27TH AUGUST 2023

4.00PM ~ TICKETS \$20

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RHEIN DONAU CLUB**

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European Model Railway Group

Over the long weekend in early June, the Model Railway Group was invited to present the Club's Model Train Group Layout to the public at this years Model Train Exhibition at the Clairmont Showgrounds. As our layout is too large to move we chose to present via a video on a large TV screen. We also had two electronic screens presenting the Rhein-Donau Club plus all the available facilities to the public, to encourage new members to join the Club.

We displayed an array of European model locomotives which were owned by our members. There was a Z Gauge coffee table size layout operating for the public to view and a garden railway scale tank engine as a static display. (See photo)



The booth was manned by members of the RDC's Model Railway Group over the 3 days. Our booth was well attended by the public, so hopefully it will result in new members for the RDC and the Model Railway Group.

Currently the Model Railway layout is still undergoing some major renovations to the electronics to upgrade to more state of the art systems. Progress is being made on the new refinery area. We are still running the trains when the need is required. Visitors on a Friday night are always welcome to come and view the largest European model railway layout in Perth.

Sadly we must report that Rolf de Groot, a long standing member of the Model Train Group, has passed away. His knowledge and skills will be sadly missed. He was responsible for the beautiful scenery that one can see on the layout today. Last year the Club honoured Rolf by naming the Model Railway Room after him. It is now called **"The Rolf de Groot Model Train Room"**.

Edelweiss Dance Group

For those that don't know me my name is David Viecele I am the new Group Leader for the Edelweiss Dance Group. I would firstly like to thank Julianne Pulver for her outstanding work as Group Leader and also the Committee over the years.

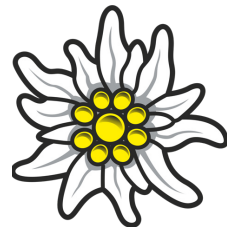
On the 12th of August we will be holding our Alpengaudi, we would like to see as many Members as possible to make this a good evening.

I would like to say Happy Birthday to Susan Muir for last month and a Happy Birthday to everyone who is celebrating one this month and next.

Our dance practice is on Sunday afternoons between 5.00pm and 7.00pm so please feel free to come and have a look, you may just like to join.

See you all at the Club.

David Viecele
Group Leader



Eagle Eye Air Rifle Group

First up, a very warm welcome to our 6 newest members, Dragan, Ian & Jenny, Len & Nola and Kester. We hope you enjoy the sport and the facilities of the Club as much as we do.

We held our Schützenfest not long ago and I thought that I would relate our experience of one Schützenfest event we attended in Germany.

Last year Maria and I went to Germany and we spent a large part of our time with her family in Urbar. A small town only a few kilometres from St Goar. St Goar is on the Rhein between Koblenz and Bingen, in an area called Mittelrhein (Middle Rhein). This section of the Rhein is a world heritage area and it is very scenic with many castles to be seen on either side of the river.

While we were there, we had the opportunity to observe the St Goar shooting club Schützenfest.

The town, St Goar was established in Roman times and has been an important trading town over the centuries. The castle, Burg Rheinfels, looms over the town, it was built around 1245 and a Garrison was established there in 1344. The St Goar shooting club can trace its history back to that defence force which I believe makes it the oldest shooting club in the world

The St Goar Schützenfest is a 2 day event. On Saturday, we met the group on the banks of the Rhine where a stage was set up along with a public bar and food van. The President welcomed everyone to the event. Shortly after, leaving the general public to enjoy the day beside the Rhein, the group members travelled to the club house which is located in a secluded section of the nearby Rheinfels Castle, accessible via steps ramps and locked gates in stone walls. Here they have a 10m air rifle range, a 25m and a 50m range. The Club House and Range is tucked into one of the outer walls on the lower side of the Castle grounds. The clubhouse is what you would call ‘gemutlich’ cozy and welcoming. It has an outdoor terrace which has magnificent views over the Rhein.

The ladies go first. On the 25m range using a .22 rifle they shoot at the eagle which is quite large at 1.5 m high. They shoot the wings, and then the head of the eagle. When the head falls the Schützenkönigin is declared. The ladies celebrate while the men shoot their eagle. When the König is decided and after a

short celebration at the club, the group returns to the river where now a band is entertaining the crowd. The president along with other shooting dignitaries, crown the new König and Königin and festivities continue into the evening.

We didn't go Sunday but the day for the club members started with Church followed by Frühschoppen, where there were drinks and snacks with local dignitaries, and then back to the river for more entertainment by local music groups. In the afternoon there was the traditional parade, in which guest clubs also participated. The rest of the afternoon was spent relaxing on the Rhein with friends.

Amazing history and a very entertaining couple of days.



Table Tennis Group

Well, July has been a busy month for the table tennis group. We have been collecting items for our fundraising raffle, and practicing a skit as part of the entertainment for our “Christmas in July” fundraiser on 29th July. By the time this magazine goes to print we will be relaxing after the weeks of preparation. Hopefully our night has been successful. Thanks to all those who have donated and been involved, especially David Ramsay and Paul Robson for giving up their time for rehearsals. And to Dave’s son Charlie for his never-ending patience with the music. Photos and details of our fundraiser will be in the next magazine. On another note we were lucky to find a near perfect second hand Donic table tennis table to leave permanently set up in the beer garden for members and visitors to use. Spare bats and balls will be left in the green bucket under the table.

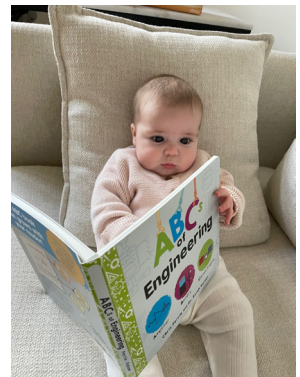
Proud new grandfather Greg Dodd has kindly sent through a small article.

MY GRANDAUGHTER

February 13th, 2013 was a momentous day in the Dodd family, and particularly for me – my first grandchild arrived in Melbourne! What is particularly special to the wider Dodd family is that,

- *my father was the oldest of his family of 4 boys,*
- *my father had 4 boys, and two of his brothers had boys (8 from these 2) while my Dad’s youngest brother had twins – 1 boy and one GIRL*
- *my brothers had only boys (6 in total) while I have two girls (!) and a boy...*
- *now the first granddaughter, Ainsley Elizabeth has arrived....*

If you do the arithmetic – 4 girls and 23 boys, so far....Ainsley is indeed very rare and special!





Qantas is quite happy as the great grandparents and I live in Perth and we are frequently visiting Melbourne to see this beautiful and smart little girl (now nearly 5 months old).



Thanks Greg. On the subject of grandchildren I wanted to mention our little trooper, Wesley. After overcoming kidney cancer at 18 months (and losing a kidney) he has just competed in the Rottneest Island Running Festival with his parents. He and his dad ran 10 kilometres and Wesley was the youngest runner there at 10 years old. A cancer survivor and making the most of life, competing in as many sports as he can fit in after school and on weekends. His mum Teegan (our daughter) ran 21k on the island and is competing in the Iron Man Triathlon 70.3 in Busselton in December.

Am happy to include any stories/photos if any of our members would like to contribute to our bi monthly magazine article.

Debbie Solomon
Group Leader



It's been an exciting and busy time at the club with new member Bailey Groves selected in the Australian team for the 2023 World Championships, Caity Worth and Arvin Nair heading east for the Pistol Australia Junior Camp, our Junior Open held at the Murray Districts Pistol Club, a School Holiday "Come and Try Pistol Shooting" day at the club and laser shooting galleries for 2 club functions.

By the time you read this our second open for the year will have been held and our last for the year scheduled for November.

The school holiday event funded by the WA Pistol Association, co-ordinated and run by our members Siobhy and Katie Nicholls was very successful with positive feedback from those who participated and their parents. It was an opportunity to showcase the Rhein Donau Club to local residents and we have already had 5 of the participants return with family members interested in joining the club.

Our junior open which included 25m Pistol as well as 10m Air Pistol was held at the Murray Districts outdoor range (to accommodate the 25m Pistol event) and was well attended with Campbell Black winning his air pistol event.

We have already started our preparation for the Oktoberfest shooting gallery on the 1st Friday night of the event setting up at the Club's recent Western Night and at a private 50th birthday function. One more training run at the Alpengaudi on the 12th August and we will be set for Oktoberfest.

Would you like to try pistol shooting? We always welcome Rhein-Donau members and their families to contact us and try our sport.

Murray Bow - Pistol Club

Rhein Donau member **Bailey Groves** has been selected in the Australian team to compete at the ISSF (Pistol) World Championships in Baku, Azerbaijan this August. He will be competing in the individual Men's 10m Air Pistol event and alongside Australian Olympian Elena Galiabovitch in the mixed team's event.



Originally from Tasmania, Bailey took up pistol shooting as a junior at the Van Dieman Pistol Club in Launceston in 2012. On completing university, he moved to Perth for work and joined the Cockburn Fremantle Pistol Club in 2018.

Bailey has represented WA at National Championships and at the most recent, won the Rapid Fire and 50m Pistol National Titles and was runner-up to Olympian Daniel Repacholi in Men's 10m Air.

Bailey has been a regular competing at Rhein Donau Pistol Club opens and recently joined the club to train with our members leading up to the World Championships.

Rhein Donau junior members **Caitlin Worth (L)** and **Arvin Nair (R)** were selected to attend the recent 2023 Pistol Australia Junior Camp. The week-long camp held in Victoria over the school holidays was an opportunity to train alongside their WA teammate Amy Moody (Murray Districts) after winning the teams bronze medal at the 2023 National Titles.

The camp, at the Yarra Pistol Club was a chance for juniors from around Australia to participate in serious training and relax together with organised social activities.

Caity and Arvin are now back and looking forward to competing in the final selection events for the 2024 Nationals.





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Have you ever thought of making a donation to your Club?

The Rhein-Donau Club is a not-for-profit organisation run mainly by volunteers. We are relying on income from events held here at the Club and from renting out part of the premises.

In the recent years we have come to realize that the Club premises are in need of a lot of minor and major repairs, maintenance or replacements. With the income we receive we can unfortunately not make great leaps forward.

With our big kitchen renovation looming in November and many works around the Club already in progress, now is a great time to make a donation!

Your donation will go towards all the necessary works to improving and upgrading your beloved Club's premises and facilities so you all as valued members can keep enjoying all that the Club has to offer.

Please donate to

The Rhein-Donau Club

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Thank you!

Ticket Release Oktoberfest

Since our Oktoberfest grows more popular each year we decided to do a staggered release of tickets this year.

Tickets for the Oktoberfest will be released **JUST to our members** for the first week in August (from the 1st August to the 7th inclusive) so that our members get the first pick. To book you will need to ring the Office between 10am and 3pm on a weekday and we will do it for you, as the Trybooking link will not be live until the 8th of August when it goes live for everybody.

Helpers for the Oktoberfest

We will be looking for helpers for the Oktoberfest - mainly we will be looking for volunteers who have their RSA (Responsible Service of



Alcohol) to help with clearing the glasses from the tables during the evenings. It's fun and you will be helping alongside a lot of other Club members and feel the community spirit. :)

So if you ever wanted to join the crew behind the scenes and help during our busiest time of the year then now is your chance! Please contact Petra or Annette in the Office on 9330 6488 or send us an email on

admin@rheindonau.com.au

*****Thank you!*****

Petra and Annette

Aktivitäten / Groups at the Club

Group and Group Leader

Phone

Meeting Times

Billiard (Snooker)

Paul Muckett, Jerry Rogers

0417 918 309

Tues & Fri 7pm

Edelweiss Dance Group

David Vieceli

0438 755 156

Sun from 5-7

Model Railway

Bret Hummel

0412 939 699

Fridays from 6pm

Perth Miniature Gamers

Peter Ware

0437 691 315

Wednesdays from 6pm

Pistol Club

Philip Kroczek

0467 787 857

Murray Bow

0424 160 750

Thursdays from 5pm

Eagle Eye Air Rifle Group

Jeff Cadzow

0412 381 373

Fridays from 7pm

Folksingers

Irene Harrop

0488 585 850

Fridays 1:30pm to 3pm

Senior Group

Rita Zeller

0419 331 601

Fortnightly on a
Wednesday from 10am to 1pm

Table Tennis Group

Debbie Solomon

0427 354 153

Tuesdays from 7pm

WA Mandolin Orchestra

Robert Schulz

0490 868 344

Weds from 7:30pm to 9:30pm

WA Brick Society

Ryan Masters

0402 702 960

To be determined

WA Strategy Boardgamers

Greg Colgan

0424 109 976

Once a month on a
Sunday from 10am to 4pm

Neerlandia

John Zwartkruis

0434 920 252

Seniors/Bingo/other events
please call John for more info

The Rhein-Donau Club Inc. Restaurant



- A la carte menu including a selection of authentic German and Dutch meals
- Catering for private functions for 30 - 220 guests

We have rooms available for your private functions, conventions or meetings, in the Lounge, Sports Hall, Edelweiss Dance Hall, Beer Garden and Committee Room.

For bookings please contact our Club Office.

Ph: 9330 6488 (weekdays 10am -3pm)

Opening hours of Restaurant

Wednesday and Friday evenings from 6pm to 9pm

Saturday from 6.30pm to 10pm

Sunday 4pm to 8.00pm



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