

The Rhein-Donau Club Inc.

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Klub Nachrichten Club Magazine

German Speaking Club Since 1958



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Klub Öffnungszeiten/ Opening Hours

Office:	Monday- Friday	10.00 am to 3.00pm
Bar*:	Tuesday	7.00pm to 10.00pm
	Wednesday	6:00pm to 10:00pm
	Friday	6.00pm to 10.30pm
	Saturday**	6.30pm to 11.00pm
	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 15 new members!

Robert Cubis-Edwards, Priyanka Narwal, Alistair Collins, Christopher Roes, Jessica Russell, Claudia Böhm, Julia Flood, Ryan Flood, Benjamin Gill Zuvela, Lena Jätschmann, Dominic Haffner, Leigh Campbell, Andre Wheeler, Alexander Meschenmoser, Alessandra Meschenmoser



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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, June/July 2024. Entry deadline for the issue is 10th May 2024, please send your contribution to accounts@rheindonau.com.au

Thank you- Petra

In Remembrance

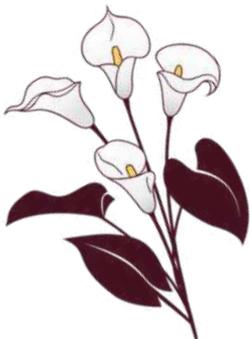
Peter Borge Hansen

Peter was born on 10th March 1937 in Copenhagen, Denmark. He passed away on 18th January 2024 in Harvey, Western Australia.

Peter migrated to Australia in 1969 and started work in Darwin. He worked and travelled around Australia. He came to Perth in 1975 and joined the Rhein-Donau Club and the Edelweiss Dance Group. Peter adopted this Culture well and also spoke German. In 1976 Peter and 7 Dance Group members travelled to Adelaide to participate at the Schuetzenfest in Hahndorf. Peter was always ready to perform with the Dance Group. In 1978 he and 8 Dance Group members travelled to the Snowy Mountains for some Skiing. We all stayed at Hanna's Hütte in Jindabyne, NSW. Peter danced at many Volkstanzfests all around Australia. In later years he had Dementia and moved to Harvey to be with his friend Rita. A heart attack took him from us. He will be sadly missed.



Hans Nimmerrichter



President's Report

Liebe Mitglieder

Wir haben das neue Jahr mit einem deutschen Sommerfest angefangen, was sehr gut besucht war. Die Gäste konnten sich schon einen Teil der Küche ansehen und waren begeistert.



Zwei Wochen später hatten wir unser Karnevalwochenende; Samstag mit den Erwachsenen, wovon viele sehr schön kostümiert waren; Sonntag hatten die Kinder ihren Tag, die Spiele fanden großen Anklang und auch die Preise für die besten Kostüme wurden mit Begeisterung angenommen. Vielen Dank an die WA Brick Society (Legogruppe), die eine große Ansammlung von Lego auslegte, damit die Kinder spielen konnten. Weil es so heiß war, war auch das Spaghettieis, das Steve Schlegel im Angebot hatte, sehr schnell weggeputzt.

Unsere neue Küche ist auch endlich wieder funktionstüchtig, dank an Steve Schlegel, den Komiteemitgliedern und Clubmitgliedern, die am letzten Samstag im Februar die Küchengeräte sauber gemacht und wieder reingeholt haben.

Am Ostersonntag haben wir wieder unsere "Easter Hat Parade". Bringen Sie Ihren bestdekorierten Hut für die Premierung.

Bitte nicht vergessen, dass der Club am 25. April (Anzac Day) geschlossen ist.

Allen Kranken wünsche ich eine schnelle Genesung.

Ursula Deck

Präsident





Dear Members

We began the New Year with a summer party that was very well attended. The guests were able to have a look at the new kitchen and were very impressed.

Two weeks later we held our Karneval weekend; on Saturday we had the adults, many of whom came in magnificent costumes. On the Sunday the children had their turn, they loved the games and the winners were also delighted with their prizes for best costumes in their different age groups. Many thanks go to the WA Brick Society (Lego Group) who laid out a large collection of Lego with which the children could play. Because it was so warm, the spaghetti ice cream served by Steve Schlegel was quickly consumed.

And our new kitchen is finally operational again, thanks to Steve Schlegel, the committee members and members who turned up on the last Saturday in February to clean the kitchen fittings and transport them back in to the kitchen.

On Easter Saturday we will be holding our Easter Hat Parade. Bring along your best decorated hat for the chance to win a prize.

Please don't forget that the Club will be closed on 25. April for the Anzac Day holiday.

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

Ursula Deck

President



Membership Renewals

Membership Renewals

Once again we want to remind you that the current membership year comes to an end on 31 March 2024. **Please call the office on 9330 6488 or email admin@rheindonau.com.au to renew your membership.** An email with all details attached has been sent out to all of you who have an email address. Currently the Membership Fees have stayed the same as last year. See the table below.

Please remember - to be part of one of our sub-groups, you also NEED to be a member of our Club. This has caused some confusion in the past.

We hope that you will decide to stay on and help us see the Club moving forward.

Membership Categories and Fees from 1/4/2023

Standard Member	\$90	Standard Couple	\$160
Pensioner Single	\$70	Pensioner Couple	\$120
Social Single	\$70	Social Couple	\$120
Provisional (18 to 24 years old)	\$25		
Junior/Student (12-17 years old)	\$25		

Mitgliederversammlung

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday, 26th May 2024, 3pm

The Annual General Meeting of the Rhein-Donau Club will be held on Sunday the 26th of May 2024.

All positions on the Committee will be open for nomination. Please consider joining the Committee and contributing to the future of our Club.

Nomination forms and role descriptions for each position are available from the office, or you can have a chat to one of the existing Committee members for more details (contact details on page 4).

ALL nomination forms must be lodged at the Club by Friday, 3rd May 2024, 6pm.

All ordinary members are eligible to be nominated and eligible to vote. Your presence at the meeting is very important. Please make every effort to attend your Club's AGM.



Rückblicke



German Summer Party



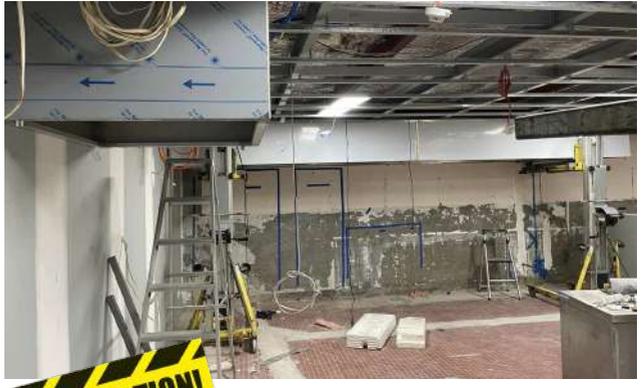
Karneval



Karneval | Kinder Karneval



Kitchen Renovation - Snippets



UNDER CONSTRUCTION!



What's on in April 2024



HAPPY HOUR every SUNDAY
5pm - 6pm

Sat 6th

6:30pm

Rockin' Rodney

Members FREE, Guests \$5

Sat 13th

6:30pm

Duo Best Friends

Members \$5, Guests \$10

Sat 20th

6:30pm

To be determined

please check our Facebook Page or
website closer to the date

Sat 27th

6:30pm

Billy on Guitar

Members FREE, Guests \$5



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www.rheindonau.com.au

9330 6488 for enquiries

110 North Lake Road, Myaree

What's on in May 2024

HAPPY HOUR every SUNDAY
5pm - 6pm



Sat 4th May Dance

6:30pm

Members \$10, Guests \$15



Sat 11th Schützenfest

6:30pm

Members \$10, Guests \$15



Sun 12th Happy Mothers Day

Sat 18th Kitchen Re-opening

more info to come closer to the date

**Sat 25th Club open for dinner
6:30pm and drinks**

Sun 26th Annual General Meeting AGM
3pm **Edelweiss Halle**

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MAY DANCE 2024

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German Restaurant
Live dance band The Boys of Summer and DJ
Traditional German dance & bell-ringing by the
Edelweiss Dance Group

4 MAY 2023
DOORS OPEN 6:30PM
THE RHEIN-DONAU CLUB
110 NORTHLAKE RD, MYAREE

Scan QR code to book!



Tickets from
<https://www.trybooking.com/CQFOE>
or the club office on 93306488





SCHÜTZENFEST

Presented by the Eagle Eye Air Rifle Group

SAT 11 MAY 2024

Members \$10 - Guests \$15

One 10 Shot Target for each guest included in entry

ALL WELCOME - no previous shooting experience necessary

*Get in
Early!*



Shooting starts 5pm through to 8pm

Presentation 9pm | Kitchen & Bar open

King and Queen Trophy | Band: Duo Best Friends

Scan the barcode or call 9330 6488

rheindonau.com.au/events

trybooking.com/CQFAY

Further Info:

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Dear Fellow LEGO Enthusiasts,

We're thrilled to share some exciting news from our beloved WA Brick Society! Once again, our club has had the honor of participating in the prestigious annual LEGO show, Brickvention, and this year, our involvement through the Great Ball Contraption (GBC) was truly spectacular.

Our very own GBC representative, Jude, embarked on an incredible journey from Perth to Melbourne for his second consecutive year, proudly representing both WA Brick Society and the Perth GBC group. Jude's dedication and passion for LEGO shone brightly as he showcased our club's creations and contributed to the vibrant atmosphere of Brickvention.

But that's not all! Our talented member, Chris, enchanted visitors with one of his mesmerizing displays, featuring an enchanting scene filled with lively minifig interactions. Chris's creativity and attention to detail captivated audiences and added an extra layer of magic to the event.

In addition to Jude and Chris's contributions, we were delighted to have Jodie among us at Brickvention. Jodie was busy researching for our local annual LEGO show while also immersing herself in the dynamic LEGO environment, soaking in inspiration and ideas to bring back to our community.

Being a part of Brickvention provided us with a fantastic opportunity to exhibit alongside fellow LEGO enthusiasts from across the country. It was a delightful experience for Jude, Chris and Jodie to meet up with counterparts from other states, exchanging ideas, inspiration, and forging new connections within the LEGO community.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Jude, Chris, and Jodie for their outstanding representation of WA Brick Society at Brickvention 2024. Their commitment truly embodies the spirit of our club, and we're immensely proud to have them as part of our community.

As we continue to build and create together, let's look forward to more exciting opportunities to showcase our passion for LEGO and share our love for this beloved hobby with enthusiasts near and far.

Happy building!

Kelly Hanson
Group Leader



Jude Wright's
GBC Lego display



Chris McRae's
Lego Display
Everwood Castle

Pistol Group

It might seem that the Rhein Donau Pistol Club's focus is all about competition shooting but we also enjoy shooting for the fun of it, family participation and the opportunity to socialise.

We are proud of our members who strive to become better at their sport, whether it's those in D and C grade improving their scores or our members vying to compete at the highest level.

Our February junior and adult open competition was a great opportunity to showcase the club and its facilities as we had over 42 competitors with another 30 officials, family members and supporters enjoying the event.



On Monday of the recent long weekend, we held a club get together with a fun team competition and afternoon tea with 18 of our members shooting plus family members along to support. The team of Sunaina and Praveen Sangwan with Kym Minnis won the day, all the members of this team have been shooting for less than a year.

There was excitement after the last domestic Paris Olympics' selection event when the Australian team heading to Rio de Janeiro was announced. Rhein Donau Club members Katie Nicholls, Bailey Groves and Scott Anderson were selected and are packing their bags for the first of the overseas selection events. Katie and Bailey are training at Rhein Donau regularly, as they are both competing in the 10m Air Pistol event with Scott training for 25m Rapid Fire at his other club Cockburn Fremantle.

Phil Kroczek, again selected in the Australian team is heading to the USA for the Bianchi Cup in May and we have Siobhy and Katie Nicholls, Mike Giustini-



ano, Stephanie de Jong, Scott Anderson, Bailey Groves and junior, Caity Worth selected in the WA State Team to compete in the Australian National Championships in Brisbane, also in May.

Other members travelling to Brisbane to compete are, junior Arvin Nair, along with his Mum Uma, (Dad Sree as a spectator and supporter), Murray Bow, Jo Muir and Jill Worth.

We continue to hold our weekly shoots and with over 40 members the range is busy and it is pleasing to see many of our members, especially our newest and youngest juniors Samarth Sangwan and Anvay Narwal improving their scores as they gain more experience.

Are you looking for a new and family orientated sport? Pistol shooting might just be it, from your youngest family member to your oldest, contact our club organisers (details in this magazine) and arrange to come along and try it or drop in to the range and say hello.

Rhein Donau Pistol Club



Edelweiss Dance Group

Hello to all members

Over the Christmas Break Peter Hansen sadly passed away. Peter was a Member of the Dance group since 1976. He performed until his retirement from the Group and moved to Harvey to be with his friend Rita.

He was a happy go lucky person with a good sense of humor. Peter and 7 other



Dance Group Members travelled to Adelaide to participate in the Schützenfest. Peter was always willing to help when the Group needed something done. Peter came to all the Volkstanz Fests around Australia and at times carried our Dance Group flag.

Peter will sadly be missed. We hope he is teaching the Angels now how to Schuhplattler!

Julie celebrated her Birthday in February, we wish her all the best. Also Happy Birthday to Sieglinde Ducke for her special day in March. And Birthday wishes to everyone else who is celebrating their Birthday!

The Dance Group is now in full swing practicing for the May Dance at the Rhein-Donau Club and at the Austrian Club.

So come along to our May Dance (Mai Tanz) and have a good time.

Wir sehen uns alle im Club.

See you all in the Club

David Vieceli, Group Leader



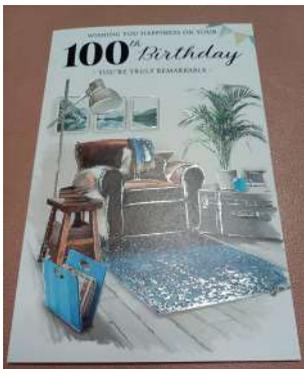
Peter Köberl, one of the founding members of the Rhein-Donau Club, turned 100 years old on Thursday the 8th of February 2024.

Luisa Kriven, his 102 year old friend in Adelaide, a keen “Sängerfest” attendant, contacted our Club via Sylvia Kriven, one of her daughters, to ask whether it would be possible to sing ein “Ständchen” for Peter on his special day.



I contacted everyone in our folksinging group and they all said yes. A few well known songs were selected for their easy melodies, as we were most likely to sing without piano accompaniment.

We started with “Happy Birthday” in English, followed by a German version with the same melody given to us by Heidi (residing in Hof in Bavaria) when she had been visiting her mother Karola Meyer, who was a member of our group some years ago.



“Zum Geburtstag viel Glück, Freude, Sonne, Musik,
Sei vergnügt hier auf Erden, denn kein Tag kommt zurück,
Lach ins Leben hinein, schenk ein Gläschen Dir ein,
Viel Gesundheit dazu, Happy Birthday to You!”

We continued with the 3 verses of “Hänschen klein
ging allein in die weite Welt hinein”, followed by
just the first verse of “Muß i denn, muß i denn
zum Städtele hinaus”, then the first and second

verse of “Alle Vöglein sind schon da” and we were finishing with “Hoch soll er leben”.



Marian Birtwistle had practiced with us but unfortunately could not come to the performance. Anneliese Hochwald Jones who also has a good singing voice kindly took her place.

Peter Köberl enjoys still good physical and mental health. At our arrival he straight away recognised Rita Zeller and Irma Szkiela. Since the death of his wife he has been living at the Opal Home of Melville Care, where he has an apartment. The staff there are very caring, friendly and encouraging.



On the day of Peter's birthday it was over 40 degrees hot. We all had to undergo a Covid test before we were admitted.

Kelly, the lady in charge at the time of our visit, did a wonderful job in arranging and photographing everything and moreover videotaping our performance on Hanna's Werner's wife's mobile. It was an overall success. We had provided special enjoyment to Peter and his guests which made us all feel good.



Singen ist gut für Gesundheit und Gemüt. Wir haben mehr als 100 Lieder in unserem Portfolio.

Frischen Sie Ihr Gedächtnis und Stimme auf und kommen Sie für 1 1/2 gesellige Stunden zu uns, Freitags von 1:30pm bis 3pm mit 15 Minuten Kaffee/ Teepause bei Halbzeit.

Herzliche Grüße von Irene Harrop und den fröhlichen Volksängern.

Table Tennis Group

Planning is underway for the next Christmas in July fundraising event on Saturday 20 July, to be hosted by our Rhein-Donau table tennis group. This is a yearly event and the funds go towards new equipment and ongoing costs for our group. We cover the cost to run this event (eg band, raffles & costumes for our skit) and then we receive the door sales. Our raffles are pretty popular (donations always welcome) and this also helps towards the outlay for the band. This event seems to be getting bigger and better every year. Volunteers from our group are greatly appreciated.

Our first Christmas in July event started in 2018 and we thought a bit of entertainment would be fun. So Dave Ramsay and Paul Robson put their hands up and we showcased a 5 minute skit on the ballet “Nutcracker”. The group of four also included David Smith (previous table tennis member) and Brian Muir (our club’s entertainment manager). I made the tutu’s and the boys learnt the short routine, and it was a hit. So in 2019 we did “The Village People” and Dave made a great Indian Chief, Paul a





construction worker and I was a bikie plus 3 others to total 6.

We had to skip 2020 because of Covid but in 2021 we did “Grease” and this production involved a lot more people and a lot more practice. We roped in some family members plus Paul Bannister and his son. Dave’s son Charlie handled all the music and videos. In 2022 we were a bit pressed for time so Dave and Paul performed an “Abba” skit as Agneta & Frida ☺, and we had some backup dancers.

Last year 2023 was our biggest production to date. The skit lasted 20 minutes, had 16 participants, included more family members/grandchildren and Christine (from Dance Power upstairs) with her daughter and grandson. Lots of rehearsals and laughter but we pulled it off, a very successful night. Now for

2024.....

I would just like to give a big shout out to Dave Ramsay & Paul Robson, two great guys who give up their time every year to wear silly costumes and entertain the crowds. Our event wouldn’t be the same without them.

Debbie
Group Leader



Eagle Eye Air Rifles

The Eagle eye rifle group has had a slow start to the year. However, we have had some strong interest from several visitors that have come to try out our sport.

After ordering in early 2023, our new rifles finally arrived late in December. There were some very happy members at the unboxing. Overall, we are very delighted with them and they are getting good use.



Our first club competition was interesting. We held the Mae Wellmann Trophy shoot on the 8th of May.

The Format for the competition was that the shooters had to predict their score prior to taking their 40 or 60 shots, and they were not allowed to check their scores until they had finished shooting. A rather novel competition. The question is do you predict high, or at least what you should be capable of achieving, or do you predict low and allow for a few errors?

None of our members had participated in this type of event before, so the results were somewhat surprising. We had a draw for 1st place with Matt and KC shooting 4 shots off their predicted scores and 2nd place was also a draw with Ella and myself just 5 shots off our predicted scores. For our first competition, quite a fun night.

We also had 5 shooters enter the ARAA Australia Day postal shoot with some good success. There were 4 novice competitors, Tony Hicks, Derek and Konrad Rucki, and Len de Sales.

The novice shooters were all ungraded so their grading was based on their scores. Tony was placed in **Rest 4** and came in 2nd with his 337/400.

Len came 6th in his grade **Rest 3** with his 353/400.

Derek and Konrad came 1st and 2nd respectively in **E Grade Free Standing**. Shooting 248/400 and 249/400.



I entered in **B Grade**, with my worst score for the year 519/600. A score that should not have gone anywhere near the place getters and yet I came away with 1 place. So, it just goes to show that everyone has a chance to win.

For all of our members, don't be afraid to enter these Postal competitions. Don't think that you are not good enough because you have to remember that you are shooting against people in your own grade and anyone can have a good, or bad day.

Please don't forget that our AGM is coming up on the 22nd of March. We will also have the Easter shoot on the same night.

On our calendar, the inaugural Sophia Bayley Trophy shoot is also down for the same night but this will be rescheduled to a more suitable night in the future. To be announced.

Aim small miss small.

See you on the range.

Jeff.



German Language Classes

for Kids (KinderClub)

and Adults (ErwachsenenClub)



Every Wednesday during
School Terms

- KinderClub between 4pm and 6pm (2 different levels)
- ErwachsenenClub from 6:30pm to 8pm

This years second term is starting on

Wednesday 24th April and will go for 9 weeks

If you have ever wanted to learn German or want your kids to
have a second language - now is the time!

For more information and to download your enrolment form
please go to our website rheindonau.com.au/german-classes

or call Pamela on 0421 970 089



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Aktivitäten / Groups at the Club

Group and Group Leader

Phone

Meeting Times

Billiard (Snooker)

Paul Muckett, Jerry Rogers

0417 918 309

Weds & 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 Kroczeck

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

Kelly Hanson

0438 593 646

every 4th Tues/Month (Ladies)
every 4th Weds/Month

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

RDC Küche (RDC Kitchen)

is OPEN!!!

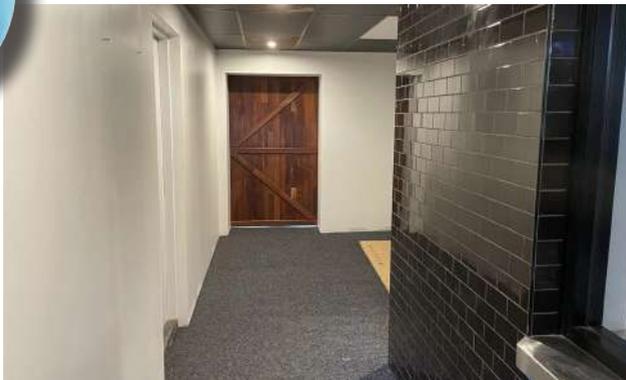
Official Opening Celebration will be on Saturday 18th of May 2024

Opening hours for the restaurant are currently as they were before the renovations whilst Chef Bobby is finding his feet in the brand new environment.

Wednesday and Friday evenings from 6pm to 9pm

Saturday from 6.30pm to 10pm

Sunday 4pm to 8.00pm



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