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Brisbane German Club — NEWSLETTER —



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Monday: Closed

Tues - Thursday: 11:00am - 10pm

Friday & Saturday: 11:00am - Midnight

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COMMITTEE

President: Monika Kortz

Vice President: Michaela Sowden

Treasurer: Paul Alldridge

Board of Directors:

Chris Carson, Chris Fletcher, Alex Hyde, Eloise Sowden, Mario Zocchi & Oleg Zocchi

Brisbane German Club

Aug. 14th & Sept. 11th Nominations & AGM

To our valued members,

Save the Dates

for the next Board Nominations Meeting to be held on:

---Nominations Meeting---

Sunday, 14th of August 10am - 12pm

Full and Life Members will have the chance to formally declare their interest in running for Board positions.

---AGM---

Sunday, 11th of September 10am - 12pm

Reports and news on the past year will be given, along with voting of the new Board members in for 2022-2023.

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Schöne Grüße,

The Board of Directors

Brisbane German Elub

Available until August 31st

Spring Menu launches Sept 1sti

Tastes of Winter

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

By Zum Kaiser Restaurant

GERMAN BROTZEIT \$34

German Charcuterie Board / Cured Meats / Cheeses / Pickled Vegetables / Pate / Artisan Crackers

ERBSENSUPPE \$12.90

German Split Pea & Ham Soup / Smoked Ham / Toasted Ciabatta

SAUERBRATEN \$28.90

German Beef Pot Roast marinated in Red Wine Vinegar / Braised Red Cabbage / Potato Dumplings / Pot Roast Gravy

KOHLROULADEN \$29.90

Cabbage Rolls - filled with Pork Mince, Rice & Caraway/ Mashed Potatoes / Sauerkraut / Bier Gravy

DRUNKEN CHICKEN \$31.90

Bier Braised Chicken

Mashed Potatoes / Braised Red Cabbage / Beir Jus

TRADITIONAL BLACK FOREST \$8.90

Chocolate Sponge & Cream Layers / Sour Cherry / Kirsch / Chocolate Flakes / Raspberry Coulis & Whipped Cream

SOUR CHERRY BAKED CHEESECAKE \$11.90

Sour Morello Cherries / Whipped Cream

HOUSE APFEL STRUDEL \$14.90

Apple & Cinnamon Filling / Vanilla Bean Anglaise

Limited time Only/ Menu Items Subject to Availability

Brisbane German Club

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello everyone,

What a great Concert the Choir delivered on Sunday the 17 July 2022. Everyone in the Choir dressed up as Sailors, singing those Sea Shanties in which the whole Audience participated in.

A big Thank You to our Bar Staff, who were very busy keeping our Audience refreshed by serving them drinks.



"Trip down Memory Lane at the Club"



2nd Clubhouse prior to 1933



Current Clubhouse - 1966



Front of current Clubhouse - 1940



Old Bamboo Bar - 1960's



Opening of new lounge - 1967

Brisbane German Club



Club Constitution Update Sunday, 24th July, 2022

We also had a very important **Special General Meeting** about the "Club Constitution" held on the 24 July, 2022 where members had their final say to any changes in the proposed final draft.

The Meeting was chaired by Michaela Sowden - Vice President; Paul Alldridge - Treasurer; and Monika Kortz - Club President. The Meeting reached quorum.

Every Member present at that meeting voted in favour of accepting the final draft of the Constitution.

The next Meeting for our Members will be the **Nomination Meeting held on Sunday the 14 August 2022** starting at 10am followed by the **Frühschoppen**.

On Sunday September 11th, 2022, the Club will hold its Annual General Meeting starting also at 10am. Members will then get the opportunity to vote for the future Board Members of the Club. The AGM is then followed by the Frühschoppen where the members can enjoy themselves.

Regards





Brisbane German Elub UPDATE FROM THE CLUB MANAGER

Thursday, July 29, 2022

Dear Members,

There are few I speak with these days who have not felt firsthand the effects of COVID and/or the flu in recent months. COVID-19 and the ever-changing regulatory environment surrounding the pandemic continues to impact our lives deeply. Our thoughts are with those who are struggling with the direct health implications and the challenging economic times that continue to unfold.

Despite these broader and ongoing challenges, it was pleasing to see the Club end the financial year with a solid performance in June, which has also continued into July. The preliminary financial year results look to be quite acceptable, especially when the many challenges thrown up by the 2021/22 financial year are taken into consideration.

Work on Stage 1 of the Club Renovation project is moving along steadily. Upgrades to the Keller Bar which will soon become the Keller Lounge and the Choir room which will be completely refurbished to become the Presidents Lounge are on track to be completed by year's end. With drawings all but completed, the sub-committee is presently considering tenders from several leading builders to complete Stage 1 works.

This month I enjoyed a front row seat at the Schiff Ahoy Anniversary Concert hosted by the Liedertafel Liederkranz. A delightful program full of enjoyable songs and standout performances was something of a highlight of my time here at the Club. Special thanks to musical director Leo Keller OAM, accompanist Olga, soloists Rainer, Gunter and Kurt, accordionist Julian and the show-stealing dancer Kathy (wow!). Thank you also to Renate for her evocative theming artwork and, of course to the choir members themselves. Bravo!

Very good also to be able to report in this edition the unanimous support of the 54 Members who voted to accept an updated Constitution at the Special General Meeting held last Sunday, July 24th. An up-to-date Constitution is a cornerstone of all great Clubs and must, like the Clubs themselves, continue to move with the times we live in they are to survive, and indeed to prosper. I extend to all who contributed a very sincere thank you for your efforts. Your Club is only better for your efforts.

With the revised Constitution now finalised, for the next few years at least, attention is shifting towards the upcoming nominations in August and the AGM in September.

Brisbane German Elub UPDATE FROM THE CLUB MANAGER

Call for Volunteer Directors

The Brisbane German Club is entering an exciting new chapter in its proud history. I encourage all members of the Club who may be eligible for election to consider the opportunity to put your hand up to lead your Club to future success.

Being a volunteer Director is not for everyone, however it can be a highly rewarding experience and one that allows you to make a genuine difference to the legacy of one of Queensland's most enduring community-led organisations.

Work continues in the background with the staff, the Board, and the Economic Planning and Advisory Committee who met in July also towards the Club's strategic objectives. Planning is steaming ahead in preparation for the Club's annual Oktoberfest and tickets will be going on sale for this Brisbane's Original and Best Oktoberfest event in the coming days.

Looking ahead also, our next Tastes of the Spring Dinner is also about to go on sale to members. Some more details relating to this event will be coming your way soon. I do hope to see you at this dinner.

I wanted to end my report with some words of encouragement to everyone in our extended community. After more than 2 years, the only thing we know for sure about COVID is that we are not out of the woods yet. Patience, care and understanding are the order of the day. Please take a moment to check in with those who are the most important to you in this world. Sometimes the smallest gesture can make the biggest difference in the life of someone we love.

Take care all.

Warm Regards

John Melenewycz Secretary Manager

ALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

From the Club's Economic Planning and Advisory Committee (EPAC)

It is perhaps a sign of our times that many Community Clubs, particularly ethnically-focused Clubs, find themselves forced to consider redevelopment due to economic pressures, financial strains, and/or pressure from corporate partners.

The Brisbane German Club however is fortunate not to be in this situation. With minimal debt, sustainable commercial operations, and 100% ownership of its assets, including a large and prized inner city location, our Club is ideally positioned to consider what it 'wants' to be rather than what it is 'forced' to be. In truth, answers to such profound questions remain unclear. A wide range of variables and uncertainties must be considered carefully to arrive at such future shaping decisions. Now is the time for our Club to open this discussion with members.

Starting as broadly as we might, the aim of the EPAC is to begin hosting some 'big picture' conversations in this space. From these conversations it is hoped great ideas will emerge. From these ideas, concepts that can be documented, costed and ultimately voted on by members.

The EPAC acknowledges we are at the beginning of this process and is of the firm view that the Members need to be involved in this process from the start. In no particular order, 4 wider narratives have been identified as starting points for these open conversations.

- Cultural / Heritage Values The BGC was formed in 1883 as a hub for all things German in Brisbane. Should this remain the core focus of any redevelopment aim to achieve this in a contemporary setting for the future or does the Club?
- Aesthetic Value of the Site Should future development of the Club have a backward facing historical look and feel, or should it be redeveloped as a window looking to the future, representing the here and now of Brisbane's architecture or even the future? No doubt as the current Clubhouse was when it originally opened some 90 years ago in 1933...

ALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

- Local Community focuses How much should the Club be considered within the
 context of a broader community, not just the Brisbane German Community?
 Should the Club celebrate more centrally its links to the local area, to other
 community groups, to Woolloongabba and to Brisbane, for instance the Gabba
 stadium in the lead-up to the Olympics in 2032?
- Financial Focuses To what extent should the club be exploring profit
 maximising development strategies such as partnerships along the lines of
 Heritage, mid/high rise Real Estate development, Car-Parking, Olympics
 redevelopment funding etc.? Or should the Club be sticking to a purely
 hospitality focused offering, in an increasingly competitive and regulated
 space?

If you have a view about these topics as they relate to future development of the Brisbane German Club, or indeed any other ideas you feel are relevant, then the EPAC would very much like to hear from you.

Members are kindly invited to make written submission to the Club Secretary in writing, either via...

e-mail: gm@brisbanegermanclub.com

...or by mail c/o The Secretary, Brisbane German Club, 416 Vulture St., Kangaroo Point, QLD, 4169

Expressions of interest will remain open until 5pm FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 16th 2022. After that time, all written submissions received will be collated and reviewed by the EPAC who will begin forming some more formal discussions groups to explore these ideas further.

With Warm Regards,

The Brisbane German Club Economic Advisory Planning Committee

Club Patron, Prof. Michael Rosemann

Hon. Club President, Paul Sowa OAM

Club Member, Walter Kuhn

Club Secretary Manager, John Melenewycz

WHAT'S ON: AUGUST

To request the Brisbane German Club's digital calendar, please email: events@brisbanegermanclub.com



Lions vs. Carlton Kickoff @ 3:20pm

10TH AUG.

Ekka Holiday

Club & Office is Closed

Think Trivia

moved to Thurs 11th Aug.

14TH AUG.

Member's Nominations

Meeting: 10am

8

Frühschoppen

afterwards

18TH AUG.

Brisbane's Best Thursday Night kicks off!

Food specials, Music Trivia, & Dancing from 6pm

19TH AUG.

Lions vs. Melbourne

Kickoff @ 7:50pm

DJ Garvie

afterwards, 9pm-midnight

21ST AUG.

Familientag

Family Fun Day

+

Andrew @ 12pm

27TH AUG.

Kristy Stanfield

every Saturday arvo in the Biergarten

from 4pm

28TH AUG.

\$20 Knuckle Sunday!

Bookings essential

Andrew @ 12pm

30TH AUG.

August Member's Birthday Draw

every last Tuesday of the month

@ 8pm

Want to hold a Christmas work party or Birthday party with the Brisbane German Club?

Message: events@brisbanegermanclub.com for details, menu's, availability, and pricing!

WHAT'S ON: SEPTEMBER

1ST SEP.

"Tastes of Spring"

3-course Dinner & Drinks with Live Jazz

Tickets Selling
Fast!

4TH SEP.

Father's Day & Familientag

Buy 1 Adult meal, get 1 Kid's meal free!

Andrew @ 12pm

8TH SEP.

World Schnitzel Day &

Brisbane's Best Thursday Night from 6pm

11TH SEP.

Annual General Meeting: 10am & Frühschoppen from 12pm



16TH SEP.

Luxe Lunch Fridays:

Double Taster Plate for 2:
Pork Belly, Bratwurst
Sausages, Chicken Schnitzel,
Chicken Wings, & Fried
potatoes + 2 Wines/Beer
for only \$80

25TH SEP.

2nd Last \$20 Knuckle Sunday!

Bookings essential

Andrew @ 12pm

27TH SEP.

August Member's Birthday Draw

every last Tuesday of the month

@ 8pm

28TH SEP.

Intl. Dark Beer Day

8

Think Trivia

@ 7pm

Special thanks to Götzinger for providing a \$50 voucher for Frühschoppen!







Dear Members & Friends of Kaffee-Klatsch.

Greetings and very best wishes to Kathy & Pauline having to overcome a bout of the nasty Covid and Renate with an unfortunate fall hurting her foot by rushing to the German Club trying to enjoy that very successful Concert on the 17th of July - we send our thoughts for a speedy recovery to you dear Friends.

Meantime we hope you all keep in good health and remember to enjoy Life every day is precious.

As usual, our monthly Kaffee-Klatsch is held on the 3rd Thursday of every month (Aug. 18th & Sept. 15th). We meet at the Keller Bar of the Club for coffee and nibblies as well as enjoying a delicious lunch from our famous restaurant "Zum Kaiser."

We are always looking forward to meeting new Ladies joining us as there is much Frohsinn & Gemütlichkeit happening! We usually meet at approx. 11.30am and stay till around 2.30-3.00pm.

I remain in friendship...

Gerda Schulz



Winter-themed bunting (above); the Ladies have been quite busy (Kathy in particular) decorating the Club for the seasons!



Greetings all from the Ladies Volunteer Group! Seasonal Delight

What an interesting year it has made for the German Club to be introducing the taste of the different seasons of the year. We had enjoyed the Taste of Autumn and now at the commencement of June, the Taste of Winter. The presentation of the limited Winter Menu was very well explained by Katie and Steph and Jason giving us and explanation of the beverage to be paired with each course served. Thank you to the ladies for seeing the hall was decorated according for the season. We were able to air the Christmas Tree in the hall for various groups who held "Christmas In July" functions at the club. With only a month left of this winter period, keep a watch on the Beer Hall for its transformation into Spring. The ladies have been busy putting their craft talents into good use.

Frühschoppen

We are very excited and thankful to have Götzinger Smallgoods making a generous donation to our monthly Frühschoppen raffles. If you are fortunate to win this voucher you will be able to spend at any Super Butcher on Götzinger products. Due to the AFL game being played at the Gabba on our regular Frühschoppen day in July, saw it moved to 24th July. Sadly I become a victim, as did a few of our lady members to Covid. Thank you Elke and various committee members for assisting to still make the Members draw and Frühschoppen happen for the month of July. Hopefully our members who have or still suffering from Covid or the winter colds and flus, restore to good health very soon.

Our ladies' group is always looking for more ladies to come and join us. We meet at the club the 3rd Thursday of every month at 11am. Why not come and join us for a coffee, chat and stay on for some lunch.

Once again, thank you all for your continued support of our Ladies Group and the German Club.

Our next Frühschoppen date is the 14th August. Look forward to catching up with many of you then.

Kind regards,

Kathy Carseldine
President – Ladies Group

For more information or to get in touch with the Ladies Group, please contact:

Kathy's Mobile: 0419 779 110 Email: aca56177@bigpond.net.au



Brisbane German Elub Liedertafel & Liederkranz

Hello Everyone!

"Wow, what a great turnout and success "Schiff Ahoi" was!"

Who knew that Kathy Carseldine had a dancing bug in her body?! She absolutely nailed her dance routine!

One of the highlights in the song repertoire of the choir was the song "Unter der Roten Laterne von St. Pauli" which was sang beneath our copy of a "Roten Laterne" which was used at our last Sailor Concert in 2015 where Marion Kirberg sang the song "Lili Marleen."

A lot of Sailors were on Shore leave from the H.M.S. Pinafore to keep our Concert guests entertained. Who didn't love that song "What shall we do with a Drunken Sailor" and, of course, all the other sailor songs of which there are many!

Thanks to all 150+ guests who came along to enjoy the show!



Choir President Rainer Klose and Teresa Boyce



"Schiff Ahoi" Concert, July 17th, 2022

It's never too late to have some fun and entertain others with your singing! We are always looking for some good voices to join our choir, especially some Tenors. We are a happy bunch and love to entertain the members and visitors to the Club with our songs.

Choir Practice will start again on Tues, Aug. 30th 2022 from 6.30pm - 9.00pm after a well earned break.

Rainer: (07) 3821 5223, Monika: (07) 3397 0971

Zum Geburtstag, Choir!

Brisbane German Elub Alpenrosen Report

Hello all,

The Alpenrosen team are very excited to be back training at the Club. Thank you to the choir who have agreed to share the access to the hall on a TUESDAY night (change of night). The Alpenrosen Dancers and Bell Ringers are programmed to rehearse on the FIRST **TWO TUESDAYS** each month and the choir will then have the hall for the remainder of the month.

Bells rehearsal is at 6 pm and dancing practice is from 7 pm. New potential members are always welcome to join us for a try out.

Our Oktoberfest program will kick off on September 11 at the Gold Coast German Club, returning for the two weekends at the Brisbane German Club and the Oktoberfest Brisbane. Each weekend will comprise of 4 - 5 performances...we could consider ourselves a touring company! We will finish our season on October 29 at our annual performance at the Plainlands Tavern in the west.

Paula has been chosen by the Goethe Institut as the Queensland representative to attend an international conference of German teachers, to be held in Austria in August. She plans to then travel to Bayern to visit friends...and some of the girls have already made some shopping requests! She will return just in time to be back into her dancing shoes for performances!

One of hardest working dancers is also our smallest....David throws his whole body into a dance...we know you'll love our show!

See you in October!! Yours in Plattler.



Paula Hay

for the Alpenrosen Team



Brisbane German Elub Skat Report

Skartbericht...

Hello Skatfreunde,

At our June Skat there were 14 players present. The first prize went to Doehler, A. with 2749 points.

Further placements as follows:

2...Unger, H.
 3...Svarbic, S.
 4...Becker, H.
 2720 PK.
 2403 PK.
 1974 PK.

At our July Skat 12 players were present.

The first prize went to Doehler, A. with 2714 points.

Further placements as follows;

Bummer, W.
 Ertel, G.
 Jasiulek, K.
 2353 PK.
 2281 PK.
 2263 PK.

mer finke



Skat is Germany's National Cards Game

We play price Skat every second Sunday of the month, start time 11-00 o'clock. Every Wednesday we play unseren Freundschafts Skat; start time 12-00 o'clock.

The event is open to everyone; early bookings are encouraged.

For more information or to register to play, please contact Skat President Werner via the details below.

Gut Blatt.

Werner Simke

Phone: 3300 2565 Mobile: 0410 118371

Fotogallerie

"Schiff Ahoil" Choir Concert - July '22



Gunter & Marion Kirberg



Norbert showing Gunter where to go ;)



Renata, Lorraine, and Theresa

Choir Ladies salute



"Tastes of Winter" Dinner Event - June 1, '22



NOTICE BOARD

Willkommen New Full Members!

Michael Lanfermann, Murray Craig, Jeff Matthews, Julie Merle, & Mark Pascoe

Early-Bird tickets ON SALE NOW!!

BRISBANE GERMAN CLUB PRESENTS:



ktobertest

6 FESTIVAL DAYS 1883

HELD OVER 2 WEEKENDS!

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE:

AUTHENTIC LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, MOUTH-WATERING GERMAN FOOD, BRISBANE'S LARGEST RANGE OF IMPORTED GERMAN BEER, **FUN OKTOBERFEST COMPETITIONS** & SO MUCH MORE!

WEEKEND 1

FRI OCT. 7TH: 5PM - LATE SAT OCT.8TH: 11AM - LATE SUN OCT. 9TH: 11AM - LATE PURCHASE TIX:



WEEKEND 2

FRI OCT. 14TH: 5PM - LATE SAT OCT. 15TH: 11AM - LATE SUN OCT. 16TH: 11AM - LATE

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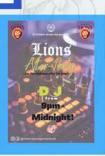
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The Lions are playing home @ the Gabba on:

Sunday, August 7th @ 3:20pm Friday, August 19th @ 7:50pm

Join us for a DJ set after the Friday, Aug. 19th game!



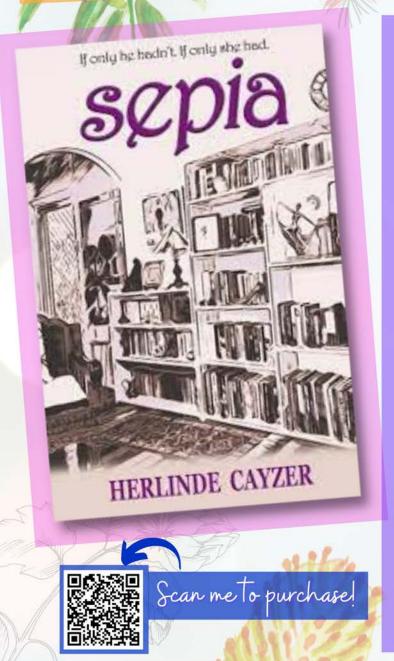
Current Full

Members get

Free Entry!

NOTICE BOARD

Support a local German/Australian Author!



Herlinde Cayzer has a PhD in the field of German Literature, so it's only fitting she has written a story with not only an Australia but also a German aspect.

Can you achieve redemption when political extremist indoctrination leads to the death of your only friend?

Spanning continents and decades the fates of Sigrid, her brother Heinz, and his friend Werner, are interwoven by a sepia photograph.

Will the lifelong puzzle surrounding this image be revealed to Sigrid?-If only she had. In an era of historic turmoil Heinz's worldly-wise attitude contrasts Werner's compliance which serves as a timeless account of being swept along with the current-If only he hadn't.

Historical fiction blended with contemporary from World War II to the present day. This depicts the young men forced into a war they did not understand or want to be a part of.

You can win a copy of this book at the next Frühschoppen (Sunday, Aug. 14th) or buy one at Dymock's or online through Booktopia: scan the QR code to purchase!

Save the Dates!

Nominations Meeting: Sunday, August 14th @ 10am Annual General Meeting: Sunday, September 11th @ 10am

Both Meetings will be followed with Frühschoppen & Live Entertainment!

