

Irish Australian Association

13 - 15 Carrington St, Adelaide, 5000
Formed in 1961



November 2024

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At the Annual General Meeting on 13 October 2024, most of the previous Board was returned to serve a further term. Three new members were also appointed to the Board. The new Board is comprised of:

Chairperson:	Eddie Howlett	Secretary:	Ann Norris
President:	Denis Carey	Membership Secretary:	Shirley Quinn
Vice-President:	Fidelma McCorry	Social Convenor:	Emma Kerkez
Treasurer:	Keith Byrne	Board Members:	Frank O'Reilly Marc O'Conaill Tony Lynch

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR NEW BAR

Work will soon commence on the upgrade to the downstairs (Hall) bar. The Board is mindful that this is a significant project. To minimise the cost as much work as possible will be done using volunteers. Preparatory work for the new bar will commence after the Club closes for the year. This will include replacing the floor apron adjacent to the current bar and dismantling the bar. Ideally, we would like to use reasonably fit people preferably with some trade experience though this is not mandatory.

We urge suitable people to help the Club with this project. All efforts will be taken to ensure it is not too onerous and time consuming. If you would like to make yourself available to assist please ring the Club or email to secretary@irishclub.org.au.

VISIT BY DIGNITARY FROM IRELAND

This Friday 22 November the Director General for Citizen Services, Fiona Penollar and the Deputy Head of Mission, Daniel Lowe will be attending the Club from about 7.30pm. If you have any matters of concern you would like to raise with the Director General this is the best possible opportunity. If not, come along for the craic anyway.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Christmas Party this year will be held on Saturday 14 December. It will start at 2pm until 5pm. Father Christmas will be attending (providing he is not busy elsewhere) so can you please bring a modest gift and appropriate food for each child you are responsible for. More information will be released soon.

CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR

Friday 13 December will be the final night for the Club for this year. To ensure we go out on a high the ever-popular 'Craic & Cratur' will be performing from about 8pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Other events to be held this year:

Friday 22 November: Nathan Churches will return to play a variety of his tunes from about 8pm. Nathan is a very talented musician so don't miss out.

Friday 29 November: from 6pm Science in the Pub will be discussing 'Mighty Microbes' and the good they can do for us and the ecosystems in our world. Entry is free and it is wrapped up by 7.30pm. Then from 8pm Buz Cully will be diving into his musical repertoire to keep us entertained.

Saturday 30 November: the third Crossroads/Gathering will be held. Commencing at 3pm until 7pm people are invited to simply gather for a chat and a laugh. If someone wants to sing a song, recite a story, joke or poem that is encouraged. When one does something others inevitably follow. Feel free to bring a snack or nibbles to enjoy during the event. A golden rule of this event is that listening is just as important as performing.

Friday 6 December: this will be an 'Open Mic' so if you have a song, story or poem you would like to share here is your chance. They have been popular in the past so come along even if you only want to listen. It is not a competition so you will not be judged.

Friday 13 December: Craic & Cratur to finish off the year at the Club.

Saturday 14 December: Children's Christmas Party between 2pm and 5pm.

The Club should reopen for business on Friday 17 January 2025.

MEMBERSHIP

Please note that if you have not renewed your membership since the AGM it has now expired. Please continue to support your Club by renewing your membership. Membership fees have not increased.

If you have renewed your membership thank you. Your membership card will be sent to you shortly.



CAIT WALLACE RIP

Some may be aware of the recent passing of Cait Wallace who was a great supporter in the Irish community and many have had the benefit of her passion for teaching the Irish language. Cait was a life member of the Club and our condolences go to her children and extended family.

CORPORATE PARTNER PROGRAM

If you have an ABN and would like to advertise your business on the www.irishclub.org.au website please send a letter of interest to secretary@irishclub.org.au. The cost is \$300 for a calendar year commencing on 1 January 2025. Invoices will be provided so the cost can be deducted as a tax expense.

CONTACT US

The Board encourages communication from the membership so feel free to ring, send an email or approach a Board member at an event with any ideas you have about improving your Club.

All correspondence by email should be addressed to secretary@irishclub.org.au.

We have updated our mobile website to improve access, so please check the Club's new website on your mobile.

WEBSITE: www.irishclub.org.au

Facebook: [Adelaide Irish Club- IAA](https://www.facebook.com/AdelaideIrishClub-IAA)

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