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**CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE**

A very happy New Year to you all. Welcome to the Year of the Dog.

During this summer we have upgraded Bathroom 8 to the same standard as the other ensuites (underfloor heating etc). Room 8 is now possibly the best bedroom in the Lodge.

The NP&WS have (very) recently called to advise me that the tender process for additional bed leases is about to commence. We have yet to receive the information memorandum from them on how the process will be run. The current Board believe it is in the Club's interests to enter this bidding process to increase our bed lease capacity from 16 to closer to 20. We have a concern that at the end of our lease authorities may consider a 16 bed Lodge either uneconomic or too small for their current Park strategy.

To be able to fund the purchase of further bed leases (we have no feel for what the bed leases will cost) we believe up to 20 further memberships will need to be offered. Again we have not yet determined price though initial thoughts are in the range of \$15,000 to \$20,000 per membership. In the event the Club were granted four further bed leases we believe that we would also need to reassess

the bedroom capacity (and comfort) to properly provide for twenty member/guests per week rather than the current 16 member/guests.

Our intention is to canvas NP&WS re this as currently the Lodge has utilised its available land space.

So that, as your representatives, we can proceed with this we first wish to know as many members' viewpoint on this matter as possible. There is no point in the Board spending valuable time bidding for further bed leases, assessing applications for membership etc if most members have no desire for a 20 bed lease Club.

Accordingly, please email (or write) to Kate Branch (email address on front of this Newsletter) your views. We require your responses prior to this year's Annual General Meeting.

Best Wishes;

Ian Fergusson.

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 2006 AGM will be held at the Killara Lawn Tennis Club, Arnold St Killara, on Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> March (date still to be confirmed), commencing at 7:30pm.

## **KARRALIKA CLOTHING**

The range of sample Karralika clothing has arrived and looks great! At the AGM there will be a range of styles, sizes and colours for members to view.

## **WEB SITE**

Remember to check out Karralika's website at <http://www.karralika.com> to keep up-to-date with news and events.

Booking forms and the latest newsletter can now be downloaded from the website.

## **NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL**

A quick reminder you can receive your newsletter via email.

If you would like your future newsletters to be delivered this way contact  
Amanda [newsletter@karralika.com](mailto:newsletter@karralika.com)

## **2006 WINTER TARRFIS**

Member tariffs have had to be increased this year, as the Club is not achieving satisfactory financial results. We have also just been advised by the NP&WS that the tender process for additional bed leases is about to commence. In the event members encourage the Club's Board to seek additional bed leases this will need to be funded primarily from admitting more members to the Club. It is important the Club continues to be on a sound financial footing, not only to be able to pay for such things as the renovation of bathroom 8 as we have this summer, but also to attract potential new members. The Board has held member tariffs to very moderate increases over recent years and it is now felt it is time to increase them to ensure our financial performance as a Club improves.

We continually analyse trends in the usage of the Lodge and responding to this you will note this year, we have an extra tariff rate during the middle of September. Member usage of the Lodge in September over recent years has been poor and we hope the inclusion of additional shoulder tariffs in that month will encourage more members to consider spring skiing and the great weather September usually provides.

Please note that bookings will only be taken if subscriptions for the year have been paid.

Shoulder period (1): 10 -30 June and 23 September - 2 October. Bookings for the October long weekend will be at the "standard" winter rate.

	Week (7 nights) \$	Long Weekend (2 nights) \$	Weekend (1 night) \$
Member	<b>170</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>60</b>
Concession	<b>230</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>83</b>
Non-member	<b>460</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>160</b>

Shoulder period (2): 16-22 September.

	Week (7 nights) \$	Long Weekend (2 nights) \$	Weekend (1 night) \$
Member	<b>220</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>77</b>
Concession	<b>300</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>106</b>
Non-member	<b>580</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>197</b>

Standard winter rates: 1-28 July and 2-15 September

	Week (7 nights) \$	Long Weekend (2 nights) \$	Weekend (1 night) \$
Member	<b>270</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>94</b>
Concession	<b>370</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>130</b>
Non-member	<b>700</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>235</b>

Peak period rates: 29 July – 1 September

	Week (7 nights) \$	Long Weekend (2 nights) \$	Weekend (1 night) \$
Member	<b>350</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>125</b>
Concession	<b>400</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>155</b>
Non-member	<b>790</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>270</b>

## ***BOOKINGS***

As in the past, booking will only be accepted through the club's postal address, P O Box 57, Killara 2071. A cheque for the full tariff payable must accompany all bookings to ensure quick and easy processing. The dates that members and non-members wish to secure can only be done in this way. The booking secretary cannot confirm bookings until the full tariff has been received.

To assist the booking secretary in allocating your booking times, alternate dates, where possible, should be included on your booking form. This process provides accommodation for as many members as possible during the ski season.

Should you have any queries regarding bookings, Merryn Pearse, the booking secretary, can be contacted on 9909-2735 or by email: [bookings@karralika.com](mailto:bookings@karralika.com)

### ***BOOKING PRIORITIES***

Booking priorities are unchanged and are in this order.

- Member
- Member and up to three guests (whether family or otherwise)
- Member's family
- Other guests

There are only sixteen places available for each week.

### ***BOOKING CANCELLATIONS***

If winter bookings are cancelled 21 days or more in advance of your first day of stay, a cancellation fee of \$100 (per person) will be deducted from the tariff to be refunded.

### ***LINEN SERVICE***

Included in the winter tariff is a linen service, which provides sheets, pillowslips and towels. This service is included in the winter tariffs only but arrangements can be made for an additional charge. For further information contact the booking secretary.

### ***SUGGESTION BOX***

The board looks forward to your suggestions concerning any improvements to the lodge or the running of the lodge. These can be forwarded via email or post

### ***LODGE TELEPHONE***

The lodge telephone is now an honour system. Local calls will cost 50cents each and long distance calls to Sydney or country NSW will be \$1.00. The lodge captain is to collect the money at the weeks end.

### ***ENTERTAINING AND CASUAL MEALS***

The club realises that members often have other friends staying in the Valley at the same time that they are holidaying. The location of the lodge has meant that these guests are often invited to the Lodge for lunch etc. We ask members and their guests to allow such use in moderation. A fee of \$5.50 per head for guests who are not staying at the Lodge is charged to cover costs of food and savouries used by the non-paying guests. This \$5.50 should be given to your lodge captain who will in turn include it in their report.

Please have regard for fellow guests' comfort and privacy.

### ***LODGE EQUIPMENT FAILURE AND BREAKAGES***

Must be reported to the lodge captain immediately they occur. Please do not attempt to repair lodge equipment yourself. The Lodge Captain should contact Roger Russell (maintenance director) who will determine what action to take.

### ***PANTRY OUT OF STOCK***

If certain line items run out of stock during your stay at the lodge please advise Jeff Mullins (02) 9487 4085. Members do not have authority to purchase items on the club's behalf; Jeff should be consulted and will make whatever arrangements are appropriate.

If line items are found to be past their 'use by date' kindly do not have this stock removed and destroyed. Rather please leave in the bulk storeroom with a sign "out of date – do not use". If such stock is removed we have no accurate means for gauging actual lodge consumption for purchasing requirements.