

IBM Quarter Century Club of Victoria Inc.

AUGUST 2019 NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Events

- August 20 Board Meeting
- November 15 2019 Annual Dinner

Let us know if you have any cohort lunches to which you would welcome other interested QCC members.

Message from the President

In this edition of our Newsletter I wish to thank

- All who have joined IBM QCC Victoria to date as full Members your financial support enables us to cover our operational costs and to drive new initiatives for the benefit of all members and subscribers
- Those who were able to attend our AGM and lunch on July 7 and those who submitted proxy nominations and/or their apologies.

I wish to welcome our two new Committee members:

- O Jim Boyle who will be well known to many QCC members for his expertise in database design and software technical support. Jim and his wife Libby are currently enjoying a motoring trip across the Nullabor and back via Central Australia having overcome some health and mobility issues in recent years
- Mike Ward will need no introduction to our QCC members as he is one of very few to achieve a Half-Century of service with IBM in February 2013. Many thanks to Mike for his assistance with preparation of this newsletter before taking a 2-week escape to warmer climates with his wife Adrienne.

Special thanks go to **Mike Hall**, President of the Sydney QCC Chapter who represented all Australian Chapters in negotiations with **David Le Rose**, CEO for IBM Australia for IBM's financial support for 2018 QCC Annual Dinners. Negotiations continued well into 2019 before agreement was reached for IBM to provide \$50 per attendee at the 2018 events. However, no guarantee was given that such funding would be available for 2019 and beyond. Our thanks to QCC Member **Jane Hughes** for managing our \$3,100 reimbursement claim through the IBM internal processes and CFO approval.

At our 2018 AGM we received the support of our Victorian Chapter members to become an Incorporated Association as IBM Quarter Century Club of Victoria Inc. (Reg No: A01036610). Our 2018 Annual Dinner was held on 26th October with 62 people paying for their attendance at a cost of \$65.00 pp after a small subsidy from our modest QCCVIC bank balance. We hope to have close to 100 members and their guests at our 2019 Dinner on November 15 and will apply some of the \$3100 reimbursed by IBM in July 2019 to offset costs of this event. Our committee will meet on August 20 to consider costs and food/drinks options before setting prices for members and guests. We expect to publish details and call for bookings in early September. I suggest that all Members SAVE THE DATE in their calendars and consider making up a table with fellow members and partners/guests. Please consider inviting any current or former IBMers who may have qualified for QCC membership in other States or countries, or those whose IBM service may not have been recognized under the rules at that time.

Lastly, let me thank my fellow Office Bearers for their efforts over the past 18 months in particular to get where we are today. Tom, Jenny, Judy and I re-nominated for our positions at the 2019 AGM. We have each now served more than 5 years and will be looking to others to take up the baton in coming years. Please consider nominating for the open position on your QCC Committee and/or putting your hand-up for an Office-Bearer position at the 2020 AGM. I must also thank **Ruth O'Dea** for her ongoing voluntary efforts to support Tom and all Committee members throughout these years.

Regards Ed

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2019 Annual General Meeting.

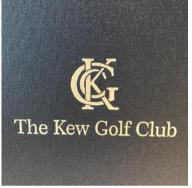
The 2019 AGM was held as part of the Annual Lunch on Sunday 7 July 2019 at Young & Jacksons.

Go to our website to view or download:

- o Minutes
- Attendees
- o <u>President's Report</u>
- Treasurer's Report









2019 Annual Dinner

Friday, November 15 Kew Golf Club 120 Belford Road Kew East 3102

Lock the date into your diary!

Make up your own table of 8 or 10

Bookings will open in early September.

In Memoriam

Associations such as ours have an ageing demographic with many choosing to make sea or tree changes in retirement, or to move interstate or overseas to be closer to family. Others through ill health or lack of mobility may have moved into aged care facilities.

Sadly, we receive some notifications of the passing of QCC Members and former colleagues via Vale notices posted by other QCC chapters or Facebook pages.

In recent weeks we have lost several members:

Grahame Legge

Derek Neill

Hilton McKenna

We have also become aware of the passing of Barbara Perley in June 2018 and Roy Mitchell in November 2017.

We wish to respect the privacy of immediate family members in all cases when posting items on our <u>In Memoriam</u> page. We ask members to ensure that any details referred to us have been sourced from family members if not already released on print or electronic media.

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Membership 2019/2020

Welcome to newly qualified QCC Members **Malcolm Mackay** and **Simon Tam**. Another 4 or 5 will qualify by 2019 year end.

We also welcome **Gregor Johnson** who lives in Reno, Nevada. Gregor joined IBM Australia Melbourne Branch in January 1967. He will be visiting Melbourne in September.

We currently have 269 qualified QCC Members listed on our web-site.

Annual Subscriptions

- o 47 financial members @ 30 Jun 2019
- o 64 financial members @ 31 Jul 2019
- o Target 80 financial members @ 30 Sep 2019
- o 120 financial members @ 31 Dec 2019

Go to our website at https://ibmqccvic.org/membership/ for further information on Membership Eligibility and Benefits

Sponsors

IBM A/NZ - \$3,100

Advanced Mailing Solutions P/L – services to commercial value of \$600

Donors

Thank you to those 11 Members who included donations totalling \$225 with their Membership Subscription payments. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Committee Members 2019/2020

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