



AUGUST 2016 NEWSLETTER

'Striving to communicate effectively with our Members'



Katoomba RSL Club

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Welcome to the latest edition of the Katoomba RSL ASC newsletter.

I am pleased to report to members that the Club continues to be in a debt free position.

ANZAC Day 2016 once again proved to be an outstanding success in terms of club participation and community attendance at the commemorative services. In particular, the change of venue for the Sub-branch service to the Club Auditorium was well received by members and guests. The superb efforts of Club Management, Staff and the Sub-branch ensured the success of this special commemorative occasion.



During November both Katoomba RSL ASC and Wentworth Falls Bowling Club enjoyed the privilege of accommodating the Coo-ee marching contingent as they journeyed through the Blue Mountains. The re-enactment included the March following the well known Anzac Day route down the length of Katoomba Street to the Community War Memorial at the Club where a commemoration service was held with local dignitaries in attendance

The Board and Management continue to engage in strategic development processes to implement a shared vision for the ongoing improvement of facilities, promotions and benefits for members making your Club a safe & friendly place to share experiences with family and friends. Recently the Board participated in a Strategic Planning Workshop to facilitate the implementation of both short and long term goals.

The introduction of new catering facilities and services, Number 86 Restaurant at Katoomba RSL and Whispers at Wentworth Falls Bowling Club, has contributed to steadily increasing patronage and great reviews for both Clubs. Improvements at Number 86 Restaurant will continue throughout the year providing innovative and exciting dining experiences.

Vision Statement: Our Vision is to strive to communicate effectively with our Members, serve the Blue Mountains community and commit to making our Clubs an enjoyable and memorable experience for Members and guests.

Mission Statement: Our mission is to focus on our distinctive strengths and to use these to achieve our goal of excellent customer service and staff training and the provision of high quality, safe and friendly facilities for Members, guests and staff. This commitment will allow us to fulfill our future goals to Members and guests by providing an enjoyable and memorable experience at all our Clubs.

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Nominated twice as a finalist for the Heart of the Community Award in the 2016 Club & Community Awards, Katoomba RSL is extremely honoured and delighted that our nominee Ray Wiles OAM was awarded joint winner and to also receive a Highly Commended award recognising the contributions of our CEO Nick Darias in this category.



Attending the awards dinner was a wonderful opportunity to share and celebrate the stories of all Clubs and appreciate how individual contributions translate into an industry focused on community contribution through "giving our best". Katoomba RSL proudly supports and nurtures close contacts with many sporting, charitable and welfare organisations in our local community as we continue to expand our participation in the ClubGRANTS scheme operating throughout the Blue Mountains.

The Club is trading successfully and is expanding its ties within the local community.

Brian Turner RFD
President



CEO Nick Darias recently attended the Ritz Nursing Home to present the winner of their footy tipping club, Rae, with her prize.

...a breath of fresh air!

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO



As Katoomba RSL ASC continues its steadfast growth, our members have been enjoying increased monthly promotions on Friday nights including:

- First Friday Spend & Win
- Second Friday 5 x \$1,000 Cash Giveaway
- Third Friday Members Swipe & Win
- Fourth Friday 5 x \$500 Cash Giveaway

Our 2016 promotions so far have rewarded 89 winners with prizes exceeding \$64,000 including our May/June prize of a Stacer 3m Runabout Package valued at \$6,700.

This year Katoomba RSL ASC has contributed \$20,514 towards Category 1 funding in the Blue Mountains 2016 ClubsGRANTS scheme. Beneficiary organisations include:

- BowelCare Australia \$1,000
- Katoomba Leura Preschool Association Inc. \$ 500
- bentART Inc. \$2,000
- Blue Mountains Food Services Inc. \$2,400
- B.M. Women's Health & Resource Centre \$2,500
- B.M. Aboriginal Culture & Resource Centre \$1,000
- NADO Incorporated \$2,040
- Blackheath Area Neighbourhood Centre Inc. \$1,400
- Platform Youth Services Ltd \$2,399
- The Northcott Society \$1,775
- Blue Mountains Family Support Service Inc. \$2,500
- Mountains Outreach Community Service \$1,000

Refurbishments in the gaming lounge have included new games, machines and furniture which have been well received by members and guests alike.

The entertainment programme at Katoomba RSL continues to offer a wide variety of performances from music to comedy and performance art as our reputation for great live entertainment grows throughout the community. The Blue Mountains Music Festival in March again proved to be a great weekend and we look forward to hosting the 4th Annual Blue Mountains Elvis Festival in August.

Along with great entertainment in a relaxed atmosphere, comes a new and exciting dining experience at Number 86 Restaurant. Under new management with a fresh menu featuring modern Australian cuisine, daily specials and seafood there is sure to be something to please everyone.



Katoomba RSL – Supporting the Community that Supports Us

Nick Darias
Chief Executive Officer