EADVANCE 2024



Thursday, 25 April at Mortdale Memorial Park at 6am

PENSHURST COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE Sunday, 21 April held at the Memorial in Bridge St, Penshurst, at 2pm

Celebrate

Throughout 2024 with lunch and dinner specials, Melbourne Cup, Mother's Day, Father's Day and MORE!

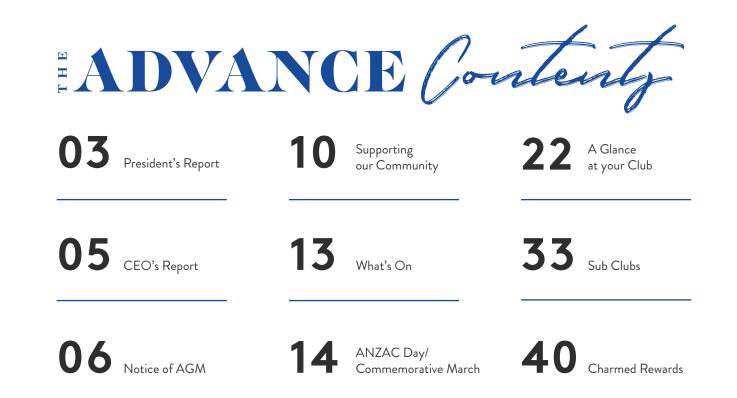
Promotions

Monthly food and beverage vouchers Feature Beer Promotion Wednesday, Friday & Sunday Raffles

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Mr. Sydney White

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Mon-Sat: 10:00am - Late Sun: 9:15am - Late | Christmas Day: Closed





The year in review

The year 2023 ended with a very pleasing trading result for the club. I am happy to report to members that the club is in a very sound financial position. We can fully fund the minor renovations that are planned to commence this year and still hold a substantial cash reserve for the future.

Constitution update

Our Club Constitution is like a handbook of laws and procedures that the club must follow. It must be approved by the members and any amendments must also be approved by the members. A meeting to approve some changes was held on Sunday 4th February 2024. The changes were drafted by the Club's solicitors. Unfortunately, the motion to amend our Constitution did not enjoy the support that was required. This is something that needs to be addressed in the future.

Memorabilia cabinets

Members have grown accustomed to seeing the memorabilia cabinets as they enter the club. Due to the forthcoming renovations, these cabinets will be relocated downstairs near the rear entrance (opposite the cabinets already there). The club will work with the sub branch to create a Remembrance Walkway from the club's rear entrance. When the club undertakes a major rebuild, the memorabilia will be given a prominent pride of place near the front entrance. The board and management note that a key part of our mission is to promote the spirit of ANZAC and remember those who served.

<u>Foxtel</u>

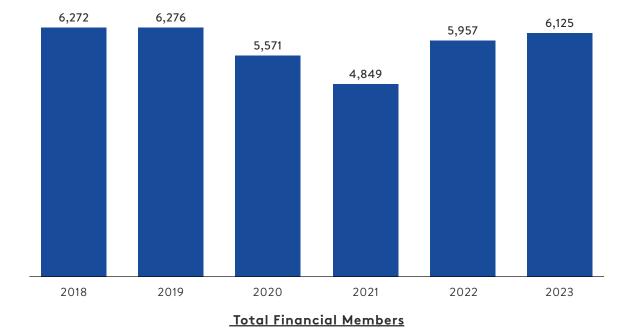
I am pleased to note that we have signed a new agreement with Foxtel that gives better dollar value than previously offered by them. Patrons will be able to watch the footy as the new 2024 season unfolds.

Meat raffle

The club runs meat raffles on Wednesdays and Sundays. I am happy to announce that the club meat trays will be bigger and better than ever. Our aim is to give away the best meat trays in the St. George District!

Membership

Our membership declined during the Covid era. Several steps have been taken to increase our membership including the member voucher system. Once a month members may claim food and beverage vouchers. Our membership now stands at 6125 members; we are now nearly back to our original numbers as the following graph illustrates:



<u>Renovations</u>

Members will notice workers in the club in the ensuing months and I will briefly remind members of the planned renovations:

- Enlarge the dining room
- Build a brand-new smoking area and sports lounge
- Enlarge the outdoor gaming area
- Develop additional car parking spaces
- New furniture and fittings

New caterer

We farewell our caterers, Yvonne and Kenny, who are moving back to Malaysia to be with family. They have worked long hours over many years and deserve a welcome break. They go with our best wishes for the future. We welcome our new caterer Andy, who has retained a number of the existing staff.

Sub clubs

Elsewhere in this magazine you will see contact details for all our sub clubs. Please consider joining a sub club. As a club member, you will be made to feel very welcome. Our sub clubs include, travel, golf, swimming, rugby league, AFL and the sub branch. There are many other activities available to you such as ballroom dancing, trivia, patchwork group, salsa dancing, karaoke and cards (bridge). Please see reception for contact details.

<u>Thanks</u>

On behalf of all members, I would like to thank our CEO, Chris, the management team and staff, not only for a fantastic trading result, but also for making Penshurst RSL Club a safe and welcoming place for our members to visit and enjoy.

I would also like to thank our board members who have undertaken legal and financial training to contribute to board affairs and who also give up their free time to attend board meetings and attend training and strategy sessions.

Finally, a big thank you to all our loyal club members. Your continued patronage is much valued. Best wishes for a happy and healthy 2024, the Year of the Dragon.

John Hoban



Director Garry Johnson, Kookaburras President Sean Willet & Club President John Hoban President of the Penshurst RSL Kookaburras Sean Willet presenting the 2024 Kookaburras jersey to club President John Hoban and Director Garry Johnson.



Hello Members,

Firstly, I would like to wish all of our members good health and happiness for 2024, and pass on my condolences to those who have recently lost loved ones.

It gives me great pleasure to present the CEO's report for 2023, highlighting the achievements, challenges, and progress made throughout the year.

Financial Performance

I am pleased to report to our members that despite the many ongoing challenges, Penshurst RSL Club has maintained a strong financial position in 2023.

We have achieved another great profit for the year of approximately \$1.33m (un-audited), and this is credit to the ongoing loyal support and patronage of our wonderful members. Our commitment to fiscal responsibility has enabled us to continue delivering exceptional services and amenities to our members, whilst ensuring value for money and long-term sustainability. In August 2023 we made the final payment of the club's loans, one which was activated for the club renovations back in 2016, and the other, legacy debt of over \$2m. Members can now be reassured that your club's longer-term viability is sound. The full audited annual report will be made available to all members on the club's website from early April.

Membership Growth and Engagement

In 2023, we witnessed significant growth in our membership base by attracting new members to our club, whilst also strengthening our relationships with existing members, reflecting the real value and appeal of Penshurst RSL Club within the community. Our efforts to enhance member engagement through tailored promotions and our rewards program have yielded positive results, fostering a sense of belonging and togetherness among our diverse membership.

Community

At Penshurst RSL Club, we are deeply committed to supporting and giving back to our local community, and in 2023 we continued on with this tradition by actively participating in various sponsorships, community projects and partnerships with local charities and organizations. Whether it's providing assistance to local schools, sponsoring sports teams, or organizing fundraising events, we remain dedicated to making a meaningful difference in the lives of those around us. We were privileged in hosting the Anzac Day Dawn Service, where there were over 1,500 people in attendance, and over 600 people attended the club for breakfast.

<u>Looking Ahead</u>

We are set to begin more renovations in March 2024, unfortunately there have been a number of set-backs from council, however as they say patience is a virtue! And as we embark on the journey ahead, I am confident that Penshurst RSL Club will continue to thrive and evolve. With a dedicated commitment to our vision of securing our long-term future by providing outstanding facilities and services for our members and guest, we are well-positioned to overcome any challenges that may arise and seize opportunities for growth and innovation.

<u>Thank You</u>

Late last year we farewelled our Operations Manager, Craig Merrit, and we wish him well in his new role as a General Manager in the club industry.

I would like to thank our caterers Kenny and Yvonne for their service at the club over the past 7 years. They have done a wonderful job and we wish them well for the future. We welcome our new caterer Andy, who has kept the rest of the catering team.

I would like to congratulate the following two staff members on their length of service with the club; Dave Goddard 25 years' service and Reny Rice 15 years' service.

A remarkable achievement by both of these staff members, who are wonderful assets to our business.

I would like to thank the board of directors for your strategic planning and ongoing support, the management team for your leadership, and all of our staff for your exceptional customer service.

In closing, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our members, for your unwavering support of the club. Together, we have achieved remarkable success in 2023, and I look forward to building on this momentum in the years to come.

I look forward to seeing you at the Club soon!

Kind Regards,

Chris Hendley

Chief Executive Officer

election for the

nominations open

Monday 15 April 2024 at 10am

nominations close

Friday 26 April 2024 at 5pm

ballot paper position draw

Friday 26 April 2024 at 530pm

Voting will be conducted in the club's reception area

Friday 17 May 2024 12:00pm - 7:00pm Saturday 18 May 2024 12:00pm - 7:00pm Sunday 19 May 2024 12:00pm - 7:00pm Monday 20 May 2024 12:00pm - 7:00pm

<u>count</u>

Monday 20 May 2024 at 7:15pm

method of voting

First past the post – using ticks and crosses – exact number to be elected The AGM will be held on Sunday 26 May 2024 at 10:00am in the club's auditorium.

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Penshurst RSL Club Limited will be held in the Club's Auditorium at the premises of the Club, 58A Penshurst Street, Penshurst, New South Wales on Sunday 26th May 2024, commencing at 10:00am.

<u>Agenda</u>

1. Apologies

- 2. To receive and consider the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Sunday 28th May 2023. Business Arising.
- 3. To Receive and Consider the:
 - a. Financial Report;
 - b. Directors' Report; and
 - c. Auditor's Report,

for the year ended 31st December 2023*.

*Please Note: Members are asked to respectfully submit any questions they may have, in writing at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting to the Chief Executive Officer, so informed responses can be provided at the meeting.

- 4. To consider and, if thought fit, pass the Three Ordinary Resolutions (set out below) conferring of benefits on Directors and specific members of the Club.
- 5. Declare the results of the election of Directors.
- 6. General Business: To transact any business of which due notice has been given.

First Ordinary Resolution:

That pursuant to Section 10(6A)(b) of the Registered Clubs' Act 1976, the members hereby approve and agree to the Board and the other persons referred to below, during the period preceding the 2025 Annual General Meeting, receiving the following benefits outlined in sub-paragraphs (i) to (iv) and the members further acknowledge that the benefits are not available to members generally but only to those members of the Club specified in this Ordinary Resolution:

- (i) the reasonable cost of a meal and beverage for each Director immediately after a Board or Committee Meeting on the day of that meeting.
- (ii) the reasonable cost of a meal and beverage for each Director, whenever each Director is performing a duty at the Club.
- (iii) the reasonable expenses incurred by Directors in relation to such other duties including entertainment of special guests to the Club and other promotional activities performed by Directors, such activities and expense

being approved by the Board before payment is made, on the production of receipts, invoices, or other proper documentary evidence of such expenditure.the reasonable cost of a Board Christmas Lunch attended by the Directors and their partners and senior management and their partners.

- (iv) the reasonable cost of a Board Christmas Lunch attended by the Directors and their partners and senior management and their partners..
- (v) the reasonable cost of providing each Director a half ham prior to Christmas.
- (vi) the cost of providing each Director with up to fifty (50) drink vouchers per annum to be redeemed at their discretion.
- (vii) (vii) the provision of two (2) reserved car spaces as follows:
 - a. one (1) for a Director;
 - b. one (1) for the Sub Branch Secretary.
- (viii) the cost associated with management issuing drink vouchers to those members who carry out volunteer work within the Club.
- (ix) the reasonable expense in the provision of free refreshments to members who have attended the Annual General Meeting at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting and any general meeting for a period not exceeding two (2) hours as determined by the President or his nominated representative.
- (x) the reasonable cost of Club apparel being provided to directors as required.
- (xi) the reasonable cost of an electronic device being provided to directors as required.

Second Ordinary Resolution:

That pursuant to Section 10(6A)(b) of the Registered Clubs' Act 1976, the members hereby approve and agree to the expenditure by the Club of a sum not exceeding \$20,000 during the period preceding the 2025 Annual General Meeting, for the professional development and education of Directors as follows:

- (i) the reasonable cost of a delegation of Directors attending the Clubs NSW Annual General Meeting.
- (ii) the reasonable cost of Directors attending seminars, lectures, trade displays and other similar events as may be determined by the Board from time to time.
- (iii) the reasonable cost of Directors attending other registered clubs for the purpose of viewing and assessing their facilities and method of operation providing such attendances are approved by the Board as being necessary for the betterment of the Club.

The members acknowledge that the benefits conferred in this Second Ordinary Resolution are not available to members generally but only to those members of the Club specified in this Second Ordinary Resolution.

Third Ordinary Resolution:

That pursuant to Section 10(6)(b) of the Registered Clubs' Act 1976, the members hereby approve and agree to the confer the following sums of honoraria on the Directors specified in respect of their services as a member of the Board:

- President sum of \$1,875 per quarter
- Vice-President sum of \$1,625 per quarter
- Each Ordinary Director sum of \$1,375 per quarter

The members acknowledge that the benefits conferred in this Third Ordinary Resolution are not available to members generally but only to those members of the Club specified in this Third Ordinary Resolution.

Explanatory message to members regarding the ordinary resolutions

Section 10(1)(i) and (j) of the Registered Clubs Act 1976 prohibits the Club from offering a benefit or advantage to any member unless it is offered equally to all members of the Club.

Section 10(6) provides an exception to section 10(1)(i) and (j) where the benefit comprises an honorarium conferred on Directors of the Club.

Section 10(6A)(b) of the Registered Clubs Act 1976 allows a member to receive a benefit if the benefit conferred is not in the form of money (ie is in the form of meals, drinks, car parking spaces etc) and those benefits are approved by an ordinary resolution of the members of the Club in general meeting prior to the benefit being provided.

The First Ordinary Resolution is to have the members in general meeting approve, in accordance with section 10(6A)(b) of the Registered Clubs Act 1976, reasonable expenditure by the Club in relation to the conferral of non-monetary benefits on Directors and specific members as specified in the resolution.

The Second Ordinary Resolution is to have the members in general meeting approve, in accordance with section 10(6A)(b) of the Registered Clubs Act 1976 non-monetary benefits including the reasonable expenditure by the Club for the Directors to attend seminars, lectures, trade displays, and other similar events, including the registered club industry's peak industry association (Clubs NSW) Annual General Meeting, and to visit other clubs, to enable the Club's Board to keep abreast of current trends and developments which have a significant bearing on the nature and the way in which the Club conducts its business.

The Third Ordinary Resolution is to have the members in general meeting approve, in accordance with section 10(6) (b) of the Registered Clubs Act 1976, the conferral of an amount of money (ie honorarium) on the President, Vice President and Directors of the Board in recognition of their services as members of the Board.

General Notes to Members

- 1. All Life Members, and financial RSL Members and Associate Members (except employees of the Club) are entitled to vote on the Ordinary Resolutions.
- 2. To be passed, each Ordinary Resolution must receive votes in its favour from not less than a majority (50%+1) of those members who being eligible to do so, vote in person at the meeting.
- 3. As a result of the provisions of the Corporations Act 2001, the Ordinary Resolutions must be considered as a whole and cannot be altered by motions from the floor of the meeting.
- 4. Members should read the Explanatory Message to Members following the Ordinary Resolutions which explains the nature and effect of each Ordinary Resolution.
- 5. Please direct any question or concerns about the Ordinary Resolutions to the Chief Executive Officer of the Club, if possible before the meeting.
- 6. Members of the Club, who are employees of the Club, cannot vote on the Ordinary Resolutions.
- 7. Members are asked to respectfully submit any questions they may have regarding the Financial Report, Directors Report and the Auditor's Report, in writing at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting to the Chief Executive Officer, so informed responses can be provided at the meeting.
- 8. Proxy Votes are not allowed under the Registered Clubs Act 1972.

Chris Hendley

By order of the Board

Chris Hendley Chief Executive Officer



Over \$118,000 has been donated by Penshurst RSL to your local community. This support comprises of cash and in-kind donations to the following organisations.

Penshurst RSL Midweek Golf Club Penshurst RSL Youth Swim Club Penshurst RSL Kookaburras Rugby League Club Penshurst RSL Panthers Junior Australian Football Club Penshurst RSL Sub Branch Penshurst RSL Travel Club Penshurst Public School **Oatley Lions Club** St George District Cricket St George Sutherland Medical Research Foundation Share SMR Inc. Sarah Redfern Public School Salvation Army Lugarno Progress Association Chris O'Brien Lifehouse Morris Children's Fund Inc **GRC** Peakhurst P& C Association

Director Garry Johnson, Membership Chairman John Morgan, Secretary John Perkins, Oatley Lions Club President Richard Sheahan, Vice President Peter De Meaur and Director Susie Bourke





Director Graham Grant, Secretary Garry Morris and Director Michael Korfias

Director Kim Thompson, Jnr Vice President Toufic Fakih, Secretary John Saffaf, Kookaburras President Sean Willet and President John Hoban





Director Graham Grant, Golf Club President & Handicapper Enzo Corvino, Golf Club Captain Colin McDonald and Vice President Kim Thompson Sub Branch President Keith Pratt, Secretary Mary Teasdale, Director Susie Bourke and Director Garry Johnson





Director Kevin Kelly, Treasurer Nary Kwong, Secretary Colleen Furze and Director Michael Korfias



Director Susie Bourke, St George DCC President Kevin Greene and President John Hoban

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MONDAY'S

5-6PM 5:30PM 6:45PM Happy Hour Chicken Schnitzel Dinner Special Latin Salsa Dancing

TUESDAY'S

11AM 5-6PM 5:30PM 7PM

Indoor Bowls Happy Hour Pasta & Noodle Dinner Specials Trivia

WEDNESDAY'S

5-6PMHappy Hour5:30PMMeat Raffle5:30PMFish & Chips Dinner Special6PMClub Taxi

THURSDAY'S

1:30PMNew Vogue Dancing5-6PMHappy Hour5:30PMBurger Dinner Specials6PMClub Taxi

FRIDAY'S

5:30PM

6PM

6PM

Asian Combo Dinner Special Footy Club Meat Raffle Club Taxi

SATURDAY'S

MIDDAY 6PM 7:30PM Race Day Club Taxi Karaoke (End of Month)

SUNDAY'S

9:15AM 5:30PM 6PM Champagne Breakfast Meat Raffle Club Taxi



THURSDAY APRIL 25

MORTDALE /PENSHURST/OATLEY SUB-BRANCHES ANZAC DAWN SERVICE TO BE HELD AT MORTDALE MEMORIAL PARK, CNR OF MARTIN PLACE & BOUNDARY ROAD.

MEET AT 5.45AM FOR A 6.00AM SERVICE FOLLOWED BY BREAKFAST & REFRESHMENTS AT MORTDALE RSL.

DAWN SERVICE BREAKFAST – TICKETS AVAILABLE AT RECEPTION AT PENSHURST, MORTDALE & OATLEY RSL CLUBS APPROXIMATELY FROM A WEEK PRIOR.

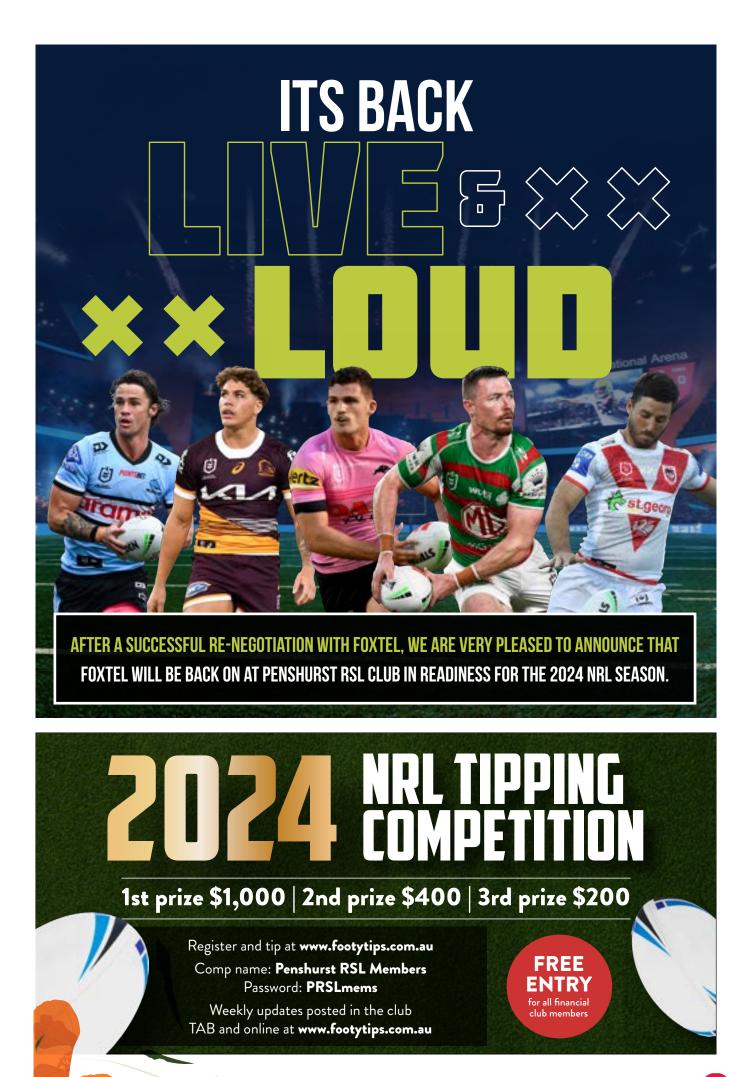
MEMBERS \$5/NON-CLUB MEMBERS \$10 SUB BRANCH MEMBERS AND SERVICE PERSONNEL FREE.

COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE

SUNDAY APRIL 21

THE COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE WILL BE HELD AT THE MEMORIAL IN BRIDGE STREET, PENSHURST, COMMENCING AT 2.00PM.

IF MARCHING PLEASE ASSEMBLE AT THE REAR OF THE RSL IN CONNELLY STREET BY 1.45PM.







Penshurst RSL is partnered with ClubSAFE, a leading responsible gambling and compliance program operated by ClubsNSW.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP DOINTS

Swipe your membership card at the rewards terminal, bar and bistro to receive points. Use your points on food, beverage, gift cards, club taxi and more...

ALL POINTS ON EMERALD AND SAPPHIRE CARDS WILL EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31ST, 2024.

Includes a glass of champagne or orange juice



Member price \$9.95, visitor price \$15. Valid membership card must be shown. One breakfast per member.



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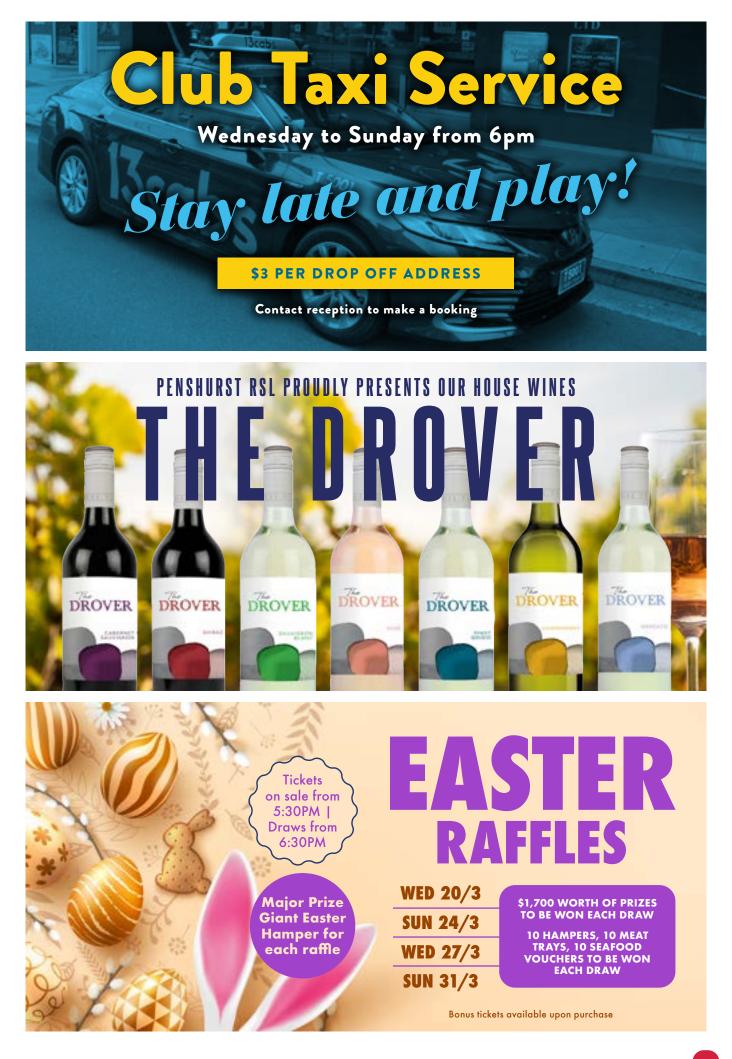
SNACK MENU

AVAILABLE: 10AM - MIDDAY 2PM - 5PM | 8:30PM - LATE



\$400 PENSHURST GIFT CARD TO BE WON EACH MONTH regeive one entry for each schooner purchased







2023 Key Performance Indicators







Community events supported

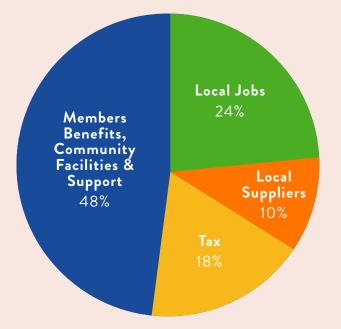


Attendees at the Dawn Service and 600 for breakfast at the club

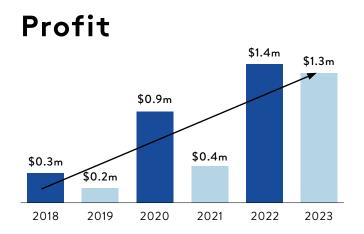


\$2.5M FY24 reinvestment into Club facilities

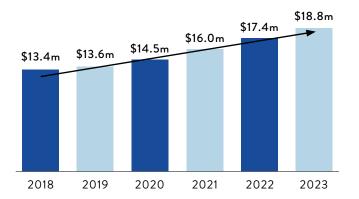
How every dollar you spend at your club is benefiting the local community



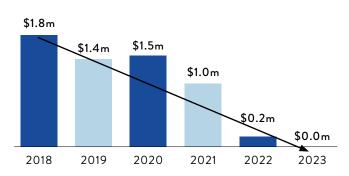
performance



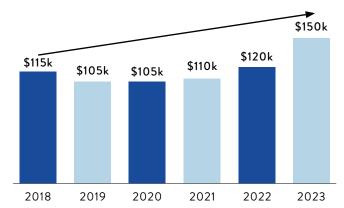
Members Funds



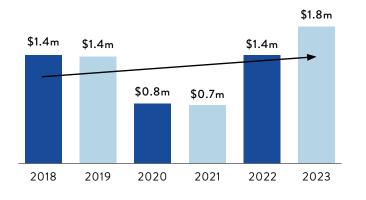
Bank Debt



Community Support



Members Benefits



CUSTOMER FEEDBACK IS

We are always looking to improve our service to you, so please let us know if we can improve anything!

Fill in a feedback form at reception or online at info@penshurstrsl.com.au

MEMBER BENEFITS

Penshurst

Monthly food and beverage vouchers

Free onsite parking Rewards points on purchases Food & beverage discounts Birthday rewards Access to member's promotions & social clubs

MEMBERS BIRTHDAY Rewards

Penshurst

Swipe your membership card at the rewards terminal during the month of your birthday to receive your birthday rewards



OPEN 7 DAYS LUNCH & DINNER

lavours

 DINNER

 12:00-2:00PM
 5:30-8:30PM MON-SAT

 5:30-8:00PM SUN



tunction & MEETINGS

- Small to large meetings
- Birthdays & engagements
- Cost effective room hire

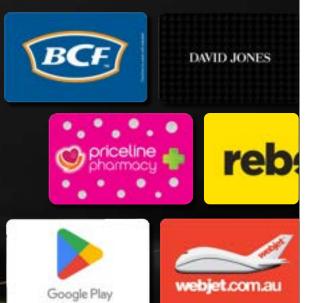


- Catering packages to suit
- Email functions@penshurstrsl.com.au or call 02 95803749



REDEEM YOUR POINTS AT THE PIT STOP CONCIERGE

Convert your points into Gift Cards at our Concierge. With so many brands & retailers to choose from, you'll be spoilt for choice









Positions available for our Wednesday competition

If interested please contact Col (0419 262 340) or Garry (0401 713 754)

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Penshurst R.S.L. midweek golf club

Penshurst/

Midweek Golf Club

WATCH THE RACES LIVE ON OUR BIG SCREENS SWEEPS, TAB FACILITIES, CLUB OPEN FROM 10AM COMPLIMENTARY GLASS OF BUBBLY WITH ANY LUNCH MAIN MEAL PURCHASE

LUNCH SPECIALS AVAILABLE BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 5TH

Happy MOTHER'S DAY SUNDAY MAY 12TH

COMPLIMENTARY BEVERAGE FOR ALL MUMS WITH ANY MAIN MEAL PURCHASED FROM THE BRASSERIE DURING LUNCH AND DINNER

NENBERSHP RENEWALS

DUE BY 31ST OF JANUARY 2025 1YR \$7 | 3YR \$15 | 5YR \$20 AND RENEW ONLINE!

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MAJOR PRIZE \$250 VISA GIFT CARD

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WED 11, SUN 15, WED 18, SUN 22 OF DECEMBER 2024

Tickets on sale from 5:30PM Draws from 6:30PM Bonus tickets awarded upon purchase \$2500 worth of prizes to be won each draw 25 half hams & 25 seafood vouchers to be won

Live entertainment 8:30PM-12:30AM Watch the fireworks live on our big screens Club taxi available 6pm-2am

FREE •

ENTRY

get to know

SUSAN

DEPARTMENT Duty Manager LENGTH OF SERVICE 10 years

Dream travel destination Dubai - To experience their modern architecture and see the tallest building in the world!

Favourite hobby F45

Favourite sport/team NRL, Canterbury Bankstown Bulldogs "Lets go Bulldogs lets go!"



Favourite Food Mexican

Most rewarding part of my job

It's rewarding seeing the club progress with such a great team, whilst being able to contribute to a positive experience for our club members and guests

MADELEINE

DEPARTMENT Bar Staff LENGTH OF SERVICE 3 years

Dream travel destination Peru - I really want to visit the Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu

Favourite hobby Reading and sewing

Favourite sport/team AFL, Collingwood Magpies "Woooo!"



Favourite Food Pasta (or more specifically Carbonara)

Most rewarding part of my job

Getting to know all the customers, both regular and new. As well as working alongside an amazing team of staff and managers who are kind, friendly and understanding

ALAN

DEPARTMENT Gaming Attendant LENGTH OF SERVICE 2 years

Dream travel destination Spain their people attitude and friendliness is great

Favourite hobby Computing, Shopping, Family Time

Favourite sport/team Swimming



Favourite Food Japanese and Thai

Most rewarding part of my job

Friendly Co-worker and customers, good Management team and I take pride in my Customer Service.

IRENA

DEPARTMENT Duty Manager LENGTH OF SERVICE 8 years

Dream travel destination White Christmas in Europe

Favourite hobby Family time, gardening, relaxing

Favourite sport/team Any team that wins



Favourite Food Italian

Most rewarding part of my job

Seeing people enjoy their time at the club and going home happy, being part of a working team that feels like family



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Penshurst RSL Panthers Junior AFL Club President: Natasha Clayton Ph: 0416 160 311 Email: penshurstpresident@hotmail.com Website: penshurstpanthersafl.com.au Penshurst RSL Junior Rugby League Football Club President – Sean Willett Ph: 0437 149 326 Email: sean.willett@mortgagechoice.com.au Website: www.prslkookaburras.com.au

Penshurst RSL Youth Swim Club President - Adrian Manson Ph: 0407 465 000 Email: penshurstyouthswim@gmail.com Website: penshurstrslyouthswim.com

Penshurst RSL Social Golf Club Secretary/Treasurer - Garry Johnson Ph: 0401713754 Email: gjohnson63@optusnet.com.au Website: penshurstrsl.com.au/social-golf-club/

subbranch vale 2023-2024

- Donald Andrews
- Ronald Thompson
- Kenneth Riley

- Peter Francis
- , Gwen Swadling OAM (Affiliate)
- Clifford Dyer

- Albert Annesley
- Ernest Adams

sub branch secretary

The 2023 Annual General Meeting saw significant changes in office bearers. John Hoban stood down as President. Former Vice President, Keith Pratt, was elected President and, as foreshadowed, a new Secretary was also required. It has been a very challenging time for me and I could not have achieved as much as I have without the support and guidance of the former Secretary, Ğraham Grant. Thank you, Graham. We welcomed another new executive member, Tom Lyons, who has quickly settled into his vice president role. Welcome also to new committee members, Peter Sanders and Marjorie Madden.

After many years, due to falling numbers, the Penshurst branch of the War Widows Guild disbanded but the ladies remain in contact with each other as a social group and attend sub-Branch functions.

In March the bus trip to Penrith and the Nepean Belle Cruise on the Hawkesbury River was very well attended. The cruise itself was a great success but the temporary mooring location meant that boarding access was not the easiest. Our Social Committee will be organising other social events for this year.

On behalf of Penshurst, Mortdale and Oatley sub-Branches, Penshurst hosted the ANZAC Day Dawn service in 2023. Actual attendance numbers cannot be accurately predicted but the numbers were well above our expectation. We will take this into consideration when we host the service in 2026 and hopefully ensure there will be a more effective audio coverage. A very special thank you to the Riverwood Hornets who stepped in at the last minute to form the Catafalque Party following the late withdrawal of RAAF Richmond.

In August eight sub-Branch Vietnam veterans travelled to Canberra to join other Vietnam veterans from across Australia

to attend the Vietnam Veterans Day service at the Australian War Memorial commemorating the 50th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War, Australia's longest military engagement last century.

Our President, Treasurer and myself attended the RSL Congress in Newcastle. The newly elected President, Mick Bainbridge, addressed Congress. One of his main priorities will be to consider the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Defence & veteran Suicides once they are released.

Our informal Remembrance Day service continued to focus on local schools. Following the President's address participants paused for a minute's silence to remember those who have died or suffered in wars and other military operations. Wreaths were then laid.

Our final major event of the year was the sub-Branch Christmas luncheon. Thanks to our Social Committee for their efforts in making the afternoon so enjoyable for members and visitors.

Late last year RSL NSW requested sub-Branches review their membership records. Many members have now either confirmed or updated their details including mobile numbers and e-mail addresses. If you have not yet provided this information, please contact the sub-Branch. Numbers at the end of the year were: Life Members 3, Life Subscribers 6, Service members 78, Affiliate Members 32 and Associate Members 11. It has never been easier for serving and former service personnel to join. Just log on to the rslnsw.org.au and apply online or contact the sub-Branch and our membership officer, Peter Sanders, will gladly assist

Mary Teagdale

office bearers 2024

EXECUTIVE

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meeting dates

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Meetings to be held in The White Room

- Sunday 11 Febr 9:00am Thursday 14 Mar 4:00pm Sunday 14 April 9:00am Thursday 9 May #Sunday 16 June 4:00pm 9:00am Thursday 11 July 4:00pm Sunday 11 Aug 9:00am 4:00pm
- Thursday 12 Sep
- Sunday 13 Oct
- Thursday 14 Nov Sunday 8 Dec

GENERAL MEETINGS

The White Room

- Sunday 11 Feb 10:30am
- Sunday 10 Mar AGM 10:30am
- Sunday 14 April 10:30am
- #Sunday 16 June 10:30am
- Sunday 11 Aug Sunday 13 Oct 10:30am 10:30am
- Sunday 8 Dec
 - 10:30am

Meeting is the 3rd Sunday as the weekend before is the King's birthday weekend

Commemorative Service at our memorial in Bridge Street, Penshurst on 21 April commencing at 2.00pm. If marching please assemble at the rear of the RSL in Connelly Street by 1.45pm.

Remembrance Day service at our memorial in Bridge Street, Penshurst on 11 November commencing at 10.50am.

9:00am

4:00pm

9:00am

Anzac Smoko Sunday 14 April commencing around midday after the General Meeting.

Christmas lunch Sunday 8 December commencing around midday after the General Meeting.

Mr Michael Korfias Mr Peter Sanders Mrs Pam Kelly Mr Kevin Kelly Mr Sean McManus Mr Ross Byrant Mr Kevin Kelly Mr Thomas Lyons Mrs Marjorie Madden Mr Ronald Morcom

Mr Keith Pratt

Mr Kevin Kelly Mr Thomas Lyons Mrs Mary Teasdale

Mr Ross Bryant

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Meetings to be held in





Penshurst RSL kookaburras Junior Rugby league club had another Stella season in 2023. In what for us was to be a rebuilding year, we pushed our achievements for higher then our expectations. With 7 teams being eligible to play finals we qualified in four of those 7 teams and all for qualifying teams went on to win the grand final and we premiers for 2023. Although this is a great on field result, this is not totally how we measure our success. We measure our success by smiles on kids faces, and the number of kids that had such a good time that they decide to return to us the next year.

We continue to hold dearly our 4 Pillars of Values for our club and use these to guide our activity and presents. Those being:

- 1. Engage with our community, membership and participants.
- 2. Inspire our kids to be the best that they can be.
- 3. Develop of our players, coaches, team staff.
- 4. Enjoy The whole reason why we are all involved in Rugby League.

OUR 4 PREMIERSHIP WINNING TEAMS





We look forward to an even better 2024, as we continue to rebuild our club and we hope to see the return of our Men's open A'Grade team, Expansion and growth of our Girls and Women's Tackle teams and an explosion of Kookaburra chicks driven by our League tots program that we will run in the new year.

Our club, greatly appreciate the support of our volunteers, our community and sponsors particularly that of Penshurst RSL club who's support has been unwavering since our clubs inception. We would not be able to help our kids have the opportunity to enjoy this great game of Rugby League that we all cherish so much. Bring on 2024, even bigger and better than this year.

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The men at Penshurst RSL Midweek Golf Club enjoyed a really good year in 2023 with the membership number growing steadily after the decline suffered during Covid and the retirement of quite a few of our long-term players. We have an age range from 40's through to the mid 80's with consistent sledging to keep each round flowing with laughs and the usual highs and lows that the game of golf provides.

We play golf at Hurstville Golf Club at 7am each Wednesday during daylight saving (summer and spring months) and 8am each Wednesday (winter and autumn months). Every Wednesday after golf we meet together at Penshurst RSL for refreshments and presentation.

As always, we are continually grateful for the support provided to us by the Penshurst RSL through Club Grants which enables us to provide subsidised green fees and cart hire for players each week.

Enzo Corvino (Club President and Handicapper) together with Colin McDonald (Club Captain) organise the Club and each days play so that all players can enjoy a professionally run Club with weekly and annual prizes. We welcome players who are experienced and those just starting and emphasise that we are primarily a 'social club' where nobody takes their golf too seriously with the main aim being enjoyment and laughs (the latter always on offer due to the type of golf payed by most of the membership!!)

Anyone interested in joining us or asking for further information about the Club please feel free to contact either Col (0419262340) or Garry (0401713754).

Garry Johnson (Director) with members of the PRSL Golf Club at Hurstville Golf Course



Members of the PRSL Golf Club at Penshurst RSL Club



travel

Now commencing its 22nd/23rd year at Penshurst RSL and despite the recent pandemic challenges, the Travel Club continues to offer great day and extended tours at the best possible prices.

Mostly, we start each year with a cruise which can be anywhere within a 3 - 4 hour drive of Sydney. However, having finished 2023 with a very relaxing 2.5 hour Christmas lunch cruise on the Nepean Belle paddlewheeler cruising through the Nepean Gorge near Penrith, Elizabeth (our Organiser) needed an alternate way of celebrating the beginning of 2024. So, mid-February, our first day trip will be visiting Coolangatta Estate at Shoalhaven Heads for a winetasting, self-guided tour and lunch.

The rest of this year is already taking shape with theatre parties and day trips, but the two extended tours - five days in the Coffs Harbour region in March and a 13-day outback coach tour in September to South Australia flying to Adelaide/return and including three nights on the "Murray Princess" - are already fully booked. However, there are waiting lists in place for these, as cancellations do occur, so please get in touch with us if you are interested. Last year's extended tours to Adelaide/Kangaroo Island in February, Hervey Bay/ Fraser Island (K'gari) in August (photo courtesy Jenny Scally shows the island's tranquil Wanggoolba Creek) and a weekend away in the Stroud area in June were all great successes.

In past years, some overseas travel has been included: Canada, China, Vietnam, Hawaii, New Zealand x 2, and a few of the stunning islands off Australia's coast: Norfolk, King, Kangaroo, Daydream, Torres Strait, Fraser/K'gari, Phillip and Rottnest. Our club has also been very fortunate to experience extensive travel in all states/territories of our beautiful country, so finding new locations for these – and day trips - is not an easy task, but we are always open to suggestions from our members!

As we're all too well aware, everything is now so expensive, but our club always endeavours to keep travel costs to a minimum. Day trips/theatre parties are payable in full at the time of booking, but extended tour bookings only require the nominated deposit and the balance may be paid by instalments up until the final payment date. The upcoming tours, itineraries and further information can be found on our website, as well as reports/photos of our past travels: https:// pentravelclub.weebly.com/ or type Penshurst RSL Travel Club into your browser.

The Travel Club is fortunate in retaining many longtime members, however we always welcome new members. If you would like to join, but prefer to chat with a committee member first, please contact Elizabeth on 9533 5809 (leave a message if necessary) or e-mail Jenny our Secretary at pentravelclub@ gmail.com. Current membership of Penshurst RSL Club is an essential requirement and there is an annual Travel Club fee of \$7 (covering the period 1 July to 30 June or part thereof) plus a new member form to complete. Our monthly meetings are held upstairs in the Auditorium on the first Wednesday of each month from 6.45 pm or we can be found in the Bistro on the third Monday of each month between 5 - 6 pm. Our "Travel Talk" monthly newsletter is available from the reception desk following the Wednesday meeting. We look forward to welcoming you!





Penshurst RSL Youth Swim Club is a family-oriented, volunteer-run club that offers a swimming and water safety program for children aged 4 & up.

We are sponsored by Penshurst RSL Club and lessons are open to the children of financial members of the RSL Club.

The season costs \$260 including \$20 insurance for 1 hour sessions. Classes are ability-based and children are encouraged to build on their water confidence and swimming skills in a supportive and friendly environment.

The Penshurst RSL Youth Swim had 18 swimmers in carnival 1 and carnival 2 and 15 in carnival 3. About half the swimmers received ribbons (placings) at the

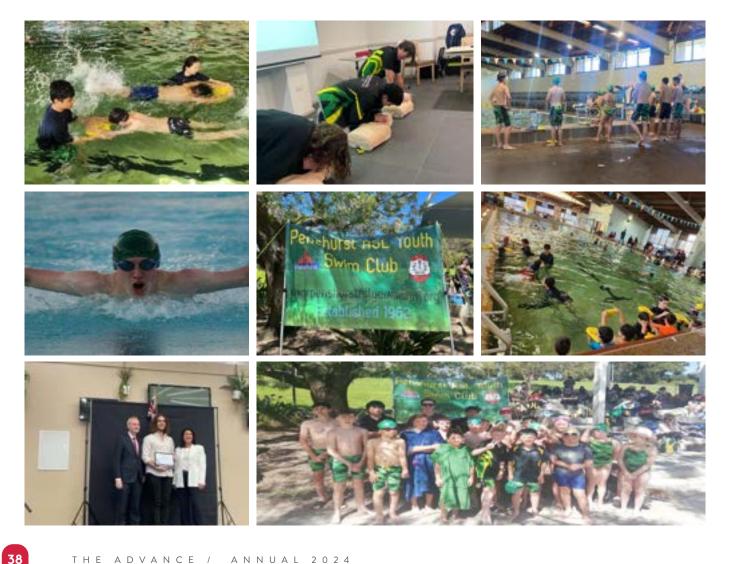
Championships held in December 2023. We had 13 swimmers with 5 receiving medals (placing top 3). The State Championships in March, we will have the largest contingent for a few years with 9 selected but only 8 swimmers will be going.

Lessons are held at Peakhurst West Public School Indoor Swimming Pool

Our season runs from 2 September to 23 March on Saturday mornings:

- Learn to Swim lessons are held from 8am to 9am
- Squad and intermediate (stroke correction) lessons are held from 7am to 8am

Any enquiries contact Colleen on 0409991648 or email us at info@penshurstrslyouthswim.com





CHARMED REWARDS

EXCLUSIVE TO PENSHURST RSL

	EMERALD	SAPPHIRE	RUBY	DIAMOND	DOUBLE DIAMOND
TOTAL POINTS ACCRUED IN A TWELVE (12) MONTH PERIOD	0-4,999	5,000-19,999	20,000-29,999	30,000-49,999	50,000 +
EARN (1) POINT FOR EVERY \$1 SPENT ON FOOD & BEVERAGES		~	~		
ENTRY INTO MEMBERS ONLY PROMOTIONS	~	~			~~~
BIRTHDAY REWARDS	\$25 WORTH OF POINTS FOOD & BEVERAGE ONLY	\$50 WORTH OF POINTS FOOD & BEVERAGE ONLY	\$100 WORTH OF POINTS	\$200 WORTH OF POINTS	\$300 WORTH OF POINTS
DISCOUNT ON FOOD AND BEVERAGES			~		
TIER SPECIFIC PROMOTIONS	-	~	~		~~~
DAILY VISITATION POINTS	-	\$1 WORTH OF POINTS	\$10 WORTH OF POINTS	\$20 WORTH OF POINTS	\$30 WORTH OF POINTS
POINTS MULTIPLIER (STANDALONE EGM ONLY)		-	X2 POINTS	X4 POINTS	X5 POINTS
EXCLUSIVE OFFERS	_	-	-		~~~
ANNUAL GIFT	-	-	-		~~~
EXPIRY OF POINTS	31ST DECEMBER	31ST DECEMBER	NEVER	NEVER	NEVER

*PLEASE REFER TO FULL TERMS & CONDITIONS

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