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**Dear Member**

The next luncheon will be held at **Barracks on Barrack, 5-7 Barrack Street, Sydney on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024**

When admitted by Barracks please make your way up to **Level 1** (by lift or stairs) where Committee Members will check you in ready for the Meeting. The bar will be open at 11:30 a.m. ready for your lunch at 12:30.

Please ensure your name is quoted on your direct deposit, or promptly return the advice slip below with your cheque to reach Margaret **not later than Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May.**



**CBC Cassilis by Bob Young & Lake Cargelligo by Rick Reeks (see newsletter page 4)**

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TO: Ms. Margaret Powell, Hon. Treasurer, PO Box 319, St. Ives NSW 2075 Phone 0405 391 777  
FROM: PHONE: «Phone» Email: «Email»

**I would like to attend the following meeting:**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024** cost **\$35 each after subsidy \$45 for non members**  
*Please advise Rowan Raymond-Jones on 0411 771 300 if you have any particular dietary requirements.*

I will **not** be attending the lunchtime CBC Officers Club meeting and tender an apology.  
(Please attach or email any news of general interest to members) **Total payment \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Signature .....

**If paying by Direct Deposit, quote your NAME or membership NUMBER, and please credit:-  
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## **PRESIDENT'S NOTE**

As the song goes "Back in the Saddle Again"

I am very humbled to be elected President of the Club once again. I also want to congratulate all of the other Committee Members who were successful in their re-election. All very deserving Committee Members of the Club We have already met as a Committee and talked about our objectives for the year ahead. Remember that it is always about what we can do to make the club as responsive as possible to our membership. We will talk about our thoughts in the months ahead.

Meantime we always welcome suggestions from each and every one of you as to how we can improve things for our membership- all within the bounds of our financial position. Our very firm objective going forward is to continue to maintain our position as a gathering place where all CBC members of the Family can gather for a welcoming and enjoyable time with their friends and ex-colleagues.

Here is to a successful 2024/2025.

Kind Regards and Good Health to the Membership.

*David*

## **OUT-OF TOWN REGIONAL LUNCHEON**

Ballina = An update for you all.

We now have 45 people who have registered their interest in the Ballina Luncheon on 21st October, 2024. It all seems months away but the older we get the faster time passes so now is the time to get cracking.

We need to get a MINIMUM of 50 people to the event so it is really important that you get in touch with Margaret and/or Bob to register your interest in the function. On past performance we can guarantee a really enjoyable luncheon where you can meet all your mates and have an enjoyable afternoon. Please get going with your acceptances.

Shortly we will be asking those who have registered their interest to make a payment for the cost of your attendance at the luncheon. Watch this space for updates.

Can we suggest those coming start to get their accommodation and/or flight arranged and start planning your road adventure to Ballina from wherever you will be coming as we think that is a real part of the fun of being there for the occasion.

We look forward to seeing the existing numbers increase dramatically to ensure we have another successful Out of Sydney luncheon.

See you all at Ballina.

*David*

## **MINUTES OF C.B.C. OFFICERS CLUB INC**

Luncheon Meeting held at "Barracks on Barrack" 5-7 Barrack Street Sydney

Monday 4 March 2024

In the absence of President Margaret (who is overseas) Vice President Fred chaired the meeting which he opened at 12:35 p.m. with a welcome to Members and guests.

First item of business was an apology from Secretary Mary and the Appointment of Rowan Raymond-Jones to be Acting Secretary.

Further apologies included those from Gwen Smith, John Kenny, Geoff Irvine, and Frank Maundrell.

Current Membership (Including Active, Joint, Life and Widow Members) is 440 of whom 44 are present at this meeting.

The Acting Secretary announced there had been no correspondence received other than that in Snippets.

New Member Richard PRIDEAUX was welcomed into the Club.

Life Member Bill Rutherford, aged 90 (Vic) has passed on as has Beryl Reeves, aged 91 (wife of Reg).

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The following Members present at the meeting have a BIRTHDAY during the March quarter:

Vic Beecraft, Tony Conceicao, Doug Harding, Lorraine Pejic, Chris Rush, Frank Scurr, Peter Sewell, Neil Silver AM, Bernie Stewart, Bobbie Smith, Bob Stubbs, and Phil Treloar.

Acknowledgement was made of Life Member Ray Winslow becoming a centenarian on 28<sup>th</sup> April this year. Hopefully more information on this will be published in the next Newsletter.

Five previous Presidents were present, as were eighteen Life Members.

Lucky Door Prizes were won by Bob Stubbs (ticket 22) and Kim Naylor (10).

There being no General Business, Vice President Fred closed the Meeting at 1 p.m.

**Followed by Annual General Meeting, see AGM MINUTES.**

At the conclusion of the AGM, incoming President David made the following PRESENTATIONS

1. LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE to Neil SILVER AM
2. LIFE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD to Alan PITT
3. LIFE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD to Norm PEVERELL

Rowan RAYMOND-JONES mentioned that Alan was President in 2005 and 2006 and had introduced the original Newsletter and produced it until handing over to John NESS in 2005.

Rowan also mentioned that Norm PEVERELL had been the Club's Honorary Auditor for over 20 years. Both recipients have continually been strong supporters of the Club

## **MINUTES FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 4th MARCH 2024**

1. In the absence of President Margaret (who is overseas) Vice President Fred chaired the meeting which he opened at 1:20 p.m. with a welcome to Members.
2. Minutes of 2023 AGM, as published in June 2023 Newsletter  
Moved Ray KNIGHT, Seconded Bob HANDEL and Carried  
"That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 6th March 2023 be accepted and passed as a correct record".
3. President's Report as published in the current Newsletter  
Moved Alan PITT, Seconded John NESS and Carried  
"That the President's Report is accepted as read"
4. Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31 December 2023 as published in the current Newsletter  
Moved David WYNDHAM, Seconded Peter SEWELL and Carried  
"That the Treasurer's Report is accepted and passed as correct"
5. Completion of Annual Return under Associations Incorporation Act.  
Moved Neil SILVER AM, Seconded Terry PORTUS and Carried  
"That the Public Officer be authorised to complete and submit the Annual Statement as required by the Act (vide Rule 27, Clause 2, Sub-clause d) together with a cheque for \$54 to cover the filing fees payable."
6. Election of Committee of Management for 2024-2025

Chair passed to Ray KNIGHT who declared all positions vacant and proceeded to conduct the election. (Election) Chairman then read the nomination forms received in accordance with the Constitution, Rule 17, and as only one person had been nominated for each executive position, being David WYNDHAM as President, Fred HARVISON as Vice President, Mary LAMBORN as Secretary, and Margaret POWELL as Treasurer and only four persons were nominated for the Committee, being John NESS, Robert HANDEL, Wayne LINNERT and Rowan RAYMOND-JONES, called for any further nominations and in their absence declared those persons to be elected for that position vide Clause 4.

7. Confirmation

Moved Frank SCURR, Seconded Terry PORTUS and Carried  
“That the above elections be confirmed”

8. Auditor Appointment

Moved David Wyndham, Seconded Neil SILVER AM and Carried  
“That Norman Peverell is appointed Honorary Auditor for the financial year 2024.”

9. ***Election Chairman passed meeting to newly elected President.***

10. President David thanked Ray KNIGHT for completing the formalities, and thanked Members for the election of Committee and appointment of Auditor.

11. There was no General Business appropriate to the AGM.

12. Chairman declared “*There being no further business this AGM is closed at 1:17 pm.*”

## **BALLINA**

## **REMINDER**

### **CBC OFFICERS CLUB INC LUNCHEON 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2024**



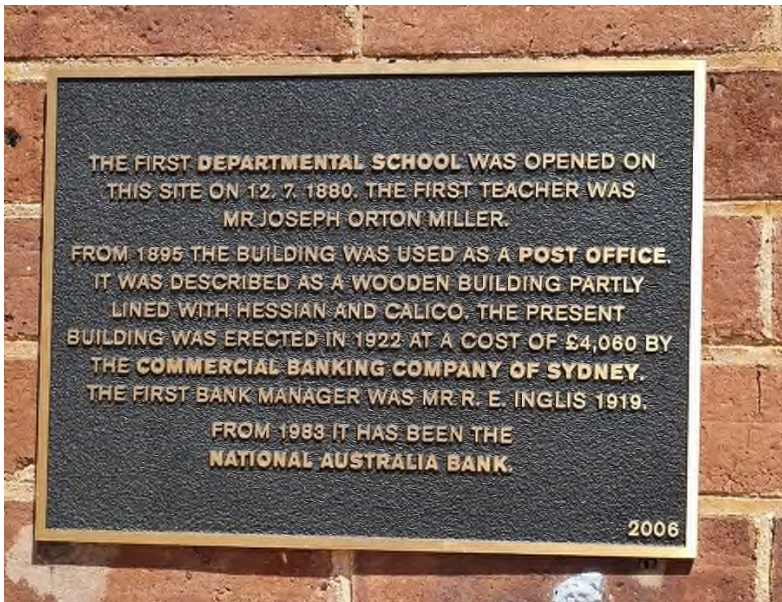
The Club is arranging our next **OUT OF SYDNEY** luncheon at the **Ballina Jockey Club Function Centre**. Cost \$55 per head – two courses – alternative serve menu.

We are appealing to our members and NAB friends, from northern NSW and southern QLD to join us. Contact [membership@cdbc.com.au](mailto:membership@cdbc.com.au) Bob Handel or [treasurer@cdbc.com.au](mailto:treasurer@cdbc.com.au) Margaret Powell. Further information will be forwarded to recipients.

SNIPPETS

**Rick REEKS**

Lake Cargelligo celebrated their 150th anniversary last October long weekend. As I was transferred there as 2<sup>nd</sup> Officer in January 1970 I thought it would be great to pop back and have a look at the town some 53 years later. I was joined by my mate, Darryl Kahlefeldt, who arrived later as the junior officer. It was a shame the branch was closed permanently in August along with many other branches at that time. On the bright side, the building has been purchased and is undergoing a major renovation which will bring it back to all its glory. Darryl and I did a fair bit of reminiscing over a couple of cold ones and at the same time caught up with quiet a few locals we hadn't seen for many years. Unfortunately some old friends from there had passed away which was extremely sad for us.



Whilst I never met Des Askers personally, we had several discussions over the phone and Email contact about the History of Victorian CBC Cricket. I always found him to be a very fine gentleman.

He was very helpful to me in locating former Victorian cricketers when I had the CBC book I had published in 2021 ,as well as supplying very valuable information about the cricket scene and history of their very successful teams. Fondest Regards *Rick Reeks*

**Garth MORGAN**

Sorry please accept my apology for non attendance  
Good work past year and wishes for year ahead.

**Fred HARVISON**

Yesterday was the 54 year commemoration of my old battalion's involvement in the battle of the Long Hais in South Vietnam where we suffered a significant number of casualties.

One of our guests, representing 1 RAR who served in Vietnam, was Ian Brown.

After our service Ian came up to me and introduced himself. 'Quelle Surprise"!

I hadn't seen Ian sine our days in CBC when we played rugby for the bank. I had no idea he was conscripted and served in Vietnam in 1968, as he never ever mentioned it, preferring, like many, to keep it to himself. It was the 'Welcome Home' parade that changed his mind.

Without any confirmation, I suspect Ian participated in the Battle of Coral which was a major engagement in which the enemy almost over-ran the Fire Support Base.

I don't think he's a member of our Club, but as he lives in the Northern suburbs, I will try to recruit him.

Do we have any details about Ian? (Ian Brown is a current active member)

Fred:

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## **Kevin EKE**

Just a quick note to forward my apologies for the March meeting, as we are preparing for a 3 month caravanning trip to Western Australia.

So sad to learn of the passing of Allan Muldoon, Stan Gelding and Bob Standstrom. I followed Alan at Gladstone NSW Branch, as Junior Ledgerkeeper, in 1963, and later catching up with him again in Head Office in 1969.

I worked with Stan Gelding in Managers Department in the late 60's, a most entertaining and exceptional officer, with a unique sense of humour, that kept the Department in a fun filled positive mode, due to his modus operandi amongst both customer and workmates.

First met Bob Sandstrom, via the much enjoyed "notorious" Head Office Christmas Parties, that were always well attended by staff from city branches as well as Head Office.

He enjoyed life to the fullest, had a positive attitude and always great company socially.

Those Head Office functions presented an opportunity to catch-up with fellow staff members, from the various branches and, as a young single lad, a chance to kindle a friendship or two. (lol)

Thank you Alan, Stan and Bob, for the many fond "CBC" memories, sincere condolences, to families and friends. Best wishes to all for a great March AGM and lunch meeting, hopefully see you all in September.

Kind regards

## **David M SMITH**

Please pass on my regards to Norm Peverell who I worked with in the Bank's IT department under another David J Smith!

My accountant in Brisbane Office where I was a Teller was David K Smith.

I am also known to Don Scott from times in the CBC in Queensland.

Cheers

## **Ross CLARKE**

Way back in the late 70s or early 80s before the merger, the Bank sponsored me in an Air Race around NSW and paid for Decals to adorn the plane.



I will try and find some more photos, however you may like to put the pic in the next issue of the Newsletter, members may be interested!

Best Regards

## Margaret POWELL

These photos are of the English pub in the Falklands she visited during her recent Antarctic cruise: Cheques and clean notes accepted.



## Ray WINSLOW



**Congratulations to our Life Member Ray on attaining his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.**

**It was celebrated at the Dubbo RSL and attended by his family and many friends.**

**He received a bottle of scotch from the Golden Oldies Cricket club and a Moet & Chandon gift hamper from the CBC Officers Club.**

**Geoff IRVINE via Ian Holston**



*Fairfield staff 1960*

*Back row : Jan Spence - Ledger Keeper, Geoff Irvine - Teller, Alan Kenworthy - Second Officer ( Should have been Accountant) , Lynette James - Machinist?*

*Front row : Judy Phillis ( transferred from Liverpool Branch), Ledgers, Bob Moses Manager, Hal Gilliam Relieving Manager ( known in those days as the Bank's comedian) Jill Peachy – Junior*

Ian Holston notes:

Lynette James, is now Lynette Taylor and is keen to attend luncheon.

I only discovered recently she was in the CBC Bank at Fairfield.

Lynette sits near me at St Cuthbert's Anglican Church at Tweed Heads. She is one of 4 who attend the church who were in CBC.

The late Peter Ayscough's brother Bob John Gandey and myself. Bob's other brother David also CBC all plan to attend Ballina Luncheon.

Hal Gillam who is in the photo , brother of Ray Gillam (Sir Donald Bradman's Brother-in-law gets a good mention in my CBC Cricket and Culture Book on Page 91.

**DONATION**

A kind and generous member has graciously donated \$25 gift card to be raffled at each luncheon. The inaugural raffle was at March lunch and was won by Alan Pitt.



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### **CBC GOLDEN OLDIES CRICKET CLUB**

Our final three matches for season 2023/24 resulted in a win a loss and a washout.

On 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 we took on the Springwood Royals at Woodlands Park, Wilberforce. The Royals have had the wood on CBC for past few seasons. Skipper Darryl Semmler won the toss and batted. CBC put on 6/182 from their 40 overs.

Michael Kench starred with the ball taking 5/14 from his 6 overs and was mainly responsible for bowling out the Royals for 96 in 35 overs.

The obvious Man Of The Match was Michael Kench. The Bradman stump went to Michael Cassano with a score of 34 retired.

Our next match was against the Gentlemen Of Nowra Eleven again at Wilberforce on 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2024.

John Granata won the toss for CBC and sent GONE into bat. The visitors put together a very challenging 3/208 from 40 overs.

As hard as they tried, CBC could only manage 9/187 in reply.

The Man Of The Match award was won by Arv Naidu. Rob Drummond and Michael Cassano shared the Bradman stump. Both scored 33 not out.

Our final match on 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 against Goulburn Express at Goulburn was called off. Rain on the Saturday had left the wicket unplayable.

2023/24 was one of CBCs best seasons. Eight matches were played resulting in 6 wins and 2 losses. Both the matches lost were by small margins.

The Ray Single Memorial trophy (batting average) was won by Rob Drummond. Rob compiled 160 runs from 6 innings and was never dismissed!

The Services Memorial Trophy (bowling average) was won by Michael Kench with an average of 9.90.

His 5/14 against Springwood Royals went a long way to ensuring he won the trophy. Scott Marshall bowled well all season. He finished runner-up with an average of 13.44.

A big thank you to John Granata for arranging our matches and organising the teams for each game.

We look forward to season 2024/25.W

### **IN MEMORIAM:**

#### **CBCOC MEMBERS**

Des AKERS  
Frank MAUNDRELL  
Ted MOHR  
Bill RUTHERFORD

#### **CBC NON-MEMBERS**

Allan EVEREST  
Waren REEVES  
Rex WULFF

#### **FAMILY**

Beryl REEVES

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#### **President David**

*As usual we have seen far too many Members pass during the period. In CBC tradition it must be said that the passing of any Member is a great loss to all of us and the whole CBC Family.*

*We hope that this coming year sees as few Members as possible passing and so from the Committee we wish everyone good health and happiness for the year ahead.*

**DESMOND AKERS 20 January 1936 - 22 March 2024**

**Gwen Mc BETH**

I am very sad to advise that Des Akers passed away last night. Coral said that he went down very quickly. They believe he may have had some sort of blood infection. Our thoughts are with Coral at this time Another loss from our CBC family.

**President David**

With much sadness we advise the passing of a stalwart former CBC'er and a Life Member of the CBC Officers Club. Des joined the Bank's service at Dunolly 03/07/1951, thence Ararat, Underpool, Seymour, Hawthorn, Insurance Clerk Melbourne Office, Mgr. Northcote, Glenelg SA, Port Adelaide, Savings Bank Melbourne, Properties Southern, Assistant Manager Melbourne Office, Corporate Finance Mgr. and Financial Planner. His service was completed 03/02/1989. I thought he was the clerk to Jack Alpen CM Victoria when I was clerk to both Bowen and Martin but my recollection might be wrong. I had contact with the CMs clerk when I had to prepare WEEKLY BOARD MEETINGS as things were in those days. In any event any one of our CBC Family that we lose is a very sad occasion. I think Des was very popular so it makes it doubly so. I often reflect on the CBC Family and think as a group we were not a bad mob. Unfortunately age will beat all of us but not the good time we can each have along the way. Long may it so be.

**Ian HOLSTON**

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**JOHN 'REX' WULFF      30 October 1947 - 16 January 2024****John NESS**

He worked for Ray Knight and Terry Portus at one time.

**Ray KNIGHT**

His name was really John but everyone knew him as Rex

**BERYL EDITH REEVES    1933 - 26 December 2023****Reg REEVES**

We had been married for 63 years. She was buried with family at Arianah Park.

**WARREN JOSEPH REEVES    17 October 1951 - 31 January 2024****Jeff O'SULLIVAN**

I am writing to inform you of the recent death of Warren Joseph Reeves who had 45 years commencing with CBC and later NAB. Warren passed away year due to medical complications with a throat cancer whilst a patient at Lismore hospital. He had a A very small funeral of upwards of 20 attendees. This was how Warren liked to live his life, nice and quietly. There will be many NSW members who would have known Warren

I'm now retired and living at Redcliffe. During the period 1974 - 1977 I lived in Sydney and worked on NSW relieving staff. Towards the end of 1977 I returned to Brisbane and remained with the CBC and then merged NAB until around 1988 when I resigned to pursue business interests.

**EDWARD ARTHUR (TED) MOHR 14 November 1935 – 09 March 2024****Richard & Peter  
BEAUMONT**

Ted met and married our sister, Denise Beaumont, the manager's stenographer at Marrickville Branch at the Bank's sports day while he lived at the Cross Roads Hotel in Liverpool. They had four children, Steven, Cherie, Louise and Betina. He was a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather to eight grandchildren. Ted was the best brother-in-law that you could have. He was just what was needed for the staid Beaumont family with his quick wit and humour which never failed. He was always generous and made sure that the family functions were enjoyable. He was always interested in our progress within the bank and was always supportive. He will be dearly missed.

**President David**

Ted was a Life Member of our Club. He joined the Bank in September 1955 at Cunnamulla, thence he was at Bourke, Liverpool, Sydney Office, George & Hunter Sts., Blacktown, Brisbane Office, City Tatts, Head Office and Systems Dept. until January 1981. He was also seconded to the PNG Development Bank.

**FRANCIS EDWIN MAUNDRELL 11 January 1944 - 27 February 2024****SMH Extract**

Passed peacefully after a short illness. Dearly loved husband of Jan (deceased). Cherished father and father-in-law of Ed & Shelley, Helen & Barry and Jenni & Michael. Loving grandpa and "Pum" of their families.

**President David**

We have just bestowed Life Membership on Frank, as he has been a long-time member. Arrangements were being made for a presentation, for which the Committee is now most saddened at his passing. Frank Joined the Bank 15/01/1959, first Branch Merrylands, Pitt & Bathurst, Oxford St, Seven Hills, Overseas HO, Petersham, Burwood, Manila, Wee Waa, Scone, NW\_NSW Relief. 21/11/1998.

**Graeme REEVES**

I briefly knew him when I worked in Tamworth. He would be known to you for his catalogue of CBC branches.

**ALLAN EVEREST 1936 - 25 February 2024****Graeme REEVES**

I worked with Allan whilst he was on relief staff based at New England Regional Office.

**Rowan RAYMOND-JONES**

When I was transferred from Warialda to Ulladulla, Allan was Accountant at Milton. He was anticipating being appointed Accountant Ulladulla and had managed the bank purchasing a nice home, just renovated, close to the branch and overlooking the harbour. He must have had mixed feelings when I got the appointment, but he got his first branch. At Arian Park. I think I did best out of that.

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## **BILL RUTHERFORD 27 March 1937 - 18 December 2023**

### **Des AKERS**

In 1952, aged 15, Bill commenced work with the bank, one of only two new employees for the entire bank that year. He worked in various branches across Victoria, from Numurkah to Bairnsdale, Kerang, Hamilton and Portland, with a sprinkling of duties at other branches. In the early 1960s he moved from general banking to Melbourne Office's Administration section. In 1962 (aged 25) Bill was appointed Inspectors' Clerk. He later took on the role of training staff, and was subsequently appointed Project Manager of the major redevelopment of the Bank's new Melbourne office at 257 Collins Street. In 1973 he was transferred to the Head Office in Sydney to manage its property portfolio. After CBC merged with the National Bank of Australasia, he was appointed Manager Premises & Properties for New South Wales, until his retirement in 1994. In 2013 he and his wife moved back to Melbourne.

### **Ian HOLSTON**

Bill was a thorough gentleman, I used to play Saturday Golf with him and some other CBC mates at Royal Turrumurra. When I resigned from NAB he was one of two mates who took me to lunch, the other was the late Michael Hook.

*Thanks once again to all the contributors:*

***Margaret Powell** for collecting funds and recording details in the database,*

***Rowan Raymond-Jones** for compiling the In Memoriam, and catering,*

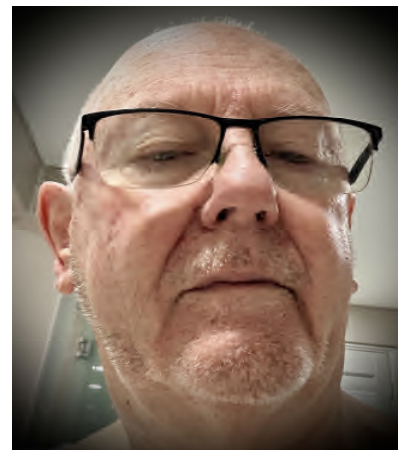
***Bob Handel** for collating the Snippets and issuing the emailed newsletters, and*

***Wayne Linnert** for distributing the printed newsletters.*

*Hoping to see lots of new faces at the June luncheon at*



**John Ness,  
Newsletter Editor and  
Webmaster**



(the Octogenarian)