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President's Message

Happy New Year to one and all!! Hope you had a fantastic holiday season with family and friends, and that Santa was good to you. The rain has been a bit of a deterrent for some activities but we must make the best of it all.

This is the first of our quarterly newsletters. Hope you enjoy it. There will be a page you can hang up on the fridge or where ever to remind you of all of the up coming activities. There are lots of them. Hope to see you there.

Now that my electioneering has completed, my life is back to normal and I should be more responsive to the needs of the AAA. Up to March our fantastic functions committee were called upon to assist me a bit more than usual to keep everything running smoothly.

We have had to cancel a few of our functions due to lack of numbers since our Brewery Tour which was a great success. Also the numbers have been very, very low at the monthly drinks evenings. If you feel we should change the venue please let someone on the committee know where you would prefer to go. We have the winery tour coming up later this month so if you are interested please book early.

Bookings are very important so that we can meet our quotas on some events. Many places require numbers at least a week in advance. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions or comments regarding activities or anything else, please feel free to ring me or any one on the committee.

Thanks for your support!

Regards,

Georgia



Georgia presenting Life Membership to John & Alison

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Hinterland Tour—20th April

Billie Jo and Georgia have done the recce on this and it is going to be a great day! We will initially take a bus to the Mt. Tamborine Coffee Plantation where we will get a tour, and morning tea. Following this we will go to Herritage Wines for a tasting and then on to the Witches Chase Cheese Factory for a tasting. They have the most delicious cheeses, ice cream and yoghurt. From there we will go on to Cedar Creek Winery for another wine tasting. Then just up the road we will go to Aussie Winery for a BBQ and be entertained by a local group of musicians for the afternoon.

This is an all day tour from 9AM and returning at 5PM. We will have two pick up and delivery points. We are limited to 20 people. The cost includes morning tea, BBQ lunch and bus transport. During the tour you can purchase items at the wineries, coffee plantation and cheese factory if you wish.

Pick up points will be Pacific Fair bus terminal, and Coco's, across from Carrara Markets. The total cost for this tour is only \$60.00 per person for members and \$75.00 for guests. Please remember we are limited to only 20 people, so book ASAP to ensure your place on the tour. Booking forms on page 10.

If you have any questions please phone Georgia on 5580-8977 or 0414-741774. Book now!

Easter Function at Jabiru

Our Easter function was spectacular. It was held from 5:30 to 7:30PM on Easter Sunday at Jabiru in Mudgeeraba, the home of John and Alison Kearney. They graciously offer the use of their beautiful property high on the hill with extraordinary views of the coast where we hosted the Alaskan Air Force Brass Band. The Commander/conductor and 7 members played for about 1/2 an hour on the lawns, before a wonderful buffet dinner was served. The band was great! The food was great!! And the environment was fantastic. Thanks again for your hospitality John and Alison!. The committee were there and very actively involved in the set up and tear down of the day as well as serving drinks. Well done to one and all. Photos on page 14.

If you missed this event you may like to be prepared when another special event may happen in the same location sometime next year.

We will keep you posted!

Friday Night Drinks

These sessions have not been well attended this year. If you would like to make some suggestions as to locations please let me know. There will be no Friday drinks on ANZAC Day.

February Friday Dinner—

Our dinner at Bli Bli Bali was most enjoyable. Diane and Phil had been to the restaurant and recommended it to us. We had a great group of people, including some potential new members on the night. The food was delicious and a great time

State Parliament House Tour and BBQ

This tour was cancelled as we did not have sufficient numbers to attend. We may try this again later in the year. A big thank you to John-Paul Langbroek for his assistance to organise the event.

24th Anniversary of AAA Gold Coast

On 10th July 2008 we will celebrate the 24th Anniversary of the Gold Coast Division of the Australian American Association. For this event we would like to try to find as many of our previous members as possible. So if you know the whereabouts of any past members please provide me with their details so that I can invite them to a special Celebration Dinner.

This could be a great event in preparation for a super 25th Anniversary party in 2009.

April Friday Dinner - 4th April

Benowa TAFE College—Corner Heeb & Benowa Road

Several of our members have indicated that this is a fantastic 3 course gourmet meal with tea and coffee. There is generally a choice of 3 entries, mains and desserts and is a 'fine dining' restaurant. The meals are prepared and served by student chefs who are gaining their experience and do a fantastic job. The food is great!!

The costs will be \$28.00 for members and \$30.00 for non members. We must arrive at 6PM and be out by 9PM so it is an early night. Drinks are available from the bar and are very inexpensive.

Booking forms is on page 10.

4th July BBQ

The 4th falls on a Friday this year so we will hold our celebrations at a BBQ on the evening of the 4th July at a location to be specified. It will be a BYO everything.

Calendar of Events



April

- 4 Fri Dinner
Benowa TAFE
- 8 Committee Meeting
- 15 Newsletter
- 20 Winery Tour
Hinterland

May

- 10 Coral Sea Race Day
- 11 Coral Sea Commemoration Service
- 13 Committee Meeting
- 30 Happy Hour at Colonial

June

- 6 Fri Dinner
Italian Club
- 10 Committee Meeting
- 15 Newsletter
- 27 Happy Hour at Colonial

July

- 1 Memberships Fees Due**
- 4 4th July BBQ
- 8 Committee Meeting
- 10 24th Anniversary of AAAGCD
Dinner
- 25 Happy Hour and AGM

Aug

- 1 Friday Dinner—Location TBA
- 12 Committee meeting
- 15-18 Titans vs Broncos
- 29 Happy Hour

Sept

- 9 Committee Meeting
- 26 Happy Hour

Oct

- 3 Friday Dinner Dance
German Club
- 14 Committee Meeting
- 31 Happy Hour

Nov

- 11 Committee Meeting
- 27 Thanksgiving Dinner
Colonial Golf Club

Dec

- 9 Committee Meeting
- 14 Christmas Party

A Word about RSVP's and No-Shows

Our committees work extremely hard organizing and holding events in an attempt to bring our members quality get-togethers which appeal to the large demographic spread of the membership. We have been having more and more trouble getting RSVPs in a timely manner which, in some cases, forces us to cancel events.

We would implore all members to be cognizant of the work involved and the fact that these events are only successful if we have correct counts and payment by the deadlines given.

And, PLEASE, if something comes up and you can't make an event, PLEASE ring to cancel. However sometimes we cannot return your money depending on when you cancel.

We want to continue to bring you many options but can only do that if we get the cooperation needed from the members. We REALLY appreciate your understanding!

Battle of the Coral Sea Race Day and Luncheon

The annual Battle of the Coral Sea Race Day and Luncheon will be held at the Gold Coast Turf Club on Saturday, 10 May 2008 beginning at 12:30pm. This is a most enjoyable day providing good food, good company and often good wins! The Paradise Room overlooks the track and has a TAB facility, so if the weather is bad you need not go outside at all. You are welcome to bring guests and we will arrange seating to suit your party. Please fill out the cut-off RSVP slip at the bottom of your invitation and return it with your money by the due date and we will do the rest. Let's break the record attendance of 100 last year! Booking forms elsewhere in the newsletter. Hope to see you there!

Coral Sea Commemoration

This year we will be having the Coral Sea Commemoration Service on Sunday **11th May 2008** in the morning so everyone will still be able to celebrate Mothers Day after the reception. We expect to have several distinguished guests attending. Also a special ceremony is planned at the RSL to unveil a new Coral Sea Wall. Plaques from the Australian American Association will be part of the new display. Be there for the unveiling!!! More on this in future newsletters.



Friday Dinner at the Italian Club—June 6

This Venue was extremely popular last year so we thought we would go there again. The club is located at Fairway Drive Broadbeach Waters near Hooker Blvd. Costs will be \$27.00 for Members and \$30.00 for non-Members. Drinks can be purchased at the bar. I am not sure if there will be music or not on the night. I'll keep you posted. Look forward to seeing everyone on the night.

Duke Brewery Tour

This was a fabulous day. We had about 50 people at the event. Small groups toured the brewery itself. When everyone had completed the tour we were given a talk by Brennan the owner which gave us all of the details on how the beer was produced. We were then given samples of all three of the beers made on the premises. Following that we sat back enjoyed a few more beers, the yummy cheese and other nibbles and the fantastic company. Everyone had a marvellous time. We had done some advertising for this tour and had visitors from the US and a few other locals attending.

One of our members is planning a trip to Egypt. Details are below if you are interested in joining.

Visit Egypt from 20-31 August 2008?

Our 2008 "ground content only" trip to Egypt is excellent value at A\$2533 nett per person (Single room supplement \$846 nett per person) for a minimum of 15 passengers, based on twin-share in First Class hotels for 5 nights, 3 nights on a Lake Nasser Cruise and 3 nights on a Nile River Cruise. All meals are included on the cruises but Buffet Breakfast only while we are at the hotel in Cairo. Domestic air tickets are also included in the price. We start with sight-seeing in Cairo on 20 August (e.g. treasures from Tutankhamun's tomb at the **Egyptian Museum**) before flying to **Abu Simbel** for our cruise on Lake Nasser, after visiting the Great Temple and enjoying the Sound and Light Show from our floating hotel. At the Aswan High Dam we change to our second cruise ship which takes us down the Nile as far as Luxor, stopping on the way for a Nile felucca cruise around the **Aswan Botanical Gardens**, a visit to the **Temples of Philae**, a look at the granite quarries used by the Pharaohs (where we should see the giant **Unfinished Obelisk**), the **Kom Ombo temple** dedicated to the crocodile-headed god Sobek (the first crocodile down the Nile each year when the river flooded was penned up here for a year, before being mummified, and ladies hoping to get pregnant were encouraged to pat him on the head for luck), the **Colossi of Memnon**, the **Valley of the Kings** - burial place of so many of the New Kingdom Pharaohs (including Tutankhamun), and finally, the **Luxor Temple** - the largest temple in the world with its famous **Hypostyle Hall**, which you may have seen in the Bond film "The Spy who Loved me" or "Death on the Nile". Finally we fly back to Cairo for a drive out to Memphis to see the colossal statue of Ramses II and the great alabaster sphinx, and a visit also the oldest pyramid in the world - the **Step Pyramid of Zoser I**, which dates back to 2686 BC - before returning to the **Pyramids at Giza** to see another **Sound and Light Show** (narrated this time by the Sphinx). Drop a line to John Clark at chinaliaison@bigpond.com if you would like more details, including the full itinerary and booking arrangements.

Your Committee

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Committee Functionality

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Membership subcommittee	<i>Keith, Margo & Georgia,</i>
Sponsorship Co-ord	<i>Georgia</i>
PR Co-ord	
Commemoration Co-ord	<i>Keith</i>

American Foods



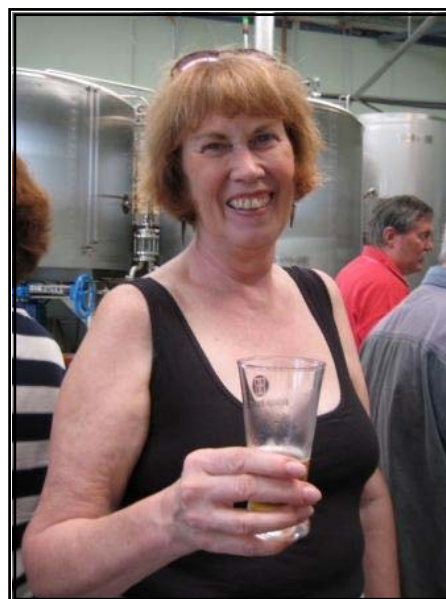
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Contact Jeanette Bertino if you are interested in anything.

Oktoberfest at the German Club—3 Oct

This year we will have our Oct Friday dinner at the German Club to celebrate Oktoberfest. We will have a 3 course meal and a band to play for our enjoyment. Try some of the wonderful German beers and enjoy friends for a wonderful evening. Booking sheet on page 10



Georgia sampling Duke Beer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following people have birthdays in Feb, Mar, Apr & May. We will celebrate with them on a in each newsletter.

February

- 5 Clarence Walker
- 6 Elvea Bonson
- 7 Odette Czachor
- 10 Ann Marie Grasso
- 13 Patricia Baron
- 14 Joyce Lockland
- 18 Rodney Brutlag
- 19 Patricia Wallace
- 25 Sarah Brown

March

- 6 Ann Reynolds
- 7 Fiona Lockland
- 9 Marilyn Thomas
- 23 Elaine Campbell

April

- 1 Thalia Leaver
- 5 Valerie Shannon
- 6 Bob Sullivan
- 12 Susan Sabino
- 13 Laurie Smith
- 14 Billie Jo McCann
- 17 Michael Steiner
- 25 Rosemary Allen
- 30 Tony Hancock

May

- 21 John DeTeliga
- 21 Di Mersnich

A big Happy Birthday from all of the members!!



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Welcome to New Members....



Daniel Wood
Heather Kelly
June Francis

Americans in Queensland.

According to the 2006 Australian Census information there are 12,200 Americans living in Queensland. In addition to the above persons born in America another 5,761 Australians have both parents who were born in the US, 3,217 with fathers only and 1,467 with mothers only born in America. All of these people live in this fine state.

Our newsletter is printed monthly with the kind assistance of the office of

Steven Ciobo, MP Member for Moncreiff.

Member Service & Skills Directory

These are some of the members who are offering skills and services. If you would like to be on this free list, please let us know as we want this section to grow.

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0405 357 545
www.innovations.adlinga.com.au

Real Estate Agent

Adlinga Prestige Property—Georgia Cook
0414 751 774
www.adlinga.com.au
Georgia@adlinga.com.au

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5530 3955 / 0412 144 842

English Tutor

T.E.S.O.L, E.S.L. – Valerie Mann
5535-2328

Surgical & Medical Equipment

Medeleq Pty Ltd – Denise Cutajar
5596-2422
www.medeleq.com.au



Hospitality in the Home Programme

Have you thought of being a host to our sailors when their ships are in port?

This can be a very rewarding experience and many long term friendships are made.

If you can accommodate 2, as they work on the "Buddy System" please register your details with us for possible upcoming visits. (Refer page 12)

Best Wishes



A little birdie has told me that the following people have been a bit 'under the weather' and we would like to wish them a speedy recovery.

Rodney Brutlag
Bob Sullivan

If you know of someone who has been ill please let us know so that we can wish them well.

Titans Games.

Round 23 15-18 August

Again this game should be a sell out as the Titans are playing the Broncos here at Skilled Stadium and is sure to be a great game. If this one is of interest let me know.

We need a minimum of 10 people to attend the games in order to get discount tickets. The cost is \$45.00 for members and \$48.00 for non members for Gold seating at Skilled Park. Please ring me if you want to go as we will need to purchase tickets as soon as they are available. Georgia on 55808977.



Members & friends at the Brewery.



7 Members enjoying the Duke Brewery Tour

Irish coffee semifreddo with praline shards

4 egg yolks
3 tablespoons whisky
1 tablespoon finely ground coffee
225g caster sugar
2 egg whites
300 ml whipped cream

PRALINE

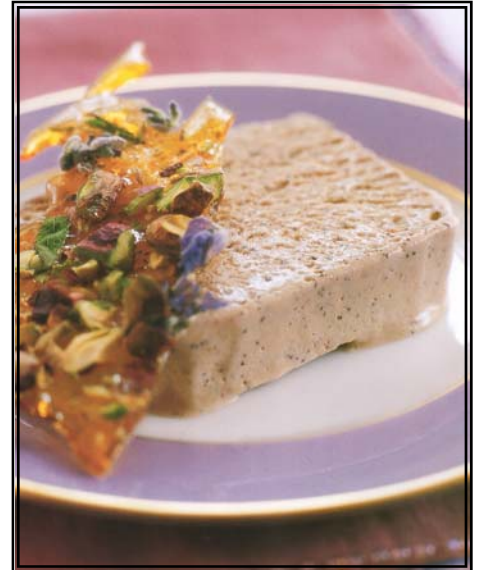
125g (4.5 oz) shelled pistachio nuts
1 tablespoon small mint leaves
220g Sugar
1 tablespoon fresh lavender flowers

Put the egg yolks, whisky, coffee and half the sugar in a heatproof bowl and beat over a saucepan of simmering water until the mixture is thick and pale. Remove from the heat to cool.

Whisk the egg whites in a clean dry bowl until soft peaks form. Gradually beat in the remaining sugar until the mixture is thick and glossy. Fold the egg whites and cream into the cooled mixture and pour into a 23 cm (9 inch) loaf tin. Cover with plastic wrap and freeze until firm

To make the praline, put the nuts and mint leaves on a large tray lined with baking paper. Put the sugar and 3 tablespoons water in a saucepan and stir over low heat until the sugar dissolves. Bring to the boil and boil until deep golden brown. Pour over the nuts and mint, then press on some lavender flowers. Leave to cool, then break into large shards.

Serve slices of the semifreddo with shards of praline.



Membership Report – Nov

Membership has increase slightly over the course of the year. Our membership stands at 80.

We will be having a membership drive very soon so if you know anyone who used to be a member , let them know about all of our new activities. We would love to see them back in the fold.

If you know of anyone else who might like to be a member show them a copy of your newsletter so they can see what we get up to.

Our new membership coordinator will be on board shortly.

VOTING

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website is www.fvap.gov. There is also a toll free number accessible from Australia. If you cannot resolve your concern locally, the FVAP is a phone call away.

The toll free number is:
1-800-836-325.

Members, families and friends, you are cordially invited to attend the

BATTLE OF THE CORAL SEA COMMEMORATION SERVICE 2008

DATE: Sunday, 11 May, 2008
TIME: 10:00am (Please be seated by 9:45am)
PLACE: Cavill Memorial Park, Cavill Avenue, Surfers Paradise (outside Melba's)

Special guests: Mrs Judith Fergin, US Consul-General, Sydney

Music: US Navy 7th Fleet Band 'Orient Express' and
Benowa State High School Orchestra

2008 is the 66th anniversary of the World War II battle fought in the Coral Sea by a combined United States and Australian Navy task force. The battle is unique in that cyclonic weather conditions prevented the ships from sighting each other, the battle being fought from the air.

Both sides suffered severe damage in loss of ships and aircraft but the greatest loss to the Allied force was the 543 brave men who gave their lives in that action.

There is no more important date in our Australian-American calendar than this one which is organized nationally by AAA Divisions in every State and Territory.

Please show your support by attending this Commemoration Service in memory of those who fought and died in this critical battle for Australia's survival 66 years ago.

More information: Billie Jo McCann - 55809558



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Please fill out the cut-off RSVP slip at the bottom of your invitation (on page 13) and return it with your money by the due date and we will do the rest. Let's break the record attendance of 100 last year!

Book at table now to enjoy the day with friends. Hope to see you all there!!

Hinterland Winery Tour

To: Georgia Cook
P O Box 1334
Robina, DC, QLD 4226

Please make cheques payable to
Australian American Association
Gold Coast Division

I/We wish to attend the Hinterland Winery Tour and Tasting including nibbles.

Names:

Please Print: _____ Members \$60.00

Contact Phone _____ Guests \$70.00

Titans & Broncos Game

To: Australian American Assn
P O Box 1334
Robina DC QLD 4226

Please make cheques payable to:
Australian American Association
Gold Coast Division, Inc

I/We wish to attend the Titans vs Broncos Game.

Enclosed is my cheque for \$_____ being for ____ members and _____ non-members.
Or deposit your money into NAB 084917 527232696

Names: Print _____ Members—\$45.00
Contact phone number: _____ Non Members—\$48.00

Italian Club Dinner—June

To: Australian American Assn
P O Box 1334
Robina DC QLD 4226

Please make cheques payable to:
Australian American Association
Gold Coast Division, Inc

I/We wish to attend the June Dinner at on 6th June at 7PM.

Enclosed is my/or cheque or money order for \$_____ being for ____ members and/or ____
guests. Or deposit the money into NAB 084917 537232696

Names: Please print _____
Contact phone number: _____

German Club Dinner—Oct

To: Australian American Assn
P O Box 1334
Robina DC QLD 4226

Please make cheques payable to the
Australian American Assn

Names : _____

Contact No : _____

I/We would like to attend the dinner on Fri 3 October at 7:PM. Enclosed is my cheque for ____ members and/or
____ non members at \$27.00 and \$29.00 respectively. The restaurant is BYO drinks.



CONSULAR NEWS

VOTING

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) will add a series of new features to the FVAP website, the first of which will launch in December of 2007. These new features help facilitate the absentee voting process for military and overseas citizens through the use of electronic solutions.

On September 26, 2007, the FVAP awarded a Firm-Fixed price contract to Criterion Systems to develop a comprehensive, secure solution that will provide citizens covered under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voters Act (UOCAVA) with the ability to electronically complete the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to register to vote and/or request a ballot.

The first feature, available this December, is an automated version of FPCA which will be tailored to state-specific requirements and guide users through the process of completing and submitting the form. In addition, this new feature will allow voters to securely transmit the completed form to their local election office through a Department of Defense server.

Next spring, in preparation for the 2008 General Election, the FVAP will be adding two additional features to the FVAP website. The first will allow the local official to provide a blank ballot to the voter through the secure Department of Defense server, and the second will allow citizens to digitally sign their FPCA.

The FVAP can be contacted via 1-800-438-8683 and by using the toll-free numbers from 67 countries listed on the FVAP website, www.fvap.gov <<http://www.fvap.gov>>. Questions regarding the above may also be referred to the Director, Federal Voting Assistance Program, Department of Defense, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC, 20301-1155, and at vote@fvap.ncr.gov <<mailto:vote@fvap.ncr.gov>>

OUTREACH

We anticipate that we will be able to visit Brisbane in early 2008. If you would like to be added to the list for the next consular visit to Queensland, please send an email to Queenslandacs@state.gov, including your name, contact details and the type of service you are applying for. If you have previously sent an email requesting to be placed on this list, you do not need to send an additional request.

Note: We will only be accepting U.S. passport applications and applications for Consular Reports of Birth Abroad. No other consular services will be available

DID YOU KNOW....?

Photocopies as well as the original documents have to be submitted with all applications for passports, Consular Reports of Birth Abroad, Social Security Numbers and federal benefits. We can photocopy the documents for you; however, this service incurs a fee of \$1.30 per page.

TRAVEL HINTS

Before you travel abroad, make sure you have the latest information available on your destination. Visit the Department of State's website at <http://travel.state.gov> for current Travel Warnings and Public Announcements, Consular Information Sheets for every country, the most recent Avian Influenza Fact Sheet, and more. This website is updated regularly, so be sure to visit it before each trip.

USEFUL WEBSITES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS

* Domestic Violence (24 hours): 1-800-65-6463 (toll free)

* Rape Counseling: A rape counseling service has recently started operating in Sydney. The service can be found at www.nswrapecrisis.com.au or can be contacted at 1-800-424-017.

* For information on Australian visas: contact the Australian Department of Immigration & Multicultural Affairs (DIMIA) at www.immi.gov.au.

* To obtain Australian birth/death/marriage certificates for all Australian states, visit www.bdm.nsw.gov.au.

* For questions concerning U.S. customs rules and regulations, check out the U.S. Customs website at www.cbp.gov. For information about taking your pet to the U.S., please consult the Animal Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) website at www.aphis.usda.gov.

* Social Security Administration: For the latest in social security information, go to www.ssa.gov for news and announcements.

* Veterans Administration: Obtain up-to-date information about entitlements to VA benefits at www.va.gov. For VA Education Benefits, go to www.gibill.va.gov.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY

26th May

Memorial Day

4th July

Independence Day

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Employment vacancies at the Consulate are posted on the Embassy website at <http://usembassy-australia.state.gov>. Scroll to the end of the home page and click on "Employment Opportunities".

ENTRY TO THE CONSULATE

All visitors to the Consulate General in Sydney should take an elevator from the MLC Centre Lobby on Level 8 to our reception area at Level 10. After security screening, visitors will be directed to Level 59 for consular services. Please ensure you have your appointment letter and appropriate photo identification with you.

Note: Aerosols and electronic devices are not permitted at the U.S. Consulate General in Sydney.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

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An Afternoon with the "Duke"



Brennan and Peta our hosts at Duke Brewery



Battle of the Coral Sea Race Day Luncheon

and the running of the

Coral Sea Cup



Date: Saturday 10 May 2008 **Time: 12.30 p.m. for 1 p.m.**
Venue: Paradise Room, Gold Coast Turf Club, Bundall
Cost: Members – \$65 Non-members – \$70

(Includes Members car park entry ,race course entry ,welcome drink, sumptuous 3-course buffet & afternoon tea)



RSVP : By Tuesday, 29 April 2008 please



To : P. O. Box 1334, Robina DC, 4217



Enquiries : Billie Jo McCann (55809558) or Elaine Campbell (55798618)

An early response is necessary for Turf Club entry tickets to be mailed to those attending the Race Day



Please cut off and return this slip with your payment

I / We shall attend AAA's *Battle of the Coral Sea Race Day* on Saturday 10 May 2008
Attached is a money order / cheque* for \$ _____ being for _____ Members
@ \$65 per Member, and _____ non-members @ \$70 per person.

Names : _____

Please Print

Contact Name : _____ **Contact Phone Number :** _____

Cheques/Money Orders to be made payable to 'Australian-American Association - Gold Coast Division'.

Direct deposit to: NAB BSB 084917 Account No 537232696

Easter at Jabiru

