

A newsletter brought to you by the Anzano Social Club, an Italian club based in Adelaide representing migrants from the town of Anzano in Italy.

IT JUST MAKES US WHOLE (Mr Tanner)

Hi All,

I hope the beginning of 2023 has been good to you and your family. You're probably wondering what the title of this newsletter means and why have I picked it? The title of the song is **Mr Tanner**, written and released by Harry Chapin in 1973. The inspiration of this song came after Chapin read a review in The New York Times of singer, Martin Tubridy, who performed twice at Carnegie Recital Hall, once in 1971 and once again in 1972 to which his performances were panned. Chapin's lyrics are about this guy who regardless of the critics kept on singing because it just made him whole. There's a lot of analogies to draw upon from this story as we, the Committee of the Anzano Social Club do what we do because apart from making us feel good, yes it makes us whole. Do yourself a favour and listen to this song <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=upZB5VlbC6o>, its one of my favourites. Harry Chapin himself had an interesting righteous life which sadly ended in 1981 at the age of 39 in a fiery car accident.

There has been heaps of things happening at your club since my last newsletter. I'm pleased to say that we are in a much better place now than ever when considering our future; we have a great hall which has been completely upgraded; secured our cashflow with the signing of a 5+3+3 Lease with **Café Outside The Square**; and we are progressing with our Grants. We also had a visit from the **Anzano Priest!** further details in this Newsletter..... you need to keep reading!



The Hall Upgrade is now complete! At our recent Sunday Lunch re-opening held on the 26th Feb 2023, current President Tony Colella along with Past Presidents Paolo Colicchio, Luigi Novia, Maria Melino (for Vito), Lucia Leonardi (for Angelo) cut the ribbon to signify this special day! Note: Pasquale Melino (absent) and Peter Lacoviello (deceased). The upgrades cost us over \$200,000 with the big ticket items being new; Bar, Front Doors, Polished Floorboards, Ceiling, Reverse Cycle Airconditioning and Lighting all which



were greatly appreciated by our customers. I'm pleased to say that the renovations were completed on time and on budget, starting on the 7th Dec 2022, going through Xmas and into the New Year which is normally an impossible time to get tradesmen. There are more pictures on the next pages.

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Lessee - Café Outside The Square / Grants For Tables



As you are aware from our last Newsletter, **Café Outside The Square** have settled into our premises after signing a long term Heads Of Agreement. Part of the deal was that we would renovate the hall and they would renovate the kitchen at their own cost. I'm pleased to say that they have completed the kitchen renovations which included new stainless steel benches, taps, oven and two (2) new exhaust hoods. The layout was redesigned. Also at some point they have stated



they will build a Cool Room which will have direct access to the kitchen, again at their cost.

Applying for Grants is a time consuming task however the rewards are massive. From the last Newsletter Chairperson, **Marie Ellul** (nee Anastasi) has already secured a number of Grants totalling \$71,170 all which have already been documented. On the week leading up to the 25th Feb fifteen (x15) tables were delivered and assembled by Committee members.

These tables were all purchased using the money from the Grant! The picture below showing Committee member Tony Cooper actually assembling the tables (no photoshop used here).



Below **Rose and Maria** are having a well earned break!



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Visit From The Anzano Priest

On The weekend of the 11-12th Feb [Father](#) Don Michele De Vincentis came from Anzano, Italy to visit us. He performed a church service on Sunday at the Sacred Heart Church on Port Road. Of surprise was his ability to sing, he had a fantastic singing voice especially with his version of 'Ave Maria'. After the church service we put on an informal lunch at our club. We had a big turn out and he was impressed with the Anzanese people's generosity with people making large donations to help with the repairs of the Anzano Church back home. The Club contributed a donation as well.



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Renovations / Reopening Day

Our Sunday Lunch in Feb was a joyous event with the renovated hall proving a big hit! Below are some pictures of the day along with the renovations of the hall. The star was young Zac Colella who is only 10 years old and joined us for the first time (Tony look out I think he's got his eye on your President's job!)



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Functions are held on the last Sunday of each month except December—3 course meal plus coffee & cake all for \$25, please contact Paolo Colicchio 0417514270 to arrange a booking!

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