



# MW P&C Events & Fundraising & Centenary Committee Report

## Term 2 - 2022

*MW Events Committee 2022: Stephanie Donohoe (C) ; Marina Daillecourt; Liv Pennie; Di Nash; Vicky Stokes & Bec Coulson. Centenary Celebration Lead: Tracey Martin.*

Since the last P&C meeting of 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022 there has been a very busy fun filled time for the Event committee and all the volunteers who have assisted us with our jammed packed events calendar.

### Stage 3 Centenary Cocktails

1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 saw the stage 3 Centenary Cocktails event held at Manly Golf Club. The event was enjoyed by all, and we again thank Manly Golf Club for their continued support. We also thank the contributors to the lucky door prizes on the night, Cunninghams Real Estate, Christiane's Hair at Balgowlah; Beautiful Bedlam – a Manly West Mum Charlotte Hatfield that donated beautiful earrings & the MW tea towel tower! Special thanks to Liv Pennie for rounding up and managing volunteers on the night!

### Easter Hat Parade and Morning tea

5<sup>th</sup> April 2022 saw the much-anticipated Easter Hat Parade and Morning tea return. Special thanks to our very generous sponsors Baker's Delight of Stockland Balgowlah who donated over 500 Easter treats for the parents and children to enjoy.

We also organised a coffee cart for the morning that was much appreciated by all. We decided to give the treats away rather than sell with this being the first event on school grounds since the lifting of Covid restrictions. The kids got to enjoy the Easter buns too for the first time!

We did run the traditional Easter raffle and added a guess how many eggs competition for the kids; run by some enthusiastic MW Year 5 students; which proved to be wildly successful. All up the Easter event made approx. \$1200. Special thanks to Stephanie Donohoe and Marina Daillecourt for organising this super fun return to school! The Easter bunny stole the show and I hear is available for weddings or parties upon request!

We also couldn't have done it without the marvellous 35 volunteers on the day!



## Mother Day Stall

The school holidays at the end of term 1 were dominated by preparations for the Mother Day stall which was held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

The Events Committee sort the assistance of the Environment Committee to help source sustainable gifts from local suppliers. Special thanks to the entire Environment Committee, as this was a real collaboration between the committees – with a really strong focus of moving toward sourcing locally made, handmade, sustainable, useful gifts for our MW Mums. Special mention to Brigette Keeble, the super shopper & Nelly Berry who spent an entire weekend planting the beautiful herbs from bush to bowl.

The shift away from the cheaper mass-produced gifts has been warmly received by the parent cohort with many compliments and thanks received supporting the change. The Mother's Day Stall generated a much larger revenue than previous years, but a smaller profit as expected.

Many thanks to the events team and Marina Daillecourt and Stephanie Donohoe for coordinating this event and to all the 35 volunteers who helped on the day.

Manly West tea towels continue to be sold in the uniform shop and via Flexischools. Several were also sold at the Mother's Day stall.

They have become something of a collector's item and the much-sorted prize at the Centenary cocktail events, the tea towel tower to most coveted lucky door prize! Funnily enough, it has been won by a few MW Dad's that have reported an increase in joy over washing up in their respective homes!



## Stage 1 Centenary Cocktails

20<sup>th</sup> May 2022 saw the stage 1 Centenary Cocktails event held at Manly Golf Club. The event was enjoyed by all. Over 150 parents from the stage 1 cohort attended. We again thank Manly Golf Club. We also thank the contributors to the lucky door prizes on the night, Cunninghams Real Estate, Infinite cycle Balgowlah; Double Impact; Carey Phillips is the lovely MW mum behind the donation of these two prizes for the cocktail events. It was also great to receive another donation from a MW family, Daz & Andy's Healthy lollies.

Special thanks to Dave, Raj, Adeline and Catherine for fronting the event on the night. An extra special thanks to Raj in particular for spruiking the buy a brick for the centenary path on the night. The weekend that followed saw around 15 bricks sold!

The centenary cocktail events have been hugely popular with over 650 attendees across the 4 events; Vicky Stokes from the events team has led these events, making sure that they all ran smoothly – and helped to make them as popular as they have been. Special thanks to Vicky. These events have enabled our parents to come back together and enjoy a meal and a night out together. They have been a really fun social event for our families with lots of requests for more!



## Centenary Events

### Buy a Brick Centenary Path

We are excited about how the Centenary Path sales are tracking. We have sold **over \$10,000 worth of bricks** at the time of reporting.

This has been quietly tracking along at each of the events delivered to date. We are working with some more fabulous MW Mums and the school to seek additional drawings of the look & feel of the desired locations of the bricks – with some visual fundraising aids planned for school in T3\T4 to set a desired fundraising target (#bricks to sell).

The next scheduled meeting is for 17<sup>th</sup> June to discuss pathway installation & an application for a potential grant from DoE to cover costs associated with the installation of the pathway.

We look forward to sharing more information with the school community as it becomes available.



### MANLY WEST CENTENARY PATHWAY

Celebrate the past and connect to the future.  
All funds raised go towards school improvement projects.

### Manly West Centenary Tours and Exhibition 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022

At time this report was prepared; we have 50 people have signed up to the Centenary tour and Exhibition. The alumni look forward to having the school leadership conduct the tours.

**Verbal update will be given at meeting as occurs same day.**

### Year 5 Interviews with Alumni

This is a really fun collaboration between school & the events team; with year 5 inviting the alumni to be interviewed about their time at Manly West. Also scheduled for 14<sup>th</sup> June followed by a morning tea for our guests. Thanks to Stephanie Donohoe has led the organisation of these interviews.

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### Manly West School Tours – SELF GUIDED

School have erected the plaques for the Centenary tours of 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022 and a self-guided note will provided as to locations of plaques etc for the self-guided tour 7<sup>th</sup> August 2022, after the gala night celebrations.



## Merchandising

Items have been ordered and will be available for purchase in term 3.

Items available include a Centenary hat and bag tag bundle; key rings and the traditional “Manly West is the Best” tea towels. Preview early T3.

## Memorabilia

Many thanks to Ashleigh Searle and Tracey Martin have taken the lead with the mountains of memorabilia that has been provided to school from the MW community.

They have been very busy helping sort, prepare and setup the beautiful exhibition and for sharing the memorabilia with the MW students.

## Gala Night



Special thanks to Liv Pennie, Katrina & Andrew Whitehead who have worked together to put together the beautiful gala designs. Another MW family volunteering to help make the celebrations memorable. I am sure you will all agree it's beautiful.

Also special thanks to Tracey Martin for securing a platinum sponsor, Cunninghams & for all her hard work to get the gala venue, menu, and theming together for this much anticipated event.

Within the first 2 weeks of go live on this event we have **Sold 70% of the tickets!** If you still want to attend the gala – get in FAST!



## Now for the Fun to Come in 2022

Just some highlights of activities in progress for T3\T4. Without giving too much away...

Confirmed:

1. Father's Day Breakfast – Pop in your diary for 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2023. Details & bookings early T3.

In the planning\discussion stages:

2. Manly West v Manly Village inaugural teachers v teachers Soccer match
3. MGC Afternoon Tea
4. Fun for the kids
5. Centenary family picnic
6. Interrelate

## And already planning for 2023.

Following the significant face to face time with the parent cohort at the Centenary Cocktail events there is an appetite for a **trivia night** which is currently being explored for early 2023.

**25<sup>th</sup> March 2023** - NSW State election and year 6 BBQ will be taking place. Watch this space as some of the events team will transition into year 6 committee – **the BBQ will bigger than BEN HUR!!!**