

MAGazine

A Newsletter for Mature Age Gay & Bisexual Men
MARCH & APRIL 2016



Caring for each other, sharing friendships & affection with each other in similar situations to lead as full a life as possible

MAG will celebrate 25 years of service to the gay & bi-sexual men of our community on 24th September 2016 — please keep this date free

HAPPY
MARDI
GRAS
2016



MAG's Parade Bus had Olivia in the front window. We played Xanadu all night & the crowd just loved it !!

Look us up on the web www.magsydney.org

Events planned for MAG SYDNEY INC

Thursday evening social nights at the Petersham Inn Hotel on Parramatta Road at Petersham.
Drinks from 6.30pm — Dinner approx 7pm — all most welcome to join us.

Saturday 12th March — Brian McKenzie - "His Life"

Saturday 26th March — There will be NOMEETING — sorry

**The ACON building will be locked down as it is
 the Easter Long Weekend**

Saturday 9th April — Scott McKinnon from the Pride History Group

Saturday 30th April — Bruce Notely-Smith MP member for Coogee

Bruce is the first openly gay member of the NSW State Parliament.

He was prev the Mayor of Randwick Council and has a background in small business.

Saturday 14th May — 2016 Mardi Gras Parade photo nite

"Beautiful Line"
 Tell my mistakes to me
 Not to others,
 Because these are to be
 corrected by me
 Not by them..

We are pleased to announce that the new toilets, on the ground floor are now in operation. Yah !!!!!

Steve Ostrow

We are saddened to report that our beloved Founder, Steve recently had a stint in hospital with really serve back pains.

He is now resting up in Illworth House, Roslyn Gardens, at Elizabeth Bay.

Any guys who would like to call in to see Steve (and he would love for you guys to do that), kindly contact President David on **0447 600 966**, who will give you Steve's mobile number.

As you can appreciate, when one is not feeling the best, sometimes you don't want any visitors at certain times;

so we kindly ask that you call Steve beforehand to make sure he is OK to receive visitors.

Our thoughts are for Steve to get better real soon.

Our meetings are not the same without hearing his request for us all to *share the love* —

with a big **"HUG"**.



In our last Newsletter, President David informed Members and friends that he was planning a trip to China 1 to 17 September 2016. It includes 4 days on the Yangtze River & a stop over in Hong Kong.

The Travel Agent handling the tour bookings has asked David to chase up any possible travellers interested in joining the trip. The Travel Agent informs David that the earlier the airline bookings are made, the cheaper those air tickets will be.

Should anyone be interested, please contact David on **0447 600 966** for further information, or for a Brochure, or Reservation Form

What a great 2016 Mardi Gras Festival MAG members and friends have just participated in.

From Queer Screen presentations, I know a few of our guy attended, to theatre productions, like 'The Ritz' to Fair Day & the Parade. Our Fair Day Stall was well supported by people in Victoria Park, Camperdown. My thanks to Michael F and Alan for picking me up at 7.30am, loading their car with goodies and transporting it to Victoria Park, then packing it all up and taking me back to my home around 7pm; so we three [3] had been there a very long time. I was pleased that we covered the cost of the Stall hire of \$300.00.

Our second hand items sold under help from Lionel, Lewis, John O'D, Jon, Ken I. and others - thanks guys *Dame Dolly Devine* had a great day — had loads of photos taken with members of the public, plus the usual range of celebrities, like the lovely *young lady* in a white printed outfit, with broly and moustache, **pictured below** — *she was stunning* Her partner also had a shirt in the same material. *Dame Dolly* did miss her side kick spruker — **Christine from Scone**.



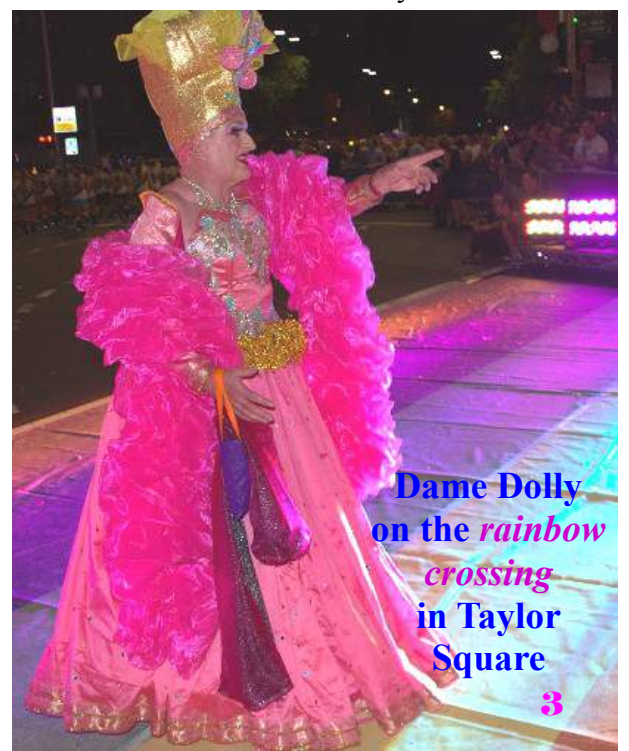
Steve (a 78er) chats to David, whilst he decorates our Bus



Our Parade effort in an ex-Heritage Hong Kong Bus, blaring out "Xanadu" by Olivia Newton John was very well received by the large crowd. My sincere thanks to Michael F & Alan for again picking me with the bus dressing gear, taking me to load our sound, lighting & batteries pack stuff & then back home gain, at the end of the nite. My thanks to Jon, John O'D, Valery, Chito, Chris & Noel from Brissy for dressing & together with others undressing the Bus. It was a magnificent nite — as readers can see from the great pics taken by Valery — especially the ones taken from the upper deck of our Bus, showing the crowd size. My love & thanks to Lionel for doing my face, Roger for the loan of your room & Miss Marcia Monterey for the beautiful creation, I had the pleasure of wearing. Thanks to our Bus Driver *Shirl* for your theme suggestion, the hire of the Bus & assistance on the nite.

David President

Dame Dolly at Fair Day with a Beautiful lady who is an institution at Fair Day



Dame Dolly on the rainbow crossing in Taylor Square

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Alan

Photos courtesy of Valery



Geoff with his many colourful tatt's

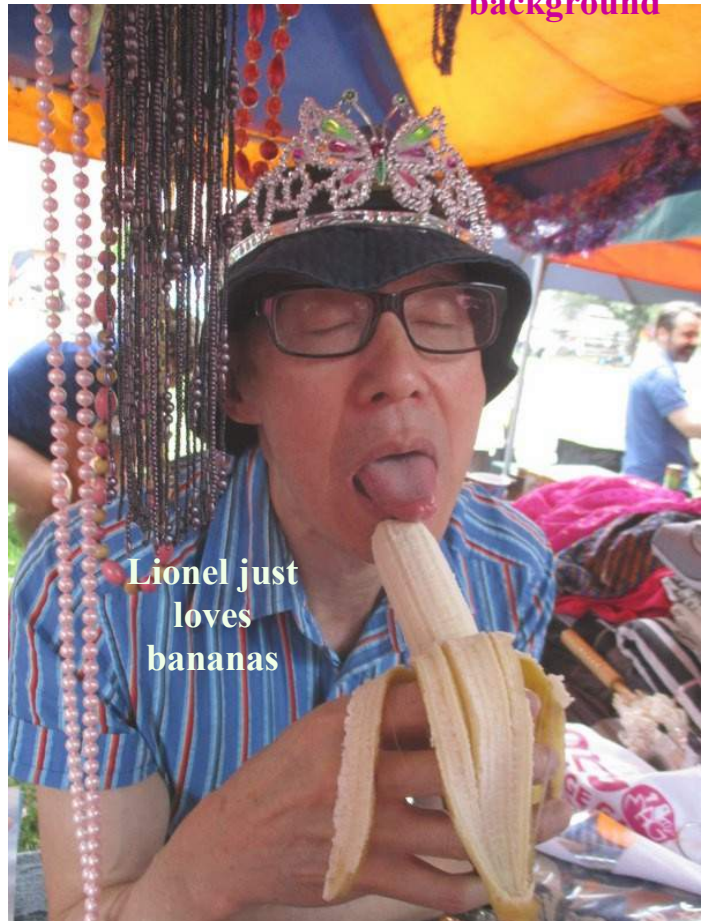


Roger & Dame Dolly

Lionel in the background



MAG's Stall in GOLD sequins



Lionel just loves bananas



Alan

Morris

Michael F

Michelle

Photos courtesy of Valery



Jon adorable in pink



Lionel mans our Stall

THE 2016 PARADE



Our Bus in silver sequin & coloured lighting

Photos courtesy of Valery



John W in a blonde wig waves to the large crowd

MAG had a contingent of 41 people, who enjoyed the long night. The crowd's reaction to our music was fantastic. There was lots of singing along to "Xanadu"

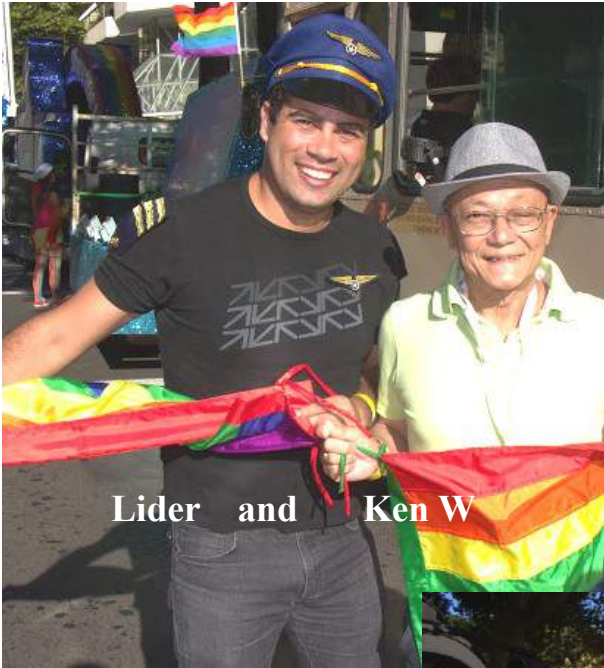


The BIG crowd in Oxford Street

Shervin

John

Neil



Lider and Ken W



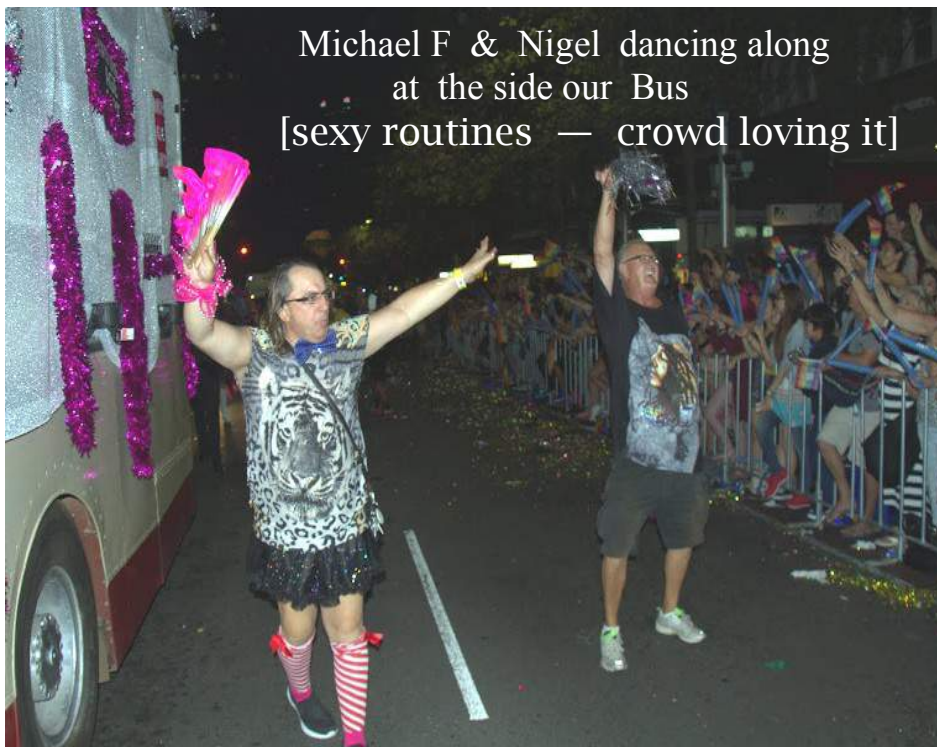
Alan and Michael F

Michelle will have photos of Fair Day and the Parade for viewing in her beautifully presented books. She can also arrange for copies of any of her photos to be made for interested MAG members Please talk to her at any of our meetings. Thanks Michelle for your great pics



Michelle and Noel

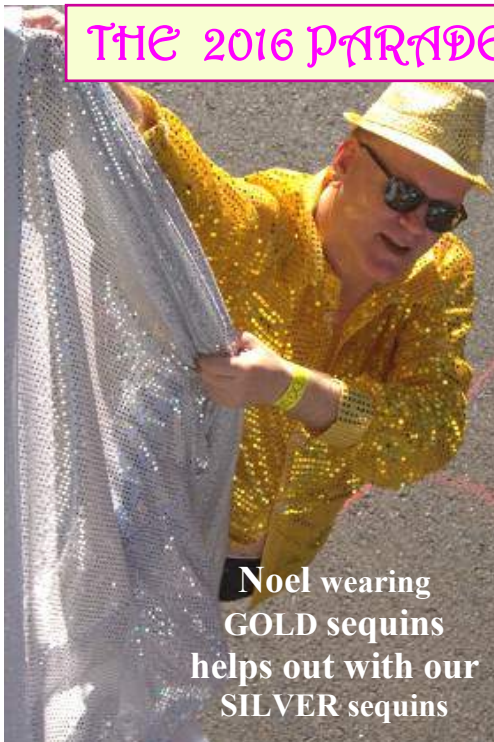
Photos courtesy of Valgry & we thank him for taking pics of our guys



Michael F & Nigel dancing along at the side our Bus [sexy routines — crowd loving it]



Suzie Wong with an admirer in hot pink



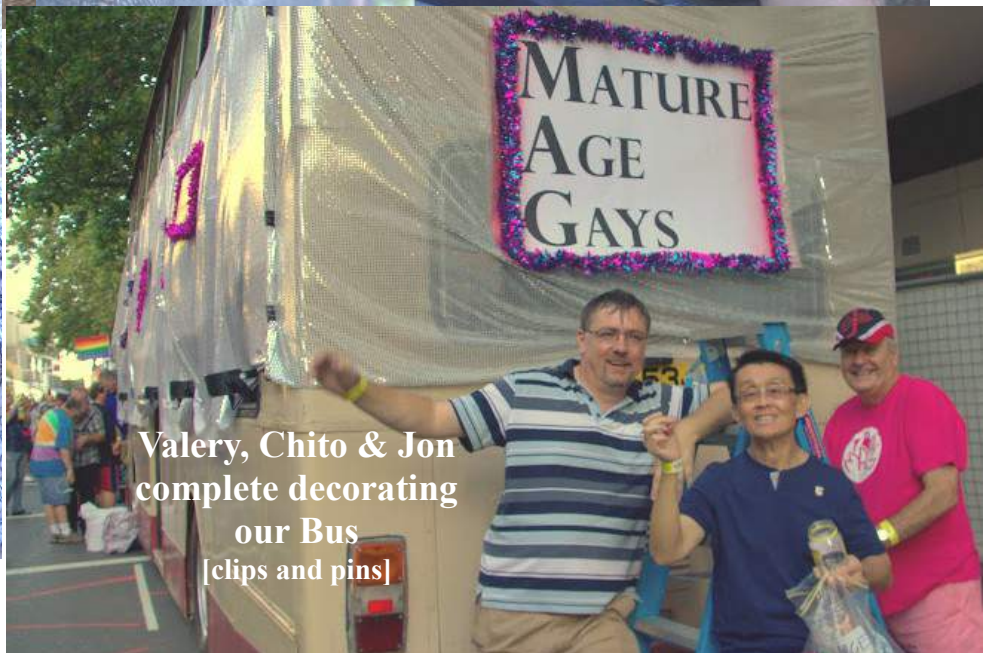
Noel wearing GOLD sequins helps out with our SILVER sequins



Valery did a magnificent decorating our Bus



Dame Dolly in full face make up, pins MAG's Logo on our Bus



Valery, Chito & Jon complete decorating our Bus [clips and pins]



Tatiana Tits Off



Our Bus with our Melbourne guys — Neil & Shervin



Chito



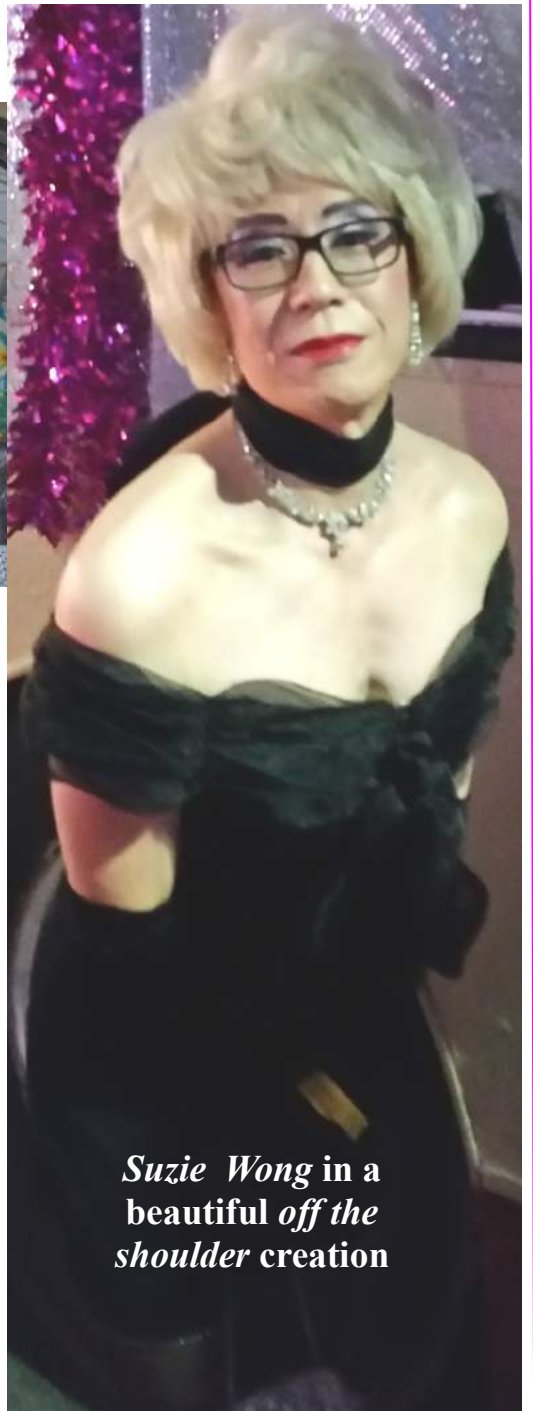
John



Robert

Joe

Kevin



Suzie Wong in a beautiful off the shoulder creation



Lewis with his silver balls earrings



Our Bus towards the end of the Parade

THE 2016 PARADE



Kelvin went with Acceptance, on his new Motor Scooter



Dame Dolly with the crowd



An aerial shot of our walkers



Lewis on the upper deck of our Bus with pics of Olivia

Ken



John

Suzie Wong

Ross

Neil

Jon

Anthony

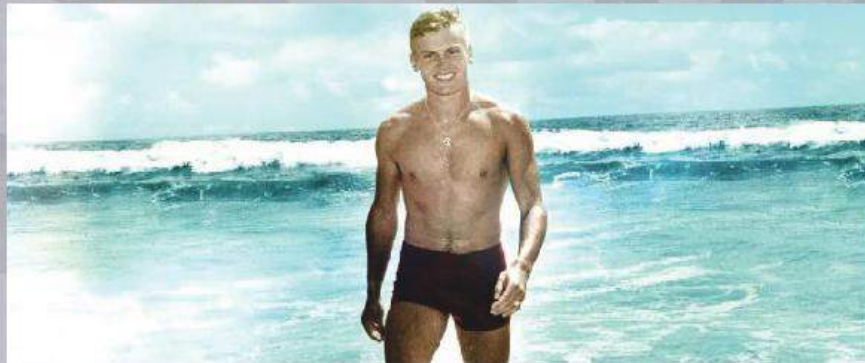


Peter

Ross



TAB HUNTER CONFIDENTIAL



In the 1950s, Tab Hunter was a Hollywood golden boy and matinee idol, but his life as a closeted homosexual threatened to bring it all crashing down. Includes interviews with John Waters, George Takei, Connie Stevens and Debbie Reynolds.

Cost: FREE or gold coin donation

**** BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL ****

Call: Russ 02 9206 2017 | Kelly 02 9206 2016

Email: loveproject@acon.org.au | loveproject.org.au

***** SCREENINGS *****

SAWTELL Saturday 2 April
Sawtell Cinema, First Avenue

SHELLHARBOUR Saturday 2 April
Event Cinemas, 4 Memorial Drive

WAGGA WAGGA Saturday 2 April
Morrow Street & Baylis Street

SYDNEY Sunday 3 April
Event Cinemas, 505-525 George Street

LISMORE Sunday 3 April
Cnr Keen & Zadoc Streets

NEWCASTLE Sunday 10 April
Tower Cinemas, 183 King Street



Where & when MAG meets

We meet on the **second** and the **last Saturdays** of the month at **414 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills** which is near **Devonshire Street**; and is just up from **Central Railway Station**], from 6:30 pm for tea and coffee, with the meeting commencing at 7:00pm, usually with a Guest Speaker — every so often we might have a social, a 'pop corn' night.

A light supper follows.

The Committee meets on the second Saturday of the month, prior to the General Meeting.

Geoff Ostling is maintaining our Guest Speaker Listings.

Should members feel that a certain person could give an informative talk at MAG, please contact Geoff on 9568 3029.

Geoff will be very pleased to hear from any members or friends.

MAG's Details:

The Executive:

President: David Bowron 9516 2063
Vice Pres: Michael Darley 0408 359 989
Secretary: Michael Filipovic 0429 290 000
Treasurer: Bill Alford: 8096 4891

The Founder of MAG:

Steve Ostrow - contact the President for Steve's mobile

The Committee:

Lewis Turtur 9319 1280
 John Waterstreet 0449 290 898
 Geoff Ostling 9568 3029
 Ken Mears

MAGIC - MAG in the Community:

Guys who are ill, in hospital, or who require assistance.

Our postal address is now the same address as where we meet:

**MAG SYDNEY INC,
 414 ELIZABETH STREET,
 SURRY HILLS NSW 2010**

Our web site is www.magsydney.org

Our Editor: Michael Filipovic

Our Community's Details:

Acceptance (Gay Catholics) Tel. 9568 4433. Friday Mass, St. Joseph's Church, Bedford Street, Newtown, 8pm.

Aleph Australia for gay Jews and friends, Contact *Michael* 9300 9700.

Asian Project Contact Min 9206 2080

bgay Community News - www.bgay.com.au. Contact Marc on 0406645075

Bobby Goldsmith Foundation [BGF]

to empower & support people living with HIV to live well
 L 3, 111-117 Devonshire Street, Surry Hills
www.bgf.org.au 9283 8666

Country Network for friendship and support through social events and networking across rural, regional & city Australia. Info at www.countrynetwork.com.au

Cronulla Gay Group - www.cronullagaygroup.com. Contact John 9528 9158

Cross Section for gays within the Uniting Church phone Des 9319 0722.

GAMMA - Gay and Married Men's Assoc Tel. 9267 4000 - www.gamma.org.au

Gaydownunder - www.gaydownunder.com

GLCS - Tel. 1800 184 527

SYDNEY GAY MEDITATION GROUP

+++SESSION DETAILS+++

EVERY TUESDAY 7PM, (*contribution - by donation*)

MEDITATION SPACE, 99 CROWN STREET, EAST SYDNEY
www.sydneygaymeditationgroup.com

GSN - Gay Sydney Nudists - www.gsinc.com
 contact *Tony James* 49725357.

MAM — Mature Age Men — Meets the last Saturday of month Sportsman's Hotel, Springhill, Brisbane at 4pm Contact Noel (07) 31721170 for more details.

MCC Good Shepherd — 6:30pm Sundays 37 East Street, Granville. Pastor *Robert Clark* Tel. 0412 481 195

MCC Sydney - 96 Crystal St, Petersham. 10:00am & 6:30pm Sundays Pastor *Greg Smith* Tel. 9569 5122

Email — office@mccsydney.org

PFLAG - Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians & Gays. www.pflagaustralia.org

SCOG - Southern Cross Outdoor Group: Bushwalks & other outdoor activities in Sydney area. Contact *David* 9698 9308. Email: southern.cross.outdoors.group@gmail.com

SPAIDS - Sydney Park AIDS Memorial Groves

Dates on tree planting days kindly contact josken@josken.net

COMPANIONS OF HOPE - Meetings: fortnightly (2nd and last Sundays) at 11am, Level 3, 414 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills Contact: Bishop Peter on 9588 6893 or 0419 464 353

Email: christ-our-hope-community.net

GONG GUYS - <http://www.gongguys.site90.com/>
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