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Welcome to our 2nd newsletter. I hope everyone had a joyful Christmas and a happy New Year. Welcome to 2017!

Wow, wasn't the second half of 2016 a busy one! We had some memorable tours, all of them a great success.

We started out with a Christmas in July lunch with a difference – Italian Style. Set in the beautiful La Trattoria restaurant in Camden, the buffet lunch was excellent. They even made some snow in the front car park... it melted though!



Xmas in July - Camden

Over 400 people attended the event on Sunday 31 July 2016

It would not be August unless we make the annual pilgrimage to Griffith for the Salami Festival and to catch up with some old

friends. The festival started out about 15 years ago with some local families who got together to celebrate the end of the salami making season. As the years went by, this grew to many more families in Griffith. Now it's a huge annual event with people coming from all over NSW, Victoria and even South Australia to join in the festivities held at Pioneer Park museum, with lots of food, wine, dessert and salami of course...and we are proud to be part of it.

In October, a very keen and dedicated group travelled to Newcastle to see the famous violinist and entertainer – Andre Rieu. Wow, what a show! He had every one dancing in the aisles. A truly gifted performer.

Our annual trips to Floriade (Canberra) and Orange for cherry picking are always a success. It's great to see so many people come with us every year to these two great events.

Unfortunately, the trip to the Hunter Valley Gardens for the Christmas Lights had to be postponed due to the heavy rain. It's now scheduled for Friday 20 January 2017.

And last but not least, our New Year's Eve cruise....see reverse of this newsletter.



Salami Festival - August 2016

Having a good time, eating lots of salami.



Andre Rieu Concert - October 2016

Concert at Newcastle Stadium



New Year's Eve Cruise

30 Dec 2016 to 8 Jan 2017



SOUTH PACIFIC WE COME....

What a great way to end a fantastic year and start a new one.

Our New Year's Eve cruise departed Sydney on 30 December onboard the P&O Pacific Pearl which took us to the most fabulous islands in the South Pacific.

We had a couple of days at sea at the beginning and at the end of the cruise.

The New Year's Eve party on 31 December was fantastic, with everyone dancing, having a great time and seeing the New Year in with a big bang!

Our first stop was Noumea, where we enjoyed a full day on Escapade Island, swimming in the crystal clear waters and enjoying a buffet lunch.

We then went onto Lifou, Isle of Pines and Mare – part of the Loyalty Islands. Each day

enjoying a swim in the turquoise, clear and warm waters of the South Pacific.

Each day on board the ship, there was plenty of activities to keep everyone occupied.

Between Bingo, Karaoke, dining, watching a show or just lazing around the Atrium deck enjoying a cocktail or coffee, the days were pretty busy.

Some of the group got to meet the captain and the bridge crew while others enjoyed a special dish made just for them - 'spaghetti aglio e olio' made by the Executive Chef, Luigi!

Cruising isn't about looking and watching, it's about feeling and experiencing.

OUR GROUP

There were 22 of us in the group including Salvatore and myself. Thanks to everyone in the group for making this a great cruise and NYE party.



Look out for our new brochure for all 2017 tours, including tours to celebrate 100 years of Fatima and Southern Italy. **For any information or brochures, please contact us:**

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