



Soul Fly Buddies – Monthly Meeting Notes



Here are the minutes for the Soul Fly Buddies (SFB) meeting on 27th October 2023



Soul Fly Buddies met on Zoom.



The people that came to the meeting were: Stavros, Alex, Audrey, Yasmin, Nalyn, Lachy & Chelsea.

Joni, Jack and Karen could not make it.



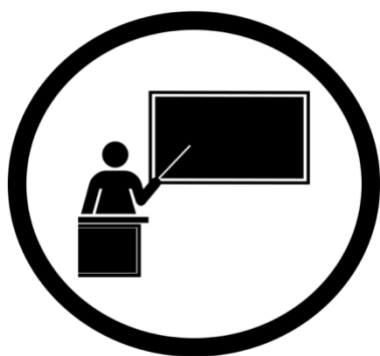
Jack sent us notes before the meeting.

He said things are going well with work.

He is excited to join the end of year parties for Gig Buddies.



At the start of the meeting, we each shared some news from our lives!



Next Chelsea gave us an update on our end of year party



Chelsea told SFB that we have 'Hound Dog Harry and The Man Band' performing on the night.



One of the members of 'Hound Dog Harry and The Man Band' is a buddy who is currently involved with Gig Buddies!



Another member of 'Hound Dog Harry and The Man Band' used to play in AC/DC!



The final member of 'Hound Dog Harry and The Man Band' is a social worker and musician.

He has offered to play a free DJ set after the band play.



Chelsea also told SFB about the food options.

There will be snacks at the party. The snacks will be ok for people with different dietary requirements to eat.



Chelsea also showed a video of the room that the party will be in.

It will be in the main room of The Factory Theatre.



SFB said they were happy with all this information and looking forward to the party.

It is on the Wednesday the 29th of November!



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Next, we talked about the ACL Disability Services & Gig Buddies Annual General Meeting (AGM).

The meeting was on Thursday 26th October 2023.

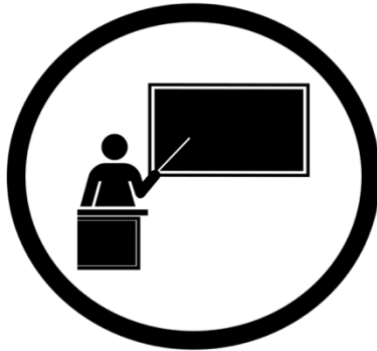


Stavros, Yasmin and Audrey attended the AGM to represent Gig Buddies and SFB.

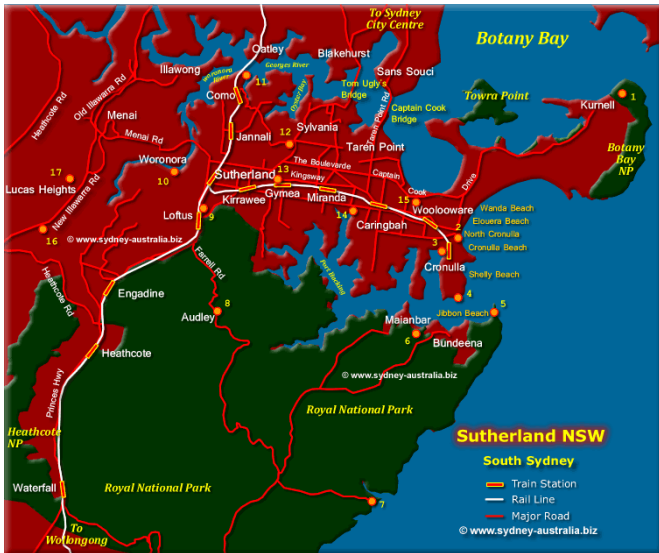
Alex could not attend due to illness.



Stavros said the AGM went well.



Yasmin, Stavros and Audrey read out the SFB report at the AGM, and answered questions.



They talked about getting a new SFB member based in the South of Sydney.

This would be something to look at in the new year.



They also heard about how ACL and Gig Buddies is doing financially.

They said things are going well and this will help continue to make the project better and help more people who feel lonely or isolated.



Stavros also told us that ACL and Gig Buddies will be in the same office in McMahon's Point for the next 5 years.



Audrey, Stavros and Yasmin were happy that they went to the AGM and felt it was a good experience.



Next we talked about the SFB End of Year/Xmas lunch.



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It will be on Friday the 24th of November at 12:30pm at Blue Gum Hotel in Waitara.



Chelsea will send through details of the lunch via email.

It will be sent over the next couple of weeks.



Next we talked about Any Other Business.



Stavros told us that the Drydock Hotel in Balmain is almost ready to reopen.

It has been renovated over the last year.



Stavros would like to host a Gig Buddies event there when it is open.

He will chat to the owner or manager to see if this is possible.

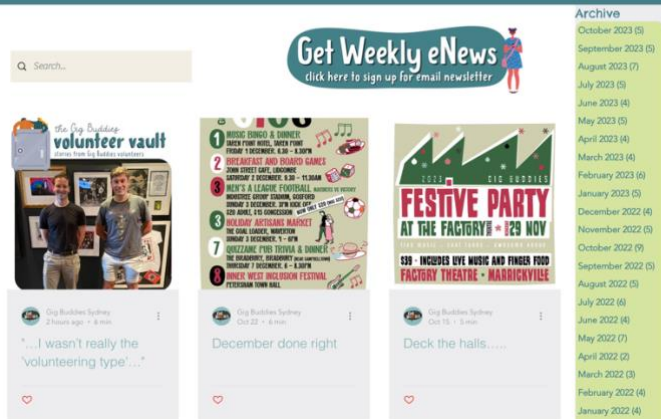
He will keep us updated.



Chelsea also said we can look at their website to see their weekly events. We could join one of those.

This could be things like trivia or musical bingo.

Gig Buddies Blog & NEWS



Lachlan's article is due at the start of November 2023.

Stavros' article is due in middle of January 2024.



There is no blog article in December.



Lastly, Chelsea thanked all SFB members for their contributions throughout 2023.



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We really appreciate SFB's insights into issues that affect our community.

We also appreciate their ideas for events and ways that we can improve the project.



Next Soul Fly Meeting IN PERSON!

End of Year / Christmas Lunch!

When: Friday 24th November 2023

Where: Blue Gum Hotel in Waitara.

Time: 12:30pm

Thanks for reading!