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JOHN SLATTERY Club & Membership Committee Chairman

As we take our first cautious steps towards post-lockdown life, it's important to hold onto those simple pleasures we discovered in recent months. Despite the challenges, Club Members managed to stay in contact and forge new connections. Our online events gave Members tips about cooking, cocktails, millinery and marvellous travel destinations (page 8). The new Cuppa and Conversations events brought Members together to share insights into books, gardening and art (page 16). As our City Club and Healesville properties slowly reopen in line with government guidelines, Members can add new experiences to their favourite haunts. Alfresco dining is the way to go this summer (see page 10) and Riddell's Green at Healesville Country Club & Resort will be the perfect place for family and friends to relax and catch up. The key is to plan ahead and book all your activities and dining experiences before you come to the Club (see page 4). You might even like to start planning an active holiday for 2022 (page 18).



ROB EVERETT RACV Club General Manager

We are committed to making sure our Club properties are ready to deliver a great experience for Club Members and guests while meeting all government requirements. In a recent email to Members, I outlined some changes to the way our facilities will operate, in accordance with Victorian Government mandates and guidelines. You will find information about vaccination requirements and opening times on page 4, with a more detailed guide online. Our City Club and Healesville properties commenced a phased reopening of the Club properties and facilities to Members and guests in a limited capacity from Friday, 22 October. We ask that Members continue to visit racv.com.au/clubbookings for the most up-to-date information regarding opening times for facilities at both properties. As we emerge from Victoria's sixth lockdown, I thank all our Members for their patience and support. Please understand that there may be further changes in operating times over the coming weeks as the Club regains momentum. Once again, I appreciate your ongoing understanding and support of our staff as we reopen, and we look forward to welcoming you back to the Club soon.

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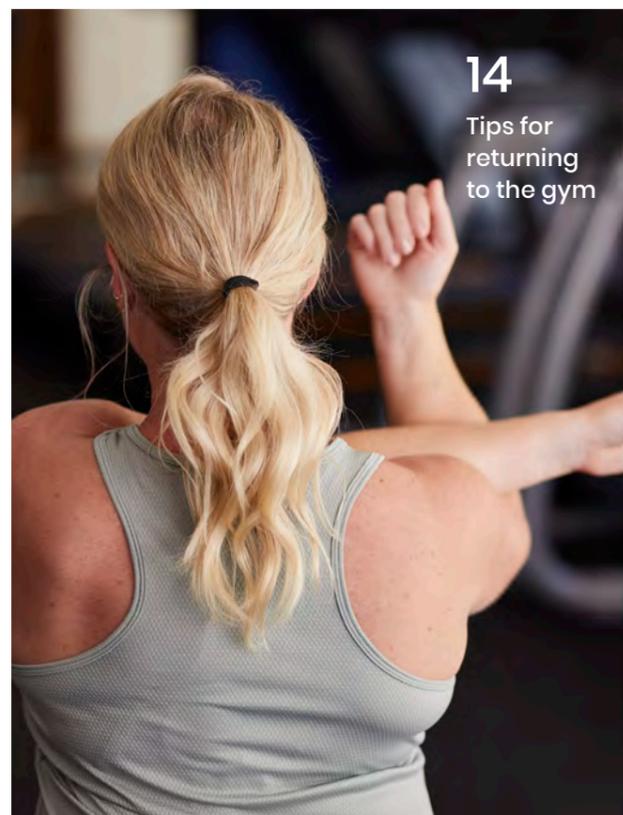
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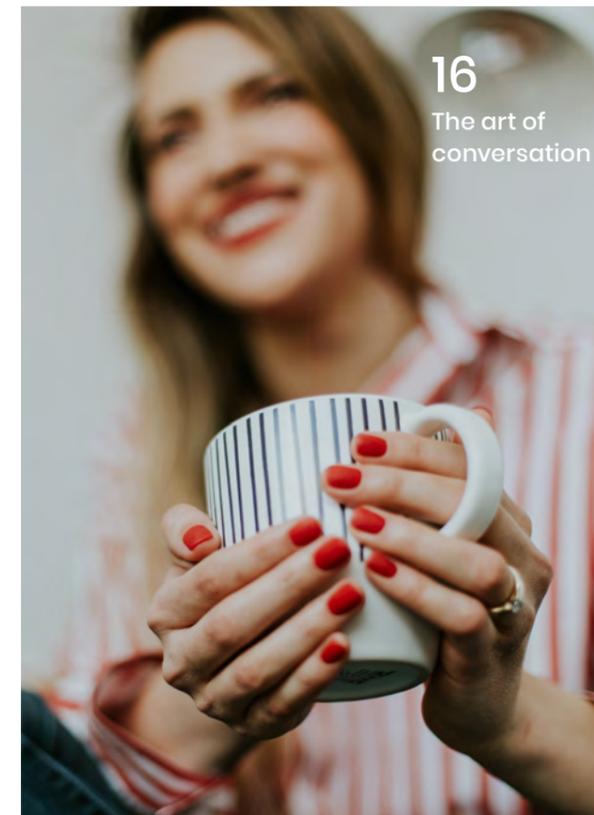
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MOVING FORWARD

Staying safe together is the priority as we gradually reopen the Club's properties and facilities, and welcome Members back to the Club

Victorians are celebrating their new-found freedom, and many Club Members are keen to resume their favourite activities at the Club, be it dining in Bistro, going to the barber, joining a fitness class or reconnecting with a Member interest group. The possibilities seem endless after months in lockdown.

There are, however, some changes you'll need to consider before visiting the Club. Post-lockdown life for all Victorians includes vaccine certificates, QR code check-ins and pre-booking of activities, and the RACV Club is no exception.

The changes we've made to how the Club operates not only comply with government COVIDSafe guidelines but provide you with the highest health and hygiene standards while not compromising on experience.

In line with current government guidelines, RACV requires all Members and guests to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to visit and use our facilities at Club and resort properties.

All staff working at RACV Victorian clubs and resorts will also be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

Before you visit, you'll need to book all your experiences (such as dining, gym sessions and golf) to avoid missing out. Density and capacity limits are in place to provide a COVIDSafe environment.

Please be aware that some Club facilities may be temporarily closed or have altered operating hours and capacity. If dining in an alfresco area, remember to pack suitable clothing in case of a change of weather.

Staying safe together means we can get back to doing the things we love sooner, including sharing more time with family and friends. We're looking forward to welcoming you back to your Club soon.



It's time to get back to making the most of your membership and enjoying Club life.

Plan and book ahead for your next visit to the Club at racv.com.au/clubbookings



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BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

- Download your COVID-19 Digital Certificate from Medicare or the myGOV app. To link your certificate to the Service Victoria app, visit coronavirus.vic.gov.au/vaxproof for instructions. Otherwise, print a copy of your certificate to bring to the Club.
- Check our operating hours and book onsite services in advance at racv.com.au/clubbookings
- Check the latest [COVIDSafe guidelines](https://coronavirus.vic.gov.au) online at coronavirus.vic.gov.au



2

WHEN YOU ARRIVE

- Check-in using the Service Victoria QR code
- Show your proof of vaccination or medical exemption to staff
- Wear a face mask when required
- Follow the latest COVIDSafe guidelines.



3

WHILE YOU'RE HERE

- Maintain a 1.5m distance
- Check in each time you use a different service or facility
- Reduce contact with cashless payments by using a credit card or by charging to your Club account
- Let us know if you see something unsafe
- Enjoy yourself and make the most of your Club membership.



STATE OF THE ART

The refurbishment of the Gallery Lounge offers Club Members a warm and inviting place to relax, snack, and admire the artwork

Technē Architecture + Interior Design director Steve McKeag says inspiration comes from many sources. For the redesign of the Gallery Lounge at City Club, his team started by considering the history of the space and how colour, lighting and furnishings would enhance existing architectural features.

Consideration was also given to utilisation, and how the gallery of bold and colourful artwork could be incorporated to create a warm and inviting place for Club Members to catch-up with friends, enjoy a pre-dinner drink or relax in quiet contemplation.

“All of these ideas and plans were brought together into a concept brief, to guide the design process,” says Steve.

The Level 1 refurbishment, which will be completed in December, is part of a series of upgrades that began in 2019 to uplift the facilities at both Club properties.

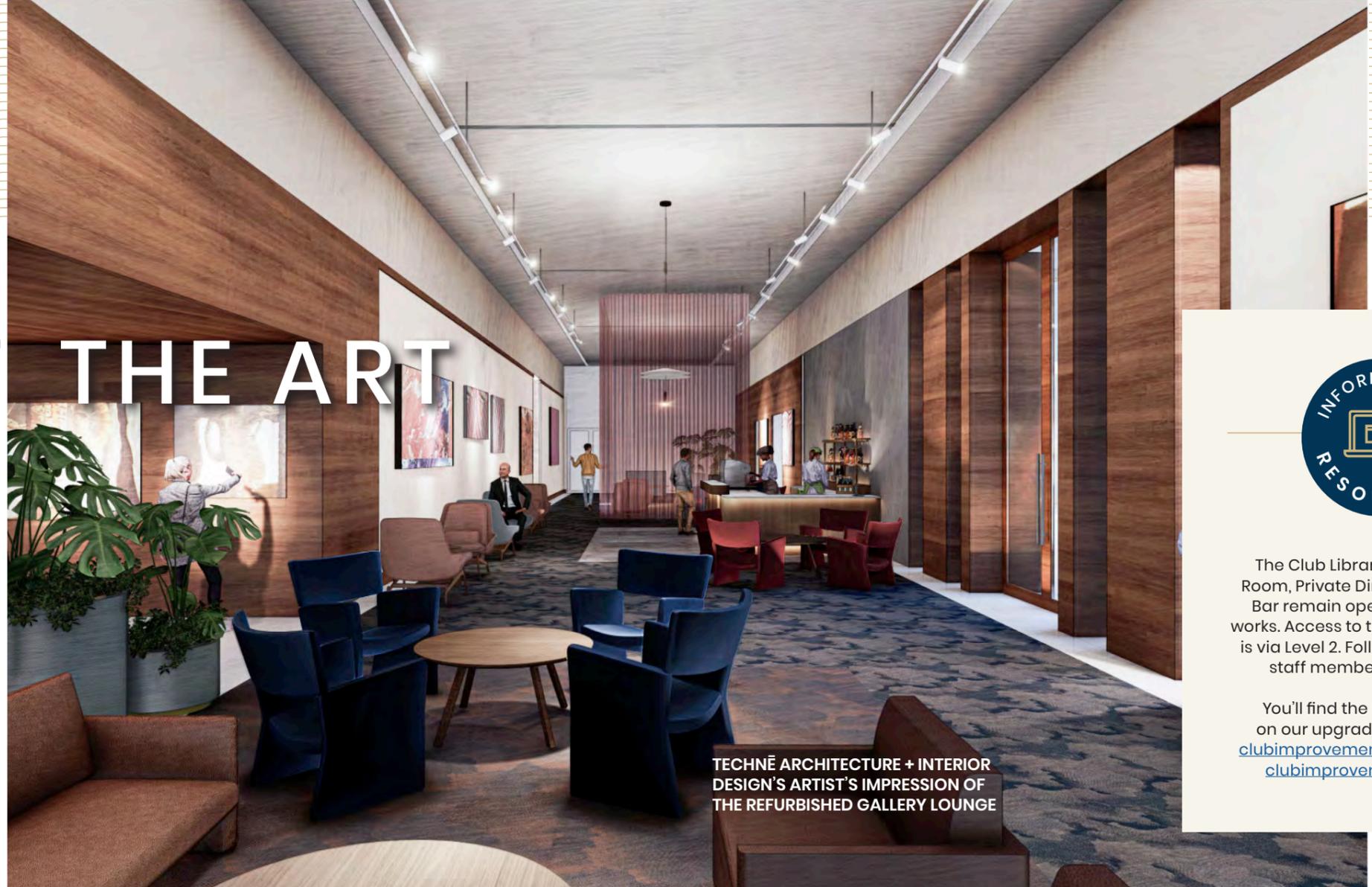
President and Chairman of the Board Geoff Cosgriff says these initiatives are based on Member feedback and ensure the Club remains one of Australia’s best for current and future Members.

Technē’s artist impression (pictured) shows how the space will be modernised with warm tones, strategic lighting and a variety of new seating arrangements.

Technē’s Senior Interior Designer Emma Phythian says the aim is to create a space that feels modern, comfortable and inviting.

“An effort has been made to move towards a more relaxed and residential mood, while being respectful to the history of the Club and its existing Members,” she says. “The furniture arrangement encourages Members to meander and dwell at the impressive art collection.

“The new lighting provides a warm light and touch of drama, while the artwork is purposefully lit.



TECHNĒ ARCHITECTURE + INTERIOR DESIGN'S ARTIST'S IMPRESSION OF THE REFURBISHED GALLERY LOUNGE



The Club Library, Members Dining Room, Private Dining Room and Wine Bar remain open during the Level 1 works. Access to the Shared Workspace is via Level 2. Follow the signs or ask a staff member if you're unsure.

You'll find the latest information on our upgrades at racv.com.au/clubimprovements and racv.com.au/clubimprovements-healesville

“The central bar provides a focal point and breaks up the long corridor.”

Emma says the RACV Club’s signature blue has been paired with pinks to add softness. “A sheer curtain creates a flexible ante-room to the adjacent Private Dining Room, allowing this area to be closed off and offer a sense of privacy and exclusivity.”

She says natural stone adds luxury at various touch points, and unity has been formed between the Gallery Lounge and Wine Bar with mid-toned timber. The carpet has also been customised to work seamlessly with the colour palette.

Once the Level 1 upgrade is completed, a significant refurbishment of the foyer, reception area and Bistro restaurant on the ground floor will begin in January. Signage and information will be posted around the City Club to keep you informed as the works progress, along with regular updates on the RACV Club website.

Club Member Caitlin Farrelly says she is looking forward to having a coffee in the new-look Gallery Lounge. “I have always enjoyed the peace and quiet this space already offers, and I am so pleased to see that it will become an even more welcoming space.”



BANYALLA

Banyalla, the new dining experience on Level 2 at Healesville Country Club and Resort, is on target for a December opening. Along with stylish joinery, a wine wall and booth seating, there are new doors and carpet.

“In the new cocktail lounge, we have intimate booth seating that provides beautiful views over towards the mountains,” Healesville Country Club and Resort Manager Josh O’Brien says.

“We’ve had floor-to-ceiling doors installed as the main entry into the private dining space. The back wall that used to be Blue Tree Grill is now filled with new joinery for our wonderful wine wall, which we are looking forward to filling up with some of Yarra Valley’s finest.

“We’re also getting all the new furniture delivered over the next couple of weeks, so we’re pretty excited about this space.”

● See more details and preview images in the December issue of *Highlights*.

DON'T MISS

IN FINE STYLE

Club Members have relished the chance to escape their lockdown routines and join our fun online travel, fashion and cocktail events

Club Member Fiona Barden has been to Italy, learnt the secret of cooking truffles, and discovered great gin cocktails, all from the comfort of her own home.

Our online events have helped her stay connected to the Club and proved far more educational than Netflix and television. They've included Kenneth Park's lecture on the Italian Lakes, Members Dining Room Chef de Cuisine Jelena Grujovic's talk about truffles, and Bourke Street Green Bar Manager Rob Pierce's recent cocktail masterclass.

"I think the online events have worked really well," Fiona says. "I've been given some culinary inspiration, and when I go on holidays again, I might look at going to the Amalfi coast."

"It is nice to learn and be inspired, and to also support the Club."

Fiona's go-to drink is a gin and tonic but she has expanded her gin repertoire through Rob's class and looks forward to serving fancy gin cocktails at a dinner party when restrictions ease.

"I learnt about a new distillery, Nosferatu, so I'm keen to try their gins. They do a blood orange gin, and a cucumber and mint gin, which I think will be perfect over summer," she says.

Club Members Dianne Payne and Pat Irvine appreciate any excuse to dress up, and the Hats and High Tea event with Melbourne milliner Wendy Scully fitted the bill.

Dianne set up a lavish afternoon tea at home, and Pat, as the nominated person in her permitted "singles bubble", came around so they could watch the event together.

"It was lovely occasion," Dianne says. "Wendy was

amazing with her history of millinery, which we both thoroughly enjoyed. She had models wearing the hats and she explained what styles suited which face shapes."

Dianne wore an award-winning hat made by her goddaughter, and set the table with a tablecloth embroidered by her grandmother, a teapot from her great aunt, and fine china from her days of winning prizes for Highland dancing.



CLUB MEMBER
DIANNE PAYNE

"The online event gave me an opportunity to use those very special things," she says. "I also had roses on the table from a beautiful rose bush that my husband gave me 30 years ago for my birthday."

Dianne is looking forward to celebrating New Year's Eve at City Club. She and Pat have also booked *Moulin Rouge The Musical* packages through the Club for January.

"We'll stay two nights at City Club," she says. "We were lucky to each receive a \$50 voucher from Wendy and we are looking forward to visiting her shop in the city as well."

Find out about upcoming Club events and book your spot at racv.com.au/club-whats-on

Enter your Member number to start the booking, and your Member account will be charged after the event.

For inquiries, call 9944 8888 or email clubevents@racv.com.au

"It is nice to learn and be inspired, and to also support the Club."

- Club Member Fiona Barden



NEW YEAR'S EVE: VEGAS IN THE VALLEY

See 2021 out in style at Healesville Country Club & Resort with an Elvis tribute show, Vegas show girls, blackjack and roulette wheel. Selected beverages included in the ticket price. Join us in the Grand Conservatory from 11.30pm, with a special DJ and drinks available at bar prices.

Fri 31 Dec, 7.30pm-11.30pm,
\$185 for Club Members.

[Book online now](#)

For more details, visit
racv.com.au/club-whats-on

ALFRESCO DINING

With warmer days and longer evenings, it's time to come and enjoy the Club's expanded outdoor dining options

Imagine yourself perched on a stool in Sojourn's rooftop bar watching Melbourne's CBD spring back to life. You have a Queen of the South cocktail (a summery splash of Starward whisky and orange bitters) in one hand and a Tasmanian pacific oyster with Campari finger lime dressing in the other.

Equally tempting is the new sports bar, Riddell's Green, at Healesville Country Club and Resort. Here you can sip a local craft beer, enjoy moreish delights such as fried buttermilk sliders with dill salad dressing, pickles and iceberg, and watch a mob of kangaroos grazing beneath the eucalypts on the far side of the golf course.

Whichever experience you choose, RACV Club has an outdoor setting for you.

Alfresco dining is seen as the key to Victoria's post-lockdown revival, offering more seating and safe physical distancing. It's also a refreshing way to be out with family and friends sharing great food and drinks.

LANEWAY LOVE AFFAIR

Sojourn, the distinctive blue restaurant and rooftop bar, in New Chancery Lane next to City Club, opened in April. Many Club Members are yet to try its bold and playful menu, which champions Victoria's top winemakers, brewers, distillers, farmers and producers.

City Club Executive Chef Jason Camillo says the new summer menu will include seasonal flavours that enhance the local produce.

"We've never had a summer at Sojourn, so the rooftop will come into play, and we'll have antipasto and small plates like Four Pillars gin-cured salmon," he says.

"In the restaurant downstairs, we'll introduce summer produce such as nectarines with roast pork, and fresh Yarra Valley cherries with the new duck dish.

"For those people who haven't experienced Sojourn, I think it's going to be perfect for summer."



SOJOURN ROOFTOP BAR OFFERS A BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF LITTLE COLLINS STREET. PHOTO: SHEVIN DISSANAYAKE. WORDS: BLANCHE CLARK



All Club Members receive a 15% discount off the final bill at Sojourn and Riddell's Green when they charge direct to their Club account. Terms and conditions online at racv.com.au/Club-member-offers.

SUMMER LOVING

Le Petit Gâteau in Little Collins Street will have a new outdoor area with tables and umbrellas, providing a Parisian vibe as you savour a delectable cake with a barista coffee.

Jason says Bourke Street Green, with its retractable roof and lush greenery, is also a drawcard in warm weather.

"Thursdays and Fridays are normally pretty crazy; most areas are full. It starts pumping and you start to feel the city is back, and it's exciting again," he says.

ALL-WEATHER ENJOYMENT

The vibe out at Healesville is equally inspiring. Riddell's Green is ready for rain, hail or whatever else the Yarra Valley throws at it, with a retractable louver system, skylights, PVC blinds and a fireplace.

"The space itself is stunning," Healesville Country Club & Resort Manager Josh O'Brien says. "We have the terrazzo tables and high timber-top tables. The PVC blinds enclose the space when it's chilly, or you can open them up in warmer weather and it's airy and breezy.

"Natural elements and native plants are incorporated into the design and, along with the views of the golf course, you can watch the sun set behind the hill."

Josh says the South American-style menu gives Riddell's Green a point of difference to other dining experiences in the Yarra Valley. "Our new head chef, Himanshu Sharda, is a fantastic asset to us. We are very excited about producing that menu once we open," he says.

"It's very comfortable and you can see yourself perched at the bar with a glass of wine and some chicken wings or tacos. I think it will be the place to be this summer."

Healesville also has the Grand Conservatory, an indoor-outdoor space with trees and contemporary furniture, that is ideal for weddings and special functions.

EAT &
DRINK

FESTIVE FEAST

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Whether it's following our recipes at home or dining at the Club, we'll help your family have a wonderful festive feast this Christmas

It doesn't matter how hot it is in December, many Australians can't shake off the tradition of glazed ham and roast turkey on Christmas Day.

Sure, we incorporate seafood and salads, but tradition is tradition, whether it's a religious celebration, family gathering or excuse to overindulge.

City Club Executive Chef Jason Camillo says the lead-up to Christmas is an important time at the Club.

"December is normally a very busy period," he says. "We have a Christmas special in both the Members Dining Room and the Bistro, and there's roast turkey, ham and plum pudding on the à la carte menu. Many Members come to the Club especially for that special.

"On Christmas Day we take it to the next level, with trimmings, stuffing and sauces. It's a little more refined. The turkey is stuffed and rolled and exquisitely plated.

"We make sure Members feel special and a lot of the Members show their appreciation by thanking staff for working that day. Some Members and staff have long-standing relationships, so it's like an extended family."

For those Club Members celebrating Christmas at home, Jason's recipe for roast turkey is a sure-fire way to impress family and guests.

He recommends buying a fresh turkey from a good butcher to ensure you end up with a lovely, moist dish.

"Fresh is best," he says. "It's all about a slow cook.



You'll find our Club recipes for roast turkey and glazed ham at racv.com.au/club-highlights

Don't delay, book your festive activities at the Club now, visit racv.com.au/club-whats-on

You can either start it high and then drop it down in temperature, or you can start it very low and slow and increase the temperature to get a nice colour on the outside. I use a lot of butter, and the stuffing inside also helps keep the turkey moist."

Healesville Country Club & Resort Executive Chef Himanshu Sharda has incorporated the flavours of summer into his recipe for smoked ham.

"There are a thousand ways of doing the ham," he says. "You can do brown sugar and maple syrup, but pineapple is in abundance at this time of year, and gives your ham a nice summery flavour. You can use stone fruit as well."

He says the festive season is about family and food. The Christmas Day lunch at Healesville will include seafood, fish, salads and meat, and be held in the Ballroom on Level 1.

"It will be a feast for the family. Come and enjoy it with us," Himanshu says.

CELEBRATE WITH WINE CLUB

City Club Sommelier Christian Maier loves the sound of a cork popping for a special occasion.

"Sparkling is synonymous with celebration. To pop that cork, to hear that sound, to see the bubbles, it always puts a smile on my face," he says.

Christian has curated a pack of high-quality wines that Club Members can purchase for their festive celebrations at home. The six-bottle case includes a 2013 Yarrabank Sparkling Cuvee from the Yarra Valley.

"Christmas is where wine plays a big role. It is the glue that brings people together."

Christian explains more about the six wines in a Club online article at racv.com.au/club-highlights

For details about the Wine Club, and to order a pack, visit racv.com.au/The-Retail-Wine-Club





READY, SET, GO



Please visit the bookings page at racv.com.au/clubbookings for the latest information regarding opening times at our Fitness Centres, and make your booking to avoid disappointment.

PHOTO: LUCAS ALLEN. WORDS: BLANCHE CLARK

Returning to the gym can be a shock to the system, so take it easy and follow personal trainer David Renton's expert tips

After a three-month hiatus due to lockdown restrictions, many people are looking forward to returning to the gym and getting fit for summer.

The reopening of the Fitness Centres and pools at City Club and Healesville Country Club & Resort will be subject to Victorian Government guidelines, vaccination thresholds and operational considerations.

Even when the Fitness Centres reopen, there will be reduced services and density limits to ensure the health and safety of staff and Club Members.

But that doesn't mean you can't start preparing for your return to the gym and group fitness classes right now.

City Club Personal Trainer David Renton says that even if you have maintained your previous training frequency, you may have altered the types of exercise that you do.

"For instance, you may have used the free weights and machines at the Fitness Centre but had to switch to light

cardio such as walking, running, cycling, or bodyweight exercises that require minimal equipment," he says.

"Even if your fitness hasn't deteriorated, it will most likely have changed over lockdown."

When you take a long break from your normal training routine, you lose some of your hard-earned muscle mass.

"Your heart and lungs may have become weaker if you previously did HIIT or circuit-style training, and you may have added some COVID kilos due to a change in circumstances," David says.

"Your posture may have changed because your office set-up at home hasn't been ergonomically correct. This could explain those backpains, knee pains and tight hips that you've been experiencing."

David suggests exercises you can start now (see right), along the types of goals that will make your return to the gym seem less daunting.

EXERCISES TO START NOW

Warming up: Focus on stretching and mobility rather than static stretches. You want your body and targeted training muscles primed for your sessions.

Strength training and toning: Keep it simple and stick to compound movements that use multiple muscles. For example, [squats](#) and [push-ups](#) or rows on a bar at the park or home, or alternatively some form of [core workout](#).

Cardio: If you ceased strenuous exercise during lockdown, moderate your goals. Your first few cardio sessions back at the Fitness Centre aren't about setting a new PB. Aim to achieve 60 to 70 per cent of your previous runs, and around 65 to 75 per cent of your previous pace.

Stretching and warming down: Focus on trying to open and release the hip flexor, quads, glutes and chest, which will all be affected by reduced activity or exercise.

● If you're not sure where to start, try following our Club fitness videos on stretching, mobility, strength and core via our [YouTube channel](#).

GOAL SETTING AT THE GYM

Start off slowly

This is essential. The weights will feel heavy, so whatever you were doing prior to lockdown, reduce that to about 60 to 70 per cent. For cardio, lower your expectations and work at a reduced pace and see how your body responds.

Find exercises you enjoy

Make your return fun and enjoyable. Choose a class or set yourself a little program to follow for one or two weeks, then a personal trainer can help you build up from there.

Don't be too hard on yourself

On your return, keep it simple! You will be back to your old training self in no time, but for the time being, just aim to keep the body moving and injury free.

Consider a shorter session

It's best to build up slowly to give your body time to adjust. Think about keeping a little in the tank so that after a couple of weeks you can reset those goals and start aiming for some personal bests again.

LET'S CATCH UP

Club Members have found novel ways to stay in touch, including through our virtual Cuppa and Conversations sessions

Christine Armour is a fan of 19th century authors and eagerly joined the Club's online Cuppa and Conversations session about books.

"We talked about books that we'd been reading," she says. "Everybody had a say, and we made a connection with each other. I even met another Thomas Hardy fan."

Christine has been reading escapist fiction as a panacea to lockdown. "When some books I'd ordered didn't arrive, I read *Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens instead," she says. "The other Dickens' book I love is *Bleak House*. It's long, but I always persevere with a Dickens' book because I know I am going to enjoy it."

She says Kenneth Park's Zoom lecture on Italy was another great way to escape, and the Club's Virtual Art Group introduced her to Victoria's sculpture parks.

"It broadens your outlook and gives you an idea about what you can do when you eventually get the chance to go out," she says.

The Virtual Art Group was established in October 2020 and welcomes new members. Club Member Elizabeth Loftus says members don't require any expertise in art.

"Everyone shares an interest in art and contributes according to their skills," she says. "We've been on virtual visits to overseas museums and explored the works of nominated artists, such as John Singer Sargent.

"We looked at the Archibald Prize exhibition and discussed the portraits that appealed to us. We all did some homework in advance. Everyone liked the winner, which was the portrait of artist Guy Warren by Peter Wegner. It was very lifelike and captured the character and the soul of the subject of the portrait."

Members take turns doing presentations, and the Club Events team have even assisted with creating PowerPoint slides when members haven't had access or knowhow.

"I've been walking around Melbourne and taking photos, and researching various contemporary sculptures, so I did a presentation on that," Elizabeth says. "I said to the group: 'You might have passed these sculptures a

hundred times, but never stopped and looked. For example, did you know the *Three Businessmen* (pictured) on Swanston St was donated to the City of Melbourne by the Government of Nauru?"



MEMBERS ENJOY THE VIRTUAL ART TOURS

She says the Virtual Art Group has helped people revisit cities and countries they love. "People have reconnected with places, discovered a new artist, or just enjoyed an hour of distraction – we've all needed it."

The group is planning to meet in person at the Club soon, and to organise a visit to a regional gallery, such as Geelong Art Gallery or Point Leo Estate.

Club Member Fiona Barden says the Mahjong group also plans to meet at the Club soon. "We welcome new members, if anyone would like to join and learn how to play Mahjong," she says. "We usually have dinner first, and then play from 7pm to 9pm.

"The Club is always somewhere I enjoy going to. Everyone is really friendly, so I'm looking forward to getting back there."



If you would like to join a Member interest group, call Club Events on (03) 9944 8888 or email clubevents@racv.com.au

Find out about upcoming Club Events at racv.com.au/club-whats-on

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- Club Member Christine Armour

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ACTIVE TRAVEL

With the new sports bar opening at Healesville Country Club & Resort, it's time to plan an active pre-Christmas break or holiday for 2022

Optimism about travel is growing as restrictions ease, and Visit Victoria has launched a "Stay Close, Go Further" campaign. It's all about top food to enjoy and natural wonders to explore, and where better than the Yarra Valley?

A stay at Healesville Country Club & Resort opens the door to walking trails, distilleries, wineries and new adventures.

Many attractions in the Yarra Valley are set to reopen, including Tarrawarra Museum of Art on 5 November and the Blue Lotus Water Garden, with its spectacular display of lotus flowers and water lilies, on Boxing Day.

You don't have to go far for an active holiday. Healesville Country Club & Resort has an 18-hole golf course, gym, pool, tennis courts, bowling green and walking trails. All you need to do is pack active wear, choose a fancy outfit for dinner, and start planning some holiday fun.

SWING, SWIM, BOWL

If you're new to golf, there's a four-hole golf course where you can practice your swing and learn how to hit a basic bunker shot. The staff in the Pro Shop can give you tips to get you started.

The Pro Shop is also the hub for bookings and access to complimentary equipment for golf, tennis, bowls, bocce and croquet.

RUN FOR FUN

You can walk, jog or run around the country property, while enjoying the fresh air, wildlife and bush setting.



Explore our latest Club Member accommodation packages and book your next break at the Club.

Country Club packages at racv.com.au/healesville-packages

For City Club, visit racv.com.au/cityclub-packages



ON YOUR BIKE

For a leisurely cycle around the Club or into Healesville village, bicycles are available to use free of charge.

If you're keen on mountain biking, you can try the Yarra Ranges mountain biking trails in Silvan and Warburton. Hire a mountain bike in Lilydale or Warburton or bring your own.

RIDDELL'S GREEN

No active holiday is complete without a great place to eat and relax. After a morning or day of activity, you can refuel at Riddell's Green, the new indoor/outdoor sports bar. The dining venue boasts a new menu with taste sensations such as pulled-pork blue-corn tacos with red cabbage, pineapple and mint. There are meat and vegan options. Treat yourself to a special dessert and watch sport on the big screen.

There are plenty of places to stretch, meditate and recuperate. If you prefer, use one of the treadmills in the Fitness Centre. Staff are on hand if you need assistance.

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