



**IBM QCC Sydney Chapter**  
Minutes of AGM  
**Location** Il Bolognese, Boronia Park

Date:  
6 October  
2009

**PRESENT:** (Committee Members): John Mence, Ian Miller, Geoff Nash, Peter Norman, Lorraine Tacouni, John Watts, Jock Marcks, Clyde Lee, Valerie Percival, Jerry Kay

**APOLOGIES:** (Committee): Mike Hall, Peter Norman, Geoff Nash

**1.OPEN MEETING:** The president Ian Miller opened the meeting at 6:02 pm and welcomed members and guests to the (43<sup>rd</sup>) 2009 AGM of the Sydney Chapter of the IBM Quarter Century Club.

**2.APOLOGIES:** As above. Secretary Mike Hall apologised for this meeting but offered himself for re-election as Secretary. Other members who sent apologies were Mark Willson, Adriaan Tent, Hans Carlborg, Frank Fonseca, George Tillet, Karen Cantor, Peter Domjen, Robert Au, Allan Wareham, Bob Ingham, David Norris, Milton Lewy.

**3.MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** Copies of the minutes of the previous AGM held on 7 May 2008 were available to members. There were no amendments. John Watts moved that the minutes of the previous AGM be accepted. The motion was seconded by Valerie Percival and carried unanimously.

**4.PRESIDENT'S REPORT** Ian Miller read the report. A copy is attached.

**5.TREASURER'S REPORT:** This AGM is the first since we made the accounting transition from calendar year to Australian financial year. Lorraine Tacouni presented two of the Chapter's Balance Sheets. The first covered January 2008 to June 2009. The second covered July 2008 to June 2009 (see attached). The audit of the first set of books was passed, and the second is pending and expected final signoff by our auditor. Lorraine Tacouni moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted. The motion was seconded by Hugh Buckle and carried unanimously.

**6.ELECTION OF COMMITTEE:** Ian Miller thanked the Chapter members for their support and the outgoing Committee Members for their hard work during the year. The President then declared all offices and committee positions vacant and handed the meeting over to the Returning Officer, John Watts.

**7.THE ELECTION:** Ian Miller was nominated as President, Mike Hall as Secretary, and Lorraine Tacouni as Treasurer, and since no other nominations were received, each was elected unopposed.

All current committee members had agreed to stand again and were re-elected. Each accepted the nomination, or had previously accepted in writing, and was duly elected. The Returning Officer asked for nominations to the committee from those attending. There were no new nominations.



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The Sydney Chapter is therefore represented for the forthcoming year by:

**President:** Ian Miller

**Treasurer:** Lorraine Tacouni

**Secretary:** Mike Hall

**Committee:** Hugh Buckle, Jerry Kay, Clyde Lee, Jock Marcks, John Mence, Geoff Nash, Peter Norman, Valerie Percival, John Watts

The Returning Officer handed over to the re-elected President Ian Miller at 6:20pm.

• **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- Len Norman reminded us of the reunion “IBMers of the 70s”.
- Hugh Buckle and John Watts exchanged loaves of bread, a follow-on from a discussion held during this year’s weekend away.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING CLOSED: 6:21 PM**



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## IBM Australia Quarter Century Club Sydney Chapter President's Report 2008/2009

Ladies and Gentlemen

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 43rd Annual General Meeting of the Sydney Chapter of the IBM Quarter Century Club and to present my report for 2008/2009.

The last AGM was held on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2008. We moved the date of the AGM to October when we altered our financial reporting from a calendar year to the financial year.

The past 17 months have seen continued success for the Sydney Chapter of the IBM Quarter Century Club.

We continued our program of guest speakers at quarterly dinners. The speakers included:

- **Bob Davis's** humorous talk on the "Natural Superiority of Left-Handed People". Bob provided us with another entertaining and enjoyable evening at our July 2009 dinner.
- In May, **Belinda Dinnell** provided "An Inside Look at NASA and Accident Reporting"
- While in February **Simon Annabel**, the Georges River Riverkeeper from the NSW Maritime spoke about his job of rehabilitating the Georges River.
- In October last year, **Martin Flood**, one of the few people to win the \$1,000,000 on "Who Wants to Be A Millionaire" told us about the research and study he did to achieve his goal of taking home the big prize and
- **Melissa Duane**, spoke about "The Construction and History of the Sydney Harbour Bridge" in July last year.

The Annual Induction Dinner was again a great success highlighted by the address by Glen Boreham, the CEO of IBM Australia and New Zealand. Glen will again be the keynote speaker at our 2009 dinner and his attendance demonstrates his strong interest in the QCC.

Our invited speakers do not receive payment. Instead we make a donation to a charity or community group of their choice. The Royal Flying Doctors, Save the Brumbies Inc, the Red Cross Victorian Bush Fire Appeal and the RSPCA have each received a donation from your Quarter Century Club Chapter.

Consistent with our objective of providing a program promoting goodwill and fellowship, your committee organised several social events. These events included:

- the previously mentioned Annual Induction Dinner



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- a background scenes view of the QVB building followed by an excellent Yum Cha lunch in Chinatown organised by Clyde and Connie Lee

- and two weekends away.

Last year's weekend away attracted 50 people to Gulgong and this year's event saw 30 people enjoy the Blue Mountains.

Both events started with a Friday night dinner.

At Gulgong, on Saturday, members had a bus tour of the area, morning tea at the High Valley Cheese Factory and lunch at the Pieter Van Gent winery with entertainment from local poet Kevin Pye. This was followed by a feast of culture and high tea at the internationally renowned Cudgegong Gallery in Gulgong. The highlight of the weekend was the dinner and live entertainment with a distinctive bush theme by the MAD boys of Gulgong (that is the Music and Drama Society) at the Prince of Wales Opera House where several members found themselves part of the show.

In the Blue Mountains, Saturday's events included a step back in time with the Zig-zag railway, a visit to the Mt Tomah Botanic Gardens and a dinner at the Katoomba Golf Club.

You can see a common theme to these weekends is fun and eating.

Thank you to Geoff and Ronda Nash and Connie and Clyde Lee and for organising the events. The feedback was once again that both were "excellent weekends".

On the procedural front we had a Special General Meeting to move our AGM to October.

On behalf of the QCC members I'd like to give special thanks to Robert Orth, IBM A/NZ's Director of Human Resources, for his continued guidance to and support of the QCC.

On the communications front, the web site continues to attract "hits". You can visit this site by going to [www.qccaustralia.org](http://www.qccaustralia.org) The site is hosted by the Sydney Chapter, and contains information on our Chapter's activities as well as the Club activities in the other Australian states. The site is the best source of the latest QCC information. My thanks to Hugh Buckle for his role as webmaster.

During 2009, we introduced a short email newsletter to members to keep them aware of upcoming activities. To date we have published three editions and another is planned prior to the Annual Dinner.

Your Committee is well advanced with planning for future activities. The Annual Induction Dinner invitations are out and hopefully you have all responded. We have a new location and date – Rosehill Racecourse on November 20<sup>th</sup>.

We want to see more involvement in the Chapter from the newly qualified members so please contact members of the committee.



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Tonight is the last of our regular meetings for 2009. Speakers for next year's meetings are being arranged and we would be interested to hear about potential locations for the 2010 weekend away.

We will return to Il Bolognese in Gladesville for our February meeting. Notices for the events will be distributed a few weeks in advance of each event.

The QCC Committee has and continues to work hard in your interests.

I am pleased to inform you that all the current committee members are offering themselves for re-election this evening. Mike Hall is away on holiday. He has advised his willingness to re-stand as Secretary. Geoff Nash is working this evening and is also re-standing.

We would, of course be pleased to accept any new nominations from the floor.

Mike Hall, our Secretary, has ensured that correspondence and communications have flowed in the proper manner and Lorraine Tacouni has maintained her high standard of financial management, resulting in a well managed set of accounts. I appreciate their involvement and on behalf of the members thank them for their contributions.

The speaker sub-committee (John Watts, Clyde Lee and Jock Marcks) continues to do an excellent job in providing interesting, informative and entertaining speakers for our meetings.

The Annual Dinner continues to set very high standards and I thank Valerie Percival for her leadership and organisation skills.

Your QCC committee aims to put together a program of events of interest to you. We continue to evolve the program and to introduce new ideas which if successful we try again. The success of our program is the result of hard work and I thank each committee member for their contribution.

Your committee members are Hugh Buckle, Mike Hall (Secretary), Jerry Kay, Clyde Lee, Jock Marcks, John Mence, Geoff Nash, Peter Norman, Valerie Percival, Lorraine Tacouni (Treasurer) and John Watts.

Please join me in applauding their efforts.

This meeting means that we have completed another year and I thank you for your support and encouragement. The Chapter is in good shape and the credit for this goes to the energetic enthusiasm of the committee and the support of the members.

We will continue the tradition of programming interesting social events, selecting high quality and relevant speakers and continuing the program of Chapter dinners and social events. We would be pleased to hear of new ideas and good quality speakers.

In a short while I will declare all offices vacant, and your Returning Officer will call for



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nominations for the new committee. I am pleased that all of the current committee have offered themselves for re-election.

Finally I want to thank you, the Chapter members and partners for the support you have given the Chapter.

The Sydney Chapter of the IBM Quarter Century Club is in good shape, with active participating members and a strong committee. I look forward to seeing you at our 2009/2010 events.

Thank you

Ian Miller  
President, Sydney Chapter  
IBM Australia Quarter Century Club  
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## Treasurer's Report to Sydney AGM

<b><u>IBM QUARTER CENTURY CLUB - SYDNEY CHAPTER</u></b>					
<b><u>BALANCE SHEET</u></b>					
<b><u>As at 30th June 2008 for period starting 1 January 2008</u></b>					
	2007	2007	1H2008	1H2008	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash at Credit Union	18,184		17,672		
Prepayments & Sundry debtors	295	18,479	600	18,272	
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>					
Shares - Intech Credit Union		10		10	
<b><u>TOTAL ASSETS</u></b>		<b>18,489</b>		<b>18,282</b>	
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
Creditors and accruals		0		0	
Deferred Income				240	
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>				<b>240</b>	
<b><u>NET ASSETS</u></b>		<b>18,489</b>		<b>18,041.99</b>	
<b><u>NET WORTH IBM QUARTER CENTURY CLUB</u></b>					
Excess of assets over liabilities 1/1/08		18,878		18,489	
Add: Excess of income over expenditure for the six months ending 30 June 2008		-389		-447	
		<b>18,489</b>		<b>18,041.99</b>	
<b>Accrued Interest I52 Account</b>					
Balance at 30 June 2008	\$	0.00			
Last interest credited 30 June 2008					
Interest per year (6.5%)		0.00			
Interest per day (365 days in year)		0.00			
Unpaid interest through year end (102 days)		0.00			
<b>Total Unpaid Interest Accrued</b>		<b>0.00</b>			
<b>Closed I52 account in June 2008; interest paid into S1 account.</b>					



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<b>IBM QUARTER CENTURY CLUB - SYDNEY CHAPTER</b>					
<b>BALANCE SHEET</b>					
<b>As at 30th June 2009 for period starting 1 July 2008</b>					
		1H2008	1H2008	2008/2009	2008/2009
		\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash at Credit Union		17,672		17,355	
Prepayments & Sundry debtors		600	18,272	160	17,515
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>					
Shares - Intech Credit Union			10		0
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			18,282		17,515
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
Creditors and accruals			0		0
June Receipts for July Event			240		256
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>			240		256
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			<b>18,042</b>		<b>17,259</b>
<b>NET WORTH IBM QUARTER CENTURY CLUB</b>					
Excess of assets over liabilities 1/1/08		18,489		18,042	
Add: Excess of income over expenditure		-447		-783	
			<b>18,042</b>		<b>17,259</b>
	\$				
Balance at 30 June 2009		0.00			
Last interest credited 30 June 2008					
Interest per year (6.5%)		0.00			
Interest per day (365 days in year)		0.00			
Unpaid interest through year end (102 days)		0.00			
<b>Total Unpaid Interest Accrued</b>		<b>0.00</b>			
<b>Closed I52 account in June 2008; interest paid into S1 account.</b>					
<b>Income Breakdown</b>					
Receipts Less Payments for the period		-512.41		-317	
Accrued interest from prior period		-294.6			
Receipts from Prior Period recognized this period		-240		-256	
Payment made in prior period recognized this period		600		160	
Receipts this period to be recognized next period				240	
Payments made this period to be recognized next period				-600	
Share refund				-10	