

## **SYDNEY OF SUPPER REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2019**

An OF dinner was arranged in Sydney, NSW, Australia by **Colin Lipman (R53-61)** to create the opportunity for OFs to meet **John (S49-56)** and **Hilary Ling** from Bergh Apton, near Norwich.

Present were **Colin and Lexie Lipman, Hugh (S43-48)** and **Julia Richardson, David (G48-56)** and **Rosie Summers, and Mike (R54-62)** and **Bunny Allport**.

The gathering collected at the Lord Nelson for drinks, then moved to a small, but within staggering distance, 'Fish at the Rocks' restaurant. The evening was enjoyed by all, with many old and new stories being told. David Summers was celebrating his 81st birthday, and he had known John at Brandeston so many moons ago that it does not bear calculation.

Sydney, through the kind work of Colin Lipman, always puts on a good show. The short lead-up time was unavoidable since John and Hilary are on a quasi-Phineas Fogg journey around the world, albeit not in 80 days, but with a time frame that did not, perhaps, allow full exploitation of SOF hospitality in Oz.

The lack of photos basically reflects the average age of the participants, since it seems only the young, who apparently don't trust their memories and have to record everything for posterity, are addicted to this modern trait.

A fine time was had by all, and, apart from David Summers, the Garrett birthday boy, it was an exclusive Stradbroke and Rendlesham affair, untainted by any Kerrison stay-at-home influence? I wonder what Neville Marsh would make of this House blend.

My thanks to John Ling for the following photos starting with him and Julia Richardson



The assembled company (l-r) : Lexi Lipman, David Summers, Hilary Ling, Hugh Richardson, Bunny Allport, Mike Allport, Rosie Summers, Colin Lipman, Julia Richardson, John Ling.



Rosie Summers and organiser Colin Lipman



Mike Allport and Rosie Summers



Lexi Lipman and birthday boy David Summers



Hugh Richardson and Bunny Allport

