

# 2022 MG National Meeting

## “MGs by the Lake”

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Planning is progressing well for MGs by the Lake and much has happened since our first Bulletin.

We have confirmed arrangements for all of our competition and social venues and detailed planning for all events is underway.

## Expressions of Interest

Thank you to everyone who has visited the NatMeet 2022 website and provided your contact details via the “Express Interest” form. All of you should have received this Bulletin directly to the email address you provided.

If you are considering attending and have not yet completed an expression of interest then please go to the website, click on the “Express Interest” button and provide your email contact details.

At the time of writing this Bulletin we have received over 160 EOIs representing more than 300 people, including over 280 who have indicated that they are likely or very likely to attend.

## Maximum Numbers of Registered Entrants

The very strong response received so far has prompted the organising committee to carefully consider the maximum numbers of entrants that we can cater for at each event. Assuming that covid-19 restrictions allow a “traditional-style” NatMeet event, then the limiting factor for overall full competition and social entries will be the capacity of Club Macquarie’s auditorium for the evening social events, which will vary depending on the specific covid restrictions in place at the time.

We may need to consider alternative registration options that might enable more people to attend and participate, but perhaps in different ways to those we have been accustomed to.

Given the uncertainty of predicting covid outbreaks, lockdowns and other government restrictions, we intend to make final decisions regarding the meeting towards the end of 2021. We are quite confident that the meeting will be able to proceed in some form, barring a lockdown affecting Lake Macquarie or closure of state borders.

Details of the registration options available and the process to be used, including payment and refund arrangements, will be determined and published at the time when registrations open.

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## Covid-19 Considerations

“MGs by the Lake” will be run under a Covid-19 Safety Plan registered with the NSW Government.

The National Cabinet has recently announced a 4-stage transition plan for the gradual removal of covid restrictions in Australia and a return to “normal” life. Each stage of that plan is dependent on increasing levels of vaccination, and at each stage restrictions are likely to be less strict for those who are fully vaccinated. It seems likely that some form of “vaccination passport” will be implemented to enforce these restrictions.

For these reasons the event organisers strongly urge all intending entrants to “roll up your sleeves” for the covid vaccination at the earliest possible opportunity. This will improve the chances of the event proceeding and will also reduce the likelihood that you personally will be prevented from attending due to restrictions, illness or lockdown.

## A Reminder about Accommodation

As mentioned in Bulletin 1, MGs by the Lake will coincide with the Australian Deaf Games being held in Newcastle and Lake Macquarie, and this will create additional demand for accommodation in the area.

A list of hotels, motels and apartments that are convenient to most of the event venues is provided on the NatMeet 2022 website, and we strongly encourage clubs or individuals to make reservations as early as possible to secure your preferred accommodation.

We have heard that some clubs have already reserved large blocks of rooms at some of the listed venues.

## We look forward to welcoming you to beautiful Lake Macquarie at Easter 2022.

***REMEMBER, to ensure you are kept up to date, please go to our NatMeet 2022 website, click on the “Express Interest” button and provide your contact details to be added to our email list to receive further bulletins and updates.***

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