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From: **ABC Friends Northern Suburbs of Sydney** <northernsuburbssydney@abcfriends.net.au>

Date: Mon, 19 Jun 2023 Subject: Please join us _How to Protect Our ABC_ Thursday 13 JULY_ 11.45am



Dear ABC Friend

[Dr Michael Henry AM](#), ABC Friends National Acting President, will be telephoning ABC Managing Director, Mr David Anderson TODAY to secure a meeting to discuss the recent structural changes to the ABC that will remove the position of ABC Political Editor, its Arts unit as well as other changes that will lead to over 100 redundancies.

Many members and supporters of ABC Friends have serious concerns about the ABC's [digital transformation proposals](#) that affect staff, programs and the morale of the whole organisation.

It is difficult to understand why the ABC wishes to remove its National Political Editor or its stand alone Arts unit?

Keep up to date with this vital issue by checking out the [ABC Friends National webpage](#).

Upcoming NSoS meeting:

Guest Speaker: [Ross McGowan](#)

Topic: [Learn How to: Protect Our ABC](#)

When: [Thursday 13 July 2023](#)

Time: [11.45am - 1pm](#)

Where: [Roseville Club](#), 64 Pacific Highway, Roseville - a short walk

from Roseville Railway Station

Optional Lunch: Stay and enjoy lunch with ABC friends and supporters (at own expense)

Ross McGowan is a well known advocate for the ABC as the Convenor of the ABC Friends Central Coast Branch and Committee member of ABC Friends NSW & ACT. Ross will showcase his presentation made to [Sydney u3a](#) on why we need to protect our ABC. Something to replicate and share with community groups across Northern Sydney!

Please [email](#) your apologies to NSoS if you are unable to attend.

Help us promote this upcoming meeting by printing and distributing this POSTER:

LEARN HOW TO:
**Protect
our ABC**

Ross McGowan*, an experienced ABC advocate, will share his strategies on building community support for our ABC.

Please join us:

Thursday 13 July • 11:45–1pm
Roseville Club

*Just across the Pacific Highway from Roseville Station.
And please lunch with us afterwards (at your expense).*

Something learnt is something to replicate!



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* Convenor ABC Friends Central Coast Branch

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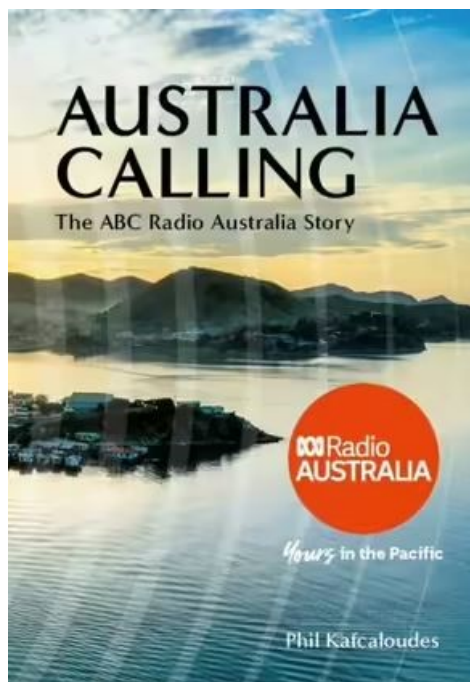
NSoS Fundraising Raffle

\$10 for one ticket. **\$20** for three tickets

This fundraising assists NSoS pay for the hire of the Roseville Club meeting room and help fund other NSoS projects.

1st Prize

**Book: Australia Calling: The ABC Radio Australia Story
by Dr Phil Kafcaloudes**



Valued at \$27.75 Donated by an ABC friend

This official history of Radio Australia by long-time ABC journalist and presenter Dr Phil Kafcaloudes tells the story of ABC Radio Australia through the decades of geopolitics and media changes.

2nd Prize

Two tickets to see the Jaga Band



Valued at \$50, Donated by Wayne Richmond

Enjoy this Australian multicultural ensemble with virtuosic Eastern European melodies.

2pm, Sunday 2nd July at Humph Hall, 84 Allambie Road, Allambie Heights

3rd Prize

ABC Friends Gift Membership



Valued at \$30, Donated by an ABC Friend

One of the best gifts you can receive and give is being a friend to the ABC!

4th Prize

Pair of Hand Knitted 'TV sock's for ABC winter viewing



Valued at \$20, Donated by an ABC Friend

If you are interested in donating a prize for a NSoS raffle let us know!

How to pay for your raffle tickets?

- **Online:** go to the ABC Friends website and [donate](#) the required money. Then contact Janine Kitson E: janinemkitson@gmail.com or text 0428 860 623 with the subject line 'NSoS RAFFLE' followed by your name, phone, email address, number of tickets and the amount you have donated. Email by Wednesday 12 July, as the raffle will be drawn at the NSoS meeting Thursday 13 July.
- **Alternatively** buy your raffle tickets (cash only) on the day of the NSoS meeting (Thursday 13 July) when the raffle prizes will be drawn.

ABC Friends Winter Dinner with The Hon. Michelle Rowland MP



When: Thursday 20 July, 2023

Where: The Grand, Beta Events, Alpha Restaurant, Level 2/238 Castlereagh Street, Sydney

Time: Opens at 6pm

Cost: \$100-\$110 [Booking](#)

Join Corin Fairburn Bass, NSoS Committee member and founding member of the ABC Friends who will be attending the [Winter Dinner](#). Please send a message to Corin if you will be attending the dinner via [Membership Secretary Susan Scott](#)

About our last meeting with Jan Latta, Wildlife Photographer



Jan Latta's gentle yet steely determination to photograph rare and endangered animals enthralled ABC friends attending its June 2023 meeting.

ABC Friends heard how Jan's life changed when she locked eyes with a mountain gorilla in Rwanda. It ignited a passion that led her to pursue a life as a wildlife photographer and children's writer.

At the meeting Jan was asked, "What qualities do you possess to lead such an adventurous but dangerous life?"

Jan replied saying "I often ask this same question. I still don't know the answer. It is just something I have to do. Our endangered wildlife must be protected".

Jan Latta has been interviewed by ABC Radio. Her book *Diary of a Wildlife Photographer* was published by ABC Books in 2007. Perhaps it's time for her life story, as published in [Doing It My Way](#), be aired on ABC TV [Australian Story](#)? Jan Latta is certainly worthy of national recognition!

Best ABC Friends wishes

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PS Please look at our NSoS Webpage for updates on our **2023-24 Guest Speaker** program [Northern Suburbs of Sydney Branch](#) and [Photo Gallery](#)

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