



Queensland Irish Association

Newsletter

October 2020

First look at our new premises, Claddagh Hall in Fortitude Valley

Members and friends of the Queensland Irish Association Friendly Society Ltd.

It gives me the greatest pleasure to advise you that on the afternoon of 27 October, 2020, settlement was effected on the property situated at 37 Baxter Street, Fortitude Valley.

As a result of reaching this milestone, we have completed another concrete phase of rebuilding our beloved Association with the purchase of this fine property.

We own this property outright.

A tenant has been arranged for the top floor.

We are now in planning for the next phase in the rebuilding of a refreshed and vibrant Association for all our current Members and for those new ones we haven't met... yet.

*Jeff Spender,
President,*

Queensland Irish Association



The premises purchased by QIA at 37 Baxter Street, Fortitude Valley.



A very usable outside space at the side of the building.



From the front of the building, looking towards the back.



Wide open space in the main area of the downstairs floor.

ABC Radio interview with Director Mark Morrissey

Mark Morrissey from our Board of Directors was interviewed live on ABC Radio Breakfast with Craig Zonca and Loretta Ryan on October 29th, all about our new premises, Claddagh Hall.

You can hear the interview by going to our website (www.queenslandirish.com) or on our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/Qldirishclub, where you'll find the story from the 2:18:00 mark.



From the back looking towards the front of the building, pictures above and below.



Kitchen area at the back of the building, above left, and toilets, including ambulant toilet, are adjacent to the kitchen.



The number 37 on the front wall of the building.



Kitchen area looking towards the front of the building, above left, and, right, view from the back to the front of the building.



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Members' Friday Gathering



Invitation to members and potential members of QIA

Join us on Friday, 13th November from 4pm at
Grand Central Hotel, 270 Ann Street, Brisbane

Special performance by QIA Pipe Band

Guinness on tap is back in action!

Guinness pies, fish and chips, and full menu available
 Wine bar offering 16 excellent wines for complimentary tasting,
 available for purchase at a special rate for diners

While new Covid-19 guidelines allow for drinks to be enjoyed standing up as well as in seating spaces, numbers are limited so bookings are essential, by email to irisheventsbn@hotmail.com



The QIA appreciates the support from the management and staff of the Grand Central Hotel.

Please note: Crowd photograph was taken pre-Covid restrictions!