

AUSTRALIAN CHINESE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OF NSW

澳華公會五十週年晚宴

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION DINNER





Message from the President of ACCA

I'd like to begin by acknowledging the Gadigal people who are the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, and pay my respects to all elders, past, present and future.



This year marks the 50th Anniversary of ACCA and I'm delighted to extend a very warm welcome to our Joint Patrons Her Excellency the Hon Margaret Beazley AC KC, Governor of NSW and Mr Dennis Wilson, and to all the dignitaries, friends, sponsors and staff joining us tonight.

ACCA was founded in 1974 by a group of volunteers who wanted to help their community, particularly for the newly arrived Chinese migrants to integrate into Australian society. What began as a community service has grown to include home care packages, respite care centres, meals services, a Chinese language school and disability services (NDIS), among others. Today ACCA has over 350 staff proudly serving more than 1,000 clients per week not only from the Chinese community but also members of the culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) community, including people of Middle Eastern, Korean, Japanese, Malaysian, Vietnamese, Filipino and Anglo-Australian backgrounds.

This evening, we begin by paying tribute to the unsung heroes – the founding fathers like Kip Fong OAM, Chen Ya Huang MBE, Yick Chong Louie MBE, past and present directors like Garry Leong, Angeline O'Yang OAM, Catherine Chung, Benjamin Chow AO, management and staff, and the 13,000 people who have joined ACCA over the decades. A big thank you for all your contributions to make ACCA what it is today.

As with some community organizations, ACCA also has had a chequered history where major differences had spilled out into the public domain. In August 2007 the whole Board of 20 directors was dismissed in a special general meeting called by members. Although this was a tumultuous time in the history of ACCA it also provided an opportunity for the rebirth of ACCA. Fifteen years ago ACCA was losing \$100,000 a year and had management problems.

Fast forward to 2024, despite all the challenges we have seen remarkable achievements.

Today, we're proud to say ACCA is a well-managed company with strong corporate governance and highly satisfied staff and clients — we're a home care and NDIS service provider of the best-in-class. The Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission in one of it's audits commended ACCA for its "high quality of governance".

ACCA's annual surveys show many clients are satisfied, and majority of staff agreed the company provides a good workplace. ACCA's home care fees and charges are generally below the national and state median prices. ACCA staff are paid competitive salaries and wages, they receive generous bonus payments, and there's flexible working arrangements.

Today, we own three properties outright, and we are debt free.

A big thank you to all our staff and especially the senior management team - Financial Controller Allie Gan, Service Manager Sharyn DiNatale, and our outstanding General Manager Ted Seng who has been the driving force behind the corporate transformation and success of ACCA.

Like all aged care service providers, we were also heavily impacted by Covid-19. Fortunately, we came out the other side stronger and more resilient. As the saying goes "What doesn't kill you makes you stronger".

Things are always changing in the aged care sector. Unfortunately, there are dark clouds on the horizon as the Federal government's merger of several programs into the Support at Home program effective July 2025 will result in millions of dollars of fees being abolished – this will affect all home care providers in the country.

Tonight, let's celebrate the achievements of the past as well as looking forward to our future. I'd like to specially thank the Organizing Committee members and in particular its Chair and Vice-President, Shirley Chan for making tonight's event a reality.

Thank you all for coming and I hope you will have a wonderful evening.

I'm Christine Mok, President of ACCA. And I'm always here to help.

Christine Mok 莫婉清

President of ACCA

Message from the Chair of the 50th Anniversary Dinner Organising Committee

On behalf of ACCA, it is my great pleasure to welcome you all to this significant occasion as we celebrate ACCA's 50th Anniversary.



Tonight, we are honoured to have our Joint Patrons Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC, Governor of New South Wales and Mr Dennis Wilson for joining us on this very special occasion. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our Federal and State Members of Parliament, local government Councillors, business people, past and present ACCA office bearers, management and staff for taking their time to join us this evening.

Like many of our dedicated volunteers who give up their free time to serve the community, I first joined ACCA in 2008 initially as an ordinary volunteer and then as a volunteer director of the Board. I was also privileged to be elected President of ACCA from 2016 to 2018.

It was an honour to be appointed the Chair of the 50th Anniversary Dinner Organising Committee. We knew it was a huge challenge as ACCA events are normally large and well attended by many dignitaries, so our Organising Committee members and myself hit the ground running and preparations started more than six months ago. A big thank you to Mr Henry Tang, Chairman of Zilver Group (The Eight Restaurant), and his dedicated staff for accommodating us and doing a splendid job.

It is also particularly meaningful that our 50th Anniversary coincides with the Year of the Dragon – in the Chinese zodiac the Dragon symbolises strong leadership, wisdom, friendship, good fortune and good health. This spirit is reflected in our celebration tonight, which features good food, good entertainment, and the warmth of the community.

It is not every day that we celebrate a milestone like this 50th Anniversary. Half a century of dedication is a testament to ACCA's incredible journey to serve our community, indeed with ACCA's remarkable achievements these are good reasons for our joyous celebration to continue beyond this evening. Hope you all have a fabulous time. Cheers!

Shirley Chan 陳麗紅

Event Chair and Vice-President of ACCA





Message from

Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC Governor of New South Wales

As Patrons, Dennis and I extend the warmest of congratulations to the Australian Chinese Community Association (ACCA) on its 50th anniversary.

Since 1974, ACCA staff, volunteers, and supporters have exemplified service to community. Whether celebrating heritage through the promotion of Chinese language classes, festivals, and cultural events, or building connected and supported communities through the provision of community care services, the Association has enriched our State immeasurably.

Every week, ACCA assists around 1,100 people, including the aged and those living with disabilities in the Chinese Australian community and beyond, to live empowered and independent lives by facilitating access to Home Care Packages, the Commonwealth Home Support Program, and NDIS services. By delivering meals, providing culturally aware support, and organising group and community activities, ACCA's dedicated staff and wonderful volunteers help clients feel included and engaged, as well as offering family and carers important respite opportunities.

To all the ACCA family and members past and present, for your vital and life-affirming contribution of care and commitment to community, Dennis and I offer the most heartfelt of thanks.

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Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC Governor of New South Wales

Mr Dennis Wilson





MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER

AUSTRALIAN CHINESE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OF NSW 50TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

I send my warmest regards and congratulations to everyone in the Australian Chinese Community Association of New South Wales on this significant milestone.

For 50 years, ACCA has been a cornerstone of its community —providing care services, organising cultural events, offering Chinese language education and fundraising for those doing it tough.

Its success mirrors the energy and ambition that, for more than two centuries, has been a central feature of the Chinese Australian community's contribution to Australian life.

More than 1.4 million people of Chinese ancestry now call Australia home. And, through their commitment to building a new life here, Chinese Australians have made our nation a better place for us all.

Tonight, I hope you'll feel tremendous pride in the role of ACCA in writing this story — and in the stories of the thousands of members who've made ACCA all it is today.

I wish you all the very best as you celebrate everything you have achieved over the past five decades, and for all that's still to come.

The Hon Anthony Albanese MP Prime Minister of Australia

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November 2024





THE HON PETER DUTTON MP LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION

AUSTRALIAN CHINESE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OF NSW 50TH ANNIVERSARY

On behalf of the Coalition, I congratulate the Australian Chinese Community Association of New South Wales on its 50th Anniversary.

I commend your office bearers, staff, members and volunteers – both past and present – for five decades of superb service to Chinese-speaking residents and Australians of Chinese ancestry living in New South Wales.

Your association has a noble ethos underpinned by compassion. Thank you for what you've done- and continue to do- for those who find themselves in ill health, for those who need a helping hand as elderly members of our community, and for those requiring assistance due to living with disability.

Your association provides support and solace to so many through your aged and home care programs, meals service, and assistance to recipients of the NDIS. And the language and hobby classes you run, as well as the social and cultural events you organise, bring joy and companionship to those who are often in need of both.

Australia has a wonderful Chinese diaspora known for their dedication to family, their hard work, and their entrepreneurial success – virtues which are at the very centre of the Australian Chinese Community Association of New South Wales.

To President Christine Mok and your association's members, patrons, sponsors and donors – I wish you a happy and memorable dinner at the Eight Restaurant in Haymarket as you celebrate half a century of success.

Happy 50th Anniversary.

Hon Peter Dutton MP Leader of the Opposition

November 2024



Premier of New South Wales Australia

50th Anniversary of the Australian Chinese Community Association of NSW

I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Australian Chinese Community Association as you celebrate your 50th anniversary in the year of the Dragon.

For half a century, ACCA has provided important community services to the Chinese-Australian community in our state. It is an impressive legacy of service.

These services include quality aged-care support, specialist services for dementia patients, Chinese language classes and special interest classes.

With NSW home to almost 250,000 Chinese-born residents, it's important we have culturally sensitive and in-language services available.

Congratulations again on reaching this milestone. I wish you all the best for your jubilee year and for

the years ahead!

Chris Minns MP

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Premier



Hon Mark Speakman SC MP Leader of the NSW Opposition NSW Liberal Leader

On behalf of the NSW Opposition, I extend my congratulations to the Australian Chinese Community Association of New South Wales (ACCA) on the occasion of your 50th anniversary.

From humble beginnings established to assist the first wave of migrants in the 1970s, ACCA has grown to become one of the most established Chinese community groups in Australia.



Through aged care, community outreach and language education, ACCA is a fundamental pillar supporting the Chinese Australian diaspora, and an institutional support of the rich multicultural tapestry that we enjoy here in New South Wales.

The success of ACCA is testament to the passion, dedication and professionalism of the team and I extend my heartfelt thanks to all who have worked for ACCA over the years.

I extend my congratulations on this milestone of 50 years, my appreciation for the work of decades past and my best wishes for the decades ahead.

Mark Speakman



Hon Tanya Plibersek MP

Member for Sydney Minister for the Environment and Water

My warmest congratulations to the Australian Chinese Community Association on 50 years of community service.

Starting out in Mary St, Surry Hills providing specialised welfare services to Chinese Australians, it has grown to support communities across the Sydney Metropolitan area.



ACCA's members have not only made huge contributions to public life but to Aged and Disability services across greater Sydney, including in my electorate of Sydney. Founding members were instrumental in creating a community based association to provide activities to assist and foster friendship and ties among new Chinese migrants and also help them integrate into Australian society.

To ACCA's executive, current membership and the thousands of members who contributed over 50 years, I thank you for your hard work and dedication in providing care services, organising cultural events and fundraising for those doing it tough.

I also appreciate your contribution in making a better Australia.

Tanya Plibersek

Program 晚宴程序

Master of Ceremony 晚宴司儀 Ms Nicole Ho

Grand Entrance 歡迎主禮嘉賓

Australian National Anthem 澳洲國歌 Mr Daniel Li

Acknowledgement of VIP Guests 司儀介紹晚會貴賓

Welcome Speech 致歡迎辭
Ms Christine Mok, President of ACCA 澳華公會會長莫婉清女士

Address by Guest of Honour 主禮貴賓致辭
Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC 總督閣下
Governor of NSW and Joint Patron of ACCA
新南威爾斯州總督兼澳華公會聯合贊助人

Address by VIPs 貴賓致辭
Dr Andrew Charlton MP
Member for Parramatta, representing the Prime Minister,
The Hon Anthony Albanese MP
巴拉瑪打聯邦議員查爾頓博士代表澳洲總理艾班尼斯致辭

The Hon David Coleman MP
Member for Banks, representing the Leader of the Federal Opposition,
The Hon Peter Dutton MP
Banks聯邦議員高文代表澳洲聯邦反對黨領袖達頓致辭

Ms Julia Finn MP

Member for Granville, representing the Premier, The Hon Chris Minns MP Granville州議員Ms Julia Finn代表新南威爾斯州州長柯文思致辭

Mr Mark Coure MP Member for Oatley, representing the Leader of the NSW Opposition, The Hon Mark Speakman SC MP Oatley州議員歌爾代表新南威爾斯州反對黨領袖史皮克曼致辭

50th Anniversary Cake Cutting Ceremony & Group Photo 50週年慶典切蛋糕儀式及集體合照

Cheque Presentation
Donated by Australia Xinhui Culture Products Pty Ltd 澳洲新會文化中心

Entertainment 娛樂表演 ACCA Parramatta Dance Group 澳華公會西區舞蹈組 Singing Performance by Mr Ken Ng



ACCA Directors 2024 董事

President 會長

Christine Mok 莫婉清

Vice Presidents 副會長

Shirley Chan 陳麗紅 Theresa Liang 梁穎 Derek Li 李哲

Secretary 秘書

Erica Hendrawan 李彥慧

Treasurer 司庫

Tim Feng 馮旭

ACCA Past Presidents 歷任會長

Tim Feng	馮旭	(2020-2024)
Eric Wu	吳聰聰	(2018-2020)
Shirley Chan	陳麗紅	(2016-2018)
Felix Lam	藍菲立	(2014-2016)
Allen Lee	李尚超	(2012-2014)
Vincent Pang	彭世聰	(2007-2011)
Lucilla Leung	梁瑞英	(2005-2007)
Robert J. Kok	郭耀文	(2002-2005)
Kenneth Kwok	郭家梁	(1999-2002)
Benjamin Chow AO	周明棟	(1997-1999)
Catherine Chung	鐘綺薇	(1995-1997)
Lawrence Lau	劉國隆	(1992-1995)
Anthony Pun OAM	潘瑞亮	(1989-1992)
Angeline Oyang OAM	歐陽英蘭	(1986-1989)
Garry Leong	梁子成	(1984-1986)
Stanley Hunt OAM	陳沛德	(1981-1984)
Yick Chong Louie MBE	雷奕祥	(1978-1981)
Chen Ya Huang MBE	黃震遐	(1975-1978)
Kip (Keep) Fong OAM	鄺紹翕	(1974-1975)

ACCA Councillors 2024 監察委員

Benjamin Chow 周明棟 Stephanie Chen 陳錫玲 Sugandhi Hendrawan 李金峰 Adrian Wong 黄冠勳 Elaine Zheng-Chen 陳真





ACCA's Services

Home Care Packages



Disability Services



Commonwealth Home Support Programme



Chinese Language School





Distinguished Guests 貴賓名單

H. E. The Hon Margaret Beazley AC KC Governor of NSW,

Joint Patron of ACCA (Guest of Honour)

Mr Dennis Wilson Joint Patron of ACCA

Dr Andrew Charlton MP Member for Parramatta

(Representing the Prime Minister) Special Envoy for Cyber Security

and Digital Resilience

The Hon David Coleman MP Member for Banks

(Representing the Leader of the

Federal Opposition)

Shadow Minister for Communications

The Hon Matt Thistlethwaite MP Member for Kingsford Smith

Assistant Minister for Immigration

Ms Julia Finn MP Member for Granville

(Representing the Premier)

Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier Parliamentary Secretary for the Arts

Mr Mark Coure MP Member for Oatley

(Representing the Leader of the

NSW Opposition)

Shadow Minister for Multiculturalism Shadow Minister Jobs, Industry, Innovation, Science and Technology

Shadow Minister for South-Western Sydney

The Hon Damien Tudehope MLC Member of the Legislative Council

Leader of the Opposition in the

Legislative Council Shadow Treasurer

Shadow Minister for Industrial Relations

Ms Donna Davis MP Member for Parramatta

Temporary Speaker

Mr Tim James MP Member for Willoughby

Shadow Minister for Small Business Shadow Minister for Fair Trading, Work Health and Safety and Building

Mr Jordan Lane MP Member for Ryde

Shadow Assistant Minister for

Multiculturalism

Shadow Assistant Minister for Health

The Hon Philip Ruddock AO Former Attorney-General of Australia

Former Minister for Immigration and

Multicultural Affairs

Former Member for Berowra Former Mayor of Hornsby Shire

Mr Ricky Chong Director, Hong Kong Economic and

Trade Office, Sydney

The Hon John Dowd AO KC Former Leader of the Opposition in NSW

Legislative Assembly

Former Attorney-General of NSW Former Judge Supreme Court of NSW

The Hon Helen Sham-Ho OAM Former Member of the NSW

Legislative Council

Mr John Chedid Former Lord Mayor of Parramatta Council

Mr Vic Smith President Randwick Labor Club Ltd

Former Mayor South Sydney City Council

Cr Nancy Liu Deputy Mayor of Georges River Council

Cr Ben Wang Councillor of Georges River Council

Cr Noel D'Souza Councillor of Randwick City Council

Former Mayor of Randwick City Council Knight in the National Order of Légion

d'Honneur (Distinction) France

Cr Christie Hamilton Councillor of Randwick City Council

Cr Alexandra Luxford Councillor of Randwick City Council

Cr Bill Burst Councillor of Randwick City Council

Cr Andrew Hay Councillor of Randwick City Council

Cr Daniel Rosenfeld Councillor of Randwick City Council

Cr Alex Yang Councillor of Burwood Council

Cr Enver Yasar Councillor of Cumberland Council

Mr Anthony Andrews Former Deputy Mayor of

Randwick City Council

Member of ACCA's Appeals Committee

Mr Draz Brkljac OAM Senior Constable, Police Youth Case

Manager

Mr Benjamin Chow AO Former ACCA President (1997-1999)

Ms Catherine Chung Former ACCA President (1995-1997)

Ms Angeline Oyang OAM Former ACCA President (1986-1992)

Mr Garry Leong Former ACCA President (1984-1986)

Dr Sera Yilmaz Multicultural Disability Advocacy NSW

Mr William Robin Multicultural Disability Advocacy NSW

Mr Henry Tang Chairman of Zilver Group

(The Eight Restaurant)

Organisation Guests 機構貴賓

Cowealth Partners
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ACCA activities



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- 1. Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care 澳大利亞聯邦衛生及護老部
 - Home Care Packages 家居護理配套服務
 - Commonwealth Home Support Programme 聯邦居家支持計劃
- National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) 國家殘障保險局 2.
 - National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) 國家殘障保險計劃
- 3. NSW Department of Education 新州教育部
 - Community Languages Schools Program 社區語言學校





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