



## LAFFO'S LONG LUNCH

- When:** Friday 13 September 2019
- Timings:** 12:30pm
- Where:** Doltone House & Tattersalls  
181 Elizabeth St, Sydney NSW 2000 Australia
- Cost:** \$150 individual tickets  
\$1,400 early bird table of ten until 1 August 2019  
\$1,500 table ten
- Dress code:** business attire/lounge suit or equivalent

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### ***I didn't know Matt Laffan should I still attend the lunch?***

Certainly! All are welcome. It is a friendly and fun lunch in the spirit of Matt Laffan and is a celebration of the great person he was. There will be live music, interesting discussion, poetry, sport and much more. As well as this it importantly will raise money to assist university students with a physical disability to reside at St John's College within the University of Sydney while studying. A good afternoon is guaranteed for all.

#### ***How am I able to pay for the lunch?***

Bookings can be made online at [www.mattlaffan.com.au](http://www.mattlaffan.com.au) or [www.johnsmen.com](http://www.johnsmen.com)

#### ***Can I pay by cheque?***

Yes. But online payments are highly preferred.

If you do need to pay by cheque, please contact Paul Dellow ([president@johnsmen.com](mailto:president@johnsmen.com)) to obtain details of where to post the cheque.

Cheques must be received one week before the event date to guarantee a place, unless the event has been sold out prior. A refund will be provided if the event is sold out prior.

#### ***Whereabouts will I be seated?***

There are only table preferences and seating for bookings of tables of 10, otherwise if you are purchasing a ticket just for yourself and/or friends make sure you get to the event earlier rather than later to have the best chance to sit with a set group of people. We do assure you that you will be seated at a table at the event; however groups may have to be on separate tables unless they arrive together.



***Can you tell me which table Person X is sitting on?***

The organisers receive bookings on hour-by-hour basis and cannot provide running updates on individual guests. They suggest it is best to liaise with Person X about seating arrangements or whether they will be attending.

***How can I contact the organisers?***

The best method of contact is by emailing the Association: [info@johnsmen.com](mailto:info@johnsmen.com)

The organising committee will endeavour to get back to you ASAP.

History of the Scholarship and the Lunch

***Who was Matt Laffan?***

Matt Laffan (1970-2009) was a disability activist, lawyer with the NSW DPP, member of the NSW Rugby Union judiciary and one-time Sydney Lord Mayor aspirant.

Matt also attended St John's College in the University of Sydney, was elected as House President in the early '90s and was later President of its alumni organisation, The Johnsmen's Association.

Matt passed away in 2009 at age 38. He battled diastrophic dysplasia all his life yet did not allow it to constrain him from living his life to the fullest.

***The Scholarship and the Lunch***

Following Matt's passing, the Johnsmen's Association set up a scholarship in his name to enable students with disabilities to attend St John's College and the University of Sydney.

Laffo's Long Lunch was subsequently established to serve as the scholarship's main source of funds. The inaugural luncheon was held in 2009 and has been growing in size every year since.

As Matt's parents have been heavily involved with the Rugby Union fraternity, there has always been a rugby theme to the lunches, organised around international tours.

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