



Concierge dinner at Nick's Bar and Grill, courtesy Tony Ilbery.

IT WAS WITH MUCH regret that Les Clefs d'Or decided earlier in the year to postpone the annual concierge black tie ball in 2009. Although the event had become something of an institution over the past 20 years and had always received strong corporate support from our many sponsors, the global financial crisis unfortunately put paid to this year's festivities.

With the assistance of WHERE Magazine, we did however, host a very successful dinner for concierge and supporters at Nick's Bar and Grill

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The International Concierge Association

at King Street Wharf in early December. While not as lavish as the concierge gala it was a great night's entertainment and well supported with over 100 guests in attendance including a number of Honorary Members. After what has been a difficult year for most, it was a great opportunity to welcome in the festive season with our many friends in the industry.

Our thanks to Tony Ilbery of WHERE Magazine and Chris Traill from the Park Hyatt Sydney for putting the event together. Thank you as well to Nick's Bar and Grill for providing a wonderful venue and to Bluetounge Brewery for assisting with the beer sponsorship.

A small delegation of Australian members is looking forward to joining our colleagues in Lisbon for the Les Clefs d'Or World Congress in mid-January. Our dedicated team in Portugal will be hosting their first international meeting and have put together an interesting program for the week long event. Flying the flag for Australia will be National President Elvis Soiza and 3rd Vice President International Colin Toomey,

both veterans on the international congress scene. Our best wishes to the Les Clefs d'Or members of Portugal in hosting this important event.

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