

PHONE CALLS - FOLK UNABLE TO ATTEND:

- Odo Jack Enright aka Dick
- Ray & Pat Norman
- Janis Kerman & Simon Wahed
- Madonna Staunton
- Hawakii Tau & Adrian Grey
- John Amelrick aka Rosa
- Odette & Bruce McLeod
- Janet Gibson & Simon Jackman
- Allan & Shauna Duncan
- Rob & Rhyl Hinwood
- Tim Gruchy & Rhana Devenport
- Lousie Martin-Chew & Jim Baker
- Pat Meeken
- Babe & Paul Jones
- Pony Cantorini aka Allison Davies
- Sheridan & Ahmed
- Jeff & Wendy
- Elizabeth Bates
- Jean-Pierre Khoury
- Lydia Pearson
- William Yang
- Gary Sauer-Thompson
- Bob Riddel
- Judy Wright
- Brendan Gaffney
- Henry & Hanna Braun
- Frank McBride
- Leonard Brown & Lincoln Austin
- Gregory d'Harcourt
- Sonia Higgs
- Anne & Graham Hesse
- Crow Hurst
- Luke Roberts aka Pope Alice

FACEBOOK MESSAGES:

- Mandy Ridley
- Elvira Lopez
- Jon Haigh
- Christine Ploetz
- Jeanette Burrows aka Maggie
- Caroline Fewtrell
- Clinton Cross
- Lincoln Austin

LOST - NO RESPONSE TO INVITE:

- Scott Redford
- Puss aka David Aboud
- Donald Holt
- Douglas Barry Yorke
- Neide & Steve Painter
- Christine & Peter Tyndall
- Scott Hollingsworth
- Jean-Pierre Buret
- Dimitar Tsvetkov
- Kirsty Simpson & Paul Owen
- Glenn Cooke
- Warwick Oakman

CARDS - FLOWERS:

- Mary & Robert Edwards
- Ellie Howbrigg aka Helen Enright
- Ada aka Michael Ashleigh
- Marjorie & Susheela Millburn
- Katherine Kalaf

CARDS - PRESENTS - ATTENDEES:

- \*Barbara Heath
- Suzanne Heath
- \*Lil Enright & Luke Jones
- Janis Enright & Lyn Hadley
- \*Daniel Lightfoot
- \*Deb Fisher aka DebbiDo
- \*Doug Hall & Fiona Mowatt
- Amelia Gundelach & Simon Wright
- Deb Porch & Ian Were
- \*Graham Bligh

- Lyndal & \*Jon Voller
- Jacqueline Armitstead
- Roz MacAllan & John Potter
- Steve & Mara Thompson
- Tim O'Rourke & Della Churchill
- Juan-Luis & Helena Mackay
- Kate Roche
- Brett Harris
- Diane & Tony Roberts
- Marguerite & Richard Stringer
- Susan Hill & \* Michael Phillips
- Michael Allen
- George & David Patterson
- Maria & Beattie Cleary
- Julie & Brian Hankinson
- Pip & Simon Stocks
- Trish & John Honeywill
- Peter Beiers
- Izabella Chabroska
- Sally & Shane Thompson
- Bill Meeken
- Linda & Allen Cooper
- Robin Ilett
- Emmie & Willi Conner
- Wendy-Ann Robinson
- Jay Younger
- Beryl & David Darling
- Warwick Vere
- Steve & Marg Jones
- Tommy & his Mum
- Margaret & Joe Blaszczyk
- Andrea & Michael
- Adele Outeridge & Wim de Voss
- Thomas Vale-Slattey
- Jennifer Porter & Alan Hazelton
- Chetana Andary
- \*Amelia & \*George Trojanowski
- Eloise & Shamus Parker
- Brit Andresen
- Jane G Grigg aka Ova&Out
- Johnny Whip
- Geraldine Cleary & Tim Hill
- Gary Deed & Dean Power
- Alex and Dan
- Lyndal Milani
- K T Doyle & Karl
- Renee & \*Warren Wilesmith
- Denise & Chris Fry
- Debbie & Steve Harvey
- Pam Easton
- Fauna Devitt & David Guthrie
- Sue Loveday & Leesa Hickey
- Cath Barker & Sean Henderson
- Robin & Nick O'Rourke
- Noreen Grahame
- Allison Duncan & Barbara Duncan
- Mitch Thompson aka Simpatico
- \* Denotes a speaker

Apologies if the brain is loosing it now I'm sixty, I might have missed someone?

EMAILS RECEIVED:

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From: rhylinwood@bigpond.com  
Date: 4 July 2009 12:33:37 PM  
Subject: RE: Happy Birthday Mal  
To: male@co-opones.to

HAPPY BIRTHDAY and many happy returns of the day Mal.  
BY THE WAY, WHO IS YOUR HAIRDRESSER?  
We hope you have saved at least one of those gorgeous curls for your collection!  
Greetings from Rhyl and Rob Hinwood.  
(We are disappointed not to be there on

the night of celebration due to a previous engagement  
From: D.Porch@griffith.edu.au  
Date: 4 July 2009 2:22:19 PM  
Subject: Birthday-boy message for Tuesday night...  
To: male@co-opones.to

This little message is for Mal...  
Hopefully all remember the wee-notes.....  
(Original lyrics from the very famous Rodgers and Hammerstein tune)  
How do you solve a problem like 'Malcom'  
How do you catch a cloud and pin it down  
How do you find a word that means 'Malcom'  
A flibbertigibbet, a will-o-the-wisp, a clown  
Many a thing you know you'd like to tell him  
Many a thing he ought to understand  
But how do you make him stay  
And listen to all you say  
How do you keep a wave up on the sand  
Oh how do you solve a problem like 'Malcom'  
How do you hold a moonbeam in your hand....  
with much love and freindship....  
Mr. I. Were and Dr. Porch  
....  
From: bill@continuity.cx  
Date: 5 July 2009 3:43:46 AM  
Subject: Re: our birthdays are coming up also  
To: male@optusnet.com.au

Hey guys!  
Mine was on the 2nd.. I didn't realize we were all so close!  
Maybe we can have a group party some day :)  
Hope you're well.  
Bill  
....  
From: wwilesmith@hotmail.com  
Date: 5 July 2009 6:14:47 PM  
Subject: Mals B/day  
To: male@co-opones.to

As young 16 year olds ..... yes I've known Mal that long .... we would hang out at the same venues, go to the same parties and chase the same girls. Mal was king of the Mods then, think of a Small Faces album cover and that was Mal in the 60s...

And here we are today 4 decades on. I have crossed paths with Mal during these years, brought together through Music, Art, and Friends.

When ever I've met Mal after an absence of time I have had a genuine interest in asking him, what he has been up to, because you can be assured of a great story full of adventureous and motivational activities.....  
So heres to more decades of those adventures.  
Happy Birthday old mate . . . waz Warren Wilesmith  
Ph 0417 718 639

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notification+angyq2sx@facebookmail.com  
Date: 5 July 2009 10:45:56 PM  
Subject: Clinton Cross wrote on your

Wall

...  
To: male@co-opones.to  
Reply-To: noreply@facebookmail.com

Clinton posted something on your Wall and wrote:  
"happy birthday malcolm ! Enjoy !"

...  
From: notification+angyq2sx@facebookmail.com  
Date: 6 July 2009 8:15:09 AM  
Subject: Caroline Fewtrell wrote on your Wall...  
To: male@co-opones.to  
Reply-To: noreply@facebookmail.com

Caroline posted something on your Wall and wrote:

"Here's cheers for a happy birthday Malcolm. Have a fun year."

...  
From: michelle.dazeley@education.tas.gov.au  
Date: 5 July 2009 7:00:09 PM  
Subject: FW: Happy Birthday from Tassie  
To: male@co-opones.to

Hi Birthday Boy and Barb (I think it is your birthday week as well, so happy birthday for Thursday I think)  
Well the Tassie Aunt and Uncle have asked the middle daughter to respond to the wonderful invitation. In fact we have never seen Mal looking so good.  
So as you celebrate the auspicious day, pause a minute, and in the silence hundred of kilometres away you will hear the Tassie cousins singing with one voice (not necessarily in tune, but with great gusto)

Happy Birthday to you  
Happy Birthday to you  
Happy Birthday dear Mal (and Barb for Thursday)  
Happy Birthday to you.

And then  
Those Tassie cousins will clap 60 times and by the time they have done that they will be exhausted and will then need to drink to your health and happiness.

Congratulation Mal and have a great Birthday year (because if you know anything at all about the NW branch of the Dazeley family, we celebrate birthday years, birthday 1/2 years, birthday months, birthday fortnight, birthday week and birthday). I know bc I have just finished by Birthday week.

Much love  
Michelle on behalf of the rest of us all.  
xx  
...  
From: Elizabeth.Enright@talent2.com  
Date: 6 July 2009 8:46:22 AM  
Subject: RE: Happy Birthday from Tassie  
To: male@optusnet.com.au

Great!!!  
Happy birthday. You got me before my coffee so nothing made sense - hope you have a great one on the road today

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and see you tomorrow.  
Glad the shirts fit!!!  
Elizabeth Enright  
From: vanessa@michaelallenantiques.com  
Date: 6 July 2009 10:09:12 AM  
Subject: The party!  
To: male@co-opones.to

Hi Malcolm and Barbara,  
As Michael is not the speaking kind it we planned that I was to do this at the party. As I am now totally not able to speak is it possible that you can remove us from the speaking schedule?  
Hope this isn't an inconvenience.  
VR

...  
From: luke.jones@conics.com.au  
Date: 6 July 2009 10:53:02 AM  
Subject: HIP HOP HAPPY BIRTHDAY MAL!  
To: male@optusnet.com.au, male@co-opones.to

Hope you are av-en a GREAT day! Enjoy the new threads...  
LJ  
Luke Jones | Landscape Architect

...  
From: notificaion+angyq2sx@facebookmail.com  
Date: 6 July 2009 11:35:03 AM  
Subject: Jeanette Burrows wrote on your Wall...  
To: male@co-opones.to  
Reply-To: noreply@facebookmail.com

Jeanette posted something on your Wall and wrote:  
"Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to yooou etc (sung in screeching soprano). Hope you have a great day and many, many, happy returns."

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From: leesa@designfront.com.au  
Date: 6 July 2009 1:18:34 PM  
Subject: a very special birthday  
To: male@optusnet.com.au

dear mal  
happy happy 60 years  
wishing you two tonne of joie de vivre  
xxl  
ps. birthday wishes from the mrs too

...  
From: b.andresen@uq.edu.au  
Date: 6 July 2009 2:16:32 PM  
Subject: Re: Hip Hip Happy Birthday to the Moon Babies Mal and BH  
To: male@optusnet.com.au

6 July 2009  
Best wishes for a very happy birthday today dear Mal.  
I attach a ditty that came from Gormy who sent it to me on my 40th birthday...sigh.  
It is only for singing after a lot of stiff drinks and after a big dinner with happy friends...and maybe then only the first verse...or line.  
Love from your friend who is just over the hill from you and can just about hum.  
Brit X  
...  
From: gwbligh@bigpond.net.au

Date: 6 July 2009 2:23:17 PM  
Subject: FW: mmmmmaaaaaaalllll  
eeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee  
To: male@co-opones.to  
Reply-To: gwbligh@bigpond.net.au

Mal. E  
Always light, in darkness  
Always luminous in light  
Never glitter  
Always reliably pellucid  
GB

...  
From: shri@sheridankennedy.com  
Date: 6 July 2009 4:30:14 PM  
Subject: yuur birthday  
To: male@optusnet.com.au

Hey Malc - happy birthday to you man!  
I'm so impressed that you are 60! You are nowhere near old. An inspiration to all of us following in your wake!  
Have a fab party tomorrow night.  
lotsa love  
Shri

...  
From: notification+angyq2sx@facebookmail.com  
Date: 6 July 2009 5:52:04 PM  
Subject: Christine Ploetz wrote on your Wall...  
To: male@co-opones.to  
Reply-To: noreply@facebookmail.com

Christine posted something on your Wall and wrote:  
"ho ho ho happy birthday...you actually share the same bday as Napoleon (my eldest step sun who is 21 today) hope you have had supercalaphigic.....(never been able to spell it) Mary Poppins day. Say hi to Barb."

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From: notification+angyq2sx@facebookmail.com  
Date: 6 July 2009 6:47:09 PM  
Subject: Jon Haigh wrote on your Wall..  
To: male@co-opones.to  
Reply-To: noreply@facebookmail.com

Jon posted something on your Wall and wrote:  
"Happy Birthday... and you are very brave putting a year up there. I've been 34 for a long time now. ;)"

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From: denisgeoffray@gmail.com  
Date: 6 July 2009 8:28:11 PM  
Subject:  
To: male@optusnet.com.au

Bonjour Malcolm,  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY !! from Paris mate!  
LOTS OF KISSES AND AN  
EXCELLENT DAY FOR YOU!!  
Denis Geoffray  
Unique France Pty Ltd

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From: barby@co-opones.to  
Date: 7 July 2009 9:41:47 AM  
Subject: Re: Mal's party!  
To: eureka15@inet.net.au  
Cc: male@co-opones.to

Hi Barby, Sorry for the late RSVP (or indeed, IS it too late to RSVP) to Mal's party tomorrow night? I have only just now been able to confirm baby sitting.

If there is still room, Sean and I would love to be there with bells on!  
Thanks, Cath X

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From: sandmj@optusnet.com.au  
Date: 7 July 2009 10:35:27 AM  
Subject: Birthdays  
To: male@optusnet.com.au

Happy Birthday to you both and have a wonderful time. May see you tonight but we have one small problem - we have an 'outertown' of town visitor and if he remains in hospital this evening we'll call in - but if I have to go and collect him this afternoon we'll be playing nurse maids.  
Cheers for now and have fun  
Steve & Marg

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From: katherinekalaf@katherinekalafgallery.com  
Date: 7 July 2009 12:07:09 PM  
Subject: Re: Barnett Newman card arrived and gratefully received , my Love  
To: male@optusnet.com.au

Dear Mal  
Warrior and party animal. Hope you had a very good time at your birthday dinner.  
Kind regards KK

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From: michael@michaelantiques.com  
Date: 7 July 2009 12:20:42 PM  
Subject: No party for me!  
To: male@co-opones.to

Hi Malcolm.  
Hey I'm sorry I'm not going to be able to come to the party as I've got worse rather than better as I was hoping. Have a fantastic time!  
VR

....  
From: pj4@bigpond.com  
Date: 7 July 2009 3:29:30 PM  
Subject: Birthday Greetings.  
To: male@co-opones.to

Hi Malcolm.  
Thinking of you here in Tassie, and wanted to wish you all the very best for such an important birthday. Sorry we can't be there to help you celebrate, but feel sure that Barbara has planned a lovely evening for you. Looking forward to seeing you next time you are here, and perhaps have our own little birthday dinner. Paul and I hope that you enjoy the occasion, and wish you many happy returns for this special day.  
Love and best wishes,  
Babe.xx

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From: notification+angyq2sx@facebookmail.com  
Date: 7 July 2009 6:57:08 PM  
Subject: Christine Ploetz commented on your wall post...  
To: male@co-opones.to  
Reply-To: noreply@facebookmail.com

Christine Ploetz commented on your wall post:  
"hope i'm still partying when i'm 60....16 years away...thats a little hard to imagine for me...I'll get there I'm sure. If Dale

can see it to his eldest's 21st I can make it to my 60th and party.  
Love you mal."

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From: rick@rickmeyerowitz.com  
Date: 8 July 2009 3:00:08 AM  
Subject: Sixty?  
To: male@optusnet.com.au

Sixty?  
60? Happy Birthday Mate!  
Rick  
....  
From: "Jacqueline Armitstead"  
Jacqueline.Armitstead@cox.com.au  
Date: 8 July 2009 1:14:37 PM  
To: mal E male@optusnet.com.au  
Cc: Barbara Heath barby@co-opones.to  
Subject: Congratulations and thank you!

Congratulations Mal - What a swell party!  
Thank you for a gorgeous evening. You looked like you had as much fun as I did.  
x Jacqueline

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From: notification+angyq2sx@facebookmail.com  
Date: 8 July 2009 12:39:28 PM  
Subject: Lincoln Austin wrote on your Wall...  
To: male@co-opones.to  
Reply-To: noreply@facebookmail.com

Lincoln posted something on your Wall and wrote:  
"Happy birthday Mal, I hear the party was a great success, sorry we couldn't make it. Love to Barb. XL"

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From: amelia.gundelach@qag.qld.gov.au  
Date: 8 July 2009 12:53:25 PM  
Subject: FW: photo of last night.

Hi Mal, Barb and Lil,  
Thanks for such a fun, fun night...Mal you should be very proud to have achieved so much making sure you enjoy yourself along the way.  
I'm looking forward to catching up with you all again soon.

A xxx  
AMELIA GUNDELACH | Media  
Coordinator  
Marketing and Communications

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From: hanki@bigpond.net.au  
Date: 8 July 2009 1:05:11 PM  
Subject: The Morning After  
To: male@optusnet.com.au

Hi mal E & Bh,  
What a great birthday bash - lots of air kisses, man hugging and Elvis arse squeezing. Thank you for a lovely evening of catching up, reminiscing and mal E's This is Your Life.

Love,  
The Hankies  
....  
From: doughall@primusonline.com.au  
Date: 8 July 2009 1:48:53 PM  
Subject: sucking the piss at sixty...  
To: male@optusnet.com.au, barby@co-opones.to

That was real fun - thanks for including us. Hope you survived the whole shebang

and continue to flourish. Love D+F

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From: braft@optusnet.com.au  
Date: 8 July 2009 2:34:08 PM  
Subject: fcuk  
To: male@optusnet.com.au

hi Mal  
fcuk it, I was going to go to your bash tonight.  
Soory mate, I am just completely in another world with this Council crap, I've ripped into this Council guy and humiliated and ridiculed him for a week and accused the Lord Mayor of being a fraud.  
So I wouldn't be surprised if i don't get a visit from the cops.  
I trust it went off with a bang.  
Happy Birthday.  
Cheers/Bob

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From: s.wright@griffith.edu.au  
Date: 8 July 2009 1:52:02 PM  
Subject: Re: photo of last night + ditty  
To: male@optusnet.com.au  
Cc: amelia.gundelach@qag.qld.gov.au

RE; Image supplied.  
Any purist would be rightfully alarmed by the exposure of natural fibre between all that rubber and leather - it is clear HIS SHINS CAN STILL BREATHE!  
Ditty By Way of Mal's 60th  
As the wig of cruddy Elvis phreaked me out and Crow's brews flew the bloody coop, I was worried Mal himself was gonna hav ta shout,  
'Who ordered this phucking nincompoop!'

Thanks for having us, it was great to see you both star on such a lovely winter evening.  
Love from the Gundy-Wrighthouse.  
Simon P Wright  
Director / Griffith Artworks & QCA GALLERY

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From: richarda@allomlovell.com.au  
Date: 8 July 2009 5:15:11 PM  
Subject: ...we missed your party last night  
To: male@co-opones.to

Mal,  
We are really sorry that we missed your party last night. We were both looking forward to seeing you and helping celebrate your birthday but the gods were not with us.... domestic events became decidedly pear shaped at Crowther Street and it was just not possible to get away. ...and I can't believe you're sixty. We saw a photograph at the gallery last week of you skateboarding at Red Hill. Was it really 1988 or just yesterday?

Happy birthday mate,  
Dick  
Richard Allom  
Director  
ALLOM LOVELL  
ARCHITECTS: BRISBANE

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From: jennifer.porter8@bigpond.com  
Date: 8 July 2009 12:50:37 PM  
Subject: Thank you

Hi Mal and Barb

Thank you both so much for having us at your party. Such an enjoyable night and a great way to celebrate your special day.  
Al and Jen

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From: info@ktdoyle.com  
Date: 8 July 2009 6:40:39 PM  
Subject: Thank you  
To: male@optusnet.com.au, barby@co-opones.to  
Cc: karlanthonyhilton@gmail.com

Dear Mal and Barbara,  
Thank you so much for inviting us to your beautiful birthday party last night. I was really lovely to see you have such a fabulous time with all your family and friends. We certainly felt the love in the room!

It was really nice to see some old friends of ours there too and catch up. But, the all time doosey for me was to see Mitch Thompson again as I worked at Le Scoops when I was at QCA as a youngin' and he was the first person to buy one of my artworks from my graduate show! Hoping you're both having a fabulous birthday week. Many happy returns to you Barb for tomorrow!

Cheers,  
KT and Karl

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From: eureka15@iinet.net.au  
Date: 9 July 2009 2:36:40 PM  
Subject: Thank you!

Hi Mal and Barb,  
Just wanted to say a big thank you for such a great evening at Simpatico. Mal it was just great to hear all those stories and it was just wonderful to be there with you to help celebrate. At first I didn't think I would know anyone - and I did as requested "How the fuck do you know Mal!" - but there was little need. I knew heaps of people. It made me realise that in fact you are a collector of people - in the nicest possible way - because we all had some connection or history that made us being together make sense.

We are off on a little holiday tomorrow, but we would love to catch up with you when we are back!

Thanks again!  
Cath & Sean

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From: paintkit@gmail.com  
Date: 6 July 2009 2:29:09 PM  
Subject: HBMM

60 more i hope  
all da best gee  
know u would be doin it in or with style  
xxr

....  
From: menengai@tpg.com.au  
Date: 10 July 2009 1:38:24 PM  
Subject: Anniversary Party  
Dear Barbara and Mal,  
Thank you both so very much for an absolute wonderful party. I thoroughly enjoyed myself and must say it was quite a different crowd to what we encounter at our Meetings.  
Vive la difference!!

Bill

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From: tim@grup.tv  
Date: 10 July 2009 3:00:10 PM  
Subject: Re: ooooooh  
To: barby@co-opones.to  
Cc: male@optusnet.com.au  
Barbeeeeee!  
Hope u had a great day yesterday and that the party was a hoot.  
Look forward to some celebrating with you both in August.  
love  
Tim

....  
From: LynneKuckuck@aol.com  
Date: 12 July 2009 12:02:44 AM  
To: barby@co-opones.to  
Subject: HAPPY BIRTHDAYS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Dear Barbara,  
Just a quick note to wish you BOTH the happiest of birthdays. I am so loving seeing your beautiful creations on the blog (that saucer ring for the woman in Texas - breathtaking!!) Susie was here a couple of weeks ago for an all to short visit (looking forward to seeing her again in Sept and Oct - a bright spot at my least favorite time of year).

We had such fun. Went to Lambertville NJ for a day and (naughty girls) bought some lovely keishi pearls from a nice woman as well as some aquamarines from a crabby one!  
BTW, Susan brought some of her pieces that she's made with her for Show and Tell. They are really wonderful - quite intricate and delicate. Very feminine. Try to get her to share some images with you - you'll enjoy them and be proud of her too! Anyway, we had such fun - tears of course at the end of the visit. Even Jack. I am so lucky to have such a wonderful sister and friend.

We are all still struggling here with the crappy economy which is probably going to be worse before it is better so, chosing instead to focus on abundance, Jack and I have been madly working on our garden. He added a potting shed (what IS it with men and sheds, garages and basements?!) and we also erected a fence which provides the perfect backdrop for the garden (always thinking in pictures I am!)

I'm making progress with the painting and hope to exhibit some pieces this fall and winter in group juried shows. Have to price them low due to the economy and the fact that I am a total nobody but that's fine. I'm just hoping to get them seen!

Reading the blog, I laughed hard at your card to Mal - I'm filing that one for when I need a pick-me-up!!

Lots and lots of love to you both. I'm so glad things are better for you this year than last.

So very glad.

xxx,  
Lynne

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Finally, the words read by the last speaking duo that just arrived here on July 14 2009 via email from Jon Voller

7th July 2009  
TALK BY JON & GRAHAM:

Red by the both of us  
Black by JJV  
Green by GWB

### A Bligh Voller Testimonial at 60!!

We both wish we were still that young!! We met Mal through mutual friends - he was pushing 40; and that's a while ago!! Our friendship has provided us with a kaleidoscope of experiences. We soon discovered that Mal really does wear "a coat of many colours"  
- mainly black naturally!!

Under his coat we found that Mal hid an extraordinary range of talents; some we have been lucky enough to experience are:-

- graphic designer
- skateboarder
- artist
- art advisor
- collector
- clock doctor
- ideas man
- wordsmith
- business analyst - with tarot cards!!
- company coach
- personal mentor
- campaigner director
- gemstone advisor
- and our friend

Many of these talents were exploited by Mal to the benefit of Bligh Voller; often in ways which sometimes seemed to be the actions of an agent provocateur; he always challenged the standard and expected response.

He would refer to himself as the "loaded gun" which we kept in our top drawer - always at the ready to surprise our clients.

These traits benefited our practice and our clients in many ways over many enjoyable years.

Mal's input was critical to Bligh Voller's success through the difficult 90s.

Whilst Mal is always malleable and amiable he's never the conformist. Graham invited Mal to join him for lunch at the Brisbane Club;

- I mentioned that there was a dress code at the club - coat and tie. No worries for Mal he conformed to the code but didn't wear socks!! Sometimes he was an enigma to others but never to us.

Some might say that Mal's greatest achievement was marrying Barbara Heath. Together they make a formidable team and fantastic friends.

Thank you Mal & Barbara.

Happy Birthday Mal.

We love you both.

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From: lmc@arhouse.net.au  
Date: 20 July 2009 10:54:40 AM  
Subject: belated birthday wishes  
To: male@optusnet.com.au  
Cc: jamesbaker@arhouse.net.au

Hi Mal

We missed your birthday night as we were away on holidays. And it has been three weeks without a coherent thought (that's how it feels) due to school holidays. So many apologies for the delay (excuses above), but we hope you had a great birthday, a terrific night, and wishing you (at least 60 more) happy,

healthy, positive years!  
Your contribution to Brisbane has been significant (I guess that this was celebrated on the night), but more importantly in many ways, the impact of your modes of thinking and adoption of the new is inspiring to other individuals. And the significant joi de vivre you always express is uplifting.  
With our very best wishes, now and always.  
Louise and Jim

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Barbara and malE wish to thank everyone involved in making the happy 60th, a happening thing!

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UPDATE -25 September 2009  
- Paul Owen & Kirsti Simpson sent an email explaining that they returned from overseas to find the invite! We arranged a dinner date and I received my last present on Tuesday this week!  
- Today is Friday and guess what? Peter Tyndall sent a 60th birthday card and an artwork (with the usual title) + "learning to tell the time. . ." this must certainly be my last present!!

