



PROBUS NEWS FOR DECEMBER 2015

“For Probus Members Only”

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR

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The November 2015 General Meeting was held on Thursday the 12th.

Your President and Committee members would therefore like to announce that there are now 101 ordinary members, 3 Non-active members and 1 Life Member, hence there are 3 membership vacancies.

The President and Committee Members wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Members are asked to keep Membership Officer, Graham Balfe, up-to-date with any changes in their details they may have, see below, to assist him in keeping the club’s membership list valid.

- change of address?
- change of phone number or email address?
- other amendments or corrections to their entry?

You are requested to pay your monthly meeting fee of \$5.00, with an as crisp as possible **Five Dollar Note**. This greatly assists your Membership Officer to swiftly count the takings and pay the Golf Club Management for us.

December 2015 Birthdays

Michael BURTON, John DASH, Mac ELLIOTT, Nick LOCKE, Tom MAY, Doug PRITCHARD and Jim WARNER

Inductions for December 2014

None.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

Meeting		Guest Speaker	Topic	Background	Club Speaker	Topic
January	14	Susie Arnott	Capt. P. G. Taylor, The Man Who Saved Smithy	Capt. Taylor's daughter	1. John te Wechel/Gordon Dummer 2. Michael Burton	1. Trip to Cowra, West Wyalong and Temora 2. A Fandango of Forgers
February	11	Esther Landells Waste Education Project Officer	Waste Management in the Southern Highlands	Wingecarribee Shire Council	<i>Piero Dal Bianco</i>	TBA

Members are asked to put on their thinking caps and see if they can come up with potential guest speakers and topics. Also, to consider themselves doing a long or small talk on their topic of choice to members. Our speakers program has been excellent in the past, and is a hallmark of our club's success. Any help you can provide would be greatly appreciated and worthwhile to the club.

Just let **John te Wechel** (4861 7679 or jwechel@bigpond.net.au) or any other Committee Member know of your suggestion.

GUEST SPEAKER for NOVEMBER 2015

LEONIE KNAPMAN

Leonie spoke at the club earlier this year and kindly volunteered to fill the gap for us this time. Thank you, Leonie.

Her talk this time, was about the private railways of the Southern Highlands associated with mining over the years, and as usual, was very entertaining and informative of the historical past in our area.

During the 1970s Leonie joined the local Historical Society and has been President a number of times and is still a Committee member. She became interested in all aspects of ghost towns and became a tour guide with trips going as far as her home town of Glen Davis.

Leonie also belongs to a number of volunteering groups, including SES which has had a very stress full and busy time along with other volunteering groups since last year.

Regularly Leonie promotes her passion with Power Point Presentations on a large number of subjects and has won a number of awards including a NSW Government Heritage Volunteer Award for research and conservation.

Since speaking at a Geological Conference at the CSIRO Atomic Energy Centre at Lucas Heights in 1988 she has presented papers at conferences around Australia, three times in Tasmania and last year presented her third paper in New Zealand.

Club Speaker November 2015

Fellow Member **Mr. Alan WIGZELL**, gave a very entertaining and enlightening talk called "Farm Predators" covering a series of incidents on his family's farm history of Dingoes attacking his animals, and how he dealt with the problem.

TOURS and FUNCTIONS

The tours and functions organisers, and your treasurer, now inform members that they are now able to pay online by direct debit to;

Probus Club of Moss Vale

Westpac Bowral BSB= 032723 Acc No.= 750434 identifying themselves as the payee.

Note: It is important for the Treasurer that members identify themselves when paying online.
Also, when paying for tours and functions please pay separately for each item as paying one lump sum is too difficult for the Treasurer to itemise or identify.

Contact for Tours and Functions is:-

Gordon Dummer 4862 4989 or email gordolyn@hinet.net.au

TOURS

None at present

COFFEE CLUB

N. B. CHANGE OF VENUE

Next meets at 10:00am on Wednesday 27th January 2016
in the International Cricket Hall of Fame,
in The ASHES Room (not the Café area),
and entered from the doors facing the Bradman Oval end.

This change of venue will be announced and explained at the January General Meeting.
Please consider a topic for discussion, and phone or email Gordon Dummer 4862 4989
or email gordolyn@hinet.net.au to book your attendance.

FUNCTIONS



2015 Christmas Lunch.



Our Christmas Lunch will be held on Friday 11th December at the Bowral Golf Club.
12.30pm for 1.00pm start

There will be a pre-lunch drink followed by a two course meal (Turkey and Christmas Pudding).
The cost is \$40.00 per person.

Drinks with the meal at your own cost.



THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING IS ON THURSDAY 14th JANUARY 2016