



Probus Club of Moss Vale Inc.
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WHAT'S ON

13 th July	General Meeting
26 th July	Coffee Club
	Bathurst deposit please.
3 rd Aug	Committee Meeting
10 th Aug	General Meeting
30 th Aug	Coffee Club
23 rd September	Bundanoon Gilbert and Sullivan
30 th Oct-2 nd Nov	Bathurst Trip

A big welcome to this month's newsletter. And I am very happy to report excellent attendance at club events over the last couple of months including a record number at the very popular monthly coffee club. There was a good attendance at the Roses 'n Dingoes day out, the general meeting was the best attended for a while and the Truffles outing had a large attendance as well.

Keep it up! As the well-known saying goes "the more the merrier".

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Active Members	97
Non- Active Members	6
Life Members	1
Attendance Last Meeting	61
Visitors	7

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We have one special birthday to celebrate this month, an eightieth birthday for long time club member and committee member, Malcolm Stephens. Unfortunately, Malcolm is away at present so remember to congratulate him on his return.

To the other birthday boys, happy birthday and hope you have an enjoyable day!

Frank Conroy	Arthur Delbridge
Barry Parsons	Bruce Pearson
David Raines	Ian Ridley
James Rowe	Malcolm Stephens
Don Willis	Geoff Matthews

INDUCTIONS

This month we again have two inductions and we welcome these members to the club. Firstly, long-time friend of the club, Max Powditch (partner Jan) will be joining at this meeting. Along with Jim McGrath (partner Catherine) to the meeting and I know Jim is a bit of a cricket tragic. We hope you both enjoy your membership and are able to come along to our tours and events. The committee also approved an application for

membership from Brian Maher who will be inducted into the club at next month's meeting.

IMPORTANT: NEW MEMBERS

After the above nominees for membership have been inducted there will be a small change in the process for becoming a member of Moss Vale Probus Club.

Everyone wishing to join the club must attend a total of three meetings or functions as a guest prior to being invited to join the club. The nomination form will then be submitted to the committee for consideration as usual.

This is not new, it is simply re-instating a requirement that has not been adhered to for a while, that has always been in the requirements for membership. It will give the new applicant time to get to know the club and its members before committing to full membership.

If you invite any new member to the club would you please inform them of this requirement.

SPEAKERS

At this month's meeting, Barry Parsons with advice on what to do when "Charged by an Elephant in Zimbabwe" and Suzanne Cooney on "Falls Prevention".

Our special August speaker is David Browning on "Maternal Death in East Africa". This promises to be both interesting and informative and both members and their partners are welcome at this meeting.

The club speaker will be the entertaining John McCullagh who has entitled his talk "From Jumbos to Seaplanes". Make sure you let your lady know so she can also enjoy the social lunch in the bistro afterwards.

SURVEY

Another reminder about the survey that we distributed last meeting. Please return it at this meeting by placing it in the box at the welcome table. Your input will help guide and improve the club.

You are asked to note that it is double sided so don't miss the questions on the back!

The committee thanks you for taking the time to complete this important survey information.



Part of the "brains trust" in operation at this month's Coffee Club Meeting.

THIS MONTH'S ONE LINER!

I thought growing a beard would say "Distinguished Gentleman" but it says, "Senior Discount, Please!"

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COFFEE CLUB

In a gathering attended by a record number of twenty-four members met at the Bowral Cricket Pavilion for coffee last month to discuss the usual range of problems both national and international along with a few personal asides and a lot of laughs! Our Probus Coffee Club is becoming more and more popular so how about coming along to the next gathering on Wednesday, 26th July at the Cricket Pavilion in Bowral at around 10am and enjoy the coffee and company!

YEVERTON TRUFFLE EXPERIENCE

As you can see from the photo above, the visit to the truffles farm was not only well attended but also enjoyed by all those who attended. It is amazing to think that a truffle the size shown below is worth around \$800!



WELFARE OFFICER

At the last committee meeting it was decided that Arthur Delbridge would be appointed as Welfare Officer for the club. His duties include encouraging members to attend meetings and functions and checking on members who miss a number of meetings because of ill health and other reasons to see if the club can assist.

SPECIAL REQUEST

This is from all members to all other members and their partners Would you please wear your name badges to all club functions. Not only does this jog the memory when names elude us but also promotes friendship and fellowship amongst members particularly those who are new to the club.

LADIES' DAY

The August General Meeting will be a Ladies' Day followed by an informal lunch in the bistro downstairs. Please ask your partner to come along and enjoy the day which will feature David Browning as guest speaker and

John McCullagh as the club speaker along with the usual morning tea and followed by your choice of the menu in the bistro for lunch.

We are looking forward to another good roll-up for this function and would welcome the ladies' attendance so please make the effort to join us on this occasion. The meeting will be at the usual time and the lunch, being informal, will go as long as you wish. Make it a date!

BATHURST TRIP

Quite a number of members have booked their place on the Bathurst Trip to take place from Monday 30th October through to Thursday, 2nd November. If you have not booked yet please reserve your place by our meeting 13th July with a deposit of \$150 per single or couple using the usual methods of payment listed below. Note that there has been a small rise in the cost to \$571 per couple or \$503 per single. A further \$150 will be required at the beginning of September to cover the cost of securing the motel rooms for our three-night stay with the remainder due at the October meeting. This will cover accommodation with continental breakfast plus most activities. You will be responsible for the cost of lunches and evening meals.

The final itinerary will be similar to that previously published in the June Newsletter and will be circulated again to all members in the near future.

Contact Gordon at gordon_dummer@bigpond.com or speak to him at this meeting to let him know that you are interested as soon as possible.

G&S PIRATES OF PENZANCE

This very popular Gilbert and Sullivan operetta will be performed at Bundanoon by the Sydney G&S Opera Company on Saturday, 23rd September at 2 pm. Allen Broome (thanks Allen) is organising the annual outing to this performance which will include lunch at 12 noon at the famous Bundanoon Hotel. The cost is \$25 per person with your lunch is at your own expense. Book with Allen and make your payment in the usual making sure that you mark your payment with your name.

PAYMENTS

Cash	To the Treasurer at meetings.
Cheque	Probus Moss Vale PO Box 456, MOSS VALE 2577
Online	1. A/c: Probus Club of Moss Vale 2. BSB 032723 and Account No. 750434 3. Please identify yourself by name so payments will be correctly credited.