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WHAT'S ON

9 th March	General Meeting + AGM
23-24 March	Gosford Mini-Trip
29 th March	Coffee Club
6 th April	Committee Meeting
13 th April	General Meeting
26 th April	Coffee Club

March brings us to the end of our year and we move forward with a new committee, some continuing to serve the club whilst others are joining the committee for the first time. We thank outgoing member Keith Huxham and past president Arthur Delbridge for their services to the club over the years and for passing the club to new president John te Wechel in such a great and healthy condition. Welcome John, we hope you have a terrific year as our new president. The nominations for the committee for the forthcoming year are:-

- President – John te Wechel
 - Vice-President – Brian Collath
 - Past President – Arthur Delbridge
 - Treasurer – Francis de Beaujeu
 - Membership – Graham Warner
 - Speakers – Malcolm Stephens
 - Tours – Gordon Dummer
 - Newsletter – Bruce Pearson
 - Public Officer – Brian Collath
 - Auditor – Frank Conroy
- I am sure we all wish them a successful year.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Active Members	100
Non- Active Members	11
Life Members	1
Attendance Last Meeting	54
Visitors	5

The committee accepted with reluctance the resignation of Ron Petschack who joined the club in October 1994 and served the club on the committee for a number of years including as President in 2001-02.



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| Roger Buckland | Richard Cant | David Rickards |
| Tom Currie | Les Lenny | Ian Farquhar |
| Jonathan Persse | Richard Long | Piero Dal Bianco |
| Bruce Windybank | Peter St. Clare | Groth |

SPEAKERS

The speaker this month will be Andrew Want. Andrew is committed to securing Australia's place as a global solar energy powerhouse and to the establishment of global trading markets for renewable energy as a commodity. His recent focus has been in energy sector and market reform, solar energy, renewable energy, hydrogen energy, carbon markets, climate and green bonds, water markets, sustainable investment, international business development, corporate governance and capital management.

There is no Club Speaker this month as time has been allocated to the Annual General Meeting of the Club. You are particularly encouraged to attend this meeting as this sets the course for the club for the following twelve months and your input would be welcomed.

It should also be noted that ladies are welcome at the March meeting and for lunch afterwards. Please see the details following.

In April, we have David Browning, who will speak to us on the subject, "Saving Lives in Ethiopia". Our club speakers will be Jim Cole and his talk is entitled, "Antarctica". Sounds Interesting so come along.

LADIES DAY/LUNCHEON

Please note the changes and ask your lady now!

The March meeting on this Thursday, 9th March is open to your partner to attend. Ladies are welcome to attend both the meeting and /or the lunch afterwards.

Here are the changes *The luncheon as previously organised has been cancelled and replaced!*

You are now invited to have lunch at the club in the bistro with your fellow members and ladies following the meeting at 12 noon. You will have the choice of the full menus available and will pay for your own meal at the time. Ladies are invited to both the meeting and the lunch or just the lunch if that proves more suitable.

Come along and show your support for the club and the new committee.



The Coffee Club continues on and although numbers were a little down this month due to the absence of some regulars, a number of solutions to "world

THIS MONTH'S ONE LINER!

I went to buy some camouflage trousers the other day but I couldn't find any.

problems” were discussed but not necessarily agreed upon. There are plenty more problems to solve at the next meeting on the 29th March around 10am. All club members are welcome to the Coffee Club held in the lower room of the pavilion at the Bowral Cricket Museum at around 10am. Phone Gordon Dummer on 48624989 or alternatively send him an email at gordon_dummer@bigpond.com for information.

INDUCTIONS

Unfortunately, Rob Epworth was unable to attend last month so we will have his induction at this meeting. Rob lists golf and rugby as his interests following his twenty-five years with the World Bank in Africa and Asia. Welcome to the club Rob and wife, Barbara.

2017-18 CLUB FEES

The gentle reminder about club membership fees has become an urgent reminder. You need to pay your membership fee by the end of this month, Friday, 31st March to avoid the additional administration fee.

Membership if renewed prior to 31st March is \$40 and after that date \$45. Joining fee for new members is \$40 (includes badges etc). The morning tea subsidy will continue and the member cost will remain at \$5.

If you are paying cash would you please place the money in an envelope with your name on it before handing it to the treasurer at a meeting. Similarly, if you are paying by electronic transfer, ensure that you identify yourself by name on the transaction.

Thank you for your co-operation with this.



Graham Balfe at the Albion Park Museum 2015

MEMBERSHIP BOOKLET UPDATE

It is approaching time for the new membership booklet to be published so please, if you have changed any of your details over the last year, let Graham Warner (Membership) know the details. These details include changes to postal or home address, telephone, email and partner.

GOSFORD TRIP

We wish the people going on the Gosford mini-tour a safe and happy journey on the 23-24th March. We hope you enjoy the Henry Kendall Museum and barbecue, don't spend too much on the classic cars at the motor museum and admire the scenery and food as you cruise up the Hawkesbury River. Most of all enjoy the company of your fellow members during the trip.

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If you wish to check, the full itinerary is available on our website ([Click Here](#)) or by request. Also additional details will be circulated to those attending as necessary in the near future. Enquiries to Gordon at gordon_dummer@bigpond.com (preferred) or call him on 0418343556.

KANGAROO VALLEY LUNCH

The committee is still communicating with the Shoalhaven Club in order to organise a day out with lunch at Kangaroo Valley. This will take place in the near future and will enable members of the two clubs to join together for a social day out. Keep watching!

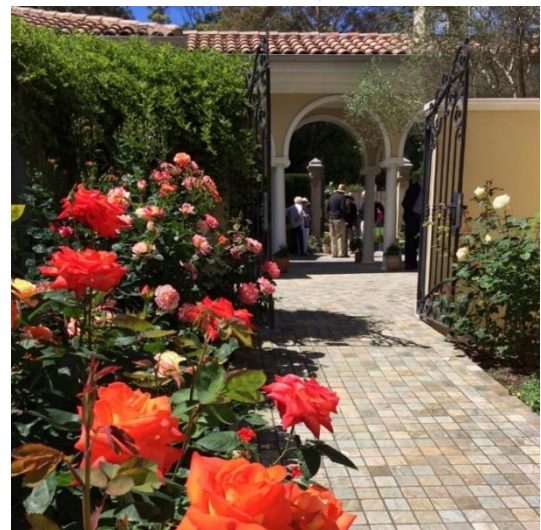
RECOMMENDED READ



For all the readers, Brian Collath recently recommended a book by the very well known, Dr Karl Kruszelnicki. This is Dr Karl's fortieth book and he is also well known for his radio interviews and for his loud shirts! I also recently found out that he applied to be an astronaut with NASA in his younger years but was classified as "non-astronaut material".

The book, "The Doctor" by Dr Karl Kruszelnicki should be available in good bookshops for around \$25. This book like his other publications answers question that you probably never thought to ask. Have you ever wondered why alcohol makes you speak louder? Or how to tell which part of a movie the audience is watching - without looking? What connects God, caffeine and chocolate?

Brian says that one of the later chapters is called 'Coffee is Now Good' explaining the studies done to suggest Increased life expectancy, lower risks for Type 2 diabetes etc when you drink coffee. "It sounded like a promotion for our Coffee Club", Brian said.



Our visit to Roy and Wendy Alvaro last November

PAYMENTS

- Cash To the Treasurer at meetings.
- Cheque Probus Moss Vale
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- 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.