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WHAT'S ON

7 th September	Committee Meeting
14 th September	General Meeting
	G&S Last chance to book
23 rd September	Bundanoon Gilbert and Sullivan
28 th September	Coffee Club
30 th Oct - 2 nd Nov	Bathurst Trip
14 th December	Annual Christmas Luncheon

Wow! Since the last newsletter I have had my right arm in a sling for a month or so after a shoulder operation. It has taken me ages to type this newsletter with my left hand (particularly capital letters) so please read it slowly and ignore any typing errors.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Active Members	100
Non- Active Members	5
Life Members	1
Attendance Last Meeting	45
Visitors	14

After my plea for better attendance at meetings last month things went from bad to worse as we had the lowest members attendance at a meeting for the whole year. We were saved somewhat by the good attendance of the ladies at this special meeting but we would like more of the members to make the effort to attend.

It is Spring, the weather is warming, the birds are singing and the flowers are blooming. What more encouragement do you need to come along to a meeting and share the joy!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Congratulations this month go to Peter Kerr who has reached his 90th birthday. Well done Peter on behalf of all club members!

To these September birthday boys, happy birthday and best wishes for many more from us all!

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| Roy Alvaro | John Clancy |
| Dennis Cooper | Vern Cottee |
| Francis de Beaujeu | Peter Dunn |
| Kevin Ferrari | Michael Gray |
| Peter Kerr | Stan Morgans |
| Bruce Rosenberg | Jeremy Strong |

INDUCTIONS

We will try again this month to welcome Brian Maher to the club as we did not have his sponsors at the last meeting. Brian is an ex-mining engineer and we welcome Brian's partner Pat as well.

As we are mid-way through the Probud year new members membership fees will now be reduced to \$20 for the remainder of this term. New members will now pay the standard \$40 joining fee for badges, registration, etc. plus the reduced membership fee, a total of \$60.

SPEAKERS

There has been a small change. This month continues the tradition of interesting speakers and David Simmonds' choice of topic adds an air of mystery to it all with "Spooks; 1950's Style".

He will be followed by our guest speaker who is Robert Parker "Confronting our Nuclear Energy Fears for the Benefit of our Grandchildren". He is Currently President, Australian Nuclear Association and an advocate for the use of nuclear energy in Australia to address climate change. Don't miss this one!

Next month's speakers Chris Cotman who will be telling us about "Parkinsons Disease; A Personal Perspective " and he will be followed by Rina Hore from the Bradman Foundation here in Bowral.

LUNCH OR SNACK POST MEETING

Some members are gathering downstairs in the club bistro for lunch in the Springs Room in the far left of the bistro as you enter. There are full meals and a variety of snacks available along with your favourite drink and of course, plenty of members to enjoy having a yarn.

Come along after the next meeting and join the lunch crowd downstairs.

CLUB SURVEY

President John has been studying the surveys that were returned and has prepared a report which will be presented at the September meeting. Thank you to those who completed the survey and helped guide the future of our very successful club.

BATHURST TRIP

The forty plus members who have signed up for the Bathurst Tour will have received an email earlier this month requesting the second payment of \$150 and notifying them of the third and final payment due by the next general meeting in October.

Yes! "D Day", Departure Day is drawing ever closer. Not quite time to pack your bags yet but not long! The Bathurst Trip to take place from Monday 30th October through to Thursday, 2nd November. The total cost will be \$571 per couple or \$503 per single.

The final itinerary has been published on the club website and can be found by clicking [HERE](#).

Some of the available rooms were taken up after the last meeting but there is still room for you on this trip so contact Gordon at gordon_dummer@bigpond.com or speak to him at this meeting to let him know that you are interested. Time is running out rapidly!

THIS MONTH'S TOPICAL ONE LINER!
 What do you get when you plant kisses? Tulips!

LAST CHANCE

Bookings for the Gilbert and Sullivan operetta at Bundanoon on Saturday, 23rd September at 2 pm will be closing at this meeting.

If you have not booked as yet and intend coming along you will need act quickly and contact Allen Broome at the September general meeting or by phoning him on 48622228. You will also need to fill out a pre-order menu for lunch available [HERE](#). Lunch at 12 noon at the famous Bundanoon Hotel followed by the performance at 2 pm. The cost is \$25 per person with lunch at your own expense. Make your payment in the usual way as listed below, making sure that you mark your payment with your name.

COFFEE CLUB

Well we had a couple of stories masquerading as good news at the coffee club this week, possibly resolved a member's problem with his GPS and discussed a variety of other interesting subjects.

If you would like to join us next month be at the lower Pavilion Room at the Bradman Cricket Museum in Bowral around 10am on Wednesday, 28th September.

LADIES' DAY

The committee was very pleased with the number of ladies who accepted the invitation to attend the last meeting. Also pleasing was the positive feedback from the ladies who attended.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

I hope you wrote Probus Christmas Luncheon into your diary on Thursday, 14th December. This year it will be at the lovely Fitzroy Inn at Mittagong and bookings and payments will be open as from the October meeting. Keep watching for full details in the next Newsletter.

PHOTOS



Many of you take photos while we are out and about like this one taken by President John on the Truffles Day Our recently. If you take a great photograph I would appreciate a copy to publish in the newsletter or on our website. Of course, I cannot publish all photographs as there is simply not enough room but would still like them so I have a wider choice of topic.

A couple of things to bear in mind when taking photographs for this purpose.

1. Please include some club members (up to about six) in your shot.
2. Get in or zoom in closer – many shots do not need full length.

3. Include some context in the shot showing where we were or what we were doing.
4. It is often a good idea to include flash so that the faces show up clearly.

Looking forward to receiving some great photos!

BLAST FROM THE PAST

This was extracted from a Newsletter dated 2003. The tours organizer was Les Lenny and the newsletter editor was Brian Pemberton.



Cootamundra Tour

Mon. 25th Aug. to Fri. 29th Aug.

Our Cootamundra Tour went off very well. On Monday, 25th August, twenty-nine rather apprehensive persons left the wind swept & devastated Southern Highlands & returned 5 days later tired but happy.

They had toured through some of the best rural land in Australia and saw it brilliantly coming out of the drought. and had the opportunity to meet some of those people who are the backbone of the rural industry.

For those that did not participate talk to the members who did let them tell you their own story of a fine tour.

NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE

I regularly find members who did not receive their monthly newsletter. To clarify the situation, the newsletter is usually published on the Monday before the general meeting each month. It is mailed directly to those who have email addresses and available at the welcome desk for those that don't. Any remaining are then posted to the member. It also appears on the Monday on the club website along with older copies at www.probusmossvale.org.au so you can check back through other recent editions.

Also check the documents section for other matters including outings and club insurance.

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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.

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