



PROBUS NEWSLETTER

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WHAT'S ON

12 th September	General Meeting
12 th September	Payment for Port Stephens
25 th September	Coffee Club
28 th September	G&S at Bundanoon
3 rd October	Committee Meeting
3 rd October	Port Stephens Tour Meeting
7 th October	Coffee and Chat for Ladies
10 th October	General Meeting
21-24 October	Port Stephens Trip
30 th October	Coffee Club
12 th December	Christmas Party

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Active Members	96
Non-Active Members	4
Attendance last meeting	52

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Roy Alvaro	John Clancy
Dennis Cooper	Vern Cottee
Brian Dawkins	Francis de Beaujeu
Peter Dunn	Kevin Ferrari
Michael Gray	Peter Kerr
Stan Morgans	Bruce Rosenberg
Alan Wright	

Happy birthday boys and have an enjoyable day!

LONG TERM MEMBERS

This month marks two membership milestones. Both Reg Gilbert has been a member for twenty years and Dennis Cooper brings up his tenth year of membership. Congratulations!

VALE RAY SLEEMAN

Last month we lost Ray Sleeman. Ray was a foundation member and the longest serving member of our club. He held several committee responsibilities including president in 1986-87 and was awarded life membership for his contribution to the club. I extend condolences on behalf of the club to his friends and family for their loss.

INDUCTIONS

There is one induction this month and it is that of Ross Parker. Ross was in human resource and production management and now likes to spend

One way to find out if you are old is to fall down in front of a lot of people. If they laugh you are still young. If they panic and running to you, you're old!

some time fly fishing. We welcome Ross and his wife Elspeth to the club and to the club activities.

COFFEE CLUB

The coffee club continues to power along with twenty-two members attending the interesting discussion on climate change and nuclear power last month. The new format where various members nominate set a topic and chair the discussion each month was very successful, and Kevin Ferrari did a lot of research and a great introduction which promotes willing discussion.

This month we meet again on the last Wednesday of the month 25th September at 10 am in the lower pavilion room at the Bradman Oval. The topic this month will be chaired by Ross Nacey and is entitled, "The current state of Australian Rugby Union; is it in decline, if so what are the reasons and can the decline be rectified?" All members are welcome to come along and enjoy the fun!

As an appetiser, perhaps you might like to take a look at the video from 1922 of a rugby union match between New Zealanders and a NSW team and particularly notice the scores. This video is from the National Sound and Film Archive in Canberra and has no sound as sound was not added to film until 1931 in Australia. [CLICK HERE](#) to watch.

SPEAKERS

"Alexander Graham Bell" is the subject to be presented by club member, Brian Collath at this September meeting. He will be followed, after our regular cup of tea by Keith Huxham who will delve into, "Tax Reform: Is it necessary? Is it possible?"

The following month come along to hear, Jurgen Eckel and his topic is "Outside my comfort zone", relating to his 10 years of living and working in China. The main speaker is Chris Russell AM who appears by kind arrangement with Claxton Speakers International. His topic is "Food Security and its implications for Australia" Chris is an agricultural scientist specialising in conserved fodder and intensive cattle feeding.

COFFEE AND CHAT FOR LADIES

Attendance at the coffee and chat for the Probus ladies was down a bit last month but was enjoyed at the Stumps Café at the Bowral Cricket Museum. Next meeting is Monday 7th October, 10.00 am at

the Bradman Museum. All enquiries to Lyn Dummer at gordon_dummer@bigpond.com or phone/text on 0408408229.

HMAS ALBATROSS TOUR



Judging from all the reports I received on the Nowra Naval Base trip this was one of the outstanding trips of the year. One member reported that “We were treated like royalty by the officers and staff at Albatross at all points of our tour

I have included a couple of photos taken by Jim McGrath and Graham Warner of the outing.



MIKADO



“The Mikado” at Bundanoon is the next upcoming activity for the club. This has already attracted a large number of participants but if you wish to join the crowd at Bundanoon there is still room for you and your wife.

If you still need to book please book and pay in your usual way as per the details in this newsletter.

Here are the details of the day out –

- Saturday 28th September 2019
- Lunch at noon at the Bundanoon Hotel.
- Performance at 2pm Memorial Hall Bundanoon – cost \$30 paid to the club account.
- Prices: Lunch – 2 courses only \$34.00 per person. You will need to pre-order this on the menu which may be obtained by clicking [HERE](#). Please print if out and give it to Arthur Delbridge or Allen Broome before 21st September. If you do not have internet access please contact Arthur or Allen.
- **NOTE** – Please pay for your meal directly at the hotel on the day.

Please advise Allen Broome on broomea@me.com, or Arthur Delbridge on arthurdelbridge@gmail.com by 21st September 2019, of your attendance and menu choices, attaching the menu form showing number of dishes per your group.

Bookings/menu close Saturday, 21st September.

FOR YOUR DIARY

Your may have noticed in the “What’s On” column that the date has been set for the always popular club Christmas Party. So, pull out your diary and note down Thursday, 12th December so you don’t double book with something less attractive like a medical appointment. Members and their wives are welcome to attend this function and further details will be released as they become available when booking will also be opened.

PORT STEPHENS OVERNIGHTER

Lat Month’s newsletter featured the full itinerary for the Port Stephens Tour. If you missed it please check on the website to obtain a copy. Note that we are staying at the Marina Resort in 33 Magnus Street in Nelson Bay.

Please be sure to pay your outstanding balance (less your deposit) on this trip by Thursday, 12th September. The full cost is \$850 all inclusive.

A social gathering has been organised for those attending on Thursday, 3rd October 4:30pm at the tennis rooms at 36 Toongoon Road, Burradoo. Please park outside the gate in the street and walk into the tennis shed which is not very far at all. Please bring along your own drinks, nibbles and glasses. Gordon will pass on any updates and answer any of your questions.

If you feel like you would like to join the trip to Nelson Bay but have not booked as yet there is still room. Please contact Gordon on 0408408229 immediately.

CLUB WEBSITE

The photos you see here are also included in the photo gallery report on the club website. There are also photos of other activities throughout the year available for you to peruse.

Also, remember that the club website contains this month’s newsletter, speakers, meeting dates etc for you to check on whenever you like. It is also provides information about the club and membership that might be handy if you know somebody who may be interested in joining the club.

[CLICK HERE](#) to link to the club website.

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.