



# PROBUS NEWSLETTER

## February 2023

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**PRESIDENT**  
Jim McGrath

**SECRETARY**  
Arthur Delbridge AM

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### NOTICE: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Members are invited to attend the Probus Moss Vale Annual General Meeting which will be held on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 commencing at 10am with the General Meeting and followed immediately by the Annual Meeting. At this meeting the reports for this year will be tables and the incoming committee for 2023-24 will be elected and installed.

Morning tea will follow, and the guest speaker will feature after morning tea. All members are welcome to attend.

WHAT'S ON	
2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Committee Meeting
3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Seniors Expo - <b>CANCELLED</b>
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Vietnamese Café/Museum
9 <sup>th</sup> February	General Meeting + Partners
22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Members Coffee Club
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Committee Meeting
8 <sup>th</sup> March	Garoorigang Homestead Tour
9 <sup>th</sup> March	Annual General Meeting
9 <sup>th</sup> March	Changeover Dinner
?? April	Press Club, Canberra
21 <sup>st</sup> June	Nuclear Science Visit
11 <sup>th</sup> August	Historic Aircraft Museum
5 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Beechworth Trip

### COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

The following nominations have been received for the committee so far:-

President	Michael Hissey
Vice President	John Elvy
Past President	Jim McGrath
Secretary	Roger Hodgson
Treasurer	Brian Collath
Tours	John Elvy
Events	Geoff McNamarra
Speakers	Geoff MacBean
Membership	John Milhinch
Newsletter	Bruce Pearson
Welfare	Malcolm Stephens

Nominations will remain open until Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February. If you wish to nominate or nominate another member for a position on the committee, please contact the secretary before that date.

### MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership fees for the forthcoming year are now due. The bonus is that they remain at \$40 per annum as they have done for the last few years.

Fees may be paid in your usual way (direct deposit preferred) into the club account. Please remember to tag payments with your name and only pay once. Fees are due by 31<sup>st</sup> March and after that membership lapses.

Direct enquiries to Brian Collath on 0425 243 405

### BIRTHDAYS

A big happy birthday to the birthday boys this month. We wish you a great celebration and many more if them.

John Elvy	Ross Meredith
Richard Miall	John Maffey
Brian Pemberton	Geoff MacBean
Michael Hissey	John Deck

### SPEAKERS

As you will have read, February is a Partners and Friends Day. This is because we have a guest speaker who will be on interest and is speaking on a topic which will affect us all eventually – driving safety and requirements for older drivers. Sue Tyler, owner of a local driving school will speak on licencing requirements as we age including driving strategies for safer travel.

The club speaker will be no less interesting as it is Jürgen Eckle with his topic, “How a Steinway Piano is Manufactured”.

### SNEAK PREVIEW

April is also going to be a special Partners and Friends Meeting as we will be treated to a talk by a woman who has won an Emmy, been awarded an Order of Australia for her work and calls Andrew Lloyd Weber a friend! I am not revealing her name just yet but keep Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> April general meeting date free on your calendar.

### CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Active Members	71
Non-Active Members	14
Total Members	85

Special mention to Tim Lunham this month who has been a member of our club for 10 years and will be awarded his badge at the meeting.

Also, a previous member of our club, Noel Symonds passed away. Noel resigned from the club in March 2021 after joining us in 2013. Our thoughts go out to his family and friends.

The committee reluctantly accepted the resignation of Peter Dewey from the club due to ill

health. Peter commented in his letter on how much he appreciated to friends in the club and on how he enjoyed being a member. Peter joined our club in 2016 after the demise of the Bowral Men's Probus.

Sadly, we lost another member this month. John McDonald, a member since 2016, passed away suddenly last Saturday. Our sympathy goes to Robyn and the family.

### INDUCTION

After a career in finance, we welcome Alan Maudsley to the club. Alan now hopes to spend his time gardening, reading, travelling, and following politics which no doubt will keep him busy. We welcome Alan his partner Sharyn to the club and encourage members to make themselves known to Alan at the earliest opportunity.

### FINANCE

Opening Balance January 1	\$4486.99
Closing Balance February 1	\$5091.49
Funds on Hold (Tours etc)	\$0.00
Current Net Balance	\$5091.49

### COFFEE CLUB

Coffee Club will again be held the last Wednesday of February, February 22 at the Bowral Bowling Club at 10am. All members are welcome to this popular gathering where we solve the problems of the world and anything else you would like to mention, over a cup of coffee.

### NEW YEAR MORNING TEA



Morning tea at Eling Forest Café last month with its delicious scones and great coffee was enjoyed by a convivial group of members as the photo shows.

### VIETNAM VEHICLE MUSEUM AND LUNCH

**CLOSING** – Bookings for this outing are drawing to a close. It will be held on Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> February at 11.30 at the Vietnamese Museum/Pho Canteen located in “The Mill” courtyard at 6 Bundaroo St, Bowral. Lunch follows in the café at your expense.

Members and their partners are invited to this informative guided tour of the Vietnam Vehicles Museum with lunch at the Vietnamese Café in the courtyard at “The Mill”. He donates any money he

makes from these tours to a fund to help the orphans of Vietnam and veterans with PTSD.

Please contact John Elvy before Thursday, February 9, on 0414 255 770 to confirm your attendance.

### GAROORIGANG HISTORIC HOMESTEAD VISIT

Bookings for Garoorigang Homestead Goulburn will close on Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March so please book you place on this tour of the historic home now.

The tour will take place on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> March and members and partners are invited to the visit. Built in 1857, Garoorigang is a beautiful, privately owned heritage home near Goulburn. Travel will be by private car and the tour commences at 10am. At \$20pp including morning tea it is another great bargain!

This will be followed by lunch the acclaimed Thai Restaurant and later a visit to the beautiful St Saviour Church. Book now in your usual way (direct deposit preferred).

Enquiries contact John Elvy on 0414 255 770

### CHANGEOVER DINNER - **BOOK NOW**

Our annual Changeover Dinner to welcome the new committee will be held on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> March at 6:00 pm at the Bowral Asian Cuisine Restaurant which is located at 407 Bong Bong St, Bowral opposite the Salvation Army Shop or next to the Tattoo shop if you are more familiar with that.

We have ordered a banquet for those attending with four entrees and six mains. That really is a banquet! Whilst the place is licenced you are invited to bring your own bottle of wine as the corkage is included in the price. We have a private room booked at the back of the restaurant but (most importantly) the dinner is limited to 30 participants only. If you wish to attend now is the time to book to ensure you place at the dinner.

The cost is \$44pp and members and their partners are welcome. Book in the usual way and direct any enquiries to Geoff McNamarra on the phone at 0429 796720.

### NEW BOOK OUT NOW

Many members and partners attended the talk by local author, Victoria Knox last year where she spoke about her series of books set during WWII featuring the humble vicar/detective, Clement Wisdom. Well, Clement is at it again in the fifth book in the series entitled "Neither Despise nor Fear". The new book was only released on 3<sup>rd</sup> February and is/will be available at your favourite bookseller.

### PAYMENT DETAILS

<b>Online</b>	Probus Club of Moss Vale BSB 032723 Account 750434 Identify payment with your name.
<b>Cheque</b>	Probus Club of Moss Vale PO BOX 456, MOSS VALE, 2577
<b>Cash</b>	In an envelope directly to the treasurer and identify payment with your name

**REMINDER:** Please bring along a \$5 note to pay your morning tea fee at all general meetings.