



PROBUS NEWSLETTER

February 2024

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Michael Hissey

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WHAT'S ON	
8 th February	General Meeting - Partners
16 th February	Morning Tea @ Golf Club
20 th February	Ramses at the Museum
28 th February	Men's Coffee Club
28 th February	Ladies Coffee
7 th March	Committee Meeting
12 th March	Linnwood House Tour
14 th March	Annual/General Meeting
27 th March	Men's Coffee Club
27 th March	Ladies Coffee
September	Canberra Overnight Trip

There are quite a number of activities on soon and some of these will require some quick responses if you are intending to come along.

- **Partners are invited to this month's meeting to hear our special speaker.**
- Morning Tea at the Golf Club.
- Linnwood House visit.
- Canberra Overnight

Please check booking procedures in each article later in the newsletter.

NEW BOOKING METHOD

The club is adopting a new method for you to book tours and events. There are two ways you can do it

1. Telephone the organiser and then pay.
2. Use the appropriate link in the newsletter and enter required details and then pay.

The second method is preferred as it is quick, easy and takes much less time for the organizer. You will find the links in each of the articles detailing the outing. Try it! You'll like it!

COFFEE CLUB

Our January Coffee Club was well attended and there was a lot of enjoyable discussion. If you would like to come along and contribute or just sit back and enjoy the coffee and company the next meeting

HOW TO MAKE PAYMENTS

ONLINE (Preferred)

BSB 032723 ACCOUNT 750434

Please identify your payment with your name.

CASH

Directly at a meeting.

is on Wednesday, 28th February at 10am at the Bowral Bowling Club. The ladies' coffee is on the same day so ladies, ring Jennifer 0425 236 295.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Another year has passed and it's time to change over to the new committee. You'll see a few of the old names, but we are glad that some new members have volunteered to take on roles for the coming year. The Annual General Meeting of the Probus Club of Moss Vale will be held on Thursday, 14th March at 10am at the Mittagong RSL Club.

Business will include the election of a new committee and general business.

Nomination for the 2024-25 committee are

President	John Elvy
Vice President	John Milhinch
Past President	Michael Hissey
Secretary	Chris Young
Treasurer	Grant Winberg
Membership	Michael Hissey
Welfare	Malcolm Stephens
Speakers	Geoff MacBean
Newsletter/Website	Bruce Pearson
Tours	John Elvy
Functions	Jim McGrath

Assistants to the committee are John Milhinch (secretary assist.), Lloyd Miller (Membership Assist.), Brian Collath (Treas. Assist.) and Gordon Dummer (Functions Assist.). These members will stand for election at the Annual Meeting.

All members are invited to attend.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

Another reminder that your annual membership fee is due before Sunday, 31st March 2024. This year we are asking members to pay a membership fee totalling \$70. This consists of the basic fee of \$40 (which has not changed for many years) plus the \$30 annual morning tea fee which we have at general meetings. This covers you for the whole year and as from April this year we will no longer be collecting at the door for morning tea payments.

The fee for non-active members remains at \$40. As they do not attend meetings the \$30 morning tea fee is waived.

The capitation fee paid to Probus South Pacific has been increased but the committee decided to absorb this cost and keep the basic membership fee the same. Fees may be paid up until 31st March.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY BOYS

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

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Active Members	76
Non-Active Members	11
Total Members	87

Congratulations to Allen Broome who has been an active member of our club for 20 years this month!

FINANCE

Opening Balance January 1	\$5395.13
Closing Balance January 31	\$6966.73
Funds on Hold (Tours etc)	\$0.00
Current Net Balance	\$6966.73

FEBRUARY SPEAKERS - Partner Day

As you will have noticed, this month is a partner and friends' day so invite them along to hear our club speaker Paul Phillips with his subject, "Justice of the Peace". Paul will be followed by our guest speaker who has been with us previously and has been invited back with her new book. It is Victoria Knox who has several medals for her books based in the WWII era. Her topic today is "The Intelligence War – the Fact Behind the Stories".

I understand she will have some of her books for sale including, "Code Name Sorrow", the fifth book in the Clement Wisdom Series.

TEA/COFFEE MORNING

A morning tea will be held at the Bowral Golf Club on Friday, 16th February at 10am. All members and their partners are invited to enjoy scones with cream and jam, carrot cake, chocolate nut cake with a cup of tea/coffee from the coffee station or order their barista coffee from the bar (at extra cost). The cost of attending is \$20 per person.

To book [CLICK HERE](#) or phone Jim McGrath for enquiries on 0409 374 741.

RAMSES

The Ramses Museum trip is set for Tuesday, 20th February at midday but please arrive by 11:50am. Travel will be by train and the recommended train leaves Moss Vale at 8:36am and Bowral at 8:45am. We will need to change at the museum to travel to Museum Station. If we could all travel in the third carriage it will make it easier to chat along the way.

After the exhibition, which will take about 1 hour to preview, there is a café in the museum offering a light lunch, or members can make their own arrangements as there are a number of cafes and restaurants nearby.

You are free to choose your own train for the return journey but the one with least stops leaves Central at 4:00pm and arrives at Bowral at 6:00pm.

Enquiries to John Elvy on 0414255770.

LINNWOOD HOUSE



A guided tour of Linnwood House in Guildford has been arranged for Tuesday, 12th March. Linnwood is a heritage-listed former residence, school, local history museum and

children's home and now historical society located at 11–35 Byron Road, Guildford. It was designed and built by George McCredie during 1891. It is also known as Linwood Hall, Lynwood Hall and Guildford Truant School. It is a beautiful traditional home set in spacious grounds.

The cost is \$15 pp and includes the tour and a Devonshire tea. Travel will be by private car and ride sharing is encouraged.

If you would like to come along, please book by [CLICKING HERE](#) and the pay by your usual method. Enquiries to John Elvy on 0414255770.

Bookings close 20th February.

CANBERRA OVERNIGHT

An overnight trip has been planned for 17th-18th September to visit Floriade and the Deep Space Complex at Tidbinbilla. Travel will be by private car and the proposed hotel is Rydges. The hotel room will be \$188 and breakfast will be an extra \$29. Admission to the above attractions is free.

Expressions of interest are requested and to do so please [CLICK HERE](#). Enquiries to John Elvy on 0414255770. Please complete by 14th February.

JANUARY SPEAKER



Unfortunately, I missed a lively talk by the "Beeman" at the January meeting, but I hope you made it along to for his interesting and informative presentation and maybe some of his honey!

INDUCTIONS

A couple of happy inductees from our January meeting, Rick Reynolds and Mike McLaren.

