



# NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2024

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## WHAT'S ON

8 <sup>th</sup> August	General Meeting
12 <sup>th</sup> August	Harris Park Bookings Close
21 <sup>st</sup> August	Indian Culture Harris Park
28 <sup>th</sup> August	Men's Coffee Club
28 <sup>th</sup> August	Ladies Coffee
5 <sup>th</sup> September	Committee Meeting
12 <sup>th</sup> September	General Meeting
12 <sup>th</sup> September	G&S Bookings Close
17-18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Canberra Overnight Trip
21 <sup>st</sup> Sept	G&S @ Bundanoon
25 <sup>th</sup> September	Coffee Club
October	<b>PROBUS MONTH</b>
10 <sup>th</sup> October	General Meeting Partners' Day
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Morning Tea at Eling

## WHAT A SUCCESS!

Moss Vale Men's Probus Club turned forty in style. The anniversary luncheon at the golf club was an event fitting of the occasion and, I am sure, all those who attended enjoyed the celebrations.

Of course, these things don't just happen by themselves so big vote of thanks goes to the committee and in particular to Jim McGrath who led the preparations.

The other group of people who contributed by supporting the event is you, the members who came along in numbers to the event.

Thank you everyone!

If you have not accessed the report on the website, [CLICK HERE](#). At the end of the report you will find a link to lots more photographs.

We also featured in the Southern Highland Express on 24<sup>th</sup> July and if you missed that you can [CLICK HERE](#) to read the article.

## COFFEE CLUB

Wednesday August 28 will be the next meeting of the Men's Coffee Club at the Bowling Club at 10am. Topics of great importance are often discussed such as where to get a good hair cut locally at a

reasonable price and removing the hairs from your ears with a flame thrower. Brian Collath reported that this is all the rage in London male grooming shops. We also discussed some other less important matters. The ladies' coffee also meet on the same day at Annesley, let Jennifer know you are coming 0425 236 295.

## AUGUST SPEAKERS



"Did Winston Churchill have a drinking problem?" That is the question club member Alan Maudsley will tackle when he addresses the club before morning tea at the next meeting.

Guest speaker, Tina Tziallas has a passion for heritage/ adaptive re-use work as well as designing contemporary, sustainable dwellings. She has worked on a variety of projects, including high-end and sustainable residential, multi-unit, commercial, equine, religious and landscape projects. Her subject, "Sustainable Architecture".

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Another round of birthdays and we wish them a very happy birthday and many more as well as good luck in the celebration wine draw!

Randolph Barnes	Rob Chapman
David Deans	Black Caviar
Peter Eustace	Roger Hodgson
Jim McGrath	Paul McInerney
Makybe Diva	John McKenzie
Geoff McNamara	Graeme Stapelfeldt

## CLUB MEMBERSHIP APRIL

Active Members	64
Non-Active Members	8
Total Members	72

## FINANCE

Opening Balance July 1	\$6,534.89
Closing Balance July 30	\$2,462.28
Funds on Hold (Tours etc)	\$937.60
Current Net Balance	\$1524.68

## INDUCTIONS

Good news! We are inducting two members into the club this month so would you make them, and their partners welcome at your earliest opportunity.

Firstly, make welcome Geoff Stewart and his partner Virginia to the club. Geoff has left his career in teaching and hospitality for retirement in the Southern Highlands. Geoff is going to devote some time to history, reading, table tennis, antique art and gardening.

Then we have Marty Flaxman and his partner Susan. Marty worked in the health care industry as a dietician and food service consultant and is now switching to golf and photography.

Our membership drive, headed by Michael Hissey, continues with our Springett's Arcade table

and Facebook site amongst the initiatives. We would like to invite you to become friends on Facebook. Access the site [CLICK HERE](#).

### **INDIAN CULTURE ~ HARRIS PARK BOOKINGS CLOSING 12<sup>th</sup> August**

We are still signing up people for the Harris Park~Indian Culture Day. Travel is by bus so you will have no problems there. We plan leave the Mittagong RSL car park at 9:30 so we can arrive in Harris Park around 11 o'clock to have some time for exploration of the area and some shopping or just a cup of coffee before lunch at the "Not Just Curries" where we can sample a variety of Indian foods to your taste. Departure will be around 2pm for home.

Details are as follows .....

Date: Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> August

Time Depart at 9:30 and return around 3:30pm

Transport: Minibus from RSL car park Mittagong.

Cost: \$20 for transport and all other at own expense.

**PLEASE NOTE:** There is a strict limit of 20 only on the numbers for this outing due to the capacity of the bus. It's a case of first in first served!

If you and your partner would like to join us for the day, please book by [CLICKING HERE](#) and the paying the appropriate amount by your chosen method. We prefer EFT directly to the club account.

### **G&S AT BUNDANOON CLOSING 1<sup>st</sup> September**

Bookings are rolling in for the Gilbert and Sullivan Opera performance of "HMS Pinafore" at Bundanoon. Seats are definitely limited to 25. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

The actual performance starts at 2 o'clock and all those who have booked so far have elected to have lunch over the railway line at the Bundanoon Hotel at 12 noon.

Details .....

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> September

Time: 12 noon for lunch

2 pm for the performance

Place: Lunch – Bundanoon Hotel

Performance – Bundanoon Memorial Hall

Transport: Private car – sharing encouraged.

Cost: \$32 per person with lunch at own cost.

To ensure you get a seat please book early by [CLICKING HERE](#) and then paying the appropriate amount into the club account (EFT preferred).

### **CANBERRA OVERNIGHTER**

There is still a one room vacancy available for the Canberra Visit to Floriade and Tidbinbilla on September 17-18 so if you would like to take that up phone John Elvy on 0414 255 770 ASAP.

### **OCTOBER PARTNERS' DAY**

October this year is Probus Month during which we promote Probus and Probus clubs to the public hoping to make contact with like-minded retirees who may be interested in joining us.

The general meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> October will be not only a partners' day but also a day when we ask you to bring along a friend or neighbour to enjoy our friendly club.



We have a special speaker program for the day with Graham Warner speaking on "No, Doesn't Always Mean No!" and then our guest, Ross Coulthart, will talk on the mysteries of "UFOs".

As well as this we will have the usual social morning tea and you are all invited to stay for lunch in the bistro after the meeting. The committee would love to see a big turnout for this function.

No need to book ~ just come along!

### **ELING FOREST MORNING TEA**

The second outing for October Probus Month will be morning tea at the Eling Forest Café. We haven't been there for some time, and it is a nice venue with excellent food and tea/coffee. We are now open for bookings and the bookings will close on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> October.

The full details are below. The cost of \$15 is a bargain and will cover your tea/coffee and includes a scone, slice of cake or a muffin.

Details:-

Place: Eling Forest Café

Date: Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2024

Time: 10 am

Travel: Private car

Cost: \$15 per person

Bookings Close: 10<sup>th</sup> October.

Bring your partner along or perhaps a friend or two!

To book [CLICK HERE!](#)

### **BOOKINGS**

As you know, we have adopted an online booking system which works remarkably well, and we encourage to use it as it is fast and simple.

If you have read the newsletter and didn't book at the time you can always go back to the newsletter and book at a later date by going to the club website, then the "Current Newsletter" on the first page and make your booking. The club website can be found by searching Google for "probus moss vale" or directly at [www.probusmossvale.org.au](http://www.probusmossvale.org.au). I would encourage you to bookmark it so finding the site is quick and easy.

Once you have made your booking please make your payment either by accessing your online bank account (preferred) or paying at a meeting.

### **HOW TO MAKE PAYMENTS**

**ONLINE (Preferred)**

BSB 032723 ACCOUNT 750434

Please identify your payment with your name.

**CASH**

Directly at a meeting.