



NEWSLETTER

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WHAT'S ON

11 th September	General Meeting
18 th September	Berrima Courthouse/Lunch
27 th September	Men's Coffee.
27 th September	Ladies' Coffee
1 st October	PROBUS MONTH
2 nd October	Committee Meeting
4 th October	G&S @ Bundanoon
9 th October	Probus Combined Meeting and Partner's Day
29 th October	Men's Coffee Club
29 th October	Ladies' Coffee
30 th October	Lunch at the Monaco

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

A colourful happy birthday to these Spring birthdays with a special mention to Alan Wright who celebrates nine decades this month!

Dennis Cooper Francis de Beaujeu
Kevin Ferrari Michael Gray
Lloyd Miller Bruce Rosenberg
Ross Seller Don Waden
Alan Wright

CURRENT CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Active Members 67
Non-Active Members 5
Total Members 72

AUGUST FINANCES

Opening balance 1st Aug \$4973.75
Closing balance 31st Aug \$5994.25
Expenses on Hold \$2901.00
Balance \$2251.25

MEN'S COFFEE CLUB

Bowral Bowling Club is the venue for our very popular monthly gathering for coffee and chat. It is again on the last Wednesday of the month on 27th September at 10am. Join us for convivial company

and a cup of coffee along with a chat about any subject you would like to introduce or just come along and listen, All members welcome!

INDUCTION

We have the pleasure this month of welcoming another new member to our club. Carl Francoli joins us after a busy life as an industrial chemist, technical school teacher and drug and alcohol counsellor. He swapped these for golf and family time when he retired to Bowral. Make Carl welcome when you see him at a meeting and welcome his partner Joanne along on excursions.

SEPTEMBER SPEAKERS

Paul Phillips, our September club speaker, will be speaking about his time on a coffee plantation in the Papua New Guinea Highlands.



Guest speaker is Angela Natoli, from the Heart Research Institute. In March 1989 the vision for the creation of the Heart Research Institute was to create NSW's first medical research institute dedicated to the detection, prevention and treatment of heart disease. Today HRI has more than 190 personnel, working in 14 scientific groups and supported by an operations team, with over 800 collaborations across 44 countries.

TOURS and OUTINGS SURVEY

John Elvy, our tours director, would like to thank all those who took the time to reply to the online survey last month. The survey is now officially closed and the result being analysed. This will be of great help when planning for future outings that you have suggested.

Tours and events are an essential part of our Probus club ethos. The club motto is "Fun, Friendship and Fellowship" and these organised events promote enjoyment and interest in a social atmosphere. Join us!

Enquiries: John Elvy on 0414 255 770

BERRIMA COURTHOUSE - BOOKINGS CLOSING

NOTE: The starting time was incorrect in the last newsletter. The tour of the Court House will start at 11

Bookings are closing at the meeting this Thursday, 11th September so if you would like to come along you still have time but not much of it. We will start with a guided visit to the historic Berrima Court House at 11am followed by lunch at the equally historic Surveyor's Inn just down the road in Berrima. Members and partners are invited to join us on Thursday, 18th September at 11 am and after at the Surveyor's Inn for lunch and maybe a small drink!

The cost for all this, including the lunch, is \$52 per person. There are several choices for lunch and there is sure to be a choice that you will enjoy. Please arrange your own transport.

Book now in the usual way, by [CLICKING HERE](#) and then transferring payment by your preferred method to the club account.

Bookings close 11th September.

Enquiries: Jim McGrath 0409 374 741

GILBERT & SULLIVAN BUNDANOON

BOOKINGS HAVE CLOSED

Bookings for the annual performance by the G&S Opera Sydney have closed early. This is because the number of seats allocated are sold out. We apologise if you missed out and are disappointed.

Details: Saturday, 4th October with lunch at the Bundanoon Hotel before the performance at 11:30 with the performance at 1:30.

The cost is \$38 per person, which covers your entry into the performance only, and the special lunch menu and drinks are at your own expense.

Bookings are closed.

Enquiries: Jim McGrath 0409 374 741

OCTOBER - PROBUS MONTH



October is the month each year that we celebrate the Probus Clubs and raise the profile of the Clubs amongst the mature members of the community. This year on Thursday, 9th October Chris Young has organized an outstanding speaker in Ross Coultardt, a journalist will recount the story of the recovery of WWI

photographs including a significant collection of glass plate negatives found in a French farmhouse attic in 2011, which captured the daily lives of Australian soldiers in the village of Vignacourt, close to the Somme front. These "lost" photographs, like those from Vignacourt, offer unique glimpses into WWI not seen in standard official archives and are often the subject of identification efforts by the public and institutions. Ross discovered a chest of WWI photographs in a French farmhouse attic.

No need to book just come along to the Alexandra Room at 10am for a cup of tea/coffee and we will move into the main auditorium at 10:15am. You are all invited to stay for lunch in the bistro afterwards.

Enquiries: Chris Young 0488 612 213

INTERNATIONAL DINING!

A luncheon at the renowned "Monaco Restaurant", Bowral has been arranged with a selected menu for you with a selection of mains and desserts plus tea/coffee.

Chef Subash Ghimire, the creative mind behind MONACO Bowral, began his culinary journey in a small town in Nepal, where his mother sparked his passion for cooking. After earning a degree in Hotel & Catering Management in Kathmandu, he refined his skills in prestigious kitchens like the Hyatt in

Dubai and the Palazzo Versace, mastering French and European cuisines.

If you would like to sample the tastes of this varied menu, bookings are available for members and their partners for this exciting French restaurant with plenty of choices.

Details: Monaco Restaurant, 52 Station Street, Bowral, Thursday 23rd October. 12 for 12.30 start.

Cost: \$60 per person (main, dessert, tea/coffee)

Drinks: Own cost but discount offered on wine.

This is a smallish restaurant so if you would like to attend, please book your seat early and avoid disappointment. To book [CLICK HERE](#).

Note that bookings close Thursday 16th October so book now to avoid disappointment.

Enquiries: John te Wechel 0488 919 366

COMMITTEE MEMBERS WANTED

There was a long discussion at the recent committee meeting as to how to encourage members to participate in the running of the club and not leave it to the "same old crew". We need new members with new ideas on the committee to ensure the long-term success of the club.

All financial members of the club are eligible to stand for the committee and members who have been in the club for a while and have experienced how things are run would be very welcome. Have a think about it and don't wait to be asked. Contact any member of the committee to express your interest.

WELFARE

If you are having trouble getting to a meeting or know of a member who needs just a little support from a visit contact our welfare officer, John te Wechel.

ASTON MARTIN

The Aston Martin Owners Club are having a meeting and display of cars on Bradman Oval (weather permitting) on Saturday, 13th September from 9am to 2pm. They expect up to seventy cars and you are welcome to go along and admire them. If you want to participate, I noticed a DB4 available for \$994,990 on Carsales!

Please note that if it is wet the cars will be at the Park Proxi Gibraltar Bowral carpark.

ONE LINERS

It's hard to explain puns to kleptomaniacs because they always take things literally.

I asked my North Korean friend how it was there, he said he couldn't complain.

HOW TO MAKE PAYMENTS

ONLINE (Preferred)

BSB 032723 ACCOUNT 750434

Please identify your payment with your name.

CASH

Directly at a meeting.