

MOSS VALE MEN'S PROBUS CLUB

President's Annual Report 2025

March 2025

My thanks to all members for your support during my term as President.

When Past President Michael, handed me the chain of office in April last year, my goal was to increase membership, provide interesting speakers and enhance the fellowship of our members.

I believe we have been relatively successful in achieving our goals. This would not have been possible without the dedication of your committee.

Michael has done a superb job managing membership growth.

Six new members, plus 3 inducted at the February meeting, 4 applications pending and 8 fellows who have visited the club at least once in the past 2 months.

Our membership data has been completely revised, thanks to Michael and Bruce's technical skills.

If there was an award for the most informative and interesting newsletter, Bruce would win hands down. He is a great contributor.

I was privileged to be your President in our 40th Anniversary year.

What a great function, professionally organised by Past President Jim, along with many other functions. Jim has generously agreed to continue with his role as our Functions Secretary for the 25/26 year.

Past President Malcolm has provided sound advice and management of our Welfare Program to ensure we are always aware of those members in need. Malcolm has decided to take a well earned rest from committee duties and I thank him for his contribution.

Geoff McBean has provided us with an excellent guest speaker program, which I will be taking over for the following year. I look forward to encouraging our new members to tell us about their favorite topics and experiences as Club Speakers.

Our financial position has been professionally managed by Grant Winberg. There have been some challenging moments, having to deal with last minute costs imposed by providers.

Our thanks to Frank Conroy, our Auditor, who has given us his "tick of approval".

My thanks to Lloyd Miller for the assistance he has given to Michael managing our membership portfolio.

Chris Young has been an excellent Club Secretary and has offered to retain the position during the coming year. His reporting of committee and general meeting minutes has been exemplary and his support to me much appreciated.

Our tours were well supported and a lot of fun.

Joadja Whiskey & Gin distillery,

Indian Culture lunch,

Canberra Floriade, Italian dinner and Tidbinbilla,

Beechworth, Gundagai, Holbrook, Bright, Ned Kelly tour

Cirque Du Soleil

Mayfield Gardens & Abercrombie House (in March/April)

This year, I will be continuing with Tours with the help of Marty Flaxman and arranging Club & Guest Speakers.

John Milhinch, your incoming President, has been an innovative sounding board and exceptional Vice President over the past 12 months. I have no doubt he will continue to add great value as he continues to grow our Club.

John has my total support, as well as those prospective committee members.

I hope members have enjoyed our journey over the past 12 months.

The Moss Vale Men's Probus Club is set on a pathway towards another 40 years of good fellowship, friendships & membership growth.

Thank you John Elvy President 2024-25