# Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc.



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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

# Members and Friends of the Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc

Very happy to see everyone who attended the Life of Riley Tour had a fantastic time. In fact, all our activities are getting back to normal and all seem to have excellent numbers attending.

We have some new members joining us, please say hello and I'm sure you will make them welcome. To those members moving on, thank you for being part of our club and on behalf of the members we wish you well in the future.

Please keep sending the pictures, stories, reports and articles to our Newsletter Editor. The Newsletter is a vital part of the club informing members and others what and when events are happening within the club.

See you soon.

# **Terry Stewart President**

#### **CONTACTS**

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# **COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2021/2022**

President Terry Stewart
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Secretary Geoff Jones

Treasurer

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Assist. Treasurer Chris Wood
Membership Tony Lovett
Newsletter Jenny Jones
Guest Speaker Jan Staniland
Social Margaret Lovett
Tours/Outings John Robinson

Entertainment Warwick Brady Welfare Robyn Wood

### **CLUB SUPPORT 2021/2022**

Art Appreciation/

Historic Walks John Robinson Auditor Bill Hardman Hospitality Jane White

Barbara Moxham

Movie Group
Reception
Warren Needs
Walking Group
Website Admin.
Wine Apprec,
Coffee Mornings
Warren Needs
Warren Niles
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Helen Miles
Ross Swadling
Mike Staniland

### MORNING TEA AND ROOM SETUP/PACK UP

Jane White (9453 3114)

Barbara Moxham (0407 992 476)

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

The club is seeking 3 volunteers each month to help in the kitchen during morning tea.

The club is also seeking 3 or 4 male volunteers each month plus a coordinator to put out tables and chairs before our meetings and put them away after our meetings.

On the table where you sign in at our May meeting there will be a sheet of paper where you can indicate when you are available to help out. Or contact Jane White or Barbara Moxham. Many thanks to those who have volunteered so far.

# **Morning Tea Volunteers**

Please arrive by 9.15am. Please contact either Jane White or Barbara Moxham if you are not able to attend.

Morning Tea 13 May
Merle Fox
Tova Swadling
1 more volunteer

Morning Tea 10 June
Judy Morton
Enid Oake
1 more volunteer

# Room Set Up/Pack Up

This involves arriving at the Church by 9.15am and putting out tables and chairs on the stage for the committee, at the back of the hall for event organisers and moving furniture outside the kitchen. Then all furniture has to be put back at the end of the meeting.

### Room Set Up 13 May

3 or 4 volunteers needed plus someone to coordinate volunteers for each monthly meeting.

### Room Set Up 10 June

3 or 4 volunteers needed

# Jane White Barbara Moxham

### **BOOK TABLE**

It has been decided to recommence the book table with a few provisos and a trial period of 3 months.

Please bring only books you have enjoyed with a limit of 3 books in reasonable condition and no magazines. Any of your books not taken **MUST** be collected by you.

# **Cherry Robinson**

#### CASUAL COFFEE MORNINGS

Jenny Jones 0405 310 537

Our committee has decided to reintroduce a monthly casual coffee morning to be held at a local café. The date will be the first Tuesday morning of each month.

The first coffee morning will be on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June. Further information will be given at our May meeting and then again in the next newsletter.

# **Jenny Jones**

#### PAYMENT REMINDERS

- \$45 membership fee now due.
   If you are one of the 20 people who have not yet paid their Probus membership fee for this year, please do so at your earliest opportunity.
- "Music of the Night" Tickets are \$60.00 each and payment to confirm a reservation should be paid as soon as possible.
- "Come From Away" Tickets are \$75.00 Please reserve now, payment required by 14th May at the latest.

Preferred method of payment is EFT. Please ensure that you include your surname and event name in the description section of your EFT payment. Print the "transaction receipt" and give one copy of it to the event organiser.

### Bank Details:

Combined Probus Club of Belrose

BSB: 032123

Account No: 325864

If you need to pay in cash or by cheque please place in an envelope for each event with your name on the front and give it to the event organiser. Separate cheques in separate envelopes please.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT**

Warwick Brady (0418 793 684)

As discussed briefly the other day we have three excellent productions occurring in the next few months. The productions are as follows and any reservations should be made as soon as possible:

Saturday 31st July 2021 8.00pm at Glen Street Theatre - "Music of the Niaht" An International Tribute to Andrew Lloyd Webber featuring the great musical hits from London's West End and Broadway Musicals including Phantom of the Opera, Evita, Cats, Miserables. Jesus Superstar, Aspects of Love and also including West Side Story, Carousel, Andrea Bocelli, Mario Lanza, Barbara Streisand. This should be an enjoyable evenina of beautiful music melodies leaving you feeling charmed, spirited, and happy exhilarated. Tickets are \$60.00 each and payment to confirm a reservation should be paid as soon as possible.

Wednesday 11 August 2021 1.00pm at Capitol Theatre Sydney - "Come From Away" The Tony and Olivier Award winning Broadway musical tells the remarkable true story of thousands of stranded passengers and the small town in Newfoundland Canada that welcomed them after the nine/eleven catastrophe. Cultures clashed and nerves ran high, but uneasiness turned into trust, music soared into the night, and gratitude grew into enduring friendships. Don't miss this breathtaking musical production.

**Tickets are \$75.00** Please reserve now, payment required by 14th May at the latest.

Friday 27th August 2021 8.00pm at Glen Street Theatre - "The Everly Brothers and the Rock n Roll Legends of the 50's and the 60's". Rock n Roll fans this is the show you have been waiting for! Embrace and celebrate all of the Classic Hits from some of the biggest musical legends of all time. A non stop journey through some of the the greatest songs.

In the first half of the show hear songs which made the Everly Brothers one of the biggest recording acts such as Bye Bye Love, Wake up Little Susie, All I have to do is dream, Bird Dog, Let it be me, Till I kissed you, Cathy's Clown, Crying in the rain and When will I be loved. While the second half of the show includes the hits of the Rock n Roll Legends Buddy Holly, Chuck Berry, Little Richard, Jerry Lee Lewis, Johnny O'Keefe, The Bee Gees, The Eagles, The Beatles, the Monkees and the Hollies to name just a few.

Put on your dancing shoes and join us for this fabulous night. Bookings are heavy so make your booking as soon as possible. **Tickets again are \$60.00** each.

Please let me know if you would like to reserve seats for any of these shows.

Warwick Brady Entertainment Officer

### **GUEST SPEAKERS**

Jan Staniland (0409 455 652)

On 13 May our guest speaker is from Fire & Rescue NSW who currently runnina programme a offering free Home Safety Visits to help people understand fire safety prevention and around This is designed to educate home. and increase awareness about fire prevention and also installing free smoke alarms when required.

# Jan Staniland-Guest Speaker Coordinator

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Tony Lovett (0414 872 188)

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS 2021/2022

Membership renewal notices were sent to all members of the Combined Probus Club of Belrose on the 14th March 2021.

Membership fees are \$45.00 per member for the year and payment is now due. If you are one of the 20 members who have yet to pay, please deposit your \$45 membership fee into the club's bank account:

Combined Probus Club of Belrose

BSB: 032123 Account No: 325864

Please let me know if there are any corrections necessary to your Members information held by the Club.

# **Tony Lovett Membership**

### SOCIAL

Margaret Lovett (0414 872 189)

## **CHINESE GARDENS LUNCH 6 MAY**

Numbers confirmed for 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021. 28 people are attending.

Lunch will be at 12 midday for a set session of one and a half hours. (Covid rules). Dessert may be ordered and paid for on the day. There will be an opportunity for people to return to the Gardens after lunch if they so desire.



# FORESTVILLE CLUB - 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Area reserved for our Club from 12 midday. Patrons to pay for own meals at the Club.

Numbers will be taken at the May meeting so final numbers can be given to the Club by 12th June.

# ANNIVERSARY LUNCH – 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY

Meeting was held with functions coordinator on 13th April. A very productive discussion was held, and decisions made re the function.

We are hoping the price will be the same as last year. (\$59)

There is adequate parking and suitable areas for those who have restricted mobility. There is easy access through the front door leading into function area. The bottom carpark is not available for general public as was the case last year (Boaties Only).

Lunch will be Canapes followed by a two-option main course then a two-option dessert.

There will be no Chef's suggestions.

Coffee and Tea will be served at tables.

Final numbers to be finalized by 8<sup>th</sup> July.

Bookings may be made at May and June meetings or online at any time of course. In fact, online is preferable for Bookings and Payments.

Should Covid restrictions change prior to the function the menu may have to be modified to comply.

# Margaret Lovett Social Coordinator

Mobile: 0414 872 189 margaret@lovett.com.au

### **TOURS AND OUTINGS**

John Robinson (0438 456 808)

## JINDABYNE - LIFE OF RILEY TOUR

Voted a great trip by all. We covered some 5/600 km's in the area visiting all the hotspots of the Snowy, Cooma, Perisher, Charlotte Pass, Smiggins Holes, Thredbo Chair Lift, Jindabyne, Adaminaby and Eucumbene dam.

Interesting visits daily - Cooma Goal, Salmon and trout hatchery, Schnapps distillery, Snowy Hydro 2.0.and various historic museums and sites.

## Salmon and Trout Farm



Great driver and guide in Phil and Justine, who became part of our group. They commented we were the most harmonious group to have done the trip in their time, since reconfirmed by Janet our contact from the motel.

Phil Allan provided an excellent evening musical entertainment with his bells, very professional. Thank you Maestro.

The excellent warm weather helped our cause, very lucky as the day we departed reached 2 degrees all day!

A big thank you to all for great interaction and fun during the trip.

Please go to this link to see photos of our trip taken by a collection of our "happy snappers".

Life of Riley Photos

# Vote of thanks given by Hastings on the last evening of the Jindabyne tour.

Tonight, is our last night in Jindabyne and I feel every day has been an outstanding success. Everything has contributed to our enjoyments, our driver, our tour director, bus comfort, weather, places we've seen, things we've done – and why go on, we all know what they've given us. But one of the glues that has joined all this together is a totally harmonious group. Though we all 'know' each other, these days together have expanded our understanding of our fellow members. This is always to our advantage.

So why are we here tonight? Because John Robo volunteered to put in his time and effort to give us the opportunity to participate, and then he pulled all the strings together to draw the package together into these fabulous days.

So, on behalf of us all, thanks John, we all appreciate all you've given us, just so we can enjoy ourselves. I feel sorry for those who could not join us, but I'm sure they'll be looking forward to hearing about your next offering.

As we look around, we can see other Management Committee members who in very different ways, are doing similarly what John has done for this The club's management trip. committee are the engine room who provide the energy and organisation, which gives us our Club and its many activities. And they've been doing this for almost 14 years. Yes, the names are different and the styles are all different, but their objectives have all been the same. Offering their time to give us an f'ing' good time.

Of course, I'm referring to the many wonderful and appropriate adjectives that start with the letter 'f'. Probus. of course, frequently promotes three of these words, 'Fun, Friendship and Fellowship', but there are many more that also belong, frivolity, fabulous, fascinating, friendly and collectively they are all 'fantastic'. So, during this week I, and I hope all of you, have had an 'f'ing' good time.

And looking forward, I see no reason why we cannot continue to have a wonderful time by being a member of this Club

This last week reflects what our Club can give us, and it shows how we can utilise the activities and enjoyments that are provided by our Management Committee. I'm confident these opportunities will now continue, as another successful year has started so well, and got us moving again.

# CHINESE GARDENS TOUR PLUS LUNCH - THURSDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY



On **6**<sup>th</sup> **May** we are having a joint outing to the **Chinese Gardens Darling Harbour** followed by lunch in the gardens.

The Chinese Garden of Friendship is a serene place of beauty at the southern end of Darling Harbour.

The Garden was built to symbolise the Sydney, friendship between New the South Wales and city of province Guangzhou in the of Guangdong, China (sister cities of sister states) and was formally opened as part of Australia's Bicentennial Celebrations on 17 January 1988.

1986 by Designed in landscape gardeners architects and from Sydney's sister city, Guangzhou, the Chinese Garden of Friendship follows the Taoist principles of 'Yin-Yang' - the balance of opposing complementary forces - and 'Wu-Xing' - the harmonious five elements of wood, fire, earth, metal and water. Wander serene pathways and take in exotic plants, blooming flowers and a lake of shimmering Koi.

For all those who wish to continue In the Chinese theme, Margaret Lovett, our Social Coordinator, has made a booking at the restaurant within the gardens (see Social report).

Entry to the Garden is \$6.00.

We have decided rather than go to the city by bus and train it will be much easier to go directly to the QVB by bus then walk 10/15 minutes downhill to the Gardens.

The return trip can be via the light rail to Central and bus home from Chatswood. The light rails stop is a six minute walk from the Gardens.

We will catch the 9.47am bus from Glenrose shops.

Should anyone wish to only visit the gardens and not stay for lunch please feel free to come, lunch at the gardens is not compulsory.

NATIONAL MARITIME MUSEUM THREE HOUR SYDNEY HARBOUR SECRETS CRUISE ON STEAM TUG "WARATAH" - FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE



Our 1902 steam tug cruise passes important and interesting sites around the harbour including Goat Island, Garden Island, Mort's Dock, Woolwich Dock, Spectacle, Snapper and Cockatoo Islands. An experienced Tour Guide will tell us about their historical significance.

- Cruise departs Northern end Pirrama Park, Pyrmont.
- Time 11.45am for 12.15pm departure to 3.15pm
- BYO picnic lunch, tea & coffee on board.
- No high heeled shoes. Warm top.
- Cost \$43.00 however will accept valid Covid Discover NSW vouchers for \$25.00 per person,
- Plus the Museum is loading the \$25.00 by \$10 to \$35.00.
- If paying balance of \$8.00 to club account please ensure you have your valid voucher on the day.

Please register and pay on the club website. Due to Covid, numbers are limited to 30. The Museum is hopeful that by June the limit may be lifted to 49.

We will catch the 10.17am Bus from Glen Street shops to QVB then 389 bus from Park street to departure point in Pyrmont.

John Robinson
Tours and Outings Organiser

### **WALKING GROUP**

Helen Miles (0407 078 963)

Our May walk is on Friday 28th and is at Bicentennial Park, Olympic Park and is led by Elaine Winslade.

Leave the Forest area approx. 9.30am for 10.15 - 10.30am at the park. After leaving Homebush Bay Drive and turning right at the roundabout at DFO into Australia Avenue, 100 metres turn right into Bicentennial Park and park and meet at the second car parking area at the children's playground, a 4 hour area.

After coffee we will walk then return to the Waterview Cafe area for lunch. The Cafe has a range of affordable food or you can bring your own and enjoy a picnic together. Anyone wanting a longer walk can explore a different area after lunch.

### **Helen Miles**

### WRAPS WITH LOVE

Margaret Hobson (0416 090 140)

The number of Wraps brought to our April Probus meeting was 15. This is a fantastic number and takes our overall total to 991. Wow!!! We also received 88 Squares to sew into wraps.

A reminder that the squares should be:

- . 10" x 10" (25cm x 25cm)
- . No knots in the middle of the square
- . Join all wool at the beginning of the row

# **Margaret Hobson**







# May Birthdays

CRIHDAY

2nd Judy Hardman

**Anne Hutchison** 

David Beckham (1975)

- Soccer Player

13<sup>th</sup> Keith Hutchinson

Joe Louis (1914)

- Boxer

16<sup>th</sup> Vicki Johnston

Liberace (1919)

- Musician

19<sup>th</sup> Mike Gibbs

Grace Jones (1948)

- Actress, Singer

20<sup>th</sup> Lyn Loveday

Cher (1946)

- Actress, Singer

26th Helen Miles

Helena Bonham Carter (1966)

- Actress, Singer

29<sup>th</sup> Ross Kempshall

Bob Hope (1903)

- Actor

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