Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc.



November 2022 Newsletter
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Liz's Lines



Can't believe it's November already! We are hoping the weather will improve as we start to think of holiday times when we catch up with friends and family over Christmas. The management of Covid allows us to be out and about a lot more. However, it is still essential that we isolate if we are not well to lessen the spread of the virus.

October was designated by PSPL (Probus South Pacific Ltd) to be Probus Month and Club our this acknowledged occasion with members wearing a touch of blue & yellow (the Probus colours) at our October meeting. Thank you to those who wore their colours - from where I was sitting, looking at you, it looked very festive!

way we Another celebrated occasion was for me to host a "Past Presidents' Dinner". This inaugural dinner was held at the Belrose Hotel on 6th October. It was an appropriate way to acknowledge the valuable past contribution from all our Presidents over the 15 years since our Club was formed (please see last three pages of this newsletter).

Our Guest Speaker for October was Dr Julia Poole who bravely gave us a lot to think about in her topic of Domestic Violence and Abuse. This is a scourge of our nation – the statistics are frightening! However, making us more aware of the circumstances and talking more openly about the subject may be the beginning of doing SOMETHING!

October had great theatre events (thanks Warwick) and lunch at Club Belrose (thanks Marg). I am certainly looking forward to Marg Ayre's next water adventure - checking out the jacarandas along the shoreline of the Lane Cove River on Thursday 5th, on board "Berrima". This beautiful restored 1955 Motor Launch forms part of the Sydney Heritage Fleet. The mauve vista from the water should look spectacular!

The Club's legendary Christmas Lunch is creeping up so quickly. I hope you've booked your seat for this event. We must remember this year it is on a Tuesday and not the usual Thursday! It has almost become a tradition for our Club to celebrate our special occasions at the wonderful Golf Club at Terrey Hills. I'm sure this year it will be at its usual high standard! It would be wonderful to see our latest new

members at our Christmas event as well as our lovely old familiar ones! A wonderful way to finish off the calendar year!

With half my Presidential responsibility already behind me, we look forward to hearing from members wishing to join the Management Committee to fill some spaces on the Club's Committee. Serving on the Committee wonderful way to learn how the Club operates and at the same time, bringing in fresh ideas. By contributing in person, you will be amazed at the amount of fun we have amongst the Committee serious stuff at the Meetings!

I look forward to seeing you during November.

Love **President Liz**



New Club Members inducted at our October meeting

Photo courtesy of Peter Moxham

COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2022/2023

President Liz Pawsey Past President **Terry Stewart** Vice President Ros Thompson Lesley Walker Secretary Colin Fordred Treasurer

Assist Treasurer/

Assist Secretary Mike Staniland Warwick Brady Entertainment Guest Speakers Jan Staniland Membership Tony Lovett Newsletter Jenny Jones Social Margaret Lovett Tours/Outings Margaret Ayre Welfare Robyn Wood

To send a message, comment or suggestion to the committee, please email our club email address:

Combinedbelroseprobus@gmail.com

CLUB SUPPORT 2022/2023

Art Appreciation/

Historic Walks John Robinson **Auditor** Bill Hardman Book Exchange Judy Morton Cinema Group Gloria Attwooll Hospitality Jane White

Barbara Moxham

Photographer Peter Moxham Reception Warren Needs Room Set-up Malcolm McLean Walking Group Helen Miles Website Admin. Ross Swadling Mike Staniland Wine Apprec, Wrap with Love Margaret Hobson

PAYMENTS NOW DUE

TUESDAY 13TH DECEMBER CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Price is \$72 per person

Bookings are now open and may be made on the website and at the November meeting. Payment is preferable also on the website. If this is not possible, I am happy to accept payment at the meeting in an envelope noting your name, the function name and amount on the envelope.

Marg Lovett

2022/3 MEETING DATES

General Meetings - Thursdays 10am

10 November

- 8 December
- 12 January
 - 9 February
 - 9 March (Annual General Meeting)

Committee Meetings - Thursdays 9.30am

24 November

No meeting in December

19 January

23 February

23 March

President: Liz Pawsey 0403 206 460
Secretary: Lesley Walker 0404 828 261
Treasurer: Colin Fordred 0411 757 156
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BOOKING CLUB ACTIVITIES AND PAYMENT

TO BOOK CLUB ACTIVITIES

 Register online via our club website

http://www.belroseprobus.org.au

or

 During meetings at the back of the hall, Warwick Brady (entertainment), Marg Lovett (social) and Margaret Ayre (outings) will be happy to take your details for club events.

PAYMENT

Preferred method of payment is EFT. VERY IMPORTANT - Please ensure that you include your surname and event name in the description section of your EFT payment or (if you cannot do this) send an email to the event organiser to notify them of your payment. Print the "transaction receipt" and give one copy of it to the event organiser.

Our club bank details are:

Combined Probus Club of Belrose

BSB: 032123

Account No: 325864

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

Preferably no cheques please.

MORNING TEA

Jane White (9453 3114) Barbara Moxham (0407 992 476)

Morning Tea Roster

10th November
Cherry Robinson
Di Pill
Vicki Johnston

8th December
Lesley McQuire
Sandy Cameron
Judy McClory

With the easing of Covid restrictions it is no longer mandatory for morning tea volunteers to wear masks and gloves.

Volunteers - please arrive by 9.15am. Please contact Jane or Barbara if you have a cough or are feeling unwell so we can find a replacement for you.

BOOK EXCHANGE

Judy Morton (0412 235 400)



Please, no more than one book per member to be brought to the table and to be taken back if no one has taken it by the end of the meeting. PLEASE NO MAGAZINES, NATIONAL GEOGRAPHICS (OR SIMILAR)

ENTERTAINMENT

Warwick Brady (0418 793 684)

Following the success of the Five Tenors Show at Glen Street which was sensational I approached our visit to the Theatre Royal in King Street Sydney to see "The Mousetrap" with a little bit of trepidation. However I need not to have worried at all, the show was terrific and all of our 32 members told me that they enjoyed the show. It was great and one of our members gave it an 11 out of 10. Thanks for all who came with us.

The Theatre Royal is bringing a number of very good shows for the rest of the year 2022 and the first six months of 2023. For anyone who has not seen "Come From Away" please do yourself a favour and buy some tickets for family or friends. ,Tthis is a great show and over 50 of our members saw it at the Capitol Theatre last year and everyone of our Members thanked me for a great afternoon.. Perfect for a Christmas Gift.

I visited Glen Street Theatre and spoke to my contacts, the 2023 programme will be announced on 23rd November and I will let you have it as soon as I can. I know that the Wharf Revue will be back sometime in 2023 and I understand there will be matinees as well as evening performances. As soon as I know you will.

Other shows coming to the city theatres are Tina Turner Musical - Simply the Best in May, Beauty and the Beast in June and Jason Donovan in the Rocky Horror Show in February.

Previously I had announced that Joseph and His Technicolour Dreamcoat was coming early in the New Year but this is now in doubt.

So as soon as Glen Street announce their programme a special broadcast will be sent for all members to consider

Thanks again for all the support in 2022

Kind regards,
Warwick Brady
Entertainment Officer

GUEST SPEAKERS

Jan Staniland (0409 455 652)

OCTOBER MEETING GUEST SPEAKER - JULIA POOLE



Dr Julia Poole and Hastings Pawsey

Photo courtesy of Peter Moxham

Our guest speaker for the meeting in October was Dr Julia Poole who spoke on the subject of Domestic Violence and Abuse and expressed the view that we should all do something to help anyone we know in this worrying growing problem in the community.

Special thanks to Julia for tackling this difficult subject in the limited time available, and to Warwick for suggesting this topic and Hastings for so ably thanking her after her talk.

NOVEMBER MEETING GUEST SPEAKER -

This coming month we have the Waste Management team from the Northern Beaches Council to talk about what to do with specific items in our domestic waste. Now is a chance to ask questions if, like most of us, you don't know how to dispose of any waste.

Jan Staniland Guest Speaker Coordinator

SOCIAL

Margaret Lovett (0414 872 189)

TUESDAY 13TH DECEMBER CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Christmas is coming!!!

Let's all celebrate with a wonderful lunch at Terrey Hills Golf Club on TUESDAY 13th December.

I extend a special invitation to all our newest members of Probus to come along.

Plus, I extend a challenge to current members to acquaint themselves with a new person they haven't chatted to at our regular meetings or gatherings. This lunch is an excellent way to meet new fellow members and enjoy mingling with the "Old."

Lunch will commence at 12 midday.

Lunch will comprise a two-course meal of main course and dessert served alternatively and

Including 2 canapés, a drink on arrival and a bottle of red and white wine on each table.

Tea/coffee plus fruit mince pies.

Price is \$72 per person

Special dietary requirements will be noted and need to be advised on booking.

Bookings are now open and may be made on the website and at the November meeting.

Payment is preferable also on the website. If this is not possible, I am happy to accept payment at the meeting in an envelope noting your name, the function name and amount on the envelope.

Don your Glad rags and Christmas Bling and join us at the last function of 2022.



Marg Lovett Social Coordinator

TOURS AND OUTINGS

Margaret Ayre (0423 302 069)

<u>JACARANDA CRUISE</u> <u>THURSDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2022</u>

The guides will meet our group at

- + 9.45 am for AM cruise and
- + 12.45 pm for PM cruise

at the Two Anchors in the paved area outside the Australian National Maritime Museum main doors, at the western end of Pyrmont Bridge, Pyrmont.

Group members SHOULD arrive at Pyrmont 15-20mins before the above listed times.

Passengers to wear sturdy covered footwear. It is advisable to bring a light wind jacket, a sunhat or rainwear, as appropriate, and your own water bottle.

Morning Tour

Margaret Ayre
Val Gibbs
Silvia Gore
Margaret Knorr
Kim Marshall
Bill & Lesley McQuire
Dy Murphy
Hastings & Liz Pawsey
Jill Pearce
Dianne Pill
Chris & Robyn Wood

Afternoon Tour

Gloria Attwooll
Warwick & Lorna Brady
Jock & Lyn Cameron
Colin & Marsha Fordred
Bev Grigg
Steve Howat
Peter & Lyn Loveday
Tony & Margaret Lovett
Judy McClory
Dennis & Helen Miles
Jean Scott
Elaine Winslade

There is still availability on the cruise, if interested call Margaret on 0423 302 069

<u>Please note:</u> There is no toilet available on board.

Please don't forget to bring your Probus Medical Cards with you on outings



WESTERN SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND HISTORIC CAMDEN

WEDNESDAY 1ST FEBRUARY 2023



Our morning commences travelling to Western Sydney International Airport and Experience Centre with morning tea on route at Nurragingy Reserve

The Experience Centre is located on the airport site, where you will be taken through a series of interactive stop overs where you will learn about the region and its people and understand the opportunities that will come from Australia's first smart airport. You will be immersed in the experience as you step into the airport control room and arrive at your final destination, the site! Your coach driver will then take you on a self-guided drive around the perimeter of the airport.

Our two-course lunch is at Barenz, a stylish and modern, yet cosy, establishment. Lunch includes a choice of main meals, a delicious cake platter and tea or coffee. Since its inception in January 2009, Barenz has developed a reputation for its great food and atmosphere.

After lunch we will be joined by our guide John Wrigley, a keen member of the Camden Historical Society, who will showcase many of the heritage buildings around both Camden and Cobbitty. We will see the beautiful St John's Church, the Mater Dei property, Belgenny Farm, Wivenhoe, Macarthur Park, Camelot, Sydney University Farms and the Elizabeth Macarthur Agricultural Institute while our guide brings the history of this fascinating area to life. There will be free time to stroll through the museum prior to returning home.

Cost per person is \$85.00 and includes morning tea, WSIA Experience Centre, lunch (2 course lunch and tea or coffee), guide and coach transportation. Departs at 8.00am and returns approximately 5.30pm.

ALPACAS, CIDER AND PIES

TANGLIN LODGE ALPACAS
128 TENNYSON ROAD,
TENNYSON, NSW 2754

THURSDAY 2ND MARCH 2023

We head off, up to the beautiful lower blue mountains. We will visit Tanglin Lodge Alpacas where we will enjoy a lovely Devonshire morning tea before having a tour and talk about the alpaca farm, you can cuddle an alpaca and a gift shop is also available. We will then reboard the coach and head to the Archibald hotel for a lovely lunch. After lunch we will be visiting the Bilpin Cider Co for a tour, talk and tasting of their

delicious ciders! From here we will head up to Bilpin Fruit Bowl who are famous for their delicious fruit pies! (Pies can be pre ordered)

Price will be determined by numbers on the coach, about \$80.00. Includes: Devonshire tea, 2 course Lunch, Cider tasting, a visit to the Bilpin Fruit Bowl.

<u>Please don't forget to bring your</u> <u>Probus Medical Cards with you on</u> outings



7 DAY TOUR TO MOREE

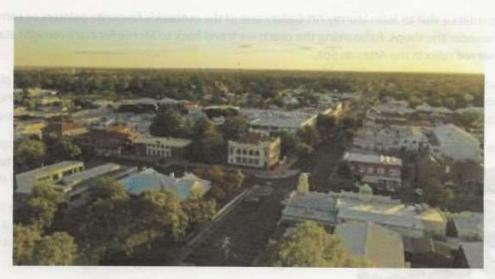
29 APRIL 2023

7 Day tour to Moree, \$1150 pp Twin Share, \$300 single supplement with Nomad Coach Tours (Please see information on following two pages)

A deposit of \$100pp will be required.

Please see information on following two pages.

Margaret Ayre
Tours and Outings
Margayre1@gmail.com



7 DAY MOREE TOUR \$1150 TWIN SHARE \$300 SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

Day One – Leaving Sydney, we Travel through Muswellbrook, Gunnedah, and Narrabri to Moree "The Artesian Spa Capital" where we will stay for the next six nights. We will have comfort stops along the way for morning tea and lunch.

Day Two - Today we have a nice leisurely day in and around Moree the town itself. We enjoy a tour of Moree and learn of the history and the important part Mary Bland along with her husband, (who opened the first store in 1852), played in the beginning of the town. Our tour will also show us some of the historical buildings which remain after the town was submerged on a number of occasions and ravished by fires.

We visit the Visitors Information Centre where among other things of interest, you will find locally grown produce that you can purchase. We next visit the Mehi Gallery and Studio formed by a group of Aboriginal students from the Moree area. We may find some of the artist hard at work, their artworks use traditional and contemporary Aboriginal concepts, designs and techniques. Lunch today will be at the Motel.



Free time this afternoon to relax and enjoy the health-giving waters of our Motel's own private Artesian Spa or take a stroll around the town.

Day Three - Our travel's today takes us to the Opal Mining township of Lightning Ridge. Lightning Ridge is the only place in Australia and one of the few places in the world where the precious and highly prized black opal is found. We will have a fun day learning all about opals. A tour around the town will show you how the other side live in their wild and untruly places surrounded by a moonscape of mullock humps where people fight against horrendous climatic conditions in search of the precious gemstones.

After lunch enjoy a visit to Chambers of the Black Hand, both a collection of sculptures, hand carvings, paintings all hand carved in the sandstone walls of an underground mine. There are endless rooms filled with unique paintings and carvings. There is something for everyone from AFL stars through to politicians, the Egyptian room, the Disney superheroes, the aboriginal room, the African bush animals and many more.

If time permits a visit to John Murray Art Gallery one of the outback's favourite painters or some free time to wander the shops. Reboarding the coach we travel back to Moree for our overnight stay and a well-deserved relax in the Artesian Spa.

Day Four - Pecan Nut Farm and Pallamallawa Village Agriculture emerged on the fertile flood plains and is now one of the most vital industries in the region. This morning we enjoy a visit to the Pecan Nut Factory, the largest and most productive Pecan Nut Plantation in the Southern hemisphere.

Then we heading to Pallamallawa Village, the rural township of Moree, a home to the most impressive

War memorial in the district, after lunch at Pally, we return to the motel and free to enjoy the artesian pool or maybe go for a stroll.



Day Five - Today we travel to Cranky Rock Nature Reserve a jumble of giant boulders heaped in the most fantastic positions by a past volcanic upheaval. We suggest for those active passengers a walk to the viewing platform before enjoying morning tea.

Re-joining the coach we travel to the lovely town of Inverell, situated on the Macintyre River. Mining has been a staple industry in the area since 1870 with tin, sapphires, zircons and diamonds being commercially exploited. Here an interesting visit to the Pioneer Village to view the history of the area.

Visit the Information Centre and a guided tour of the town before heading back to Moree.

Day Six - A Day tour over the NSW- Queensland border to Goondiwindi. Goondiwindi boasts beautiful tree - lined streets, well-kept gardens and the Macintyre River, whose beauty is one of their greatest assets. Goondiwindi is the commercial hub of a vast agricultural and pastoral sector which produces cotton, grain, wool, beef, lamb and pork for domestic and overseas markets.

On arrival enjoy morning tea in The Water Park, we are joined by our local guide who gives us a quick tour of the town followed by a tour of Goondiwindi Cotton's cotton farm. See how the farms are laid out, learn all about cotton growing and the local cotton industry, see where some of the best cotton in the world is grown, view some of the large machinery and irrigation systems used on the farm to harvest the cotton.

Next is lunch than some free time in Goondiwindi to explore the Visitors Information Centre. Opposite the centre stands the statue of racing legend Gunsyn of which Goondiwindi was home. Take a look at the historic Border Bridge which was built in 1914. The Bridge spans the Macintyre River and was the main hub for freight crossing the border between New South Wales and Queensland where duties were collected by Customs. View Customs House (entry at your cost) or maybe just wander the shopping centre.



After an enlightening day we head back to Moree for our overnight stay.

Day Seven - Today we must say goodbye to Moree and its beautiful surrounds and head for home.

For more details on this tour or to book a date please call George Chiu from Dragon Phoenix Resort on 0452 629 599 / 02 6752 5555 or email info@dragonpheonix.com.au

Alternatively, please contact Mandy from Nomad Coach Tours on 0401 632 882 or email mandy@nomadcoachtours.com who will be able to assist you.

WALKING GROUP

Helen Miles (0407 078 963)

NOVEMBER WALK

Our November walk on Friday 25th November, is Watson's Bay to North Bondi, and is our last walk for the year.

Meet at the Glenrose bus stop at 8.00am to catch the 8.07am City bus. We will walk from Wynyard to Circular Quay and aim to catch the 9.45am Ferry to Watson's Bay where we will have coffee before starting our walk. As it is quite a long walk, there is the possibility of catching a bus part of the way to North Bondi, especially if it is an exceptionally hot day. Being the last walk of the year we plan to have lunch at the North Bondi R.S.L. Club.

OCTOBER WALK

On Friday 28th October 11 courageous and enthusiastic walkers were finally able to experience the many times postponed Coogee to Maroubra coastal walk led by Helen. transport connections working well we arrived at Coogee to enjoy morning coffee under clear, blue skies beside the sparkling blue ocean. Heading off along the Coastal Walk to Maroubra had cheese and biscuits we overlooking the ocean before arriving safely at the Marini Cafe opposite Maroubra Beach for an enjoyable lunch chosen from their amazingly large menu.

Our transport home went smoothly until our bus from the city went missing but after a slightly longer wait and an extra walk we eventually returned safely to our starting point, the end of a long but enjoyable day in good weather. Thanks to Peter Loveday for taking the photos of our day.

Helen Miles Walking Group Coordinator















WELFARE

Robyn Wood (0424 243 457)

Now that the temperature is rising the ticks and leeches are on the move. Some of you have already discovered that they are part of living in this area. Talk to your pharmacist. There are sprays and your doctor will give you medications to bring down the swelling and itchiness.

Great to see so many members at Club Belrose last Thursday drinking many jugs of water with lunch instead of wine - your kidneys were most grateful.



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Take care.

Robyn Wood,

Welfare Officer

WRAP WITH LOVE

Margaret Hobson (0416 090 140)

A big thank you to all our Probus members and their friends who've contributed squares to enable us to once again increase our total by another 18 wraps to 1265 to help us reach our goal of 1300.

Show below are some of the wraps.

Margaret Hobson Wrap Coordinator

















November Birthdays



4th Lesley Hackshall

7th Margaret Ayre

8th Ted Morton

13th Tony Lovett

18th Clare Bassett

18th Narelle Coleman

20th Judy Fuller

21st Val Gibbs

21st Tonia Glassock

22nd Jenny Jones

24th Mark Johnston

29th Lorna Brady

Celebrating Probus Month-- October 2022

Inaugural Past President's Dinner

6th October 2022



Left to right

BACK ROW(STANDING)

John Robinson (2009-10)

Kevin Radford (2015-16)

Warwick Brady (2011-12)

Geoff Huntington (2010-11)

Cherry Robinson (2019-20)

Lyle Pearce (2012-13)

Liz Pawsey (current 2022)

Hastings Pawsey (2017-18)

FRONT ROW(SEATED)

Peter Loveday (2016-17)

Bruce Nicholson (July 2007 & 2008)

Lesley Walker (2014-15)

Mike Staniland (2018-19)

Elaine Davidson (2013-14)

INSERTS (UNABLE TO ATTEND)

Terry Stewart (Aug 2020 & 2021) Peter Moxham (2020)

PAST PRESIDENTS' DINNER

by Liz Pawsey

Probus South Pacific introduced a method to promote Probus in general and decided that October be Probus Month. One of our Club's contributions to this initiative was to have a dinner for all the Past Presidents, hosted by me, as current President.

Our inaugural Past Presidents' Dinner was held at the Belrose Hotel on Thursday 6th October at 6pm and we were thrilled to have a special visit from Qld of Elaine Davidson our first female President. Two Past Presidents, Peter Moxham and Terry Stewart, were unable to attend but it was wonderful to have 12.



Elaine Davidson

This event is our formal acknowledgement of the valuable contribution from all of the Presidents. I would love to see this event become an annual one.

Belrose Rotary had already set up 2 Probus Clubs in the area – one Ladies only and one Men only – many years before. We were the trend setters being the first Combined Club Belrose Rotary had set up. Since then, Belrose Rotary have established two more – both combined.

Our first President in 2007, Bruce Nicholson and first Secretary Susan Allsop, had the hard part of setting up the Club under the guidance of Belrose Rotary. At the start of our Club, Bruce and his team set a wonderful standard for the Club to follow.

Out of interest, of the Foundation Members who joined in July 2007, there are still 39 currently in the Club of 128 members.

For a little of our Club's history, here is a list of all Presidents, Secretaries & Treasurers covering the 15 years of the Club's existence.

	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER
July	BRUCE	SUSAN ALLSOP	BOB COLEMAN
2007	NICHOLSON		
2008	BRUCE	SUSAN ALLSOP	TED MORETON
	NICHOLSON		
2009	JOHN ROBINSON	SANDY CAMERON	WARWICK
			BRADY
2010	GEOFF	SANDY CAMERON	WARWICK
	HUNTINGTON		BRADY
2011	WARWICK	LIZ PAWSEY	PHIL ALLAN
	BRADY		
2012	LYLE PEARCE	LIZ PAWSEY	PHIL ALLAN
2013	ELAINE	RUSSELL ALLSOP	MIKE STANILAND
	DAVIDSON		
2014	LESLEY WALKER	TERRY WINSLADE	MIKE STANILAND
2015	KEVIN RADFORD	MIKE STANILAND	STEPHEN BAKER
2016	PETER LOVEDAY	TERRY WINSLADE	STEPHEN BAKER
2017	HASTINGS	MALCOLM	STEPHEN BAKER
	PAWSEY	MCLEAN	
2018	MIKE	DIANE BAKER	CHRIS WOOD
	STANILAND		
2019	CHERRY	SUSAN ALLSOP	CHRIS WOOD
	ROBINSON		
2020	PETER MOXHAM	SUSAN ALLSOP	CHRIS WOOD
Aug	TERRY STEWART	GEOFF JONES	MIKE STANILAND
2020			
2021	TERRY STEWART	GEOFF JONES	MIKE STANILAND
2022	LIZ PAWSEY	LESLEY WALKER	COLIN FORDRED