



ROS' WRITE-UP



Hi everyone,

It is so great that we are settling into our new venue and that so many are staying to socialise over lunch. Also it's encouraging having such a large attendance at our meeting.

Thank you, Rob Murphy for your article in our newsletter, "The Man on the Street", the untold story. Giving us an understanding on how our club came to be formed. A big thank you to all those involved in the club's formation. You all must be very proud of the way it has grown.

Our guest speaker, David Hunt was very interesting and entertaining. Filling us in on "An engaging witty and utterly irreverent take on Australian history". Selling to us the three books he has written. I'm sure there are many members who will be happy to share around the book they purchased, so they can read all three. I have it on good authority (from a special friend Elizabeth) that David's audio books, narrated by him, are really worth listening to!

Thank you Marg, for organising lunch at the Totem Club - with over 40 people attending, it was lovely just to catch up with everyone over lunch. The menu choice was very good. I chose the mussels which were really beautiful. I would definitely go back. It was encouraging for the club, as some of our group became members.

Our club is so fortunate that we have such an enthusiastic and dedicated committee and sub-committee. They organise our events, activities and the general running of the club. Thank you all so very much for doing such a great job, you are very much appreciated.

I would also like to thank our great club members for supporting our events and activities. The club wouldn't be as successful as it is today without you.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our next meeting at Forest Hotel Thursday 9th November 2023. From 9:30 for 10:00 start.

Take care,
President Ros.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2023/2024

President	Ros Thompson
Past President	Liz Pawsey
Vice President	Peter Moxham
Secretary	Barley Stewart
Treasurer	Colin Fordred
Assist Treasurer/ Assist Secretary	Mike Staniland
Entertainment	Warwick Brady
Guest Speakers	Cherry Robinson
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

or use the suggestion box on the book exchange table:

CLUB SUB COMMITTEES 2023/2024

Audio Visual Setup	Terry Stewart
Auditor (Honorary)	Chris Wood
Book Exchange	Judy Morton
Cinema Group	Gloria Attwooll
Hospitality	Terry Stewart/Di Pill
Photographer	Peter Moxham
Reception	Warren Needs
Walking Group	Helen and Dennis Miles
Website Admin.	Ross Swadling
Welfare	Robyn Wood
Wine Apprec,	Mike Staniland
Wrap with Love	Margaret Hobson



2023

31 October – Cinema/Movies
Killers of the Flower Moon

2 November – Tours
Seven Islands Cruise

6 November – Entertainment
Don't Shoot Me – I'm Still Just the
Piano Player

9 November – General Meeting

16 November – Committee Meeting

24 November – Walk
North Head

8 December – Social
Christmas Lunch, Terry Hills Golf Club

14 December – General Meeting

18 December – Entertainment
The Vallies – This Christmas

2024

11 January – General Meeting

25 January – Committee Meeting

8 February – General Meeting

10 February – Entertainment
One Night in Memphis

22 February – Committee Meeting

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 or cash please.

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)

On the table there is also a “suggestion box”. Your comments/suggestions are always welcome.

CINEMA GROUP

Gloria Attwooll (0430 215 536)

MY BIG FAT GREEK WEDDING 3

On Tuesday 17th October we went to see My Big Fat Greek Wedding 3. There were 7 of us there & we all enjoyed it - plenty of laugh's & lots of great scenery as it was all filmed on a trip back to Greece.

When we came out we had the cafe to ourselves as no one else was at the movies so quick service & able to all sit round the table & had an enjoyable coffee & catch up.

KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON

All who were at the movies on 17th October decided they would like to see another movie that we saw the shorts of – Killers of the Flower Moon.

So, on **Tuesday 31st October at 10.10am** we will go to Warriewood to see Killers of the Flower Moon.

Hope to see some of you there, then.

Gloria Attwooll
Cinema/Movie Coordinator

ENTERTAINMENT

Warwick Brady (0418 793 684)

DON'T SHOOT ME, I'M JUST THE PIANO PLAYER

The show "Don't Shoot Me, I'm Just the Piano Player" features David Scheel regarded as the finest musical humourist in the world. The show is a wonderful blend of piano and comedy and includes a course of concert music. We have 37 people attending this show and all tickets have been delivered.

THE VALLIES – THIS CHRISTMAS

The final show for 2023 is "The Vallies - This Christmas" a chance to wish our fellow members a Very Merry Christmas. This new Vocal Group presents the songs of Bing Crosby, The Drifters, Michael Buble Frankie Valli and many more. **Tickets are \$30** each and any further request for tickets should be made immediately. The show is on **18 December**

ONE NIGHT IN MEMPHIS

The first of two shows for 2024 are "One Night in Memphis" presenting the songs of Elvis Presley, Roy Orbison and Johnny Cash showcasing the greatest songs of the 1950's and 1960's . **Book tickets now for Saturday 10th February 2024 for \$55.00 each.**

AHN DO

Finally Ahn Do - The Happiest Refugee Alive. A stand up Comedy with Real Life Stories. Ahn tells his amazing story with photos and filmed pieces.. Ahn is one of Australia's most talented comedians. This unbelievable unforgettable night of theatre leaves the audience uplifted and quite simply experience happiness. We have tickets for **Wednesday 6th March and tickets cost \$74.90.** This is the show we have been anxious to see. Make your bookings as soon as possible.

WHARF REVUE

We are very fortunate to have been offered tickets for the Wharf Revue and **I have requested 60 tickets on Friday 22nd March at 7.30pm and 12 tickets for Wednesday 27th March at 2.00pm.** I am just waiting for costs to be confirmed.

Thanks again for all the support you have given me during 2023.

Warwick Brady
Entertainment Officer

GUEST SPEAKERS

Cherry Robinson (0438 186 584)

OCTOBER SPEAKER



Rob Murphy and October guest speaker David Hunt

Our October speaker David Hunt entertained us with his report on Australian history and sold many of his books.

NOVEMBER SPEAKER

In November Ian Thompson's (who has spoken to us previously on a scientific topic,) presentation will be 'Living in Japan', where he has family and will cover the Japanese culture, food and manners.

Cherry Robinson
Guest Speaker Coordinator

SOCIAL

Margaret Lovett (0414 872 189)

CLUB TOTEM

A very pleasant lunch at the Totem Club was attended by 42 people. The venue was perfect for conversations aplenty with no problems hearing each other even though there were about 30 other patrons in the same area.

The food was excellent with a varied menu available and reasonably priced. Thanks to Brian Peck who is a member we were able to use his membership card for a 10% discount on the drinks also. The Club were very happy also as a few of our group became members of the Totem Club at a very reasonably priced membership. This venue will be on the radar next year. Stay tuned.

It was especially pleasing to see new members attending and having the opportunity to meet other Probus members in a different setting.





OUR CHRISTMAS LUNCH IS
APPROACHING
FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER

For the benefit of our new members, I would like to give a few details re the lunch.

Our Probus Club have two major functions a year plus all the extra lunches/dinners. The Anniversary Lunch in July and the Xmas Lunch in December. The Terrey Hills Golf Club is the chosen venue for the Xmas function and over many years has always been a great success. The service, food and ambiance of the function area is second to none.

Tables will be set for 8 or 9 people depending on numbers, and requests for seating partners may be made and hopefully adhered to!! Special dietary requirements should be also noted on booking. The theme of course is "Xmas" and a touch or a splash of Xmas in your outfit will not go unnoticed with a few spot prizes for creativity!!!

I look forward to welcoming you all to the final function of the year (for me anyway) WHEW!

Margaret Lovett
Social Coordinator

TOURS AND OUTINGS

Margaret Ayre (0423 302 069)

SEVEN ISLANDS CRUISE

Next outing is the 7 Islands Cruise on **2nd November 2023** leaving from Pirrama Park, Pymont, Elizabeth Macarthur Park public pontoon. Please be there by 11.30am for boarding at 12 Noon.

Suggest you take a picnic lunch to enjoy on the cruise. Bus 389 from Town Hall Station, Park Street to Pirrama Road at Harris St Pymont. Buses run every 15mins.

LINNWOOD

The tour of the historical house of Linnwood at Guilford. has been confirmed for **March 7th 2024**,

BRIGHT AND SURROUNDS TOUR

May 13th-19th 2024. The On Course tour to Bright at this stage is fully booked. Names have been added to the waiting list.

A deposit of \$200.00pp is now due to secure your room at the motel. Please advise me as a couple if you require twin beds. Cost per person is \$2270.00 single supplement \$530.00 = \$2800.00pp. Please read the full itinerary of the tour and the terms and conditions.

Many Thanks for your support

Margaret Ayre
Tours and Outings Coordinator
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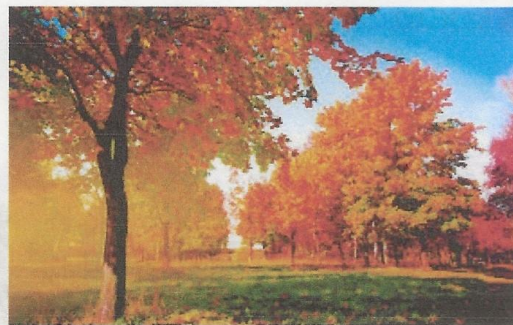
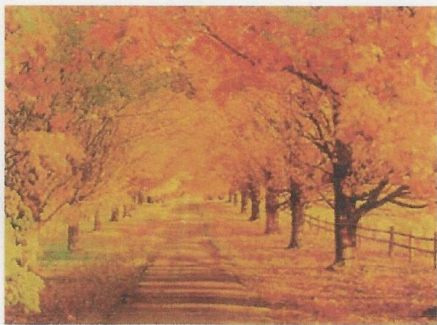
TOURS AND TRAVEL

BRIGHT AUTUMN TOUR

7 DAY TOUR

13TH - 19TH MAY 2024

The Victorian High Country is an area of stunning beauty year round, with the rugged mountain grandeur overlooking some of the prettiest valleys imaginable. Autumn sees this beauty highlighted with a brilliant blaze of colour centred around the township of Bright. The inspirational scenery is only one of the attractions, it also boasts a fascinating history dating back to the *Gold Rush* days, including our most notorious bushrangers. Our tour sees us based in Bright for 4 nights at the bright Colonial Motel (Ph: 03 5755 1633), which features tranquil gardens and outstanding country hospitality and allows us time to properly explore and appreciate this unique area.



Our first night is at the 4 star Mercure at Wagga Wagga (02 6921 6444) which allows a more relaxed journey to Bright and some time to explore one of our premier regional cities. As the gateway to the Riverina, Wagga has developed into a vibrant centre with the Charles Sturt University and the Army & RAAF Bases adding extra dimensions to the agricultural base.

Our return from Bright sees us travel through Kosciusko National Park on the spectacular Alpine Way. We will pass through the Upper Murray region taking in Khancoban, Tom Groggin Station and Dead Horse Gap on our way to Thredbo. Our final night is at Ridges Horizons, Jindabyne (02 6456 2562) with lovely views over the lake.

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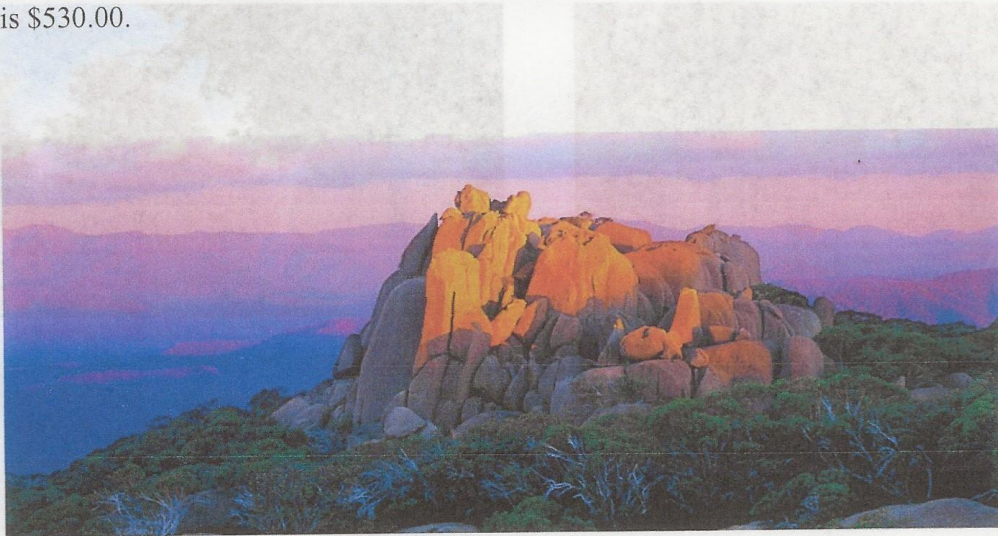
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One Course

Features include visits to:-

- * Junee and Cootamundra
- * Wagga Botanic Gardens
- * National Art Glass Gallery
- * Heritage tour of Wagga Wagga
- * Nightingales Orchard
- * The Alpine National Park and Mount Hotham
- * The Buckland Valley with its goldmining heritage
- * Porepunkah, Myrtleford and Wandiligong
- * Beechworth and Yackandandah, towns of living history
- * Mount Buffalo National Park and Bents Basin Lookout
- * Optional Chairlift ride in Thredbo
- * Corryong, Khancoban, Thredbo and Kosciuszko National Park
- * Town tour of Cooma and surrounds
- * Canberra with lots of Autumn colour and a picnic lunch in Commonwealth Park

Cost per person is \$2,270.00 twin share which includes a group pick up, all meals (full cooked breakfasts and delicious dinners) and admissions. Single supplement is \$530.00.



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BRIGHT ITINERARY

7 DAY ITINERARY

DAY 1 SYDNEY - WAGGA WAGGA

Our journey south this morning is broken with morning tea at Nepean Dam at Bargo. We continue on to Yass where we will enjoy a picnic lunch and perhaps a walk past some of its lovely old heritage buildings, including the James Barnett designed Court House.

After lunch we continue on the Hume Highway through Binalong, Harden and on to Cootamundra. There will be time to inspect the 41 bronze statues of Australia's Cricket Captains before we continue through Junee and on to Wagga Wagga. We will check into our motel with time to freshen up before dinner at 7.00pm. (Mercure Wagga Wagga – Ph: 02 6939 7200)

DAY 2 WAGGA WAGGA - BRIGHT

This morning we will visit the Wagga Beach and the Botanic Gardens, home to Wagga's miniature railway, as well as the Charles Sturt University, the impressive regional art gallery and national art glass gallery and take in some of the grand heritage buildings. We commence our journey to Ovens Valley and travel on to the Olympic Way and through the towns of The Rock, Henty and Culcairn before passing through Albury – Wodonga. After lunch we travel cross country into the Ovens Valley through Myrtleford and Porkpunkah on our way to Bright. Our home for the next 4 nights is at Bright Colonial Motel (Ph: 03 5755 1633).

DAY 3 BRIGHT - MT BUFFALO

This morning we meet Brian Kelly, an enthusiastic local who will show us around his beautiful part of the world. Each year the Bright Autumn Festival attracts thousands of people and our visit has been timed to see this area at its best. Our guided tour will include Wandiligong and the Buckland Valley and we will call into Nightingales Orchard for some apples fresh from the trees.

After morning tea in the picturesque riverside park and some time to explore the town on foot we will head to the summit of Mount Buffalo for a picnic lunch at Bents Lookout. The view from the lookout here is truly stunning across the Victorian Alpine Country and we will also have time to explore the plateau before heading back down to Bright for a pre dinner happy hour (Weather permitting).

DAY 4 BEECHWORTH - YACKANDANDAH

This morning we will visit the Bright Gallery which hosts a very impressive and extensive annual competition as part of the Autumn Festival. The competition attracts entries from around Australia and the quality of the work is outstanding. We continue on to Beechworth where we will enjoy morning tea before meeting our guide who will share much of this fascinating gold town's history. Lunch today is at the Beechworth Bakery and there will be time to indulge in some of the many unique shops the town has to offer. This afternoon we continue on to the National Trust Classified Village of Yackandandah before our return to Bright.

BRIGHT ITINERARY

DAY 5 MT HOTHAM

This morning we travel the spectacular Great Alpine Road which is one of the most exhilarating drives in Australia. The road up to Mount Hotham is indeed an incredible experience and we just may find some snow at the summit. We will take in Hotham Village along with all the new developments around Dinner Plain before enjoying morning tea and plenty of fresh mountain air. Our lunch today is in Bright and this afternoon we will visit the snowline Red Deer Stud at Eurobin. The farm was established 25 years ago and is on 375 acres bordering the Mount Buffalo National Park, in another incredibly picturesque location!

There will also be a little more time to spend in the centre of Bright for those in need of more retail therapy.

DAY 6 BRIGHT - JINDABYNE

Sadly we leave the beautiful Ovens valley this morning, however the scenery promises to be spectacular crossing 'the roof of Australia' through Kosciuszko National Park. Heading through the Upper Murray we pause at Corryong for a brief visit to the Man From Snowy River Museum, an excellent rural museum. The town was home to Jack Riley, the Man from Snowy River, and the museum highlights his story along with the areas history. Leaving town we cross the Murray and head to Khancoban for lunch

This afternoon sees us travelling along the spectacular Alpine Way to Thredbo, past Tom Groggin Station and Dead Horse Gap. We will not only appreciate the rugged beauty of this vast landscape but also the amazing feat of engineering that brought about the Snowy Mountains Scheme. We will continue on to Thredbo where there will be time to stroll through the pretty Alpine village. Our destination is Jindabyne and we will travel around the lake where we will see a monument to Paul Strzelecki, the first European to climb and name Mount Kosciuszko. We arrive at the Rydges Snowy Mountains Resort (Ph: 6456 2562) at approximately 5.30pm with dinner at 7.00pm.

DAY 7 JINDABYNE - SYDNEY

We commence our day with a guided tour of Cooma with an enthusiastic local that is certain to provide a lot of insight into this interesting town. After morning tea we continue north to Canberra which itself boasts an impressive display of Autumn colour. We will have lunch at Commonwealth Park and drive past many of the City's striking public buildings.

Continuing around Lake George we rejoin the Hume Freeway at Goulburn and break our journey home at Sutton Forest. Our return to Sydney will be at approximately 5.30pm.

***** *Due to any unforeseen circumstances this itinerary may change* *****

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TOURS AND TRAVEL

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A GROUP CONSISTS OF A MINIMUM OF 10 PEOPLE.

SECURITY DEPOSIT – If Airfares are involved a security deposit per person is payable within 2 months of booking to ensure a place on the tour is held for the passenger.

PAYMENT OF TOUR PRICE - The total tour price must be paid no later than 1 month prior to departure to confirm bookings. If flights are involved full payment must be made 6 weeks prior to departure. It is the sole responsibility of the group to pay the tour price by the due date.

CANCELLATION FEES: In line with Industry standards it is necessary to apply a cancellation fee to cover administration costs and deposits paid. Cancellations commence from the day notice is received (during office hours not being a weekend or public holiday) by the Company.

The following fees apply to each individual person on cancellation:-

DAYS OF NOTICE:	FEE PER PERSON:
30 to 15	50% of tour fare

NOTE: Less than fifteen (15) days - There is **NO REFUND** where cancellation is received less than 15 days or for the unused portion of the tour.

CANCELLATION FEES INCORPORATING AIRFARES / EVENT TICKETS: In line with Industry standards it is necessary to apply a cancellation fee to cover administration costs and deposits paid. Cancellations commence from the day notice is received (during office hours not being a weekend or public holiday) by the Company.

The following fees apply to each individual person on cancellation:-

DAYS OF NOTICE:	FEE PER PERSON:
41 days & over	Airfare / Event Ticket Cost
31 to 40 days	50% of tour fare plus airfares

NOTE: Less than thirty (30) days - There is **NO REFUND** where cancellation is received less than 30 days or for the unused portion of the tour.

THE CANCELLATION FEE FOR TOURS BOOKED THROUGH ANOTHER COMPANY WILL DEPEND ON THEIR CANCELLATION POLICY.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: We **STRONGLY ADVISE** passengers to take out travel insurance to cover any unforeseen circumstances that may arise (including, but not limited to cancellation fees, loss of luggage and early return following death of a relative as defined in the respective proposal forms).

WALKING GROUP

Helen Miles (0407 078 963)

NOVEMBER WALK

Our November walk is on **Friday 24th November** and is at **North Head**. Meet at the car park, on the left of North Head Scenic Drive, near the Bella Vista Café for a 9.15am start. (It should be free parking). After coffee we will walk out to the headland and the new viewing areas.

As it is our last walk for the year we will have lunch afterwards at either the Bella Vista Café or Wakehurst Golf Club, whichever is more suitable.

Helen Miles
Walks Coordinator



OCTOBER WALK

Eight hardy walkers set out on Friday 27th for our monthly walk. Due to the weather we didn't attempt to walk in the Botanic Gardens but set out for the NSW Art Gallery.

After dodging a downpour, we made it to coffee in Australia Square then, as it had cleared, we continued on to the Art Gallery, exploring the new North Building first. Cheese and biscuits were had, under cover, in the Forecourt meeting area during another downpour before heading across to the South Building to enjoy more of the displays.

We had lunch in the Gallery Cafe, viewed some more of the displays, then, during a sunny break, headed for the bus stop and the trip home, managing to keep dry all day. A great way to enjoy a wet day.



WRAP WITH LOVE

Margaret Hobson (0416 090 140)



Wrap With Love have been able to honour the request for 1500 Wraps for Ukraine. Their next challenge is Armenia.

A big thanks to all our knitters and crocheters for their squares and finished wraps.

Just a little refresher:

- Squares need to be 10" x 10" (25cm x 25cm)
- Knitted on size 4mm (or old size 8) needles
- Please join wool at beginning of row as this is preferable
- Ensure there are no knots in body of knitting

Our total of wraps since 2012 has reached 1412 a terrific effort. Shown on the next pages are some of our latest wraps.

Margaret Hobson
Wrap With Love Coordinator





November Birthdays



- 4th Lesley Hackshall
 - 7th Margaret Ayre
 - 8th Ted Morton
 - 13th Tony Lovett
 - 18th Clare Bassett
 - 20th Judith Fuller
 - 21st Val Gibbs
 - 21st Tonia Glassock
 - 22nd Jenny Jones
 - 24th Mark Johnston
 - 29th Lorna Brady
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At the Totem Club, President Ros enjoying “just a few” mussels!