Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc.



December 2023 Newsletter
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ROS' WRITE-UP



Hi everyone,

Yo, Yo... Ho, Ho. It's almost Christmas time.

My goodness the year is flying by, only a month until Christmas.

We would like to welcome two new members to our club Pam Lowe, supported by her mentor, Maggie Gobsill, and Karen Hopkins, supported by her mentor Barbara Ellis. We hope you have a long and enjoyable time in our club. Welcome!

A few weeks ago, an invitation was extended to our Probus Club from Glenaeon Retirement Village Belrose to attend a morning tea and information morning. On arrival we had our committee meeting, then we were joined by some of our Probus Club members for an enjoyable morning tea. This was followed by а short informative talk about the village, then a bus tour and a look at some of the units for sale. Thank you Glenaeon for relaxina and eniovable most morning, and for the \$500 voucher for attending.

Our guest speaker, Ian Thompson, gave a talk about living in Japan. His son, a high school teacher, and family currently live in Japan and have done so for 20 years. Ian gave a very interesting and informative talk. It was very interesting hearing about the respect they have for each other, their country and their property.

Looking forward to catching up at our Christmas Lunch at Terrey Hills Golf Club on Friday 8th December, 2023

Also looking forward to seeing you at our next general meeting on Thursday 14th December 2023 at Forest Hotel, Frenchs Forest from 9:30 am for 10:00am start.

Take care,

President Ros.



President Ros and new club members Pam Lowe (in pink) and Karen Hopkins

Dear Probus members,

As we draw closer to our AGM in March 2024 the committee and I would like to extend an invitation for you to give consideration to filling one of our two vacant committee positions for next year. One being, Vice President and the other Secretary [this could be a shared position].

If you are interested and would like to know more please feel free to contact me on 0416 086 766 or Vice President Peter 0417 299 283 or a committee member.

Please give it some thought, as we need to fill these positions for our club to function.

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

8 December – Social Christmas Lunch, Terry Hills Golf Club

14 December – General Meeting and Committee Meeting

18 December – Entertainment The Vallies – This Christmas

2024

11 January - General Meeting

21 January – Entertainment The Beatles 60th Anniversary Tour

25 January – Committee Meeting

8 February – General Meeting

10 February – Entertainment One Night in Memphis

22 February - Committee Meeting

23 February - Walk

6 March – Entertainment Ahn Do

7 March – Tours/Outings Linnwood

14 March – General Meeting (AGM)

22 March – Entertainment Wharf Revue

27 March – Entertainment Wharf Revue (matinee)

28 March - Committee Meeting

29 March - Walk

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 <u>no</u> 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)

KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON

On Tuesday the 31st October five of us went to see the movie KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON which was a true story of the Osage tribe in the United States some of whom were murdered under mysterious circumstances in the 1920s, sparking a major F.B.I. Investigation involving J. Edgar Hoover.

It was a great cast. The film lasts for three and a half hours but was not a bit boring.

At the end we all stood up & looked at each other & just said "AMAZING"

Gloria Attwooll
Cinema/Movie Coordinator

ENTERTAINMENT

Warwick Brady (0418 793 684)



How Quickly, the year of 2023 has passed for our Club. We have had the pleasure of seeing some excellent entertainment at Glen Street Theatre.

THE VALLIES - THIS CHRISTMAS

We have one more show to enjoy before we finish the year. This is of course "The Vallies - This Christmas" and we have 33 members and friends who have ordered tickets for Monday 18th December at 11.00am.

<u>THE BEATLES – 60TH ANNVERSARY</u> TOU<u>R</u>

The New Year 2024 commences with "The Beatles- 60th Anniversary Tour" on Sunday 21st January at 3.00pm Direct from sold out concerts in Canada, North America, South Africa and Asia. The Beatle Boys transport audiences back to those days when the Beatles dominated the Music Charts. Bookings are available and tickets are \$69.90. We have been offered the opportunity to make a booking providing we have at least a party of 10 members or more tickets.

ONE NIGHT IN MEMPHIS

One Night in Memphis will return again on Saturday 10th February 2024 at 8.00pm. This show brings together three of the world's greatest and most popular performers - Elvis Presley, Roy Orbison and Johnny Cash showcasing the greatest Rock 'N' Roll songs of the early years of the 1950's & 1960's. Bookings were very popular at our last meeting and 24 tickets have already been reserved. Book tickets now for Saturday 10th February 2024 for \$55.00 each.

AHN DO

Following we have Anh Do - The Happiest Refugee Live. On Wednesday 6th March 2024 at the price of \$74.90. Already 50 tickets have been reserved, so if you are interested please don't wait too long.

Combining stand-up comedy with real life stories, photos and filmed pieces. Australia's most talented comedian delves deep into his own life, joys and sorrows. The result is an unforgettable night at the theatre that leaves an audience uplifted and quite simply experiencing - happiness.

WHARF REVUE

The show you have been waiting for, the "Wharf Revue" - "Pride and Prejudice" will return to Glen Street Theatre in March 2024. Group Bookings will only be confirmed in mid December however I have already submitted the names of Members who have requested their bookings now.

I have indicated to Glen Street that we have 50 members interested for Friday 22nd March 2024 at 7.30pm. If you are interested please send me your request ASAP. We also have three members interested in the Matinee on Wednesday 27th March at 2.00pm. Again don't waste time in making your requirement.

Hopefully we can have as great a time with the theatre in 2024 as we did this year.

Kind regards
Warwick Brady
Entertainment Officer

GUEST SPEAKERS

Cherry Robinson (0438 186 584)

NOVEMBER SPEAKER



Guest Speaker Ian Thompson and Lorna Brady

Our November speaker Ian Thompson certainly gave us an insight into life and the experience of living in Japan, their customs, food and manners. Having travelled there for the past 20 years, where his son lives with his Japanese wife and teenage son, he has extensive knowledge of Japan.

lan has many topics he can speak on and I'm sure we will have him back again.

DECEMBER SPEAKER

December Speaker Diana Noyce - Christmas in the Antarctic

Cherry Robinson Guest Speaker Coordinator

SOCIAL

Margaret Lovett (0414 872 189)



It is hard to believe another year has almost passed us by! The saying "Time Flies" seems more appropriate the older (thankfully) we get!

From my perspective this year has seen our Club and members go from strength to strength.

Many thanks for your attendance at the lunches and dinners organised this year. My role is made much easier by your enthusiasm for various functions and I hope next year will provide you all with a mixed choice of functions!! As always, I am very open for any suggestions for venues etc. But ensure to note them in writing as my memory is Dodgy!!

The Xmas lunch at Terrey Hills Golf Club on 8th December will see approximately 100 members attending. This will be our 15th year at THGC and I'm sure will exceed our expectations.

Further notifications will be forthcoming re social activities in 2024.

I wish you all a very happy, healthy, and wonderful Xmas and look forward to enjoying a great 2024 with you all.

Margaret Lovett Social Coordinator

TOURS AND OUTINGS

Margaret Ayre (0423 302 069)

A BIG Thank you to everyone who supported the outings/tours in 2023, without your participation the outings/tours would not take place.

LINNWOOD

There's lots planned for next year starting off with the visit to Linnwood historical home at Guilford on the 7th March 2024. Drive yourself/car share outing.

I have printed out some flyers for anyone wanting more information about the property.

BRIGHT AND SURROUNDS TOUR

The tour of Bright and Surrounds in May at this stage is fully booked plus a waiting list.

OUTINGS/TOURS 2024

- March 7th Linnwood House Guilford \$15.00pp
- May 13-19 Bright and Surrounds coach tour \$2270.00pp Twin Share

Proposed outings for 2024:

- Ramses & the Gold of the Pharaohs, Concession \$ 32.00pp
- Tour of the Sydney Cricket Ground \$33.00pp

- Visit to the Jewish Museum Darlinghurst \$14.00pp
- Riverboat Postman Hawkesbury River \$ 54.00pp
- Darlinghurst Goal and National Art School Tours \$20.00pp
- Rookwood Cemetery Tour Drive Yourself
- Request a costing from On-Course Coach Tours about a visit to Tulip Top Gardens. Gardens open 11th September – October13th 2024. Proposed visit. Wednesday 2nd -Thursday 3rd October 2024

Margaret Ayre Outings/Tours coordinator

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SEVEN ISLANDS CRUISE





















"Linnwood"

Then and Now

LINNWOOD

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Linnwood was listed on the NSW State Heritage Register in February 2003

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From the Newsletter Editor

I find myself with a blank half page in this newsletter so I would like to take this opportunity to thank, very much, those of you who have supported the newsletter this year - the committee for your reports and meeting all of my deadlines, and those of you who have sent items of interest to be included in the magazine section. newsletter would not be what it is without you.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy Christmas and another good Probus year in 2024.

> Jenny Jones Newsletter Editor

WALKING GROUP

Helen Miles (0407 078 963)

NOVEMBER (NON) WALK

Due to the wet weather our walk at North Head was cancelled and nine walkers met late morning for a very enjoyable lunch at the Wakehurst Golf Club.

Earlier, Jean and Peter had taken a chance and headed to the Bella Vista Cafe. Unfortunately Peter took a wrong turn and, not finding anyone, returned home, while Jean tackled the walk out around the headland in almost sunny conditions and then enjoyed coffee and a lemon & lime tart at the cafe.

Fortunately we all managed to meet up for lunch where we were scolded for not walking, our excuses of continuous showers at Frenchs Forest not being acceptable.

Helen Miles Walks Coordinator



WELFARE

Robyn Wood (0424 243 457)

Some members who have been in hospital are now back home and we wish them a speedy recovery.

Do not forget the Glenaeon Christmas Market on Friday 1 December - from 9.30 am. Hope to see you there.

Robyn Wood Welfare Officer

WRAP WITH LOVE

Margaret Hobson (0416 090 140)

A big thank you to all our knitters, crocheters and their friends for their continued supply of squares and completed wraps.

Since we started our Probus Group of Wrap With Love in 2012 we have increased our total by a further 16 Wraps to 1428 which is a wonderful effort. These16 wraps have been included in the 2300 wraps sent to Armenia. Shown below are some of our latest wraps.

Margaret Hobson Wrap With Love Coordinator































December Birthdays



1st Jennifer West

9th Warwick Brady

11th Lyn Morris

13th Jean Morrow

14th Ivan Krajancic

19th Judy Barnes

19th Barbara Ellis

19th Glenda Tinson

20th Kathy Bennett

22nd Stephen Howat

24th Tony Somerville