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Dear Members and friends of The Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc.

This is my first Presidential report for the Probus year 2026/2027

Upcoming Celebrations:

2026 - Probus Australia 50th Anniversary

2027 - our club's 20th Anniversary

Thank you for allowing me to be your president for the coming year. I'm looking forward to the challenge with some trepidation but will endeavour to give it my all.

I want you all to have fun, share friendship and enjoy the fellowship that being a Probian in a strong club brings.

I wish to thank Past President Mike on behalf of the club for his dedication over the past year.

Our committee has had a few changes, we now have Margaret Lovett as Vice President, Chris Nielsen as Treasurer, Christine Humphries as Assistant Secretary and Lesley Walker looking after Welfare.

The Support Officers remain basically the same. A big thank you Warren Needs for all your support over the past few years greeting everyone at the door. Jackie Taylor has replaced Warren and will be standing by to welcome you all as you arrive.

I'm looking forward to working with you all.

We started off the year with an enjoyable Magical Mystery outing to Cabramatta on Thursday 19th March to be followed by many more exciting events over the coming year.

On Monday 23rd March, I went to Government House for Probus Australia 50th anniversary for afternoon tea. Most enjoyable. I met Margaret Beazley our Governor of NSW also Nicholas Earby Director of PSPL in a group chat, and many more Probus members attending the event.

And now, for those who don't know me, a little bit about me...

I was born in UK in 1941 during the Second World War. I was married in 1967 and came to Australia in December 1968

Married for nearly 51 years, I sadly lost my husband Derek in 2018. We have 2 sons and 2 grandchildren one of each. I had a career in nursing, have lived in Belrose for 49 years and been retired 20 years. Hobbies are quilting, crocheting, and entertaining. Love being part of Probus.

I look forward to seeing you all at our April meeting. Wishing you and yours a Very Happy Easter

Thought for the month: *"Every dawn brings a new chance to embrace joy."*

Yours truly

President Margaret

CLUB CONTACTS

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Probus Membership Renewal 2026

Membership Renewal notices were sent out to all members on the 15th March 2026.

If you did not receive your Probus Membership Renewal in your email **Inbox**, please check in your **Junk or Spam Folder** on your email system to see if the renewal notice has been accidentally delivered to that folder.

Payment is due on or before the 9th April 2026.

It is preferred that payments be made by direct deposit into the club's Westpac account. Banking details are included on the renewal notice and also included in this Newsletter.

If you are unable to make your payment by direct deposit, then please pay by cash. Place your payment in an envelope with your name and "Membership Renewal" on the front of the envelope and hand it to the Membership Officer at the General meeting on the 9th April 2026.

Thankyou

Tony Lovett

Membership Officer

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2026/2027

President	Margaret Ayre
Past President	Mike Hartnell
Vice President	Margaret Lovett
Secretary	Alison Soutter
Assist Secretary	Christine Humphries
Treasurer	Chris Nielsen
Assist Treasurer	Colin Fordred
Entertainment	Warwick Brady
Guest Speakers	Cherry Robinson
Membership	Tony Lovett
Newsletter	Jenny Jones
Social	Megan Hartnell
Tours/Outings	Peter Moxham
Welfare	Lesley Walker

SUB COMMITTEES 2026/2027

Audio Visual	Terry Stewart
Honorary Auditor	Chris Wood
Birthday and Lucky Door	Ros Thompson
Book & Jigsaw Exchange	Judy Morton
Book Club	Sandy Cameron
Cards & Games	Ros Thompson/ Di Pill
Cinema Outings	Gloria Attwooll/ Rosemary Daly
Coffee Mornings and Picnics	Ros Thompson/ Di Pill
Extended Tours	Ted Morton
Hospitality	Di Pill
Mahjong Group	Sandra Murphy
Meet & Greet	Jackie Taylor
Photographer	Peter Loveday
Returning Officer	Mike Gibbs
Walking Group	Helen/Dennis Miles
Website Admin.	Ross Swadling
Wine Apprec.	Mike Staniland
Wrap with Love	Lesley Walker Liz Pawsey Merle Fox



APRIL 2026

2 nd	Brunch – Sandstone Café
7 th	Book Club
8 th	Mahjong, Board Games and Cards
9 th	General Meeting - Forest Hotel 5 Frenchs Forest Road E. Frenchs Forest 2086
15 th	Picnic, St Ives Showground
20 th	Glen Street Theatre - Golden
22 nd	Mahjong, Board Games and Cards
23 rd	Committee Meeting
23 rd	Glenaeon Morning Tea
24 th	April Walk
24 th	Glen Street Theatre - Sing-A-Long ABBA
29 th	Glen Street Theatre - Everley Brothers

MAY 2026

7 th	Lunch - Collaroy Beach Club
11 th	Glen Street Theatre - Angel of Music
12 th	Book Club
13 th	Mahjong, Board Games and Cards
14 th	General Meeting - Forest Hotel 5 Frenchs Forest Road E. Frenchs Forest 2086
20 th	Glen Street Theatre - Rodgers & Hammerstein
21 st	Ettalong Ferry and Lunch
21 st	Coffee/Breakfast Morning
27 th	Mahjong, Board Games and Cards
28 th	Committee Meeting
29 th	May Walk

BOOKING CLUB ACTIVITIES AND PAYMENT

TO BOOK CLUB ACTIVITIES

- Please register online via our club website
<http://www.belroseprobus.org.au>
- or
- During meetings at the back of the hall, Warwick Brady (entertainment), Megan Hartnell (social) Peter Moxham (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 with a copy to the treasurer to notify them of your payment. Print the “transaction receipt” and give one copy of it to the event organiser and another to Treasurer Brian Soutter.**

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 & JIGSAW 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. Jigsaw puzzles may also be exchanged.

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

Judy Morton

Book Exchange Coordinator

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BOOK CLUB

Sandy Cameron (0417 829 449)

“UNFINISHED WOMAN”
A MEMOIR BY ROBYN DAVIDSON



Robyn Davidson is the author of “Tracks”, the story of her solo journey across Australian deserts with her dog and four camels in 1977. This book, “Unfinished Woman”, is her memoir.

Her fashioning of the book was to jump backwards and forwards in time so sometimes it could be a bit confusing, or was it a way of building her life? It would appear that her mother's demise, at a young age, in an awful manner, has coloured her life ever since. Robyn is now 75.

To say that her life is unusual is quite an understatement. She has done so many bizarre things – spending lots of time in India, London and living with some interesting characters, namely an Indian “prince” and Doris Lessing! There were so many words I had to “look up” which was somewhat off putting.

We all found it a little repetitive and somewhat pretentious. Really, it was quite a challenging read. Despite all this, we had a stimulating and cheerful time discussing the book.

Sandy Cameron

BREAKFASTS/COFFEE MORNINGS/PICNICS

Ros Thompson (0416 086 766)
Di Pill (0403 003 639)

BREAKFAST/COFFEE MORNING

Next breakfast coffee morning is on **Thursday 21st May** at Blue Gum Café at 9.30am

GLENAEON MORNING TEA

The Glenaeon morning tea is on **Thursday 23rd April 10.30am till 11.30am.**

PICNIC AT ST IVES SHOWGROUND

The next picnic at St. Ives Showground – **Wednesday 15th April at 10am**

Parking near Black Knight Cafe. Bring your own chair. Coffee and snacks available at the cafe or bring your own

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CINEMA OUTINGS

Rosemary Daly (0403 238 341)
Gloria Attwooll (0430 215 536)



On Tuesday 17th March 3 people from Probus attended the movie “Midwinter Break” at Warriewood cinema & we were not disappointed. We all enjoyed it !

Stella (played by Lesley Manville) & Gerry (played by Ciara Hinds) gave an excellent, complex & intimate

performance as a long married retired couple, (originally from Belfast), who go from Glasgow where they now live, to Amsterdam for a short holiday.

On the surface they have a seemingly "happy" relationship but when Stella reveals her reason for choosing Amsterdam it forces them to face the hard truths about who they are & how they have changed over the years.

It deals with issues involving Stella's religious faith & Gerry's drinking problems & how they have drifted from what they once were in ways all too obvious to her but which he barely seems to notice.

Combined with the lovely scenes around Amsterdam, this movie & it's true to life portrayal of relationships, plus the great acting was a winner.

Best regards,
Rosemary Daly

ENTERTAINMENT

Warwick Brady (0418 793 684)

GOLDEN

Monday 20th April at 11am \$30

Bookings for this show are still open

This special show features favourite music from films including My Fair Lady, Sound of Music, West Side Story, A Star is Born and many more. I would like to get more bookings - so put your bookings in to me today.

SING-A-LONG – ABBA

Friday 24th April at 7 30 pm. We were very fortunate to get a booking for 20 people and we look forward to enjoying this show.

EVERLY BROTHERS AND FRIENDS

Wednesday 29th April at 7 00pm. Once again we were fortunate to book this show with 29 tickets.

ANGEL OF MUSIC

Monday 11th May at 11am \$30

An unforgettable morning of music with award winning soprano Clarissa Spata. On stage with Clarissa are the exceptional Maestro Glenn Amer on piano, Luke Thatcher on drums and Peter Toohey on Bass.

Angel of Music pays homage to the following Sarah Brightman, Luciano Pavarotti, Andrea Bocelli, Elvis Presley and Barbra Streisand. The audience will be treated to timeless favourites. Expect to be swept away by Memory (Cats), Phantom of the Opera, O Sole Mio, Nessun Dorma, Climb Every Mountain and many more

Please make your booking today

**AN EVENING WITH
RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN**

Wednesday 20th May at 7.30 pm \$60

The Show is a grand celebration of the Golden Age of Broadway featuring the

unforgettable music of
Carousel, South Pacific, King & I,
Oklahoma & The Sound of Music
featuring 7 Principal Vocalists, a full
Ensemble, and Choir and 23 piece
Orchestra which has been created for
the audience. **Could the people who
have booked please pay
immediately**

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Entertainment Officer**

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GUEST SPEAKERS

Cherry Robinson (0438 186 584)

APRIL

The next speaker is Snr. Constable
Matt Cain from Dee Why Police and his
subject Cyber Crime and
Scams. Unfortunately a crime that is
continually becoming more
sophisticated and of which we need to
be aware.

MAY

Peter Scope will give some advice on
Driver Education for Older Drivers. He
is a Transport for NSW Accredited
Assessor and has tested many older
drivers in our district.

**Cherry Robinson
Guest Speaker Coordinator**

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MAHJONG CLUB

Sandra Murphy (0457 388 325)

CARDS AND GAMES

Ros Thompson (0416 086 766)

Di Pill (0403 003 639)

The mahjong club and the cards and
games group meet on the **second and
fourth Wednesday of the month** at
9.30am in The Forest Kirk Hall,
Fitzpatrick Avenue, Frenchs Forest.

Because of our growing numbers we
are in need of extra card tables. If you
have a card table sitting in the garage or
under the stairs and would be happy for
us to borrow it, we would love to hear
from you.

New members always welcome.

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Mahjong Coordinator**

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MAHJONG

Wednesday 25 March





COLLARROY BEACH CLUB

On **Thursday, 7th May** we are having lunch at the Collaroy Beach Club. I have included the menu so that you can register and choose your food at the next meeting in April. We are able to pay individually on the day. Lunch will be at 12 noon and there is lift access for those unable to use the stairs.

ANNIVERSARY LUNCH

Date for your diaries !!
Our Probus anniversary lunch will be held at the **Cromer Golf Club** on **Thursday 16th July**.

Happy restful Easter to all,

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Social Convenor
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SOCIAL

Megan Hartnell (0402 102 055)

SANDSTONE CAFÉ

Thursday 2nd April 9.30am

Looking forward to our Easter brunch next Thursday at Sandstone Cafe in Terrey Hills. All the orders are in and we are ready for some morning fun and friendship. Parking is available underneath the building and you can get the lift up to the cafe. See you there!

THE MANLY CLUB LUNCH

Thursday 5th March







BURGERS		M	V	GRILL AND OVEN		M	V
The Beach Club Burger Angus beef patty w/ onion, bacon, pineapple, lettuce, beetroot, tomato, cheese & burger sauce	26	29	Grass Fed Scotch Fillet 250g (GF)	42	46		
Steak Sandwich Grilled scotch fillet w/ lettuce, tomato, cheese, onion, fried egg & aioli on Turkish bread	27	30	Grass Fed Sirloin Steak 300g (GF)	39	43		
BBQ Chicken Burger Grilled spiced chicken w/ slaw, cheese, tomato, onion & smoky BBQ sauce	24	27	Grass Fed Rump Steak 250g (GF)	36	40		
Fish Burger Crumbed whiting fillet w/ lettuce, pickles, onion & cheese w/ lemon aioli	24	27	With either mash potato, seasonal veg & garlic mushroom OR chips & salad Sauces - mushroom, green peppercorn, gravy				
Veggie Burger (V) Mushroom falafel burger w/ lettuce, tomato, cucumber, onion & hummus	22	25	Add Creamy Garlic Prawns	8	9		
All burgers served w/ chips			Pork Ribs 300g	39	43		
Swap Chips for Sweet Potato Fries	2	2	Pork Ribs 600g	56	61		
Gluten Free Bread	2	2	Ribs & Rump	46	51		
SIDES				All Ribs served w/ chips & slaw			
Sweet Potato Chips w/ Aioli	11	13	Grilled Lamb Rump	34	38		
Spicy Wedges w/ Sweet Chilli Sauce & Sour Cream	11	13	Harissa spiced w/ pearl cous cous salad, eggplant, tomato & spinach w/ lemon dressing				
Chips w/ Aioli OR Gravy	10	12	Veal Boscaiola (GF)	32	36		
Mash Potato	9	11	Pan fried veal in a creamy mushroom, bacon & onion sauce w/ mash potato & broccolini				
Garden Salad	9	11	Pork Cutlet	29	32		
Steamed Vegetables	10	12	Crumbed pork cutlet w/ mash potato & a pear, rocket, parmesan & walnut salad w/ apple balsamic vinegar dressing				
DESSERTS				Duck Confit (GF)			
See our dessert selection in our cake display. All served w/ ice cream or whipped cream.				Roast duck leg w/ roast Kipfler potatoes, spinach, broccolini & a sweet cherry sauce			
Ice Cream	8		KIDS MENU (U/12)				
Chocolate, Strawberry OR Caramel topping			Crumbed Chicken & Chips	13			
Please note cakeage fee applies to any cake brought in				Grilled Fish & Chips	13		
				Cheeseburger & Chips	13		
				Steak & Chips	13		
				Spaghetti & Meatballs	13		
				Kids Meal Deal	16		
				w/ juice popper & ice cream cup			
				(GF) = Gluten free (GFO) = Gluten free option (V) = Vegetarian			
				Please be aware that all care is taken when catering for special requirements. Please note that the premises handles nuts, seafood, soybean, shellfish, sesame seeds, wheat, eggs, dairy and fungi products. Guest's requests will be catered for to the best of our ability but the decision to consume a meal is the responsibility of the diner.			
				All card payments will incur a 1% fee.			
				Public Holiday's will incur a 10% surcharge.			

ENTREE & STARTERS		M	V	FROM THE OCEAN		M	V
Garlic Bread	9	11	Beer Battered Flathead	29	32		
Cheesy Garlic Bread	10	12	Grilled Atlantic Salmon (GF)	36	40		
Haloumi Fries	20	23	Whole Baby Snapper	36	40		
Crumbed haloumi drizzled w/ chilli honey & lemon aioli			Barramundi Fillet	34	38		
Cob Loaf for Two	20	23	Grilled or Battered				
Charred corn & jalapeno cream cheese filling			All fish served with choice of Asian salad w/ coriander dressing OR chips & garden salad OR mash potato & seasonal vegetables				
Wagyu Beef Tacos (3) (GFO)	24	27	Seafood Platter for One	57	62		
Cheese, avocado, tomatillo salsa verde & chipotle cream			Selection of both hot & cold w/ chips & slaw				
Arancini Balls (3)	22	25	PASTA				
Pea & mint pesto w/ parmesan & balsamic glaze			Prawn and Crab Linguine	32	36		
Chicken Wings (GF)	19	21	Sautéed prawns w/ crab, cherry tomatoes, chilli, garlic & spinach in a white wine sauce				
Oven baked chicken wings in buffalo sauce w/ ranch dressing			Veal Ravioli	31	35		
Squid	22	25	Sautéed mushrooms, spinach & parmesan				
Salt & pepper squid w/ nuoc cham sauce			Potato Gnocchi Sorrentina (GF) (V)	27	30		
Scallops (4) (GF)	23	26	Roasted potato gnocchi in a rich tomato & basil sauce w/ burrata cheese				
Grilled scallops w/ xo butter			FROM THE GARDEN				
Sydney Rock Oysters (GF)	5	6	Caesar Salad	20	23		
Minimum 3			Baby cos lettuce, bacon, garlic croutons, shaved parmesan, soft boiled egg w/ Caesar dressing & anchovies				
Mezze Platter for 2	28	31	Poke Bowl (G.F) (V)	20	23		
Lamb kofta, hummus, guacamole, olives, chorizo, fetta & pita bread			Black Rice, cucumber, sprouts, avocado, edamame, cabbage & seaweed salad w/ miso sesame dressing				
Veggie Nachos (GF) (V)	23	26	Salad Add On				
Assorted vegetables & beans w/ cheese, guacamole, sour cream & tomato salsa			Add Grilled Chicken	8	8		
Beef & Bean Nachos (GF)	23	26	Add Smoked Salmon	8	8		
Beef & beans w/ cheese, guacamole, sour cream & tomato salsa			Add King Prawns (3)	8	8		
CHICKEN SCHNITZELS				Thai Beef Salad			
Chicken Schnitzel	28	31	Marinated rump steak w/ vermicelli noodles, sprouts, onion, fried shallots, garlic, cherry tomatoes w/ coriander dressing				
Chicken Parmigiana	29	32	Spanish Style Octopus Salad (GF)				
w/ napolitana sauce, ham & cheese			Grilled octopus salad w/ chorizo, Kipfler potato, olives & a spiced capsicum dressing				
Mexican	31	35	Checkout our screens for today's chef specials. New & favourite dishes each & every day				
w/ beef nachos mix, jalapeños, cheese, sour cream, guacamole & tomato salsa							
Crumbed chicken breast served w/ chips & garden salad							
SPECIALS							

OUTINGS AND TOURS

Peter Moxham (0417 299 283)

ETTALONG DAY OUTING

Thursday 21st May

21 members have signed on for the ferry from Palm beach to Ettalong with lunch at the Ettalong Diggers club - return by ferry. \$40 per person inclusive. Car-pooling to Palm Beach is strongly recommended.

CANBERRA YULEFEST

29-31 JULY 2026

The Canberra Yulefest in July has attracted 31 Probus members who have now paid the required deposit. Last year the same event at Hawkesbury Valley was a great success and this year the two nights and three days at Canberra is packed with activities. Our hotel is the historic "Kurrajong" circa 1926, steeped in history.

I am also looking at some local outings on the Northern Beaches and will advise in due course. These will be low cost events.

Regards,
Peter Moxham
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MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR

Thursday 19th March

On a day when an 80% chance of rain was forecast 12 of us set out for Cabramatta, meeting up at Central Station for coffee before boarding the train.



Arriving at Cabramatta we had time to explore the shops before finding somewhere to have lunch.

Luckily the only rain we encountered was while we were inside having lunch and then during the short (mainly covered) walk back to the station.



The Freedom Arch, officially known as the Pai Lau Gate, in Freedom Plaza, Cabramatta, opened in 1991 to symbolize multiculturalism, freedom and democracy. The arch bears the words "The world is for us to share and respect". A local lady approached us out of the blue offering to take this photo for us.





Outside one of the restaurants groups of men were seated around small tables playing board games resembling this one.

We entered a shopping center walking past areas selling fish and meats to this food hall where we had lunch.





Our menu was on the wall – plenty to choose from. Nearby were fruit and vegetable shops. It was noticeable that nothing was prewrapped in plastic!

Geoff wanted to buy some fruit but it was “cash only” and he did not have enough cash. As he walked away from the shop a lady approached him, handed him a bag and said “this is for you”. She had paid for the fruit for him.

Jenny Jones

WALKING GROUP

Helen Miles (0407 078 963)

APRIL WALK

Our April walk is on **Friday 24th April**, is in Cronulla, and is led by Helen. Meet at the Glenrose Bus Stop at 8.20am for the 8.27am City Bus 271 to QVB.(arriving approx 9.22am). We aim to catch the 9.51am train to Cronulla. After our coffee we will walk south around the headland towards Gunnamatta Park where we will have a picnic lunch, weather permitting, or continue on back to the shops for lunch before returning home.

For anyone coming from a different area please let Helen know and we can all meet at the entrance to the QVB in Market Street.

Helen Miles

Walks Coordinator

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MARCH WALK

Nine walkers, led by Malcolm, braved the weather conditions to explore an area of The Rocks in Sydney.



We all met up at Wynyard Park and headed off towards Circular Quay, stopping at a cosy cafe in George Street for coffee to escape the chilly conditions.

Refreshed and warmed we walked on to Loftus Street to view the replica of the union flag used at the foundation of Australia January 26th 1788. We then walked along Custom House Lane to look up at the Golden Ram on the old wool store. Walking along the Cahill Expressway to Observatory Hill Lookout, the Observatory, Fort Street Public School and National Trust Headquarters.

The weather held but wind then increased with light showers. We headed down to The Rocks Precinct where we found a cosy cafe for lunch before returning home.

Thank you Malcolm for an especially interesting day out.



WELFARE

Lesley Walker (0404 828 261)

This is my first report as Welfare Officer. Please feel free to contact me if you hear of someone in our club who is not well or needs our help.

I would like to share this information with you. This lanyard could make our lives a little bit easier.....



The Hidden Disabilities Sunflower lanyard is a simple tool that allows you to voluntarily and discretely share with the public that you are an older person or have a disability or condition that may not be immediately apparent – and that you may need a helping hand, understanding, or more time in shops, on transport, or in public spaces.

When you are out and about, wearing this lanyard will alert other people that you may need extra help.

The lanyards can be obtained for free at participating locations like major airports (Sydney Airport), select transport hubs (NSW Transport), visitor centres and shopping centres (Westfield) and Warringah Mall (outside Kmart).

Lesley Walker

Welfare Officer

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April Birthdays



3rd Terry Stewart

4th Jenny Kidman

13th Dianne Herrett

13th Margaret Krajancic

22nd Rob Murphy

24th Kim Marshall

24th Hastings Pawsey

28th Robyn Wood

29th Betty Crawford

NEW CLUB MEMBER



New club member Bob Chaffe
and Past President Mike Hartnell

Bob Chaffe was inducted at our March meeting. Before Bob's retirement 10 years ago, he was a director of a medical supply company importing new medical technologies in the surgical and vascular medical areas. Bob was a keen sailor but doesn't sail these days however he is a Formula One tragic, loves cricket, soccer and rugby! He and Marion share a love of gardening and dogs!

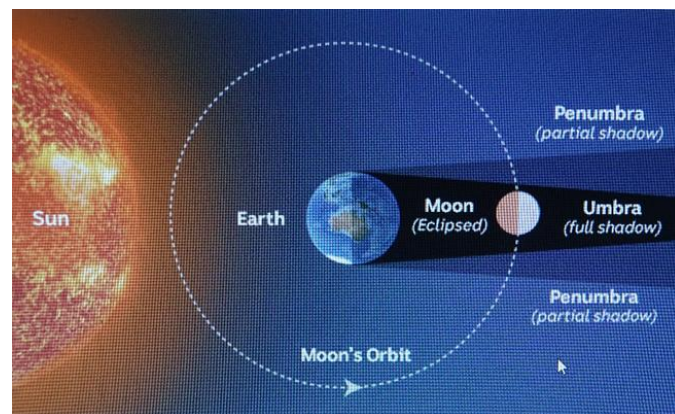


BLOOD MOON

For those members who did not sight the blood moon at 10.33pm, on 3 March 2026, a photo taken by myself at that time follows.



A blood moon occurs when the moon passes through the earth's shadow as depicted on the diagram which follows.



The eclipse on 3 March 2026 was the fourth such event visible from Australia in the past five years, with six happening in the same period around the world.

Peter Loveday