



THE PROBIAN

Newsletter of Lane Cove Combined Probus Club Inc. A club for the retired and semi-retired.

Club Website: www.probuslanecove.org

Welcome to the February 2023 Edition of the PROBIAN

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Christmas party was well attended on 12th December by 31 members and guests. In January we had a successful outing to Watsons Bay on the Ferry.

Next meeting is the AGM. Remember that completed nomination forms for all positions for the coming year must be handed to Bruce (as Helen will be away) at the start of the March meeting.

After the meeting we will have casual Bowls and a BBQ lunch. (\$15)
President David.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to all these members...

January – Belated birthday wishes to Christine Forrest and Rosemary Taylor

February – Bruce Gowing, Elizabeth Howard, George Neill, Harry Shiell and Dianne Wathen

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash at Bank – \$3285.56

Membership fees for 2023-24 have been set at \$60. Please pay via Direct Deposit or cash to the Treasurer prior to the March meeting.

GUEST SPEAKER

Our guest speaker for the meeting is Noel Phelan. Some of you would have met Noel on the Naval Cruise of Sydney Harbour last year. His topic on this occasion is the "The Sinking and Salvage of Costa Concordia". We look forward to welcoming him.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The Club currently has 42 members.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday, 13th February – 10am General Meeting followed by lunch at La Piazza.

Monday, 27th February – 12noon **Opal Card + Lunch Outing** to The Mayflower, 488 Pacific Highway, St. Leonards. Names to Lesley please.

Monday, 6th March – 11.15am Committee Meeting

Monday, 13th March – 10am Annual General Meeting and General Meeting followed by Bowls and BBQ Lunch (\$15 each)

Monday, 27th March – The Riverboat Postman Outing (see details in Upcoming Outings)

JOKES

- You heard the rumour going around about butter?
Never mind, I shouldn't spread it.
- Two windmills are standing on a wind farm. One asks, 'What's your favourite kind of music?'
The other replies, 'I'm a big metal fan.'
- The first rule of the Alzheimer's club is...
Wait, where are we again?
- I took the shell off of my racing snail, thinking it would make him faster.
But if anything, it made him more sluggish.
- What do you get from a pampered cow?
Spoiled milk.
- How does NASA organize a party?
They planet.
- What's the best thing about Switzerland?
I don't know, but the flag is a big plus.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

FEBRUARY

Saturday, 11th February - Car Maintenance Workshop for Seniors.

*Do you know how to check your oil and water?
What to do in an accident?
How to choose a reliable mechanic?
Register your interest for this free workshop.
Bring your own car or work with the mechanics car.
Lane Cove residents only. Bookings essential.*

When: Saturday 11th of February 9:30 am to 11:00 am

Where: Lane Cove Council car park

Cost: Free

Bookings: www.lanecove.nsw.au/seniors

MARCH

The Riverboat Postman Outing

Monday, 27th March 10am to 1pm \$54

We have 10 reserved seats.

Train from Chatswood to Hornsby then Hornsby to Brooklyn

Ticket includes a three-hour mail delivery cruise of the Hawkesbury River.

- Morning Tea served on departure.
- Lunch is served around midday -Ploughman's Lunch – Can cater for common dietary requirements (gluten free, vegetarian)
- All boats are fully licensed. Water is available at the bar.

MAY

Monday May 22nd. Bus trip to the NSW Art Gallery. Details to be confirmed. Please indicate your interest to Lesley.

AUGUST

Southern Highlands Yulefest 2nd & 3rd August.

2 day tour with accommodation at Berida Manor including the best of the Southern Highlands – log fires, Eling Forest Winery, Highlands heritage tour, Bowral and Berrima shopping and galleries.

Limit of 12 people

Cost: \$545.00 (Twin Share) plus \$145.00 Single Supplement

Names to Lesley please. Indicate if you require a ground floor room.

RECENT OUTINGS

On Thursday 2nd February, 15 members & friends of Lane Cove Probus attended the Premiers Gala Concert at the International Convention Centre.

The line-up of artists was outstanding and included Kate Ceberano, Ross Wilson, Prinnie Stevens and Harrison Craig. The Show was hosted by Roger Corser.

Following the concert 11 members enjoyed lunch at Nick's Seafood Restaurant at Darling Harbour. What a wonderful way to spend the day!





In lieu of the January Meeting, 17 members headed to Watsons Bay on the ferry to enjoy lunch at Doyle's Seafood Kiosk. A most enjoyable day out!

TRIVIA

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1. What sort of food is rigatoni and farfalle?
2. In the human body, which organ is damaged by cirrhosis?
3. What instrument would a flautist play?
4. Which fairytale siblings find a house made of sweets?
5. Who was named player of the series for the 2022-23 South Africa v Australia Test series?
6. Which 2022 tragicomedy film about the end of a friendship is set in 1923 Ireland?
7. Ag is the chemical symbol for which valuable metallic substance?
8. Titania is the queen of the fairies in which Shakespeare play?
9. In military terms, what is a NCO?
10. Which animated TV series follows the adventures of the delivery company Planet Express?
11. The 1995 film Clueless is loosely based on which Jane Austen novel?
12. Sternutation is the medical term for which human action: hiccup, sneeze or yawn?
13. Which country occupies the majority of the Jutland peninsula?
14. Kylie Watson-Wheeler is the president of which AFL club?
15. Who won the 2020 and 2022 Hugo Award for Best Novel for books from their Teixcalaan series?

MEMBERS NEWS

Whilst on holidays in January, member Lesley visited Ulladulla Pool and was delighted to observe Olympians Emma McKeon & Cody Simpson training. Being an avid swimmer and a fan of these Olympians, Lesley took the opportunity to chat to the pair and have a couple of photos taken with them. Ask Lesley about her exciting encounter.



Quiz Answers

1. Pasta
2. Liver
3. Flute
4. Hansel and Gretel
5. David Warner
6. The Banshees of Inisherin
7. Silver
8. A Midsummers Night's Dream
9. Non-Commissioned Officer
10. Futurama
11. Emma
12. Sneeze
13. Denmark
14. Western Bulldogs
15. Arkady Martine (AnnaLinden Weller)

Committee		
President David Erskine	Vice President Judi Gowing	Membership Sandra Barber
Secretary Helen Springer \ 	Hon. Treasurer Bruce Gowing	Probian Editor Judi Gowing
Guest Speakers Daphne Brady	Day Trips Lesley Pike	Welfare Maria Schattiger

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Members are encouraged to invite guests to attend meetings and to make them feel welcome so that they might enjoy our friendship. Guests may belong to more than one club. We meet at Lane Cove Bowling and Recreation Club at 151 Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove at 10.00am on the second Monday each month.

Postal address: PO Box 1028, Lane Cove, NSW 1595

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All members are asked to consider their personal capabilities before undertaking any activities with the Club. This includes all housekeeping activities, meetings, venues or anywhere else requiring physical effort and is extended to include all organised Club activities, Tours or Outings. It is each individual member's responsibility to ensure they are physically capable of undertaking or being able to participate.