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

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Welcome to the May 2022 Edition of the PROBIAN

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Members have been enjoying the meetings, the Guest Speakers and getting together for lunch at a Café in Lane Cove after the meetings. Outings are being well attended. It was good to be able to Induct two new members into the Club at the last meeting. Our members welcome Noni White and Christine Forrest.

The Club now has a Website. On the Website you will find a copy of the latest Probian, a calendar showing upcoming events and an Event Registration form. We are hoping to encourage new members.

Lunch after the Meeting will be at **Lane Cove Sushi Bar**, a Japanese Restaurant in Longueville Road next door to the Optometrist. Add your name to the List.

DAVID ERSKINE
PRESIDENT 2022

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

Website address: www.probusouthpacific.org/microsites/lanecove

GUEST SPEAKER

This month the Guest Speaker is Matt Murphy.

Matt a full-time firefighter and part time historian and his latest book, about ***the history of rum and drinking in Australia***, came out in June last year.

He promises a fun and informative Presentation. To quote Matt, “Both the book and the talk are light-hearted... I am not a serious historian! And yes, I try to flog my book afterwards; it's what publishers expect its writers to do!!”

NEW MEMBERS

President David had the honour of inducting two new members to our Club last meeting. Noni White & Christine Forrest were warmly welcomed by the Club members.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May 9th – 10am till 12noon – General Meeting followed by lunch at Lane Cove Sushi Bar, Longueville Rd.

May 16th - 12 noon - \$2.50 outing for lunch to Zenos Greek Restaurant, 7 Burlington St Crows Nest – Bus 254 departs Lane Cove Interchange at 11:39am. Names to Lesley at the meeting.

May 27th – Navy Harbour Cruise (fully subscribed)

June 6th – 11:15am Committee Meeting

June 14th (**Tuesday**) – 10am General Meeting followed by lunch.

EASY CARE Technology Open Day

Tuesday, April 26th, Lane Cove Combined PROBUS visited the Easycare Technology Showroom at Macquarie Park where we enjoyed an interesting and informative Presentation. 'Easycare Technology has developed an assisted-living platform that utilises a range of home-care technologies such as passive falls detection sensors, smart watches and other unobtrusive, health monitoring devices to support people to live independently and safely at home for longer'. Our group of 10 were provided with Transport and enjoyed a Practical Demonstration of the technologies as well as enjoying a delicious Morning Tea. It provided a lot of interesting and positive discussion.

If you were unable to attend the outing and are interested in the technologies, the following information may be of use.

From May 2022, Easycare will be conducting trial evaluation studies (3 months in length) to assess the usability, functionality, and reporting aspects of their assisted-living platform. Around 50-60 older adults living at home, as well as their family members and care teams, in Sydney are being recruited to participate in these trials. Macquarie University, as research partner, will be independently analysing data and feedback collected from the trial.

To learn more about Easycare and the Future of Homecare, or to participate in the research trial, or to arrange a group visit to their showroom, or to have a guest speaker at a future meeting, contact Jeff Gilling jeff.gilling@easycaretech.com.au 0432 011 600



ANZAC DAY SNAPS

Among the members of Lane Cove Combined PROBUS Club attending the Lane Cove ANZAC Service were members John Ewing and Maria & John Schattiger. The 'two Johns', both Ex-Servicemen, were photographed by George Markovic (son-in-law of John S), whilst attending the post Service Breakfast at the Alcott Club.



Minutes of the General Meeting Lane Cove Combined PROBUS Club 11th April 2022

ATTENDANCE: as per attendance sheet

APOLOGIES: Naida Moore, Maria Schattiger, John Schattiger, Denis Smith, Mary Newhouse, Brian Taylor, Nancy Michal, Sandra Barber, Samil Suhood, Margaret Hocking, Julie Kemp, Helen Springer, Judy Mayer, Lou Mayer

INDUCTIONS:

The President, David Erskine, inducted two new members into the Club today. The new members are Noni White and Christine Forrest.

BIRTHDAY: The winner and only Birthday for April was Nancy Michal. Happy 90th birthday Nancy.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer, Bruce Gowing, reported the bank balance at 31st March was \$5,487.17.

MEMBERSHIP: The current membership is 40 including two life members. Sadly the Club was advised that Vic Lupton has resigned.

TRIPS:

Tuesday 26th April - Easy Care Technology Day Trip 10.00am – 11.30am at the Easy Care Technology Showroom. Bus to be provided by company who will pick up from club. Spaces for 10 people.

Friday 27th May First Fleet Naval Tour \$65 each. \$13 deposit required today. 10 places have been booked.

Thursday 29th September – Visit to Sydney Jewish Museum.

Sunday 8th May 3.30pm – Music at Norths Leagues Club, Cammeray

Judi Gowing and Lesley Pike looking into On Course Tours. Speak to Judi or Lesley for any information on trips.

No \$2.50 outing this month due to Easter.

5 MINUTE TALK:

Lyn Noske and Dianne Lane gave a summary of their very interesting trip with Taylor Made Tours to Victoria and South Australia. Their tour was 7 days with breakfast, lunch and dinner supplied as well as morning and afternoon teas. They stayed in nice motels, and it sounded wonderful. The scenery they described, and variety of places visited sounded very interesting to all.

Thank you to you both.

MORNING TEA followed the talk.

The club is still looking for volunteers for a roster to make and serve the morning tea each month. Please see a committee member to volunteer.

SPEAKER:

This month's speaker was Narelle Brown from the Energy & Water Ombudsman NSW. She spoke to us by Zoom. The information she gave was very interesting and should be a great help to anyone who has any difficulty with any of these authorities. Good to know help is available.

Narelle was introduced and thanked by Daphne Brady. Daphne is now looking after speakers for us for this year.

TRIVIA:

This month the Trivia was won equally by all tables.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Discussion was held regarding a Probus Club website as opposed to the Probus South Pacific website. Simon from Tech Doctors has been asked to set up a website for \$200 plus upkeep to promote our Club.

Discussion was also held regarding Vic Lupton's resignation. It was acknowledged that he did a large amount of work to assist with the Club and that he is welcome back at any time.

Meeting closed at 12.05pm and members were invited to lunch at Pho Sam in Lane Cove.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday for this month
Judi Gowing, Doris Kargodorian, Helga Ozols.

MEMBERSHIP

Current financial members:
40 including 2 Life Members

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash at Bank \$5489.17



TRIVIA

May Trivia

1. In what year was the first-ever Wimbledon Championship held?
2. Hg is the chemical symbol of which element?
3. Which email service is owned by Microsoft?
4. Which country produces the most coffee in the world?
5. What is the capital city of Spain?
6. What is the painting "La Gioconda" more usually known as?
7. What is Chandler's last name in the sitcom Friends?
8. About how many taste buds does the average human tongue have?
9. Globe and Jerusalem are types of what?
10. Which is the highest waterfall in the world?

[Source - <https://brainly.com>]

JOKES

Why I Like Retirement

Question: How many days in a week?

Answer: 6 Saturdays, 1 Sunday

Question: When is a retiree's Bedtime?

Answer: Two hours after falling asleep on the couch.

Question: How many retirees does it take to change a lightbulb?

Answer: Only one, but it might take all day.

Question: What's the biggest grip of retirees?

Answer: There's not enough time to get everything done.

Question: Why don't retirees mind being called Seniors?

Answer: It comes with a 10% discount.

Question: Among retirees, what is considered formal attire?

Answer: Tied shoes.

[Source - <https://www.retirement-online.com>]

UPCOMING OUTINGS

- Monday 16th - 12 noon \$2.50 outing for lunch at Zenos Greek Restaurant, 7 Burlington St Crows Nest. Bus 254 departs Lane Cove Interchange at 11:39am.
- Friday 27th May First Fleet Naval Tour (Fully subscribed) Lunch following the Cruise.
- Thursday 29th September – Visit to Sydney Jewish Museum 10am to 12noon.
- Monday, 28th November – 1st December – Young Cherry Festival. 10 places available. \$935.00 per person, group pickup at the Club, accommodation, all meals and admissions. Single supplement is \$225.00. Full payment due 28th October please register via the Website or by giving your name to Lesley.

Trivia Answers
1. 1877
2. Mercury
3. Hotmail
4. Brazil
5. Madrid
6. The Mona Lisa
7. Bing
8. 10,000
9. Artichoke
10. Angel Falls, Venezuela

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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.