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THE PROBIAN

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

Club Website https://www.probuslanecove.org/

Welcome to the September 2022 Edition of the PROBIAN

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The club members have been busy enjoying meetings and outings. Thanks to the members for supporting the activities.

Today we welcome Jenny Quirke who has transferred to our Club as a new member. Please introduce yourselves to her.

The Committee are holding a Probus Information Stall in the Mall on Thursday, 15th September in order to attract new members.

As a social activity for October we are planning a Bowls and BBQ Day at the Club on Monday 24th October from 11am till 2pm. Friends are most welcome.

Check the Dates for Your Diary section to see the other activities and outings.

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 151Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove at 10.00am on the second Monday each month. **Postal address:** PO Box 1028, Lane Cove, NSW 1595 **Website address:** https://probuslanecove.org

GUEST SPEAKER

This month our Guest Speaker is Jim Roberts addressing us on the Topic of the 'City to Surf'. It will be very interesting to learn more about this well-known Sydney event.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- September 12th, Monday General Meeting followed by lunch at La Piazza
- September 15th, Thursday information stall in the Mall at Lane Cove 10am 12 noon
- September 29th, Thursday Jewish Museum outing (meet at the Bowling Club at 9.15 am)
- No \$2.50 outing due to other activities etc
- October 3rd, Monday- no Committee meeting due to Public Holiday
- October 10th, Monday General Meeting
- October 20th, Thursday Lunch at 'Watergrill', Sydney Rowing Club either \$2.50 Public Transport or drive yourself outing. Time to be confirmed in October PROBIAN.
- October 24th, Bowls & BBQ day at the Lane Cove Bowling and Recreation Club. 11am to 2pm – Names to Bruce.

TRIPS

Jewish Museum Outing

September 29th, Thursday. Bus trip to the Jewish Museum at Darlinghurst. \$20 per head. Meet at the Bowling Club at 9.15 am for departure. Places are filling fast. Speak to Bruce if interested. Lunch at your own cost at either a café in Darlinghurst or back in Lane Cove, depending on the weather. As well as the Guided Tour and a talk by a survivor, the morning includes a visit to the Sir Sidney Nolan Exhibition

Young Cherry Festival

<u>November 28 - Dec 1</u> Pick up at Lane Cove Bowling & Rec Club Payment is due by 28th October. Twin Share - \$935 Single - \$1160 One room available either Single or Twin Share.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday for this month to Denis Smith and Life Member Brian Strawbridge.

MEMBERSHIP

Current financial members: 39 including 2 Life Members

TREASURER'S REPORT Cash at Bank - \$5205.32



Be Connected Free Online session

Both Member Naida and myself have recently undertaken an online Digital Mentoring Programme

Our Probus Club is being offered a free 1.5 hour session on the topic of 'Using the Cloud'.

The session is suitable for both Apple and Android users plus Desktop & Laptop users.

Session will be held online via Zoom (one click on your laptop or iPad).

Tuesday, 18th October at 10am – register with Judi (max 20 participants)

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RECENT OUTINGS

Opal Card Outing

On Thursday, 18th August, 11 PROBUS members headed off on the ferry for a most enjoyable lunch at 18 Footers Sailing Club at Double Bay. Seated to take in the Harbour view we all enjoyed a delicious lunch. Nice to see an outing such as this so well supported.





Minutes of the General Meeting Lane Cove Combined PROBUS Club, Monday 8th August 2022

- 1. DAVID opened MEETING AT 10.05AM and welcomes visitors and calls for any more apologies.
- 2. Apologies: Naida Moore; Julie Kemp; Mary Newhouse; Beth Kannegieter
- 3. Visitors: Peter Hocking; Jenny Quirke; Pam Kepert; Louis Kepert
- 4. **Birthday Draw**: Beth Kannegieter, Dianne Lane Winner: Dianne Lane
- 5. Membership: Sandra Barber announced we currently have 38 active members

6. **Trips and Outings:** Lesley Pike welcomed back Judith Mayer [our former Trips organiser]

Lesley announced the committee's decision to hold a monthly raffle with a \$30 Coles voucher as the winning prize.

Lesley outlined the following trips and outings:

- \$2.50 August Outing to Double Bay 18ft Sailing Club for Lunch -Thursday 18th August Meet at Circular Quay Wharf 2 side B at 11.45am
- Young Cherry Festival Trip-full at present but put your name on waiting list if interested-details are in the August Probian
- Outing to the Jewish Museum arranged by our member-Peter Nash and Judi Gowing.
 Date: Thursday 29th Sept. Cost: \$20 for museum entry and a direct transit from our Lane Cove Bowling Club to the Museum and return. Bruce Gowing is searching for a lunch cafe near museum. More details closer to date but Bruce will take the \$20 today for this excursion or you can pay online at Lane Cove Probus Club.

7. **Speakers**: Daphne has organised Speakers for the rest of the year-see PROBIAN for more information

8. General Business

Judi Gowing thanked Dianne Wathen for work researching our 2022 CHRISTMAS PARTY venue. - LONGUEVILLE HOTEL on Monday 12TH DECEMBER at 12pm. \$50 a head for a set menu.

We will have a brief in situ meeting at the club

David explained our club plans to have an information table during September either in the Canopy or in the Plaza to advertise the club-more information later.

9. Heads & Tails: Winner John Ewing

10. ILLUSTRATED TALK by BRUCE GOWING on A HIGHLIGHT of OUR HOLIDAY — ASCOT RACES

Bruce thoroughly entertained our gathering with a delightful and informative description of how he and Judi attended this prestigious royal event. They stayed and dined at the Jockey Club at Newmarket- an impressive building complete with 40-50 million dollars worth of racing art kindly donated over time by the members, however it was sad to hear they still do not accept female members .

Photos and descriptions of the royal carriages and the amazing singing at the end of the day and an Australian horse winning one of the main races made us feel we had all attended.

11. Morning Tea

12. GUEST SPEAKER: DENIS SMITH—SUNDERLAND FLYING BOATS

Denis gave a very detailed and interesting talk on the history and importance of these planes before, during and after World War 2. He personalised his talk by introducing us to his uncle Percy Smith , a member of the 10th Flying Boat Squadron RAAF and their outstanding contribution to sinking or disabling several German U Boats , who were sinking British shipping and disrupting Britain's lifeline during the war. Many of our members remembered the converted Sunderlands , which became part of the Ansett Flying Boat fleet Rose Bay to Lord Howe Island and how many floated in Lake Macquarie off Rathmines after the war.

13. MEETING CLOSED -12PM LUNCH FOLLOWED FOR 24 MEMBERS AND VISITORS AT FOURTH FISH LANE COVE.

TRIVIA

Taken from the Sydney morning Herald 23rd August

- 1. In commercial flight is it typically faster travelling east to west or west to east?
- 2. According to the saying to be 'like a lizard drinking' means 'to be' what?
- 3. What test are you taking it stopped by police for an RBT?
- 4. Which three letter word means food regurgitated from the first stomach to the mouth of a ruminant and chewed again?
- 5. The Schlieffen Plan was a failed German strategy in which world war?
- 6. Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina and Johan Sebastian Bach are known for what point?
- 7. Does the snowy mountain town of Adaminaby have a big: snowflake, trout or ugg boot?
- 8. What are the three colours of the national flag of Mali?
- 9. Which ice giant takes 84 earth years to orbit the sun?

10.Karon Beach is on which island?

JOKES

- What do dentists call their x-rays? Tooth pics!
- Why did the melon jump into the lake? It wanted to be a watermelon.
- Why was 6 afraid of 7? Because 7 ate 9!
- Grandma: Back in our day, you could get bread, milk, soaps, spices, eggs, meat, all for a dollar. Little Kid: Grandma You can't do that now. They have CCTVs everywhere!

- When your teacher asks, "Where's your homework?" Student says: "It took a sick day, too many problems.
- You can't trust atoms. They make up everything!
- Why won't it hurt if you hit your friend with a 2-litre of soda? Because it's a soft drink!
- Why do mushrooms get invited to all the best parties? He was a fungi!
- What has four wheels and flies? A Garbage truck
- I got fired from my job at the bank today. An old lady came in and asked me to check her balance, so I pushed her over.
- What do you call an elephant that doesn't matter? An irrelephant.
- Dad, can you put my shoes on? No, I don't think they'll fit me.
- Why do you smear peanut butter on the road? To go with the traffic jam.
- Where did Napoleon keep his armies? In his sleevies.
- Did you hear about the actor who fell through the floorboards? He was just going through a stage.

https://www.stylecraze.com/articles/jokes-to-tell-your-friends/

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