



THE PROBIAN

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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 October 2022 Edition of the PROBIAN

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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Several members of the Committee spent two hours in the Mall on 15th September to let people know that there is a local Lane Cove Probus Combined Club and to hand out fliers with information about our next meeting date. We have had some follow up enquiries.

Ass't. Treasurer
Rosemary Taylor
0401 327099

I was pleased to induct Jenny Quirke at the last meeting and this meeting I will induct Pam & Louis Kepert into our Club. Welcome.

Membership
Sandra Barber
9413 4093

The bus outing to the Jewish Museum went very well. Sixteen members joined in the outing.

Guest Speakers
Daphne Brady
94283082

Don't forget the Bowls and BBQ coming up on 24th October - names to Bruce please.

Day Trips
Lesley Pike
9428 4060

Christmas Party will be at the Longueville Hotel on 12th December at 12 noon. Cost is expected to be \$55.

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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

Duty Officers
David Walker
John Schattiger

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GUEST SPEAKER

Warren Fahey is a cultural historian, prolific author, performer and occasional ABC 'talking head'. He has been honoured with the Order of Australia, Prime Minister's Centennial Medal, Advance Australia Award and the Nation's highest award for lifetime achievement in music, The Don Banks Music Award. He prefers to say he is a graduate of the Dingo University.

He will talk about the "Dead and Buried" of Sydney's three earliest burial grounds. In digging up Sydney's early history Warren Fahey relates tales of notable burials and the good, the bad and the ugly of Sydney city. The illustrated talk is also a comment on changing attitudes to death, especially in the nineteenth and early twentieth century.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 10th October, General Meeting followed by lunch at 'Sunset Diner', in the Canopy.
- Tuesday 18th October, this is a free session via Zoom on the topic of "introduction to the Cloud" & is available to the first 20 members of Lane Cove Combined PROBUS to register.
- Thursday 20th October, \$2.50 day excursion for lunch at Sydney Rowers at Abbotsford. Can meet at Wharf 5 for the 11.07am Parramatta River ferry at Circular Quay or drive there. We plan to catch the ferry about 2.05 back to the Quay after lunch. Names to Lesley please.
- Monday, October 24th Bowls & BBQ - 11:30 to 2pm. Names to Bruce.
- Monday, November 7th, 11:15am - Probus Committee Meeting
- Monday, November 14th, 10am - Probus General Meeting
- Monday, November 21st - \$2:50 outing to South's Juniors on the Light Rail to enjoy Yum Cha or a buffet lunch. Meet at Bridge Street Light Rail Stop at 11:30
- 28th November - 1st December - Young Cherry Festival Bus trip with OnCourse Tour. For those who have booked on the Tour, **payment is required by 25th October to Treasurer Bruce**. Twin share \$935 per person, add \$225 for the single supplement. When paying online please include **your name as a reference**. Pick up will be from the Lane Cove Bowling at 8:30am on Monday, 28th November.
- Monday, 5th December - Probus Committee Meeting - 11:15am
- Monday, 12th December - Lane Cove Combined Club, Christmas Luncheon at The Longueville Hotel, 12 noon. **No meeting at Lane Cove Bowling Club. Meet at the Hotel at midday.** Names to Lesley please! Cost is expected to be \$55 for two courses.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday for this month to John Ewing, Lesley Pike, Pam Kepert, David Walker



MEMBERSHIP

Current financial members:
41 including 2 Life Members

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash at Bank \$6011.20



President David with new Member, Jenny Quirke, following her induction into our Club last meeting.

BOWLS DAY & BBQ

A Social Bowls Day is planned for Monday 24th October to be held at the Lane Cove Bowling & Recreation Club from 11am -2pm. The last Bowls/BBQ Day was a great success and is a good way for members and friends to get together. Names to Bruce at the meeting please. Bowls & BBQ = \$15 per head.

RECENT OUTINGS

Sydney Jewish Museum

On Thursday 29th September, 16 members joined in the outing to the Sydney Jewish Museum in Darlinghurst. Our group included member Peter Nash who volunteers weekly at the Museum. On the bus trip over, Peter gave the group details of his family background and some information on the history of the Museum. He also shared some snippets of his story during our museum tour. The group was spilt in half and given an insightful tour of the Museum by volunteer guides. The Museum has been thoughtfully curated and contains many thought-provoking exhibits. Following the Tour, we joined in a talk from a Holocaust survivor which was indeed a most powerful reminder of the treatment of the Jewish people. The group was also able to view the latest Art Exhibition of the work of Sir Sidney Nolan entitled, 'Shaken to the Core'. An insightful outing for our members.



Minutes of the General Meeting Lane Cove Combined PROBUS Club Monday, September 12th, 2022

Apologies: Judith Mayer, Denis Smith, Julie Kemp, Beth Kannegeiter, Dianne Wathen, Margaret Hocking, Lynne Noske

Visitors: Yvonne Bourne, Pam Kepert, Louis Kepert

Trips: Lesley:

- No \$2.50 excursion this month
- On 29th Sept we have our bus trip to the Jewish Museum. We will meet at this club at 9:15am to go to the museum. We still have a spare seat so pay your \$20 to Bruce if you want to attend.
- October Thursday 20th: \$2.50 day excursion for lunch at Sydney Rowers at Abbotsford. Can meet at Wharf 5 for the 11.07am Parramatta River ferry at Circular Quay or drive there. We plan to catch the ferry about 2.05 back to the Quay after lunch.
- Cherry Festival Young Trip 29th Nov we have one room available for either a single or a double booking.

Membership: Sandra reported numbers stand at 39 members

Treasurer's Report: Bruce reported that we have \$5205.32 in the bank but this includes monies for the Jewish Museum

Speakers: Daphne has speakers organised for the rest of this year including Jim Roberts today and is working on Speakers for next year

Christmas Party: Dec. 12th. Judi confirmed that it will be held at the Longueville Hotel commencing at Midday with a brief general meeting to start proceedings.

Raffle: Daphne Brady

Heads and Tails: John Ewing

General Business:

- Our club has booked a table position near the ANZ Bank 10am to 12pm this Thursday 15th Sept to advertise our club and seek new members. Committee members available to man the stall.
- Bowls and Barbecue Day Mon 24th Oct here at the Bowling Club. 11am to 2.30pm. Cost of barbecue \$10. If interested inform David or Bruce or Judi.

Our Trip: Venice - Judi and Bruce Gowing

Bruce took us on a very enjoyable trip to Venice via an excellent Powerpoint presentation prepared by Judi. For many of us it was a chance to relive our own time in Venice revisiting St Mark's Square, the Doges Palace, the, beautiful renaissance cathedral, extensive canal, waterways and bridges. They were very fortunate to have a private viewing of the Murano Glass Factory and showroom. -the glass creations were very beautiful. Visiting Venice during The Festival of the Redeemer, they had a rooftop restaurant view of spectacular fireworks which proved a colourful finale to Bruce's talk.

Guest Speaker- Jim Roberts

Lesley introduced her friend and long-term resident of Lane Cove - Jim Roberts on the topic City to Surf. Like Lesley a long-time member of Lane Cove Swimming Club, Jim is still competing at 76 years of age - an inspiration to us all!

Jim gave us a very interesting history of the City to Surf event which began in 1971 on Fathers' Day with a relatively small, mainly serious group of competitors. As we know the event has grown in numbers and now has several divisions to suit all participants. However, Jim is a serious competitor having completed all 52 City to Surfs and is now one of an elite group known as the Legends.

Jim described the course and how it has changed over the years, improved medical services and care and how the event has raised tens of millions of dollars for charities.

He told stories of some well-known competitors such as Robert di Castilla, Steve Moneghetti and Heather Turland. The oldest competitor this year was 98 and in past years a 100-year-old finished the course. Hope for us all!!

Meeting Closed: 11.55am

Lunch after meeting: La Piazza—24 attendees

TRIVIA

Courtesy of SMH September 19th, 2022

1. Kings Canyon is in which state or territory?
2. What is the name for an adult female crocodile?
3. What is the national flower of England?
4. Graphite is composed of which element?
5. What is the distinctive characteristic of Seville oranges: Very sweet, juicy or bitter?
6. What is the pH of pure (neutral) water?
7. The mythical Merlion, with the head of a lion and the body of a fish, is the mascot of which island nation?
8. New Zealand is named after which 'old' Zealand?
9. Who was on the cover of the first issue of 'Playboy' magazine in 1953?
10. Orange pekoe is a classification of what?

UPCOMING OUTINGS

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BE CONNECTED ZOOM SESSION on INTRODUCTION TO THE CLOUD

"The 'Building Digital Skills' grant allows the Stay in Touch team to provide 10 x 1.5 hour small group training sessions using topics from the Be Connected portal and our extensive Stay In Touch library.

We are thrilled to be able to offer these training sessions to our Probus (and U3A) Digital Mentor volunteers who have recently completed our program. We will run the sessions for members of your clubs and provide handout material (via email)."

Members, Judi and Naida have completed the Digital Mentoring Project and this one off short session is a bonus for all who are interested.

Being held in the comfort of your own home on Tuesday, 18th October this is a free session via Zoom on the topic of

"Introduction to the Cloud" & is available to the first 20 members of Lane Cove Combined PROBUS to register. The session lasts online for an hour and a half. You simply require a phone, tablet, Laptop or PC to participate. Read the details below and register via the link provide.

Trivia Answers	
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4	Carb on
5	Bite of
6	Scv on
7	Singapore
8	Zealand
.	Dutch province)
9	Marilyn Munro
10.	Black tea

Topic: Introduction to the Cloud

When: Tuesday 18 October 2022 at 10am (note: we will open the session at 9.45am to allow people to log in)

Presenter: Warwick Barnard

Registrations close: Monday 17 October at 4pm.

All those that have registered will receive an email from Stay In Touch with a Zoom invitation link.

Please let me know if you have any questions. (Judi 0419284262)

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/introduction-to-the-cloud-tickets-413966052607>

JOKES

Australian Jokes

(courtesy of <https://www.keeplaughingforever.com/aussie-jokes>)

Q: What do you call a kangaroo that is a dead set genius?

A: A quantum leap.

Q: When is a bear not a bear?

A: When he doesn't have the right koalifications.

Q: Why did the wombat decide to cross over the road?

A: To see his flatmate

An Aussie walks into the bar the other night wearing one thong. One patron asks him "What happened mate? Did you lose a thong?" the guy replies, "Nah mate, I found one!".

Q: How do you say sorry to a koala bear?

A: Ensure that you BEAR your heart and soul with feeling.

I met a bloke from Australia who worked in I.T

I asked him "Do you come from a LAN down under?"

Did you hear about the two baked beans that hitchhiked around Australia?
They ended up in Cairns.

I just watched an Aussie cooking show and the audience cheered when the chef made meringue. I was surprised... Usually Aussies boo meringue.

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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.