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President's Message



Hello fellow members,
Here we are into December and Summer is here with a vengeance with heat, humidity and storms. There is no regular Probud meeting in December but instead we have our Christmas lunch at Twin Waters Golf Club- not on the second Monday of the month but the third Monday on 15th December at 12 noon.

We have a really good number planning to attend this year's Christmas lunch but for those who are not able to attend may I wish you a happy and blessed Christmas and I look forward to seeing you in the new year.

President Jack

Congratulations to Ken Evans

In the annual Buderim Garden Club Flower Festival Ken entered 64 exhibits and managed to win 16 Firsts and 16 Seconds which helped to win 4 trophies for different sections of the exhibition including the award for most points by a Garden Club Member. He received a nomination from Buderim Garden Club along with 13 other nominees from Gardening Clubs around Queensland for a gardening award from Queensland Council of Gardening Clubs in the biennial (every 2 years) award for outstanding contributions to the gardening community by individuals.



Ken with his champion cut flower

Vale Elizabeth Greenwood

Elizabeth Greenwood was inducted into our club on 8th March 2010 and resigned in July 2020. She passed away about one month ago having moved to a nursing home in Brisbane earlier this year to be near her son and his family. She would have been 99.



In 1992 his marriage had failed and met Julie in 1993. They married in 1998 and lived at Redland Bay. In 2004 they moved to Agnes Water where they ran their air conditioning business and a small sheet metal shop. They love bushwalking and in 2006 did the Kokoda Track and in 2018 the French section on the Camino de Santiago. They moved to the Sunshine Coast around 4 years ago and purchased their current home at Gemlife Maroochy Quays.



Members Spot

Julie and John Van Didden

Julie was born in Melbourne the youngest of four girls. They moved to Surfers Paradise in 1956 where she spent her primary school years. The family later moved to Springbrook in the Gold Coast hinterland where Julie enjoyed horse riding and country dances. She left school and started work in a Gold Coast Pharmacy. At 18 she moved to Brisbane and married a few years later. In 1970 they moved to Papua New Guinea for 3 years and she worked for the Commissioner of Land Titles. In 1973 they moved back to Brisbane and had their 2 children. In 1980 they moved back to Papua New Guinea for 3 years again. In 1992 her marriage ended.

John was born in Holland the youngest of 3 boys. In 1954 his family moved to Western Australia. At 15 he left school and started his 5-year sheet metal apprenticeship. He married and had 3 daughters. For 7 years he was a partner in a sheet metal manufacturing business with 3 others. In 1988 he moved to Brisbane with his wife and the one daughter who was still living at home.



Our November Speaker:

Dr Christopher Reynolds, author of the book "What a Capital Idea" provided us with a thought provoking and entertaining talk about how and why his history of Australia was based on the financial and political situation occurring in the 1780's



Upcoming Guest Speakers

JANUARY: Bev and John Stacey -Trivia

FEBRUARY: Carol Noble-Club year in review

MARCH: Niagara Therapy -Kylie Currey

Wedding Anniversaries & Birthdays

Congratulations to those with birthdays or wedding anniversaries for the month of December.

Happy Wedding Anniversary

Bev and John Stacey, Deanne and David Henley, Dom and Penny Colasante, Margaret and Mark Pennington, Julie and John Van Didden

Happy Birthday

Jeffrey Feuerherdt 6th, Leone Bade 6th, Mark Pennington 6th, Gary Carlson 14th, Laureen Jerome 15th, John Chirio 18th, Nola Ruse 18th, David Henley 24th, Kerry Fenton 25th, Lyn Spink 28th, Fay Winter 31st.

Club Greeting Roster for 2025-2026

MEETING DATE	GREETERS
	Frank Coard
Jan-12	Tricia Coard
	Richard Perry
Feb-09	Margaret Perry
	Neil Hansen
Mar-09	Kay Hansen

We ask all greeters to be ready at the entry door to the meeting by 9.00am. Greeters badges available at the registration desk.

As the roster is set in advance there may be times where it will not suit you. If this should happen, would you please arrange a swap directly with another member so that this role is always filled in time.

Thanks to all members who offered to assist. Remember if you are unable to greet on the allotted date, please swap with someone yet to do the greeting and then confirm with Brian Clark (Ph 5326 2618) for inclusion in the newsletter.

Thanks, Anne & Barry Le Claire

PAST EVENTS

Wednesday 5th November Board Games.

Nineteen keen board gamers enjoyed another fun afternoon. This was our highest number to date so the word is spreading. It was great to see some new faces come along as well as our regular group. A few of our members are currently facing some health challenges and it is wonderful to see them enjoy a bit of a diversion from their issues for a few hours of friendship and fun playing a few different board games.

Kay Hansen



Event Organisers: Bev & Lindsay Robertson / Kay & Neil Hansen

Friday 14th November - Golf Report

Due to the inclement weather we had to postpone our event until the following Friday. We had only 3 members available on that day due to previous engagements but we still enjoyed the perfect spring weather and a markedly improved course. Unfortunately, our scores did not reflect the improvements in the course. Our scores were close with Ian Nunn being the winner, Brian second and Ken third.



Ian having a long putt for birdie on the 8th. Did he get it?



He just missed but got the par.

Event Coordinator: Ken Evans

Tuesday 18th November - Coffee Morning

10 members attended the coffee morning this month.

Thank you for your support during the year.
This is the last meeting of the year they will resume in January.

A Very Happy Christmas and New Year
Everyone.



Event Organiser: Evelyn Hedges

Wednesday 19th November- Wappa Dam Lunch Picnic Lunch

On a lovely Sunshine Coast Day several of our members enjoyed a Fun, Fellowship and Friendship Day at Wappa Dam Park. Brush turkeys as usual, were a nuisance, with Ian standing guard over our lunches while the rest of us played Finska, and in addition we help Barry celebrate his birthday.



Event Organiser: Margaret Perry

Wednesday 26th November-Walk

Due to the uncertainty of the weather on the day our walk was cancelled.

Our walks will be suspended over the summer period and the notification of commencement will be in the new year newsletters.

Event Organisers: Ian and Carol Noble

UPCOMING EVENTS

For all events, if you are paying by direct debit, please send an email to the Event Organiser & Treasurer once you pay for the Event.

Wednesday 3rd December Board Games. Time - 1.30pm

This will be our last board games afternoon for 2025 so come along and enjoy a fun and friendly afternoon. It was great to see a few new faces last month and we look forward to seeing you join us again. There is no need to have played any of the games before - we play to enjoy a social afternoon with a bit of brain exercise as well.

We would like to thank everyone for supporting this activity throughout the year and look forward to seeing you all in 2026.

Cost: \$5.00pp incl afternoon tea

Venue: Croquet Club, Syd Lingard Drive Buderim

Event Organisers: Bev & Lindsay Robertson - Ph 0438822659 / Kay & Neil Hansen Ph 0405283146

Friday 13th December Golf Time - 7:15 am Hit off

We will play a eagerly anticipated Stableford event at Glenview par 3 with the winner having their name engraved on the Buderim Mountain Probus perpetual trophy. They are then able to display the trophy at their home for the next 12 months. If you would like to join us, please just arrive at Glenview by 7.10am. Our handicap system is such that everyone must win a prize eventually.

New members are always welcome, and a fun game is had by all no matter what your golfing prowess is.

Our members also play on Tuesday each week at the same time and place except for the week of our general meeting when we play on the following Friday instead. The cost is \$16.00 per 9 holes followed by \$2.00 coffee/tea and biscuits in the clubhouse partaken over friendly banter between our players.

Event Organiser Ken Evans or Ian Noble

Reminder to play golf with people that are fun to be around, can crack some jokes and bring positive vibes.

Tues 20th January 2016- Morning Coffee Time -10:00 am

The Goodlife Cafe, 100 Buderim Pines Dr.

Buderim. This will be our first one for 2026.

Hope to have yet another year of Friendship, Fellowship and Fun

PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR BADGE!

**Event Organiser: Evelyn Hedges
Ph 5477 1218**

FUTURE EVENTS

Christmas Donations for Sunny Coast Kids

As per last year our club has decided to give Christmas donations to help disadvantaged children via Sunny Coast Kids. They have asked for appropriate presents suitable for ages 18 months to 15 years. Each present is to be unwrapped and can be still be brought to our Christmas Lunch on 15th December.

Event Organisers: Gail and Kerry Kiely

**Monday 15th December- Christmas
Lunch at Twin Waters Golf Club
151 Ocean Dr Twin Waters**

Upon Arrival at 12noon you will be given a ticket for a glass of wine, champagne, pot of beer or soft drink. Guests all to be seated and lunch to be served at 12.30.

This will be an alternate drop for both main and dessert.

MAIN COURSE

Roast Barramundi with Crushed Olive
New Potatoes and Lemon Butter Sauce **or**

Apple, Sage & Chestnut Pork Porchetta with
Roasted Vegetables and Gravy

DESSERT

Classic Christmas Pudding with Brandy
Custard and Vanilla Ice Cream **or** French
Vanilla Crème Brulee followed by Tea or
Coffee

Payment of \$45.00p/p to be deposited into
the Probus Bank Account Westpac BSB
034243 A/C 751330 by the General Meeting
on 10th November. Please email the
Treasurer and Coordinator when you have
made payment.

Payment cannot be made at the event.

Event Organiser: Janet Bruce

**Wednesday 28th January-Australia
Day BBQ Breakfast**

The Breakfast is at The Spit, Parkyn Parade,
Mooloolaba and arrival time 7.30 for 8.00am
breakfast.

Cost is \$10.00 per person

Enjoy a breakfast cooked by your members
of GF sausages, scrambled eggs, cooked
tomatoes, bacon and mushrooms. orange
juice. Tea and coffee are provided.

Please bring your own cups, plates, cutlery,
and table and chairs, (just in case there is no
room on the existing tables under the
Rotunda).

**Wednesday 11th February 2026-
CATS at Lyric Theatre Brisbane**



We have now filled our group booking of 10
tickets. For all the members already listed on the
expression of interest list, payment of \$70 per
ticket must be transferred to the Probus bank
account as listed below Westpac BSB 034243
A/C 751330 then email both the treasurer and
event coordinator with the details. Payment must
be prior to 30th October.

**Event Organiser: Julie Van Didden
0417789475**

**The Events Centre Caloundra,
Saturday 28th March 2026, at 3pm**

OVATION with four of Australia's Best loved
Artists in a Performance of a Life Time. If you
would like to join Probus Members to see the
above "Ovation" with Marina Prior, David
Hobson, Silvie Paladino and Michael Cormick
performing please put your name down on the
Expression of Interest Form at the next
meeting on October 13th. 9 members have
booked already; 3 tickets remain at \$110 each.

Payment is due before 30th October into the
Probus Account

**Organisers: Janet Bruce and Fran
Matlock.**

Members Travel Experiences from Jeanette and Joe Leeson

We recently enjoyed a fabulous holiday across Europe, starting with an Emerald Cruise on the beautiful Douro River in Portugal. With its stunning scenery, rich history & vibrant culture, this experience has left us with an appreciation of the simple life. On to Paris for a quick 3 days exploring Montmartre, the shopping district & the amazing restoration of the Notre Dame. Next we were off to explore the dramatic landscapes of the south of Iceland by Coach. It's a land of rugged mountains, volcanoes, kilometres of lava fields, waterfalls, a massive black desert & glaciers. So much more beautiful scenery on our Cruise from Reykjavik to Boston, taking in Akureyri & Isafjordur in Iceland, Greenland, Corner Brook in Newfoundland, Sydney & Halifax in Canada & finishing in Boston where we walked the Freedom Trail before we flew home.





Any member who wants to include their holiday memories in future newsletters please email the details to me. If you need any help please contact me. I hope to have one memory for each newsletter as it may encourage our other members to find a holiday which suits them.

Calender of Future Events:

<u>December EVENTS</u>	<u>REGULAR ACTIVITIES</u>
Wed 3th 1.30 pm	Board Games
Friday 13th 7.15am	Golf at Glenview
<u>UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
Monday 15 th December	Christmas Lunch at Twin Waters Golf Club
Wednesday 28 th January	Australia Day BBQ Breakfast
Wednesday 11 th February	CATS at Lyric Theatre Brisbane
Saturday 28 th March	Ovation at The Events Centre Caloundra

If any of our members have any suggestions for events, please discuss it with any members of the committee. As we found last year the club has a more active social life if more members contribute with ideas or organising of individual events.

PLEASE REFER TO YOUR INFORMATION BOOKLET FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ON MEMBERS AND ACTIVITIES

DIRECT DEBIT PAYMENTS TO: WESTPAC BSB 034243 A/C 751330 THEN EMAIL BOTH THE TREASURER AND THE EVENT COORDINATOR WITH THE DETAILS.

PLEASE NOTE OUR CLUB ONLY ACCEPTS PAYMENTS VIA DIRECT DEBIT OR EFTPOS. WE CAN NO LONGER ACCEPT CASH OR CHEQUES DUE TO DIFFICULTIES WITH DEALING WITH THESE.

If you change your email address, please notify the Secretary.

Welfare & Support

Carol Noble — 0414767151

Any members who are ailing or needing support please ensure that Carol knows about it so that the Club is able to provide whatever assistance it can.

Notice: This publication is solely for the information and interest of the members of the Probus Club of Buderim Mountain Inc. and adjoining Probus Clubs within the district.

The Suggestion Box



If any member has any ideas for a new interest group or a social outing we would love to hear from you. Talk to or send an outline of your idea to anyone on the management committee who would love to be able to present more activities for our members each month so that they can achieve more fun and friendship together.

**WHEN I WAS A KID, THEY
DIDN'T CALL IT BEHAVIORAL
DISORDERS. THEY CALLED IT
BEING A 'LITTLE BRAT.'**



**This is the first time I've
seen it, what kind of bird is
this**





**CAR FAINTS AFTER SEEING
THE PRICE OF FUEL**





