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#### **President's Report**



Hello everyone

What a great start to the year! The Trivia session at our January meeting was at times very challenging, sometimes a learning curve and of course the odd surprise! Congratulations to the winning team & thanks to John & Bev for preparing the questions & running the day.

We were able to show those present our new Probus website. It's a simple website which is easy to navigate. It will be a little while before you can Google the site, so the only way to find it at this stage is to use this: buderimmountainprobus.org

Our thanks to Kate Smith, my daughter-in-law, for developing the website. Kate attended a Committee meeting prior to starting her work & she attended a monthly meeting to take photos. I'm sure you will agree that she has done an amazing job. I'm also happy that you have approved a motion to buy her a gift in appreciation for the expertise she has used to develop our own website.

Brian Clark, our newsletter editor, will maintain currency of the newsletters listed on the site (thanks, Brian!) and John Chirio, our secretary, will be able to make changes & additions (thanks, John!). Thanks also to Carol who searched through photos & found appropriate ones to include on the site.

Please provide feedback on the content of our website as we value your opinion!

As I'm writing this on Australia Day, I'm looking forward to our annual Australia Day breakfast at The Spit at Mooloolaba on Tuesday. Our thanks yet again to Janet for organising this event!

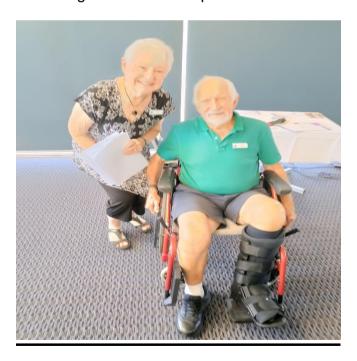
Cheers
President Margie

At our General meeting on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January President Margie inducted our two newest members June Tait and Diane Rench. Please introduce yourself and make them welcome.



In lieu of a guest speaker there was a trivia competition hosted by Bev and John Stacey. As usual all members were enthusiastic and enjoyed the competition with the winning team being the Black Swans.

A big thank you to Bev and John for their effort in running this much anticipated event.



#### **Critically Important Notice:**

#### **Upcoming Management Committee**

As you would be aware, our Club is required to have an AGM each year and at the moment we need members to nominate for the following Management Committee roles:

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Social/Events Coordinator

I know that you all value our Club and urge each of you to consider nominating for one of these roles. All you need is the willingness to give back to the Club that you have benefitted so much from, you in turn get to share your knowledge, ideas and experience with fellow members. With a co-operative attitude, and a little bit of time, our Club can continue to give us all the opportunity to stay connected and participate in a range of activities and outings. You will benefit too by knowing that you have helped fellow retirees enjoy Probus fun, fellowship and friendship. A Management Committee role helps build confidence and allows you to share your ideas, knowledge and experience with fellow members. It can be very rewarding working behind the scenes to make our Club run smoothly. A Committee that works well as a team, grows as a team. Current Committee members will be happy to provide guidance and advice. If you need any further information about any of the positions, please speak to a Management Committee member. A description of each role can be **PSPL** provide comprehensive provided. support in so many areas, you will not be alone and "Many hands do make light work" - I ask you all to think about how much you enjoy Probus and what you would do without it. I know that each of you have so much to offer our Club. Please put up your hand and help your club and Community.

Our current committee members are willing to help and guide anyone who is willing to put their hand up and nominate.

Please be aware that unless we fill these positions by our club cannot function.

#### **Wedding**, Anniversaries & Birthdays

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

#### **Happy Wedding Anniversary**

Mary & Errol James, Evelyn & Barry Hedges

#### **Happy Birthday**

Janet Bruce, Frank Coard, Ann McLeod, Margie Smith, Sonia Holmes

#### **Upcoming Guest Speakers**

FEBRUARY: Coral Mc Bean from the Stroke Foundation Talking about causes, effects, treatment and prevention.

MARCH: Christopher Reynolds talking about Australian History.

#### Club Greeting Roster for 2024-2025

Meeting Date		Greeters
10th	February	Merv & Wendy
2025	-	Grant
		Dom & Penny
10th March 2025		Colasante

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 the confirm with Brian Clark (Ph 5326 2618) for inclusion in the newsletter.

Thanks, Anne & Barry Le Claire

#### Past Events

#### Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January- Board Games

Twelve members enjoyed our first board games afternoon for 2025. It is always a fun afternoon with a variety of games on offer to play.

Bev & Lindsay Robertson, Kay & Neil Hansen

#### Friday 17th January - Golf Report

Seven of our members played today at Glenview and the course was in perfect condition. The quality of the course is continually being improved but unfortunately our golf has not improved to the same extent but we always enjoy our game. The weather was excellent and only started to get warm near the end. We played a stroke event with the winner being Ian Nunn who won the vegetables, Warren was runner up and won the flowers and Ian Noble took home the

A fun day was had by all and we all enjoyed the coffee and conversation afterwards. As always the prizes were once again donated by Ken.



Ron concentrating on the first hole trying to put in for a par. Of course he got it.

#### <u>Tuesday January 21st.- Coffee</u> <u>Morning</u>

It was good to catch up with fellow members for our first coffee morning of the new year, despite the soaring temperature and high humidity we all managed to keep the conversations flowing while enjoying morning tea etc.



### Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>-Australia Day BBQ

My thanks for all the help that was given to make the breakfast go smoothly on the 28th January. The weather really was quite beautiful and not too hot.

My thanks go to Laureen Jerome and Elaine Anderson for the shopping of goods, John Chirio for bringing the containers, and to Ann LeClaire for the beautiful scrambled eggs.

My thanks go to all the cooks and helpers on the day. Pity the BBQ plates were not cleaned by the Council beforehand, also to Jack Bade for giving us the pleasure of his musical talents.

Although we had food left over it was distributed to one and all. So thank you once again. Janet

## We should all congratulate Anne LeClaire for writing this wonderful poem

#### **AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATION 2025**

I love our probus breakfasts, where we honour our national day. 'Cos we're proud to be Australians, and celebrate this way.

We gathered at Mooloolaba spit to enjoy a bar- be-que, of bacon, snags and scrambled eggs, all cooked and ready on cue.

Carol and Margaret stirred the eggs others cooked the meat just right.

Laureen rushed home for what she'd forgot, the many hands made work light.

We ate onions, tomatoes, mushies too; Janet had it all in hand. There was orange juice and fruit on sticks, all ready just as planned.

President Margie welcomed us and Jack played his guitar, and we all joined in singing aussie songs 'cos we're proud of who we are.

Jack Bade found this appropriate extra verse on the notice board of an aged care facility.

I love a sun-smart country
A land where cricket reigns
Where green and gold singlets
Are adorned with red sauce stains
I love her sense of mateship
I love her diversity
Her beaches and her bulldust
They all spell home to me.



#### **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.

#### <u>Wednesday 5th February Board</u> <u>Games. Time - 1.30pm</u>

We meet at the Croquet Club, Syd Lingard Drive, Buderim for a fun afternoon of board games. Come along and join our friendly group. You do not need to have played any of the games before, we are not overly competitive and it is a good way to get a bit of brain exercise. New members are very welcome to come along.

Cost: \$5.0pp which includes afternoon tea Please add your name to the list at the Probus Meeting or just come along on the day.

Event Organisers: Bev & Lindsay Robertson 0438822659 or Kay & Neil Hansen 0405283146

#### Monday 10th February: Time 9.30am

The next general meeting starts at 9.30am at Maroochydore Surf Club.

#### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February Golf Time: 7:15 am

We will play a 9-hole Stableford event at Glenview Par 3 as usual and I am predicting a beautiful fine autumn day. Whilst exciting prizes are awarded to 1st and 2nd they will suffer a reduction to their handicaps.

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**

# Tues 18th February Morning Coffee Time: 10:00 am

The Goodlife Cafe, 100 Buderim Pines Dr, Buderim, is the venue every third Tuesday in the month for members and visitors.

Meet up with fellow probians for a social morning while enjoying morning tea of your own choice from the well-stocked cafe.

**Event Organiser: Evelyn Hedges** 

Ph 5477 1218

## Wednesday 26th March 2025 Walk and Picnic Lunch

This will be a combined walk and social get together. The venue is the Maroochy Botanical Gardens, Palm Creek Road, Tanawha.

For those wanting to walk, meet at the large covered pavilion at 9.45 am for a 10am start. There are many paths to walk around\_and can be as short or as long as you wish. For those wanting to join us for lunch, For those wanting to join us for lunch, please meet at the pavilion at approximately 11 to 11.30am. Bring your own picnic or there is a café in the Arts & Decomposition of the pavilion at approximately 11 to 11.30am. Bring your own picnic or there is a café in the Arts & Decomposition of the pavilion of the pavilion of the sheet and are unable to attend on the day, please call Ian 0414838459 or Carol 0414767151



#### Future Events

#### <u>Wednesday 19th February 1pm the</u> <u>Lyric Theatre-Sister Act</u>

Ticket sales have now closed. Casey Donovan stars in this much anticipated musical.

**Event Organiser: 0407342809 Fran Matlock** 

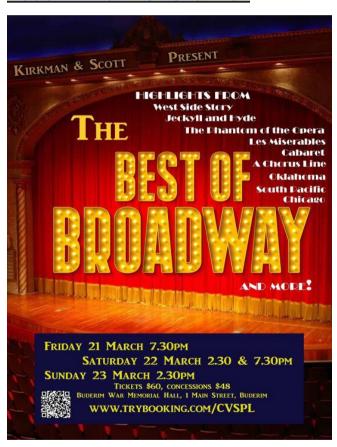
#### <u>Lunch after AGM on Monday 10<sup>th</sup></u> March

Last year a decision was made to have our AGM Lunch downstairs at the Maroochydore Surf Club to celebrate the new incoming Committee. This was a great success so the Committee has decided to hold the lunch downstairs again. There will be a list at our General Meeting on 10th February if you wish to participate, this is to give the Chef an indication of the numbers attending. The meal will of course be at your own expense.

Many thanks

Janet

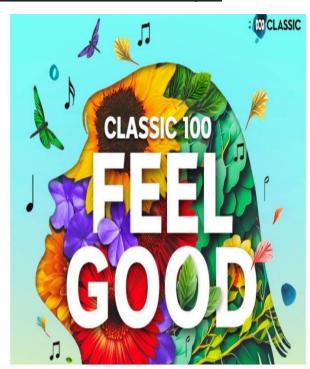
<u>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2.30pm</u> Buderim War Memorial Hall

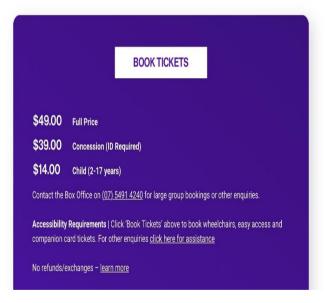


Kym Kirkman who was a guest speaker with his harp at a previous meeting has sent us this information about his upcoming concert. For anyone who is interested please add your name to the list at the General Meeting.

**Event Organiser: Margaret Perry** 0419829456

#### <u>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March Sunshine Coast</u> <u>Symphony Orchestra – The Event</u> <u>Centre Caloundra 7.00pm</u>





Selections from the top 100 feel-good favourites you voted for in 2024, including Dvorak's *Symphony 'From the New World'*, Vaughn-Williams' *Lark Ascending* and highlights from Bach, Bizet, Copland and more. If interested add your name to the list at the General meeting. Fran has managed to grab 10 tickets.

**Event Organiser: 0407342809 Fran Matlock** 

#### Bus Tour to Dubbo Zoo 27th April

A week in NSW (27th April to 3rd May) by bus with a feature being an overnight glamping stay at the Taronga Western Plains Zoo in Dubbo. Bookings have now closed as sixteen people have committed. For those that have missed out and still would like to go, Mystic Mountain Tours is running a second tour about week after this event. Personal arrangements required.

Invoices have now been emailed to those travelling, should you have problems with arranging the payment please contact Margaret or Mystic Mountains direct.

**Event** Organiser: Margaret Perry 0419829456

March 2025 EVENTS	REGULAR ACTIVITIES
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> 1.30 pm	Board Games
Monday 10th 9.30am	Monthly meeting at
	Maroochydore Surf Club
Friday 14th 7.15am	Golf at Glenview
Tuesday 18th	Coffee Morning at
10.00am	Goodlife
UPCOMING SOCIAL	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
<u>EVENTS</u>	
Weds 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb 1pm	Sister Act Lyric Theatre
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Mystic Mountain Bus
	Tour

**PLEASE** YOUR REFER TO FOR INFORMATION **BOOKLET** 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.

FOR THE BENEFIT OF NEW MEMBERS FOR INSURANCE AND **PURPOSES** PLEASE WEAR YOUR PROBUS BADGE AT **ALL ACTIVITIES.** 

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.

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A wealthy Manager saw two men eating grass in a field. He got out of the car to investigate. He asked one man, "Why are you eating grass?"

"We don't have any money for food,"the poor man replied. "We have to eat grass."

"Well, then, you can come with me to my house and I'll feed you,"the manager said.

"But sir, I have a wife and five children with me. They are over there, under that tree."

"Bring them along,"the manager replied. Turning to the other poor man he stated, "You come with us also."

The second man, in a pitiful voice then said, "But sir, I also have a wife and seven children with me!"

"Bring them all, as well,"the manager answered. They all entered the car, which was no easy task, even for a car as large as it was. One of the poor fellows turned to the wealthy fellow and said, "Sir, you are too kind. Thank you for taking all of us with you."

The manager replied, "Glad to do it. You'll really love my place, the grass is almost 1 foot high."

There's a police report out about a missing person believed to be a wealthy Manager, and stolen car with 16 passengers onboard!

# A Senior's Version of FACEBOOK

For those of my generation who do not, and cannot, comprehend why Facebook exists: I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles. Therefore, every day I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I have done the night before, what I will do later and with whom. I give them pictures of my family, my dog and of me gardening, taking things apart in the garage, watering the lawn, standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch, and doing what anybody and everybody does every day. I also listen to their conversations, give them "thumbs up" and tell them I "like" them. And it works just like Facebook. I already have 4 people following me: 2 police officers, a private investigator and a psychiatrist.

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3 Old Guys ...

'Sixty is the worst age to be,' said the 60-year-old man. 'You always feel like you have to pee and most of the time you stand there and nothing comes out.'

'Ah, that's nothin,' said the 70-year-old. 'When you're seventy, you don't have a bowel movement any more. You take laxatives, eat bran, sit on the toilet all day and nothin' comes out!'

'Actually,' said the 80-year -old, 'Eighty is the worst age of all.'

'Do you have trouble peeing, too?' asked the 60-year old.

'No, I pee every morning at 6:00. I pee like a racehorse on a flat rock; no problem at all.'

'So, do you have a problem with your bowel movement?'

'No, I have one every morning at 6:30.'

Exasperated, the 60-year-old said, 'You pee every morning at 6:00 and crap every morning at 6:30. So what's so bad about being 80?'

'I don't wake up until 7:00.'

Paddy wants a job, but the foreman won't hire him until he passes a little maths test.

"Here is your first question," the foreman says.

"Without using numbers, represent the number nine."

"Without numbers?" Paddy says. "That's easy." And he proceeds to draw three trees.

"What's this?" the boss asks.

"Have you no brain? Tree plus tree plus tree makes nine," says Paddy.

"Fair enough," says the boss. "Here's your second question. Use the same rules, but this time the number is 99."

Paddy stares into space for a while, then picks up the picture that he has just drawn and makes a smudge on each tree and hands it back.

The boss scratches his head and says, "How on earth do you get that to represent 99?"

"Each of them trees is dirty now. So, it's dirty tree plus dirty tree. That makes 99."

"All right, last question. Same rules again, but represent the number 100."

Paddy stares into space again; he then picks up the picture and makes a little mark at the base of each tree and hands it back.

The boss looks at Paddy's picture. "You must be nuts if you think that represents a hundred!"
Paddy leans forward and points to the marks at the base of each tree and whispers, "a little dog came along and pooped by each tree. So now you got dirty tree and a turd, plus dirty tree and a turd, plus dirty tree and a turd, which makes 100!"