



PROBUS NEWSLETTER

April 2023

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PRESIDENT
Michael Hissey

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Roger Hodgson

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WHAT'S ON

13 th April	General Meeting +Partners
26 th April	Men's Coffee Club
26 th April	Ladies' Coffee Club
4 th May	Committee Meeting
10 th May	Sturt Gallery Morning Tea
11 th May	General Meeting
????	Press Club, Canberra
21 st June	Nuclear Science Visit
11 th August	Historic Aircraft Museum
5 th -9 th Sept.	Beechworth Trip

PARTNER'S DAY - APRIL

As previously notified (and I hope you have saved April 13), you are invited to bring along your partner to the April General Meeting. The featured guest speaker is Gale Edwards who will address the meeting after morning tea. Prior to that we have Graham Balfe, who will speak about modular nuclear power plants and their application in the community. Graham's information will be a good introduction to our visit to Lucas Heights in June (details in a later edition).

With her wide variety of experience and expertise in the area of stage and show production, guest speaker, Gale Edwards will have a lot of stories to



tell. Last time I told you that Gale has, directed Shakespeare extensively, in Australia, USA and England, worked with Andrew Lloyd Webber

for 20 years, directed a lot for the Australian Opera, including both "Aida" and "Carmen" on the Harbour Stage floating in Sydney Harbour, won an Emmy Award (USA) for her film direction of Jesus Christ Superstar and created "The Boy from Oz".

Well, we can still add to that next Thursday!

Come along and bring your partner to hear this lovely lady at the April general meeting. After the meeting you are invited to enjoy lunch in the RSL Club Bistro with other members and partners.

NEW COMMITTEE

The newly elected committee takes over from the April meeting under the leadership of Michael Hissey. We wish them a good year and if members wish to make enquiries about any matters would

you please speak to or contact the committee member responsible for that area.

President	Michael Hissey	0409 745401
Vice Pres.	John Elvy	0414 255770
Past Pres.	Jim McGrath	0409 374741
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Treasurer	Brian Collath	0425 243405
Tours	John Elvy	0414 255770
Events	Geoff McNamarra	0429 796720
Speakers	Geoff MacBean	0438 789193
Membership	John Milhinch	0408 412 335
Newsletter	Bruce Pearson	0402 333329
Welfare	Malcolm Stephens	0475 436470

MORNING TEA PAYMENTS

As time moves on (far too quickly) changes come about that we need to which we need to adapt. The changes to payment methods and banking have brought about the need to change the methods by which we collect our payments.

As from this meeting members have two options for the payment of the \$5 morning tea meeting fee.

Option 1: Pay \$30 for your morning tea for the next twelve months.

Option 2: Pay \$5 at the door at each of the eleven meetings you attend in the next 12 months (no general meeting in December).

You have probably already worked out the best deal for regular attendees. Note: Members deemed "non-active" are not required to pay the \$30.

As from April 2024 cash and cheques will no longer be accepted for payments for morning tea or other club tours and events. Payments will need to be made via direct deposit into the club account.

Further, the annual fee for 2024 will consist of the \$40 membership fee (this has remained the same for the last 12 years) plus a \$30 annual charge for morning tea at the general meetings. Thus, the annual charge will be \$70 per member.

If you have any enquiries about these matters, please speak to any member of the committee.

HOW TO MAKE PAYMENTS

ONLINE (Preferred)

BSB 032723 ACCOUNT 750434

Please identify your payment with your name.

CASH

Directly at a meeting.

BIRTHDAYS

We are celebrating eight April birthdays

Barry Todd	John Browne
Graham Balfe	Stan Donnelly
Nick Tait	Derek Barnes
Allen Broome	Graham Warner

Happy birthday to these members and we wish them a great day and luck in the draw.

KOKODA WITH HEART



Last month members and their partners were treated to a very special presentation by Bruce Hayman. It followed the trek of Bruce and a number of fellow heart bypass patients tackling the Kokoda Track. It featured a video of the journey called "Kokoda With Heart". If you missed it Chris Young managed to find it on YouTube ([Click Here](#)) and while it is not great quality, it can still be enjoyed.

MORNING TEA AT THE STURT



Members and their partners are invited to come along to the Sturt Gallery and Café on Range Road, Mittagong, just passed Frensham School as you head up the hill. The gathering will be held on 10th May starting at 10 o'clock. You will be treated to tea/coffee to your taste and buns or muffins as preferred. The cost is \$15.50 per person to be paid to the club account. Any enquiries contact Geoff McNamarra on 0429 796720.

BEECHWORTH

Recently, a note was sent asking for members to book in for the four-night stay in Beechworth in September. The response has been excellent with most of the allocated rooms being booked already. If you are thinking of going of the tour, there are only two rooms remaining so contact John Elvy on 0414255770 immediately with your booking.

COFFEE CLUB

Coffee Club will again be held the last Wednesday of February, March 29 at the Bowral Bowling Club at 10am. All members are welcome to this popular gathering where we solve the problems of the world and anything else you would like to mention, over a cup of coffee.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Active Members	71
Non-Active Members	14
Total Members	85

FINANCE

Opening Balance March 1	\$7313.00
Closing Balance February 28	\$6756.38
Funds on Hold (Tours etc)	\$0.00
Current Net Balance	\$6756.38

SHACKLETON: THE GREATEST STORY OF SURVIVAL



A "Picture and Pizza" outing is being planned to see the film "Shackleton" The Greatest Story of Survival" at the Empire Cinema. We are unable to give you an exact time until the schedule is published but it will be soon after its release date on 20th April. No need to book or pay now just turn up on the date which we will advise via email. Members and partners welcome!

LADIES' COFFEE

Ladies' Coffee Morning started back again last month with a successful meeting at Annesley Café and was thoroughly enjoyed by those who attended. If there are any other ladies who would like to join in you would be welcome at the Annesley Café, 10 Westwood Drive, Bowral, on Wednesday, 26th April at 10.00am. Enquiries to Jennifer Collath

GARROORIGANG HISTORIC HOMESTEAD VISIT



Members had a very enjoyable and interesting visit to the Garroorigang Historic Homestead on the outskirts of Goulburn. It was an amazing place with the 1857 house containing an array of fascinating furniture and furnishings with the owners there to bring the place alive with their commentary. A short trip to Goulburn took us to the Asian Restaurant where we appreciated a tasty lunch before we headed home.