



# PROBUS NEWSLETTER

## May 2022

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WHAT'S ON	
12 <sup>th</sup> May	General Meeting - Bring-a-guest
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Gledswood Tour ~ <b>Closing</b>
25 <sup>th</sup> May	Members' Coffee Club
25 <sup>th</sup> May	Ladies' Coffee
27 <sup>th</sup> May	Climate Change Seminar
1 <sup>st</sup> June	Committee Meeting
7 <sup>th</sup> June	General Meeting
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Christmas in July ~ <b>Bookings Open</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> October	G&S returning

### BRING-A-GUEST DAY MAY 12

We are asking all members to make a special effort to "Bring-A-Guest" along to the meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> May. Ask a neighbour, the fellow across the road, a friend or somebody you know who may be interested in joining the club. Let them know of our activities such as the coffee clubs, the speakers, the tours, trips, dinners and visits. The copies of the recent newsletters are a good reminder of what we do just [CLICK HERE](#). Retired men are welcome in the club so take a good look around your friends and neighbours and ask them along for the day to experience the fellowship we have to offer.

Prospective members are required to attend a total of three meetings before being offered induction and membership.

### LARGE ATTENDANCE

The April General Meeting was very popular with guest speakers Skye Leckie and Michael Yabsley entertaining the crowd with a series of highlights and anecdotes about Skye's life. The attendance was well over sixty including guests and many of those stayed on for a relaxed social lunch in the bistro downstairs.



Michael Yabsley and Skye Leckie

### MEMBERSHIP

Attendance Last month (Members)	41
Visitors	20+
Membership	
Active Members	72
Non-Active Members	13
Total Members	85
Average age of members	82

### FINANCE

Opening Balance April 1	\$6,984.28
Closing Balance April 30	\$5,072.78
Funds on Hold (Tours etc)	\$900.00
Current Net Balance	\$4,172.78

### SPEAKERS THIS MONTH



The club speaker this month is Stephen Blackman who will speak on the subject of "Diamonds". He will be followed by Zlatko Todorcevski who joined Boral in 2020 BC (Before Covid) as CEO and Managing Director. It is therefore not surprising that his topic is "Managing through

uncertainty leading a turnaround".

All members have a variety of experiences and interests, and we would really like to hear about them in our guest speaker spot at the general meetings. So don't hang back and hope that somebody else will entertain you, let's hear from you! Contact Geoff MacBean on 0438 789193

### COFFEE CLUB

This month we meet as usual at the Bowral Bowling Club at 10am on the last Wednesday of the month, 25<sup>th</sup> May. Please read the "Ladies' Coffee" section as well!

All members are welcome, and we encourage you to come along as the more we have the more interesting the discussion.

### MEMBERSHIP BOOKLET 2022-23

The membership booklet for this year has been delayed but will be published and distributed at the June General Meeting. Don't forget to collect yours from the welcome desk in June.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Here's a Happy Birthday to the members celebrating their birthday during the month of May.

John Sandilands            Gordon Dummer  
Reg Gilbert                 John (Macca) McDonald

We hope you enjoy your special day this year and for many years to come!

## CLUB SURVEY 2022

There was a good response to the 2022 Survey, and a preliminary Report will be given at the May General Meeting. There were nearly 50 suggestions received, to be presented at a future meeting for consideration by members.

## LADIES' COFFEE

(Gentlemen please bring this to your wife's attention)

There has been a big change with Ladies' Coffee. Firstly, the regular monthly date has changed to the last Wednesday in each month. That means it is on Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> May at 10am. If you noticed that it was the same day as the Men's Coffee you are right! This has been done to make it more convenient for couples to travel but there will still be two separate groups, men and women (just like a regular Aussie barbecue). The second thing that has changed is that it is being held at the Bowral Bowling Club and yes that is the same as the men (also read the reason above). With these changes we are hoping for a big turnout so if you have never come along before this is your chance to try it out. If you have any questions or would like to contact the organiser call Jennifer Collath on 0425236295.

## CLIMATE CHANGE SEMINAR

At last we have a firm date for our long-awaited Climate Change Seminar. It will be held in our usual room at the Mittagong RSL on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> May.

Climate has always been a complex issue given the large range of variables and almost infinite uncertainty. The course aims to address the major climate forcing influences at play on a purely factual basis. The seminar will be conducted in two parts, the first with Keith Huxham followed by John Deck.

It will begin at 9.30 and end at 12.30. There will be one short Tea/Coffee break. There will be no charge – only the normal \$5 towards the tea/coffee and biscuits. You may bring a guest – again no charge except for the tea/coffee (to be paid at the door, not in advance).

To help us finalise arrangements, please register in advance with Malcolm Stephens online at malcolmstephens@hotmail.com or phone 0475436470 This should be a very interesting, useful and enjoyable half day and we much look forward to seeing you there.

## LAST CHANCE FOT THE GLEDSDOOD TOUR

There are three seats left on the bus for the Gledswood Historic Home Tour and there is still room for the people who want to self-drive on the day but next Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> May at the General



Part of the crowd at the May Meeting

Meeting all bookings will close. If you have been undecided now is the time to get your booking in!

Gledswood Homestead & Winery is at 900 Camden Valley Way, Gledswood Hills. The tour will take place on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> May. Departure will be from the Mittagong RSL car park at 8.45am with transport by minibus for a maximum of 24 people provided or the option of self-drive if you prefer.

There will be morning tea at 10am followed by a history tour and lunch including dessert and a glass of wine.

If you travel by minibus the cost is \$55 per person and for self-drive members \$45 per person. Full bar service available at the venue at individual cost and addition wine tasting also available at \$10 additional cost but please advise John you wish to attend.

Enquiries phone John Elvy on 0414 255 770

## CHRISTMAS IN JULY – BOOK NOW

You are officially invited to the Second Annual Christmas in July in the warm atmosphere of Ranelagh House at Robertson. Celebrate Christmas an entrée followed by a traditional Christmas dinner with your friends from Probus with dessert and tea/coffee to follow.

Date: Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2021 for Christmas Lunch.

Where: Ranelagh House (Robertson). Note that the venue is not the pub in town but the grand old building just east on the hill.

Cost: \$60 per person. Please book in your usual way (Direct Deposit Preferred). The details may be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

Enquiries: Geoff McNamarra at [5860gm@gmail.com](mailto:5860gm@gmail.com) or phone him on 0429 796720.

## PAYMENT DETAILS

Online	Probus club of Moss Vale BSB 032723    Account 750434 Identify payment with your name.
Cheque	Probus Club of Moss Vale PO BOX 456, MOSS VALE, 2577
Cash	In an envelope to the treasurer and identify payment with your name

A Roman Legionnaire walked into a bar and held up two fingers and said, "Five beers please!"