



## NEWSLETTER MAY 2024

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### WHAT'S ON

9 <sup>th</sup> May	General Meeting
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Port Kembla Tour
29 <sup>th</sup> May	Men's Coffee Club
29 <sup>th</sup> May	Ladies Coffee
6 <sup>th</sup> June	Committee Meeting
13 <sup>th</sup> June	General Meeting
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Coffee Club
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Probus Moss Vale 40 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
17-18 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Canberra Overnight Trip

### MAY SPEAKERS

We are having a medical month in May. Our club speaker is David Deans, his topic is "Apothecary".

The guest speaker is also club member recently retired from the medical field, Lloyd Miller. Lloyd's topic is "Changes in Anaesthesia 1975 to

2022". As you can see it has progressed a long way but it was much cheaper back then!

### MAY BIRTHDAY BOY

Well, our birthday boy certainly looks happy this month and the reason is he doesn't need good luck to win the birthday draw of a bottle of wine as he is the one and only candidate. It is of course, Gordon Dummer! Happy birthday Gordon and many more!



### COFFEE CLUB

Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> May is the date for our next round of discussion at the Men's Coffee Club at the Bowling Club at 10am. All members are welcome, and we are looking for some new attendees to

contribute to the many topics under discussion. The ladies' coffee is on the same day so ladies, ring Jennifer 0425 236 295.

### ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

The Annual Report of Probus Moss Vale was released at the annual/general meeting and a link was made available in last month's newsletter. Judging by several requests it seems that some members missed it. So, here's your chance to access it by simply [CLICKING HERE!](#)

### CLUB MEMBERSHIP APRIL

Active Members	66
Non-Active Members	8
Total Members	74

### FINANCE

Opening Balance April 1	\$8749.49
Closing Balance April 31	\$9304.39
Funds on Hold (Tours etc)	\$401.00
Current Net Balance	\$7797.29

### PORT KEMBLA TOUR

There are just **6 seats left** on the bus tour of the Port Kembla Harbour facilities. Members and their partners are invited grab these last 6 seats and it's a case of first in first served. So be quick!

The details are:-

Date: Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> May

Time: 10am at Bluescope Visitor Center

Cost: \$30 per person

Transport: Private car (ride share by arrangement).  
Meet at BlueScope Visitor Centre, Springhill Road, Coniston NSW

Please note that this tour is suitable for members and guests including those with mobility problems as the tour is largely by bus. We board the bus to visit to Greenhouse Park - where the full picture of the port is laid out beneath us.

Then we enter the Inner Harbour where we see the Port's key infrastructures close up - being Port Kembla Coal Terminal (the second largest coal terminal in NSW), the Grain Terminals, the state's largest motor vehicle import hub and cruise ship berth - a key gateway supporting New South Wales' motor vehicle, mining, agricultural, manufacturing and construction industries.

Our tour finishes on a beautiful high at Hill 60 with amazing panoramic views of the Illawarra coastline, Lake Illawarra and industrial super centre we have just explored.

After this informative and interesting tour we will head for lunch at a local restaurant at your own cost. Booking: Phone John Elvy on 0414 255 770  
Bookings Close: 9<sup>th</sup> May.

Please pay the appropriate amount into the club account by your usual method (EFT preferred).

**Note: There is a definite limit of 22 persons on this trip and currently only 6 seats left. Also, the bookings definitely close on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> May.**



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOSS VALE PROBUS

It is a pleasure to announce the plans for the 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party of the Probus Club of Moss Vale. The first meeting was held in July, 1984 and we are going to celebrate 40 years of fun, friendship and fellowship with a huge birthday party.

All members and their partners are invited along to the event of the year, and it is to be held at the Glass Restaurant at Mittagong Golf Club. We have a three-course meal of your choice for you to enjoy and you will enjoy it even more as your club will be heavily subsidizing the cost of the meal as well as providing some wine on each table to help celebrate the event.

Of course there will be an official speaker. A representative of PSPL (our governing body) will speak of behalf of Probus and we are also inviting the President of Moss Vale Rotary which was our sponsoring club and the presidents of all the local Probus Clubs.

So let's get things rolling .....

Date: Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2024

Place: Glass Restaurant at Mittagong Golf Club.

Time: 12:00 for 12:30

Cost: \$50 per person with club subsidy.

Drinks: Some supplied and any extra at own cost.

To book and choose your meal you will need to follow the link below and choose your favorite from the menu. Below is the menu from which you can make your choices.

### MENU

#### ENTRÉE

Calamari  
Mushroom & tomato Bruschetta  
Beef Carpaccio (gf)

#### MAIN

Rare roast beef (gf) chats, veg and red wine jus.  
Chicken Kiev, polenta mash & steamed greens.  
Fresh Humpty Doo Barramundi chats and veg  
Vegetarian Lasagne with salad

#### DESSERT

Mini Pavlova  
Basque Cheesecake  
Tiramisu

To book your place(s) [CLICK HERE](#). Please note that bookings will close on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2024. Once you have booked you will be asked to pay the appropriate amount into the club account by

your chosen method but EFT is preferred by our treasurer.

We are looking forward to seeing a good turnout of members and partners at this special event so please book your place early!

### HOW TO MAKE PAYMENTS

**ONLINE (Preferred)**

BSB 032723 ACCOUNT 750434

Please identify your payment with your name.

**CASH**

Directly at a meeting.

### REMINDER

Just a quick reminder for members and their partners to please wear your badge to all Probus events including excursions, dinners and tours. It helps other members remember your name and you can check it now and again if you forget! In the last case it is better to wear it upside down as it is easier for you to read!

### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

A sub-group has been formed to see if we can get our name out there and attract more members. Michael Hissey, Jim McGrath and John Elvy are working on some promotional material and activities. So far, they have designed and organised a pull-up banner which we hope will soon be on display. Other items include small information cards to be handed out at a proposed table in Springett's Arcade as well as articles in a local paper and promotional material on Facebook.

You may have noticed that our total membership has fallen to an all time low. Covid took a toll on attendance and membership has declined due to various circumstances, one being the increasing average age of the members of the club.

You too have a part to play in this promotion. When we have new members make an extra effort to make them welcome and include them in your conversation groups during morning tea breaks as well as club events and dinners of course!

### CAR CRASH

A Scotsman who was driving home one night, ran into a car driven by an Englishman. The Scotsman got out of the car to apologize and offered the Englishman a drink from a bottle of whisky.

The Englishman was glad to have a drink.

"Go on," said the Scot, "have another drink."

The Englishman drank gratefully. "But don't you want one, too?" he asked the Scotsman.

"Perhaps," replied the Scotsman, "after the police have gone."

