



**NEWSLETTER**  
**June 2026**

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Total Membership                      73

**MAY SPEAKERS**

Well, I hope you went straight home and changed all your passwords after John Quek's very informative talk about internet security last week.

We are following that up with a talk about AI (artificial intelligence not insemination) this month when Brian Prentice will address the club on this rapidly developing incredible technology.

As an experiment I asked AI to write an introduction to Paul Burnard's talk as our club speaker with the topic "Playing Rugby in Bangkok in the early 80's". Here it is .....

This month we welcome Paul Burnard, who survived – and even enjoyed – playing rugby in Bangkok in the early 80s. It was an era of steamy afternoons, unpredictable fields, and a rugby fraternity that could turn any match into a story worth retelling. Paul was there for all of it, and today he'll share the characters, challenges, and charm of playing the game in one of the world's most unforgettable cities.

What do you think, am I going to be declared redundant? Editor

**INDUCTIONS**

In June we welcome two new members to the club. The first is Ray Shepperd who was a chartered accountant and his interests are music, art and rugby, so he is sure to enjoy the club speaker's talk. Say hello to Ron and his partner Judith at your earliest opportunity.

Our second inductee is Ken Sergeant, who come to us from Qantas where he was a Senior Check and Training Officer and wants to do more swimming in his spare time now.

Please welcome both these new members to the club.

**COFFEE CLUB (NOTE CHANGE)**

Our monthly members' coffee club will be held as usual on the last Wednesday of the month 24<sup>th</sup> June, starting at 10:00 am. However, due to a change in opening hours we have had to change our venue.

The venue will be familiar to many of you in that we are moving back to the room under the pavilion at the Bradman Oval where we will have the room to ourselves.

So, when you arrive at Coffee Club, first go to the café at the front of the museum and order your tea/coffee/food and give them your name. Your order will be delivered to the pavilion room when ready. Jot this down so you don't go to the wrong place.

The ladies' details remain the same and they will gather on the same day and the same time at the Bowral Golf Club for a social coffee morning. All ladies, welcome!

**THE HASTINGS LUNCHEON (Bookings Closing)**

Bookings for this event will close this Thursday at the June Meeting so if you do not have your booking

**WHAT'S ON**

11 <sup>th</sup> June	General Meeting
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Lunch at The Hastings (Bookings are Closing)
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Coffee Club
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Ladies Coffee
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Committee Meeting
9 <sup>th</sup> July	General Meeting
3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Gilbert & Sullivan @ Bundanoon
21-23 October	Mudgee Tour

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

A big happy birthday to those who are celebrating their birthday this month, and I wish you all good luck in the birthday bottle draw!

An extra special pat on the back goes to Brian Thornton who has been elevated to the level of nonagenarian this month. Well done Brian!

Jim Cole                      Stephen Lehmann  
John Milhinch              Ken Sargeant  
Ron Sheppard              Brian Thornton

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Balance as of May1	\$6076.74
Income May 2026	\$890.00
Expenditure May	\$189.00
Funds on Hold	\$2930.00
Net balance as of May 31	\$3847.74

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Active Members	69
Non-Active Members	4

in now is the time to do it. For book and pay details as well as meal selection read on.

This event has an excellent menu and venue and will be a great time to meet and talk to other members or their partners as well as enjoy a complimentary wine/beer with your choice of a delicious looking menu.

Here are the details again: -

The luncheon will be held on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> June, 12 for 12.30 at the Bowral Gold Club Hasting Room. It is open to all members and their partners and if you would like to invite a friend or preferably a prospective member, feel welcome to do so.

The cost is \$40 per person.

Please follow this procedure when booking.

1. Click on the booking link and enter your details and the details of the other people attending in the indicated spaces.
2. Each person will then be asked to select one of the four dishes they would like from the menu. The menu is listed below so you can make a choice before going online.
3. Using your usual method (EFT makes it easier for us) pay the appropriate amount into the club account.
4. All done!

The menu .....

LOOKS DELICIOUS

**SEAFOOD PIE** Prawns, squid, scallops, flathead, velouté, mashed potato, golden puff pastry.

**HUMPTY DOO BARRAMUNDI** Crispy skin barramundi, fresh rocket, almonds, citrus, vinaigrette (G/F) (D/F)

**RISOTTO AL VERDE** Asparagus, broccolini, zucchini, pea puree, Grana Padana (G/F) (V) (V/O)

**LAMB RAGU** Slow-braised lamb shoulder, tomato sugo, rigatoni, garlic croute, grated pecorino (D/F/O).

[CLICK HERE](#) to book your place(s) at the luncheon.

Bookings close Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> June and all enquiries to Len Tully on 0417 499 621.

**HOW TO MAKE PAYMENTS**

**ONLINE (Preferred)**  
BSB 032723 ACCOUNT 750434  
Please identify your payment with your name.

**CASH** Directly at a meeting.

### MUDGEES/GULGONG TOUR

Currently in development by our tour director, John Elvy, is a three-day/two-night tour of the Mudgee Gulgong area. The preliminary dates set are October, Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd and returning Saturday October 24th. If you are interested in coming along after reading the draft itinerary, please book these dates in your diary.



The basic plan is to drive up on Thursday through Leura where we will stop for a special morning tea at a Leura Tea Cottage. From there we will drive down to Lithgow and onto Mudgee for lunch. This is an easy drive and not too tiring because we plan to visit a winery in the afternoon before returning to our accommodation, happy hour and dinner of course! The following day we will move on to the intriguing town of Gulgong (only 30 minutes away) where you will have a chance to see the Gold Experience, Pioneers Museum and Henry Lawson centre. We will dine and stay in Gulgong overnight before returning via Sofala or by a way of your choosing.

Cost and accommodation have not been worked out as yet, but it will be at a reasonable cost.

John would like an indication of those interested in coming along and enjoying the trip and social side of the outing. If you would like to attend, please [CLICK HERE](#) and leave your name and the possible number of attendees. It is open to club members, their partners and invited friends.

### G&S @ BUNDANOON

We have made a very early booking for Gilbert and Sullivan at Bundanoon, but we don't want your booking just yet. This is just preliminary notice so you can book the date.

This very popular annual entertainment will take place of Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1:30 at the Bundanoon Memorial Hall. We will have a quick lunch at the Pub if you like and then on to the show.

The musical this year is "Trial By Jury" and "The Savoyards", two for the price of one! There will be the usual Palm Court Orchestra and presented by Gilbert & Sullivan Opera Sydney.

Keep an eye on the Newsletter for updates.

### JIM HAYNES

In the last newsletter I mentioned that this year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Probus in Australia. As part of the celebration Probus have offered to sponsor Jim Haynes as a speaker at a gathering of all members of all clubs in the Southern Highlands.

The projected date is Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> October.

All those who have heard Jim, speaker, broadcaster, bush poet, historian and writer of over thirty books will be wanting to hear from this entertaining "aussie bloke".

More information to follow.

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NO room for a joke this month!