



PROBUS NEWSLETTER

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WHAT'S ON

10 th May	General Meeting
28 th May	Holcim Quarry Tour (limited)
30 th May	Coffee Club
7 th June	Committee Meeting
14 th June	General Meeting
6 th July	National Braille Music Concert
21 st June	Mystery Tour
29 th Sept	Annual G & S Bundanoon
22 nd ~25 th Oct	Hunter Valley Trip

MEMBERSHIP BOOKLET

The new club membership booklet has been published and is available to members at the Welcome Desk as from this meeting.

Please destroy and dispose of the old edition so that private member details cannot be accessed and used in an illegal manner.

COFFEE CLUB

We are back to the regular meeting day this month and will meet in the Lower Pavilion Room at the Bradman Oval around 10am on the last Wednesday of the month which occurs this month in 30th May.

All members are welcome to this congenial, interesting and enjoyable hour or so of discussion and a cup of coffee of course!

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Active Members	96
Non- Active Members	3
Life Members	1
Attendance February	51

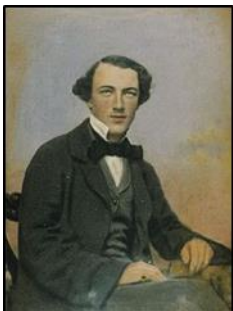
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

A big happy Birthday to John Sandilands who celebrates his eightieth year in May and a happy birthday and many more to the following who are all celebrating another year.

Gordon Dummer	Reg Gilbert
John McDonald	John Sandilands

SPEAKERS

This month our club speaker is Terry O'Malley with a presentation about his visit to the war-torn village of Oradour-sur-Glane in France. The guest speaker for May is Greg De Moore will relate the tale of "Tom Wills; An Australian Story". Tom Wills was probably Australia's first professional cricketer and his life story is heartbreaking. It will be well worth the effort to come along and hear of Greg's research. For those interested in learning more about Tom Wills, Greg has



written a book entitled, "Tom Wills" which you may be able to find in a book store or library. It is an interesting read.

Our line-up of speakers for June is no less interesting. Firstly, we have Brian Maher; "Aviation in Guyana". He will be followed by Jack Burke who has a presentation about the invaluable service provided by the "The Royal Flying Doctor Service"

BBDO

A Big Boys Day Out has been popular with members and is just about fully booked. Members are invited to book now for this outing and if there are too many for the initial trip another outing will be organized on a later date. The current excursion is Monday, 28th May and we will be travelling by private car to Marulan where we will be visiting the Holcim Quarry with all its massive machinery. For safety reasons we are required to tour their site by bus which they will provide.

Holcim is a Swiss based company, in fact, the world's largest cement producer with operations in more than 80 countries and with employees totalling more than 80,000. Even in Australia it is dominant (Ready Mix Concrete Ltd being one of its subsidiaries) with 250 concrete plants, 12 pre-cast concrete factories and 65 quarry operations. The quarry at South Marulan is its latest, one of the largest in Australia, the pit measuring 1 km by 1 km.

Lunch will also be provided by the company and thus the whole day is free of charge. Unfortunately, the bus only holds ten persons and so we are strictly limited to that number for this tour. Bookings will be taken by Gordon on a first-come first-served basis and a waiting list will be kept and used in order of receipt should a vacancy occur for some reason.

You may book with Gordon directly or email at gordon_dummer@bigpond.com.au

HUNTER VALLEY TRIP

Now is the time to let us know if you are interested in a few days away in the Hunter Valley. We are seeking expressions of interest for the tour later in the year. It is a 4 day/3 night trip being planned for Monday, 22nd October through to Thursday, 25th October. Planned are lots of interesting activities and a variety of dining and wining experiences of course. We will be doing the tourist trails with visits to historical sites as well as boutique cheese, chocolate, brewery and wineries as well as other activities. Costs are expected to be around \$500 which will include accommodation and some activities and meals during the outings.

This tour is being organized by Richard Miall and Richard may be contacted at richardinfiji@hotmail.com. At this stage we only need to know if you are interested in

attending so that suitable accommodation can be found. Later, when plans have been firmed up and costs are known you will be asked to commit to the trip and a deposit will be requested.

Richard Miall has visited the district to investigate and price accommodation and attractions this week. We expect to give a more detailed itinerary in the next newsletter and will be looking for deposits on his return.

MYSTERY TOUR

No! This does not mean that nobody has any idea where we are going! More that the destination is kept secret until the day of departure.

I can tell you it will be happening on Thursday, 21st June and I can tell you that we will be departing at 9 am and travelling by private car to this place where we will be taking in some of the local points of interest before lunch at your own expense in a pub or café located nearby. I can also reveal that it is around 20 minutes by car to the venue.

Cost will be \$25 per person to cover entry to the local attractions. Book online or with cash as usual. The organiser is Gordon Dummer. I can't tell you where we are going you'll just have to wait.

FRIENDS OF PROBUS

There comes a time for many members who find that ill-health, mobility and other problems associated with our advancing years make it difficult to remain an active member of our club and these members often resign their membership. The club would like those members who resign or have resigned, the opportunity to continue to receive the club newsletter so they may continue to keep in touch even though they are no longer members. If you wish to take advantage of this, please let one of the committee know so it can be organized. If you no longer wish to be included would you also let us know so appropriate action can be taken.

SEVENTEENTH DOLL



Those who attended the Summer of the Seventeenth Doll performance at the Mittagong Theatre were not only treated to a very entertaining performance by the



Mittagong Players but also an enjoyable lunch at the Lion Rampant Hotel and an excellent social outing. It would seem that these local outings are gathering more interest and increased attendance so look elsewhere in the newsletter for another local trip for you to enjoy.

MAY ONE-LINER

A bus station is where a bus stops. A train station is where a train stops. On my desk, I have a work station.

National Braille Music

This is an annual event and well worth attending to see the outstanding musical talent on display. This is not a club organised event but you are invited to make individual bookings as detailed below.



In cooperation with the

2018 National Braille Music Camp,

The Order of Australia Association, Southern Highlands
Regional Group Invites

you and your friends to the annual Camp's Concert
presented by blind music students of the Camp

CLUBBE HALL, FRENHAM SCHOOL

Cnr Waverley Pde & Range Road, Mittagong

FRIDAY 6th July 2018 at 7.30pm

(Doors open 7.00pm) **RSVP before 3 July '18**

Adults: \$20 pp Students: \$5

Contact Malcolm Stephens CB

Phone 4869 1245

SHIPBUILDING TALK

The Australian-Britain Society are offering a chance for those interested in shipbuilding to hear Commander Mark Todd (Rt'd) speak on Australian Naval Shipbuilding Programmes ~Current and Future.

Friday 8 June 2018 at 5.30pm to 7.30 pm

Henrietta Rose Room, Bendooley St, Bowral

\$25 pp which includes refreshments.

Contact Malcolm Stevens on 4869 1245

PAYMENTS

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