

PROBUS CLUB NEUTRAL BAY

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newsletter

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FROM THE PRESIDENT



April's outing was a four hour cruise on the beautifully restored, 80ft. Edwardian schooner "Boomerang". The restoration was carried out by the Sydney Heritage Fleet and is only available to members of the Fleet. Thanks to Don Orr who is a member, it was possible to arrange this outing. The cruise was enjoyed by 27 Probians and headed first, in perfect weather, to Nielsen Park and then back past Mosman and under the Bridge to Woodford Bay for lunch before returning to Rozelle Bay. Thanks to Ross Bruwel, Barry

Stone and Don Orr for making such an enjoyable outing possible. Also in April members and partners viewed the Archibald Exhibition.. Thanks to Gerald Christmas for arranging the visit.

This month's outing is to the Great Synagogue followed by lunch at City Tattersalls Club and in June a two day trip is planned to the Hunter Valley where activities will cover coal, wine and gardens. In July there will be a Winter Feast at Sydney Rowing Club where we will be able to enjoy a three course meal overlooking the Parramatta River. In October a cruise to Tasmania on the Sea Princess is planned. I am advised by our travel agent that on present indications our Club will be booking more than ten cabins which, if correct, will trigger an extra discount.

Probus South Pacific (PSP) has now released an updated Constitution asking all Probus clubs to accept it or to submit their own constitution for approval by PSP. We have formed a sub-committee of Allan Blake, Brian Cohen, Rufus Wolfson, Peter Cornish and myself to examine the PSP Constitution and recommend the appropriate course of action. Any changes to our constitution, whether as a result of accepting PSP's Constitution or otherwise, must be approved by members.

Best wishes **David Harris, President**

\$35 ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE

Please offer exact money or use an electronic transfer (details are on the recent "List of Members")



Club members enjoying a yacht cruise aboard the Boomerang, a vintage yacht sailing on Sydney Harbour. More pics over page.

MAY MEETING

14 May10.00 our monthly meeting, upstairs in the KAMERAIGAL room of the Norths Club, Abbott St., Cammeray.

10 - 10.30 General Business 10.30 - 11 Morning Tea 11 - 12 Speaker 12 - 1.30 Optional Lunch 1.30 Snooker

GUEST SPEAKER

MATT LUMSDAINE

SURVIVING A PERUVIAN PLANE CRASH

In 1988 He survived a plane crash while travelling with friends in the mountains of Peru. Many of their fellow passengers lost their lives in the accident and although quite seriously injured himself, he was very lucky to survive and was grateful to be able to tell his story - perhaps with some additions from his father Geoff. He also learned some important lessons about life from his brush with death which he will attempt to share with members

PERSONAL CORNER

PETER DAVENPORT

Peter Davenport joined the Royal Navy in 1955, went to Cambridge and read engineering. He first came out to Australia in a frigate in1959 before going into the Fleet Air Arm. In 1965 the UK scrapped fixed wing flying in the Navy. In 1968 he came to Australia and worked in manufacturing before joining PA Consulting Group. In 1975 he and two colleagues started an investment company focussing on manufacturing which kept them busy for the next 37 years.

CYCLING

Each Monday the Pedallers meet for a ride. If you are interested to join with them, call one of the coordinators or see them at our General Meeting. Beginners can ride on Saturdays.

Barrie 9953 6910 Michael 9908 1182 Stewart 9439 9609

Dates etc: are on your group's e-mail



SAILING

Ross will welcome you on his yacht **RENADA**, sailing as usual from Middle Harbour. There will be more news at our May meeting.

Ross Bruwel 9451 2870

MOVIE ENJOYMENT

We regularly meet at the *CREMORNE ORPHEUM* on the 4th Monday morning. Watch out for an e-mail flyer with the details of the movie to be seen on *Mon 27 May*

David Bruce-Steer is away Call Martyn Chapman on 9909 3075

WEEKLY 9 HOLE GOLF

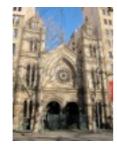
Each Monday morning at the Lane Cove Sports Centre.

Tony Travers 9439 4996



LAWN BOWLS

Wednesdays, about 10.15 for a 10.30 start at the NS Bowls Club in St.Leonards Park, off Ridge St. Visitors are welcome - \$5. Bowls can be provided and the Club coach is there to help. **Peter Cornish** 9909 8994



GREAT SYNAGOGUE of SYDNEY \$10.00 10am Thu 30 May - Elizabeth St - Hyde Pk

This is a visit to an old, fine building and a national treasure. After the tour, take a light lunch (extra) at the nearby 194-204 Pitt St City Tattersalls Club but you must choose your meal beforehand. Sign up and pay at this month's meeting.

Ross 9451 2870 and Barry 9953 6748

Hunter Valley for Wine, Mining & Gardens Tour 25-26 Jun - 8.00am coach from Norths Leagues Club.

\$250 (single supp. \$80), includes Coalmine & Power Station tour, 4star Restore Hotel., Wine Theatre and tasting followed by San Martino special dinner. Next day after breakfast a Vineyard Experience and Hunter Valley Gardens tour. Home by 4.30pm. Tell **Ross or Barry** of your interest - sign up at our Gen. meeting.

TASMANIA CRUISE



20-26 Oct 2013

Costs from \$998 inside cabins to \$1598 balcony staterooms. This long-stay holiday is in the SEA PRINCESS, visiting Tasmania at Burnie, Hobart, Port Arthur and back to Sydney. August 6 final pay due, including discount. Further information from

Ross Bruwel 0421 817

BOOK GROUP

Pending David Killeen's return to active duty, this group is having a short recess. During this interval direct inquiries to Owen Roach 9982 4788

TENNIS

Mon 15 Apr from 2 to 4.00 Our tennis day is on the third Monday of the month. If you

are interested, contact
Alan Ambler 8920 1352
David Harris 9489 6686

2Fifty Club - Blue Mountains Meet **8.45amThu 16 May** by the Central Station's Country Train Indicators to catch the 9.09 to the Blue Mountains. A 1hr stop for shops & coffee in Leura then on to Katoomba and the 686 bus to Echo Point. The 2.39 train home arrives at 4.45pm.

John Minnett 9417 7705

Future GUEST SPEAKER

JUN Paul Storm
Australiana of APPLIED ARTS



NB Members enjoyed a Harbour Cruise on a restored Heritage yacht the **Boomerang** on Sydney Harbour in March which included drinks to go with the BYO lunch. **Some Cultural Suggestions:** (from Gerald Christmas.) *19 May is last day for "Salon des Refuses" at S.H. Ervin Gallery, Watson Rd Observatory Hill. Exhibition and the delightful cafe well worth a visit.11-5pm closed Monday. parking in grounds usually possible.

* Try a lunch Wed concert 1.10pm at the Conservatorium. Gold coin.15 May: Chamber music, 22 May:Piano, 29 May:Open Academy 5 June:Composition group,12,19,26 June: Conservatorium High School.

