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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Fellow Probus Members and Partners

At our first 2014 meeting, successful author Jo-Anne Berthelsen spoke to us on the topic "Writing from the Heart" Hopefully her enthusiasm and advice will encourage some budding authors.

Our first 2014 outing was to CareFlight and the Egyptian Room. At Careflight we inspected a helicopter and were given a talk on the operation and history. Operations began in 1986 with one helicopter, flying about 50 missions per year. By 2011 Careflight had a fleet of helicopters and fixed wing aircraft flying about 5,000 missions per year to destinations around Australia and overseas. After a substantial lunch we visited the unique Egyptian Room located in a Masonic Lodge in Petersham. The Room's wall frieze depicts the progress of Ani the Scribe (1500 to 1400 BC) to the after life. Our thanks to Ross Bruwel and Barry Stone for organising such an unusual and varied outing.

I commend the forthcoming outings to you – a cruise on the tug "Waratah" on 24th March and, for all dog lovers, a visit to the Guide Dogs on 23rd April. It is by participation in the outings and our many other activities that members can fully enjoy their Probuss membership.

This month's \$2.50 Club outing, meticulously organised by John Minnett, was very enjoyable in going to Moss Vale via Wollongong and the Macquarie Pass and returning by train after lunch at Moss Vale.

Sadly Jim Hales, our longest standing member, died in February.

This is my last letter as president. My thanks to all members for allowing me the opportunity to serve in this role which has been a privilege and pleasure. My thanks also to the hard working committee and to all those who, while not committee members, contribute so much in various roles, to the operation of our Club. In particular my thanks to Allan Blake, who retires as secretary and Alan Ambler, who retires as treasurer. All existing committee members will remain on the committee except Terry Kelly, who resigns to move to Newcastle. We will have three new committee members to fill the roles of vice-president, secretary and treasurer.

My best wishes to the incoming committee under the presidency of Peter Cornish and to all members for a successful, interesting and happy year ahead.

David Harris, President



Photo :Stewart Horwood

Flight Care Centre at Westmead

NEXT CLUB MEETING

Tuesday 11 March

Monthly get-together with the AGM will be held in the new meeting room at the NORTH Sydney Leagues Club, Cammeray.

10.00 - 10.20 General Business
10.20 - 10.30 Personal Corner
10.30 - 11.00 Morning Tea
11.00 - 12.00 AGM followed by Club group photos.
12.00 - 'Meet & Greet', lunch, perhaps Snooker later ?

AGM

Notice is given that the 35th Annual General Meeting of members will be held at North Sydney Leagues Club, Cammeray on **Tuesday 11th March 2014, to commence at 11am**, following the 10am Meeting.

AGENDA

1. To confirm the minutes of the 34th AGM held on Tuesday 12th March 2013.
2. To receive our President's Report.
3. To receive the Income & Expenditure Statement for the year ended 31st December 2013, the Statement of Financial Position at 31st December 2013 and the Auditor's Report thereon.
4. To fix the annual membership subscription and new member joining fee.
5. To elect officers and committee.
6. To appoint the Honorary Auditor.
7. The Presentation of Activities List
8. To consider other items of business that might be brought forward in accordance with the constitution.

PERSONAL CORNER

TED KRAEGEN

He retired in December from the Garvan Institute of Medical Research, where he was Professor & Head of the Diabetes Research Group. Interested in stereo photography, golf & tennis, Ted & Rosemary live in Queens Park.

SAILING Tuesday 18 Mar
Ross Bruwel will welcome you on his yacht **RENADA**, sailing as usual from Middle Harbour. There will be more news before the AGM or call his cell phone:
0421 817 106



HARBOUR CRUISE on the 1902 SteamTug WARATAH Monday 24 March, 10 o'clock boarding at Rozelle. \$50pp.

Entrance to the Heritage Docks & Workshop is by Gate 4 on the James Craig Rd. If you would like to share car transport to Rozelle, please contact Ross or Barry. Note that Waratah has

limited power facilities. Although tea & coffee are provided on board, you'll need to bring your own picnic lunch and other drinks. Remember to wear soft-soled shoes. There is 'no smoking' on board. Sign up at our next meeting - learn more from

Ross 9451 2870, cell 0421 817 106
Barry 9953 6748, cell 0400 388 808.

CYCLING

Each Monday the Pedallers meet for a ride. If you are interested to join, call one of the coordinators or see them at our General Meeting. It's possible to organise an introduction for beginners on Saturdays. Call for more details.

Barrie 9953 6910
Michael 9908 1182
Stewart 9439 9609
 Dates, venues etc: are on your group's e-mail

INTER PROBUS BOWLS

Are there further bowlers interested in playing for the Club on winter inter-Probos bowls days? Details from

Brian Cohen on 9405 2081
 or bjkcohen@yahoo.com

WEEKLY 9 HOLE GOLF
Each Monday ~10.00 at the Lane Cove Sports Centre.
Tony Travers 9439 4996

TENNIS

3rd Monday each Month
 We play between 2 & 4pm at "Love 'N Deuce", in Talus St., Naremburn. We meet on Monday 17th March. Interested members should sign the sheet or contact **David Harris 9449 3406**

ROLL-UP LAWN BOWLS

Wednesdays, about 10.15 for a 10.30 start. Four of us resumed playing at the North Sydney Bowls Club. Parking is much easier. Come and join us - visitors are welcome.

John Brooks 9908 2820

MOVIE ENJOYMENT

4th Monday each month
 We meet at the **CREMORNE ORPHEUM**. Look out for the e-mail 'flyer' containing details about the movie, which we'll see on **Monday 24 March 2014**
David Bruce-Steer 9419 7017



GUIDE DOGS CENTRE Glossodia, Windsor \$45pp. Coach leaves at 8.30 Wednesday 23 Apr from NORTHS CLUB

Morning tea will be in Macquarie Park. The visit to the Centre will include the Puppy Pre-School, the Veterinarian Unit, dog training, kennels and maybe obstacle training. After lunch in "Bistro Smiles" at the Richmond RSL, we'll make a short heritage tour around Hawkesbury's historic towns.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Applicants for Probos travel insurance should quote their Probos card number on the application form. If the applicant does not have a card, then include on the application a reference to the applicant's membership of Probos Neutral Bay and the duration of that membership.



BOOK GROUP
3rd Monday each month. The next meeting will start in the **Bistro of Norths** at **10.00 Monday 17 March**. Our new format is working well. Each member brings along their current book and talks about it. All are very welcome at our get-togethers. Why not come and join us?
Nel Bethwaite 9953 2855
Maureen Travers 9439 4996

The KING & I

A few tickets are left for the 1pm Wednesday 23Sep14, matinee performance at the Opera House. \$69 per ticket. Payment due end of July.

Further information:

Leith Bruce-Steer 9419 7017
leithcooper@ozemail.com.au

MUSIC & ART Events

Conservatorium of Music
 Each Wednesday between 1.10 and 2.00 from 12 Mar to 28 May, students show their progress with performances of different musical instruments. Entrance is with a gold coin

Mosman Art Gallery
 Mosman Youth Art Prize 2014

Sat 29 March to Sun 20 April
 Annual exhibition of diverse talents of young artists between 12 & 21 years..

More information from

Gerald Christmas 9960 1005

Next Guest Speaker

APRIL 2014

Thomas Muldoon: Numerology



VALE JIM HALES
 Member since 1981