



PROBUS CLUB NEUTRAL BAY

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newsletter

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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Fellow Probuss Members & Partners,

A very happy New Year to you all. Once again Ross Bruwel and Barry Stone did good jobs organising first our Christmas lunch at Cammeray Golf Club and then High Tea at Balls Head, where our chefs Rufus Wolfson and Stewart Horwood worked tirelessly at the barbeque, ably assisted by Rufus' guest Sergio.

Sadly two of our members have died – Gil Webb, a past president and life member and Owen Roach, who played significant role in our Book Group.

Congratulations to Tom Power, who was awarded an OAM in the recent Australia Day honours for services to the Irish Community.

We have renewed our booking of the Oriental Room at the Norths Club (NSLC) for 2014. Our members are encouraged to join NSLC. The membership fee is not large and it provides easier entry and access to NSLC facilities and entertainment.

Our meeting next month will incorporate our AGM which I hope as many members as possible will attend. Although unable to vote, wives and partners are very welcome at the AGM.

Best wishes from David Harris, President

Notice of 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, commencing at 11am, following the 10am Meeting.

AGENDA

- * To confirm the minutes of the **34rd AGM held on Tue 12th March 2013**
- * To receive our President's Report.
- * To receive the Income & Expenditure Statement for the year ending 31st December 2013, the Statement of Financial Position at 31st December 2013 and the Auditor's Report thereon.
- * To fix the annual membership subscription and new member joining fee.
- * To elect officers and committee. * To elect the Honorary Auditor.
- * The Presentation of Activities List. * To consider other items of business that might be brought forward in accordance with the constitution.
- * Any notice of motion for inclusion in the Agenda should be submitted to the Secretary by Tuesday 25th February 2014. Nominations for positions on the Committee should be lodged with the Secretary by Tuesday 4th March. Nomination forms will be available at our February Meeting.

NEXT CLUB MEETING

Tuesday 11 February

We recommence our monthly gatherings, held upstairs in the new renovated meeting room at the NORTHS Club in Cammeray.

10.00 - 10.20 General Business
10.20 - 10.30 Personal Corner
10.30 - 11.00 Morning Tea
11.00 - 12.00 Guest Speaker
12.00 - 1.30 Optional Lunch.
1.30 & on Snooker

After lunch, Don Orr and friends would welcome you to join in a game of Snooker. The tables are behind the large sports TV screens in the Lounge adjacent to the Bistro.

NEW MEMBERS

DONALD FLANAGAN

lives in Mosman.
He was a bank manager and also helped develop a Bed & Breakfast business. He is interested in travelling, perhaps going on 2 or 3 cruises in a year. Don likes going to his gym and its spin class.

COLIN FRANKLIN

lives at Kurraba point with Helen. A medical doctor, he has specialised in radiography. He is very interested in sailing, 4WD driving/camping and travelling abroad for holidays.

GUEST SPEAKER



Jo-Anne BERTHELTSEN "Write from my Heart" - An Author's Journey.

Growing up in Brisbane, she pursued an interest in music throughout her school years and studied Modern Languages at the University of Queensland. A great traveller, she enjoys writing and has many fiction & non-fiction books to her name. Jo-Anne has three children and lives in Sydney with her husband Lionel.

PERSONAL CORNER

GEOFFREY LEONARD

Geoff schooled at Waverley College and the Royal Military College Duntroon. He began work for Nicholas, the 'ASPRO' company. He then moved on, becoming the marketing manager of VICKS Australasia. Further promotions caused a transfer to Canada until his retirement to settle back in Sydney. He likes boating & bowling and lives in Turramurra.

SAILING Tuesday 18 Feb

Ross Bruwel will welcome you on his yacht **RENADA**, sailing as usual from Middle Harbour. There will be more news at our February General meeting or call his cell phone: **0421 817 106**

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

The KING & I

8 tickets are left for the 1pm Wednesday 23Sep14, Opera Australia's matinee performance at the Opera House. Cost \$69 per ticket. Payment due end of July. Further information:

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

TENNIS**3rd Monday each Month**

We play between 2 & 4pm on court 8 of "Love 'N Deuce", in Talus St., Naremburn. We will resume on 17th February. Call for details from:

David Harris 9449 3406

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 February 2014**

ROLL-UP LAWN BOWLS

Wednesdays, about 10.15 for a 10.30 start. We have resumed playing at the North Sydney Bowls Club. Parking is easier. Visitors are welcomed for \$5.00

John Brooks 9908 2820

WEEKLY 9 HOLE GOLF

Each Monday ~10.00 at the Lane Cove Sports Centre.

Tony Travers 9439 4996

**NRMA CAREFLIGHT CENTRE****Wednesday 26 February**

Coach departs NORTHS at 9.00am

Many lives are saved by the crews of the helicopters & fixed-wing aircraft ferrying critical patients to hospital. Informative talk and base visit to Westmead Hospital.

Total outing cost \$45pp

**MASONIC EGYPTIAN ROOM**

After an 'all-you-can-eat' lunch at the *Rosehill Bowling Club*, the outing goes on to see Petersham's **Scottish Royal Arch Masonic Temple**, containing an elaborately decorated Egyptian Room.

**HARBOUR CRUISE on the****1902 SteamTug WARATAH**

Monday 24 March, 10 o'clock

boarding at Roselle. \$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

Roselle, please contact Ross or Barry. Note that Waratah has limited power facilities. You'll need to bring your own picnic lunch and drinks and should wear soft-soled shoes. There is 'no smoking' on board. Sign up at our next meeting - learn more from **Ross 9451 2870 or Barry 9953 6748, cell 0400 388 808.**



High Tea at Balls Head

**BOOK GROUP**

3rd Monday each month. The next meeting will start in the Bistro of Norths at

10.00 Monday 17 February
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

2Fifty Club

Moss Vale and Southern Highlands Mon 24 February
We meet at 9.00 at the Central Station Suburban platform 25, to catch the 9.27 train for the Illawarra coast to Wollongong. Here we board the coach travelling up the Macquarie Pass, through Robertson to Moss Vale for lunch. Later we'll take the train for Central, passing through the Southern Highlands.

Further details

John Minnett 9417 7705

MUSIC & ART Events**Conservatorium of Music**

Each Wednesday between 1.10 and 2.00 during term-time, students show their progress with performances of different musical instruments. Entrance is with a gold coin.

Mosman Art Gallery

Arthur Streeton & Tom Roberts from the time of their Sirius Cove Artists camp to modern interpretations of Sydney Harbour by Margaret Preston are on show from 8th Feb - 16th Mar. More information:

Gerald Christmas 9960 1005

TOM POWER OAM**New Years Honours**

Congratulations on the Award of the medal of the **Order of Australia** for his services to the Irish Community, particularly through commemoration of the Great Irish Famine.

VALE

Owen ROACH

Gil WEBB