



# Newsletter



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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

### Dear Fellow Members, Partners and Guests



Summer is finally here and we are all looking forward to some fine weather to lift our spirits. And Graeme Adam managed to deliver a window of fine weather for the Jacaranda Cruise. He reported that "It was 'cruisy' but jacarandas were elusive. Twenty-two boarded the Sydney Heritage Fleet's launch Harman for a pleasant day on the water on 25th October followed by lunch at Ripples at the Maritime Museum. Due to constant rain, flowering was late, made up for by some excellent commentary by SHF's Tim and Liz. The Probus crew were very sporting about it. We were honoured to have one of SHF's founding fathers, member Hugh Lander aboard (dark blue sweater), as well as fellow members and Museum volunteers, Jim Jeans and Tony Michaels (both sporting their ANMM gear)" – see photo below.

We are also extremely delighted, and proud, to welcome three new members into our fold this month. The healthy growth in our membership in no small measure reflects the hard work of many – both within and outside the Committee – in making us the Probus Club of choice in the lower North Shore! Well done everyone!

I should like to report that our long serving committee member Peter Davenport has decided to step down, and I want to thank him for his many years of devoted service, including a stint as President. In the meantime, we welcome Tony Michaels into the Committee. He will team up with Graeme Adam as our outings organisers. They are already formulating some brilliant proposals for 2023. I can't wait to see what the final programme looks like.

Of course, our Christmas luncheon is less than two months away. Do come and join in the fun and camaraderie!

Last, but certainly not least, our guest speakers Anne Jackson and Pauline Carr will talk about 'Nursing in South Sudan', which no doubt will arouse much interest and curiosity about their experiences as volunteers over many years in that country.

Yiu Lam Kwan, President

## Sydney Harbour Jacaranda Cruise on the "Harman"



## Club Activities for Diary

- Friday 11th Nov** Lost Soles - Chinese Friendship Garden Walk, Darling Harbour  
**Tuesday 22nd November** Blue Mountains Botanical Gardens (Mt Tomah)  
**Tuesday 13th December** Christmas Lunch at Manly Golf Club  
**Tuesday 17th January 2023** Barbecue and High Tea at Balls Head  
**Tuesday 21st February 2023** Tour of new Allianz Stadium and Lunch

## NEXT MEETING

This month's meeting will be held on **Tuesday 8th November from 10.30am** in the **Norths Leagues Club Auditorium**, Abbot St, Cammeray.

- 10.30 - 10.50 General business
- 10.50 - 11:00 Personal Corner
- 11.00 - 11:20 Morning Tea
- 11.20 - 12:20 Guest Speaker
- 12.20 - Questions and Wrap Up

## Personal Corner

### Paul Shea

Paul was a freelance marketing consultant for 20 years and part time Uni lecturer. He crewed on the Sydney Heritage Fleet's tall ship SV James Craig (1874) from 2015 to 2018. He and his wife Judy live in Manly and are active members of three walking clubs.

## New Members

### Welcome to Peter Fitzgerald

- **Professional** MB BS FRACR
- **Career** Radiology
- **Last Position** Partner Radiology Practice
- **Interests** Metaphysical poetry, other literary interests including Shakespeare
- **Residence** Peter lives in Cammeray

### Welcome to Robert Fuss

- **Professional** LLB (UNSW)
- **Career** Accountant - Tax Agent
- **Last Position** Director, Company Doctor P/L
- **Interests** Walking, Exercise, Plays, Reading, Travel, Research, Stock Exchange.
- **Residence** Robert and Veronica live in Chatswood.

### Welcome to Harvey Ord

- **Professional** BA (Sydney Uni)
- **Career** Property Developer, Hotelier
- **Last Position** Managing Director Ord Management P/L (still active)
- **Interests** Golf, Tennis, Developing Family Group of Hotels, Travel.
- **Residence** Harvey and Carole live in Ultimo.

## Lost Soles visited Government House and Sydney Botanical Gardens



## DETAILS OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

### Blue Mountains Botanic Garden and Lunch at Kurrajong Tuesday 22nd November

Last chance to sign up by emailing Graeme at [outings@probusneutralbay.org](mailto:outings@probusneutralbay.org)

\$50pp, covering coach costs and guided tour, not the lunch. Please pay by Bank Transfer BSB:082 302 A/c. no: 28869 5672.

NAB Neutral Bay. Name: Probus Club of Neutral Bay. Please include your name when making EFT payment. For more information, check out the e-flyer.



### Reminder Christmas Lunch Tuesday 13th December

**TIME** 12 noon for 12.30pm

**WHERE:** Manly Golf Club, 40 Balgowlah Rd. Free parking in car park.

**HOW:** Sign on with Graeme Adam at [outings@probusneutralbay.org](mailto:outings@probusneutralbay.org) or on sign-on sheet November meeting.

**TABLE PLACINGS:** Please indicate on sign-on sheet or by email if you would like to host a table or alternatively particular person(s) you would like to sit with.

**COST:** \$90 pp. Please sign on and pay by Bank transfer by **3rd December**.

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## OTHER ACTIVITIES.

**Neutral Bay Probus Beginners Croquet Group. Mondays 1pm to 3pm Chatswood Croquet Club. Contact Rob Wright on 0416 161 863**

**Roll Up Lawn Bowls** every Wed morning at 10 am at Norths Greens, St Leonards (near North Sydney Oval). Call **Peter Cornish on 0421 012 538** for more details. All regular players and beginners are welcome to play and socialise.

**Tennis.** Venue is Willis Park Eastern Valley Way Castle Cove courts. From 10 am to 12 pm on the first and third Tuesday of the month, followed by coffee and a social chat. All members are welcome. Please contact **Peter Turner 0428 611 456** for details.

**Golf** Murray Mair welcomes all members to play, generally on Fridays on a local course. Please contact **Murray on 0419 488 609** for details.

**Cycling** We have a very active, regular cycling group led by **Bob Pearce on 0400 291 373**. Normally Monday rides start at 10 am and Saturday rides start at 7.30 am from Milsons Point Railway Station or from Observatory Hill at 7.35am. **Extra Riders Welcome!**

**Sailing Ahoy!** For a great day on a comfortable cruising yacht, the "Renada", please contact **Captain Ross Bruwel on 0421 817 106** for information or to book a place. Next sailing date **Tuesday 29th November**. Pick up at Middle Harbour Yacht Club at 10.30 am.

**Movie Enjoyment?** At the Orpheum, Cremorne on the 4th Monday of the month. Contact **David Bruce-Steer on 0455 655 451**.

**Bridge.** Please contact **John Pike** for details on **0403 007 273**. Typically an online game lasts for about 1.5hours, at 4pm each Thursday.

**Lost Soles Strollers. Friday 11th November. Chinese Friendship Garden Walk, Darling Harbour.** Meet at the Chinatown light rail station on the eastern side of George Street in front of Charlie Chan's Bar. Stroll to Paddy's Market for a peek at fruit, veg, fish, clothing etc. then to the Chinese Garden via Dixon St. Seniors Entry \$8 (bring card) - explore extensive and beautiful paths, plantings, and water features. Lunch choices are in the garden (up market), Charlie Chans for Thai street food and drinks, or basic Oz food at Sydney RSL club. Return via Light rail. About 4km. Please email **Stewart Horwood** if you are coming, [stewh444@tpg.com.au](mailto:stewh444@tpg.com.au)

**Note:** This will be our last stroll for 2022 – re-commence after the hot months of summer in March.

## November Speakers: Anne Jackson and Pauline Carr "NURSING IN SOUTH SUDAN"

**South Sudan** is the newest Country in the world, having gained Independence in 2011 after a long and bloody history of both civil and tribal wars. Even now, the peace is fragile. In 2022 South Sudan remains in a serious humanitarian crisis. Some two-thirds of South Sudan's population, 8.9 million people, are estimated to be in need of humanitarian assistance.

**Anne Jackson and Pauline Carr** are former nursing colleagues at Royal North Shore Hospital, both having spent time as Volunteer Nurses working in rural South Sudan. They will talk about the daily work in a rural Catholic Hospital, the culture and will share their experiences during the past 14 years of involvement in Mapuordit, South Sudan.

Both Anne and husband Ian have been heavily committed to fundraising for the Hospital and in raising awareness through talks far and wide. All fundraising is channelled through the Overseas Aid Organisation of the daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred

Heart Congregation based in Kensington. The hospital has continued to grow and expand its services during their years of involvement, despite the huge impediments of protracted war and extreme poverty. Anne and Pauline have been involved in training auxiliary nurses, as well as assisting staff to access professional qualifications. The overall aim is to "Sudanise" the Hospital as much as possible.

**The term "Life wasn't meant to be easy" takes on a whole new meaning in such a context!!**

