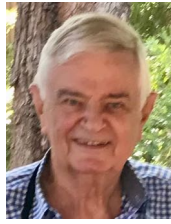


Newsletter



FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Members, Ladies and Visitors



Well the cold and wind have come despite the sunny days; but, this hasn't deterred participation in our activities, which have been well attended. Unfortunately, I missed the Hawkesbury River outing for which the weather could not have been better with some 28 participants enjoying 'perfect' conditions. This month's outing to Port Kembla should also be interesting. Who would have predicted a few decades ago how spectacular the then industrial hubs at Newcastle and Wollongong have now become, with both having some of the best beaches in Australia as backdrops.

Closer to home, I have been continuing the practice of my immediate predecessors in inviting one or two of our new members to attend a Committee Meeting as an observer in order to gain greater insight into the running of the Club and the feedback on this continues to be positive. We are working through a backlog on this; but, if you think you might have been missed, then please let me know.

As most of you noticed, we had a couple of small hiccups with North's at the last meeting (tea/coffee, hot water, audio visual etc), which have been addressed with North's management and hopefully will not reoccur. Thanks to our North's liaison member Ross Bruwel for pursuing these.

As some of you know, I had a bad fall a couple of days after the last meeting, doing extensive damage to my right knee, which required some aggressive surgery and has left me with temporary limited mobility in a solid brace. However, I intend to continue participating as much as possible but will have to defer joining the 'Strollers' for a while and will have to miss climbing the ladders at Pt Kembla.

We look forward to seeing you at the next General Meeting on Tue 13Jun.

Best wishes

Ian

Ian Ashbrook, President

NEXT MEETING

This month's meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th June 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

Club Activities for Diary

Tuesday 20th June Port Kembla Steelworks

Tuesday 27th June Archibald Prize Tour

Tuesday 25th July Winter Feast

Personal Corner

Peter Fitzgerald

I decided to ramble through where I have lived to awaken any possible connections. Born in Brisbane, Family medical connections. Newtown on my fathers side. Double Bay, Riverview, Kogarah, Paddington, Newcastle, Griffith, Dundas Beecroft and now Cammeray Square. Interests. Blooms Day is coming up. Meanings behind 60's songs and Shakespeare.

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Report on Riverboat Postman Cruise

An enjoyable trip in near perfect conditions for our 28 dedicated boaties. The Hawkesbury River was at its best and we were captivated by the unfolding vista of river life with a brilliant commentary. We circumnavigated Dangar Island and moved upstream to see the many small houses (and some not so small) appearing on the isolated river bank and only accessible by river boat. We observed many birds including the resident White Back Sea Eagle as we made our way upstream, pulling into various jetties to drop off mail. Past Bar Point and up to Marlow Creek, then lunch was served as we headed back to Brooklyn, arriving on schedule by 1.35 pm. **Tony Michaels**



Lost Soles Stroll at Beauty Point



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DETAILS OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Lost Soles Strollers. Meadowbank to Rhodes. Stroll and Lunch Monday 19th June

We meet at the eastern platform exit of Meadowbank station at about 10.00am. Stroll to Parramatta River and the 1886 railway bridge designed by John Whitton (also designed the Zig Zag railway). Over the bridge and then the waterfront trail around Rhodes point, observe the new bridge over Homebush Bay then to the shopping centre possibly for food. A lunch option is West Concord Pub which requires one stop on the train. Walk >3km. Kindly advise **Stewart Horwood** if coming stewh444@tpg.com.au

Port Kembla Steelworks Tour Tuesday 20th June

Meeting at Norths Club by 7.45am (sharp) for Bus to depart for Wollongong by 08.00. The three hour steel tour will start with overview and safety video, then we get required PPE (audio headset, hard hat, gloves and dust jacket) before starting tour. Around 12.30 we will board our bus to the Wollongong Golf Club for lunch on **The Deck** (own expense, wide menu available), leaving around 2.30pm for the return journey, arriving Norths around 5pm.



Sign on with **Tony Michaels**, at the Outings Table at General Meeting, or email Tony at

outings@probusneutralbay.org [Some vacancies due to cancellations - please consider coming]

Cost \$67.00 pp Payment by Bank Transfer to Probus Club of Neutral Bay, BSB; 082-302 A/c 28869 5672 (Include Name)

Guided Tour of the Archibald, Wynne and Sulman Prizes Tuesday 27th June

Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Art Gallery of NSW. Cost is \$27 pp (concession). Sign on at the June general meetings, or email outings@probusneutralbay.org. **Deadline for enrolment and payment is Mon 19 June.** Please contact **John Metcalf** via outings@probusneutralbay.org for further information.

NB Probus Winter Feast Tuesday 25th July

Venue and Time: 1200 for 1230pm, **Watergrill Restaurant, Sydney Rowing Club Abbotsford** (50m from Abbotsford ferry wharf, suggest getting the 1107am ferry from Circular Quay). \$65pp for a great three course meal plus coffee. Drinks pay-as-you-go.

This annual Probus event offers a great opportunity to meet old and new members and relax in a social environment. So, go ahead and book your table (ten per table) and advise your planners of your table companions.

Cost \$65.00 pp Payment and Sign-On with Tony Michaels as for the outings above.



OTHER ACTIVITIES.

Neutral Bay Probus Beginners Croquet Group. Mon 1 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 Tuesday of the month. Tennis is 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. Pick up at Middle Harbour Yacht Club at 10.30 am. **Note** No sailing in June

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 of online bridge on **0403 007 273**. Typically a game lasts for about 1.5hours, at 4pm each Thursday.

June Speaker Emeritus Professor Kim Oates AO

"ERRORS in HEALTHCARE – Why They Occur and Your Role in Making Your Own Healthcare Safe"

In Australia, it has been reported that medical errors result in as many as 18,000 unnecessary deaths and more than 50,000 patients become disabled each year. More than 80% of diagnostic errors are deemed preventable.

Prof Kim Oates is internationally recognised, particularly with regard to his pioneering research in child protection and as a clinician, researcher, teacher and administrator. He was Chairman, Division of Medicine, at the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children at Camperdown and was CEO of the Children's Hospital at Westmead for 9 years. In addition he was a consultant for the NSW Clinical Excellence Commission, including development of an undergraduate program to show how doctors can work more safely to reduce patient harm.

Prof Oates will treat us to a very interesting, topical, amusing and thought-provoking presentation on factors that lead to healthcare errors and on ways a patient can lessen the risks involved.



July Speaker

A/Prof Jim Forrest

Topic: Migrants after Arrival in Australia

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