

PROBUS CLUB OF COORPAROO INC

NEWSLETTER APRIL 2023

Meets at the Holland Park Sports Club 49 Abbotsleigh St, Holland Park 10.00am Second Wednesday of the month Postal Address. 39 Hector Road Holland Park. Qld 4121



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hello and welcome to April 2023! One third of 2023 is now finished... how time flies!

I wanted to start by thanking members for attending the March Annual General Meeting (AGM) and voting in the Committee of 2023. The Committee has been at work already, looking towards a wonderful and successful year for members.

It is timely to thank the retiring Committee members for their wonderful work in the past, your contribution is very much appreciated by myself and all members of the club. My sincere thanks for your work.

Thank you to members for voting me President for 2023! What a great club to be part of and I trust I can work to help you make 2023 a good year for you at the club. In my President's address at the AGM, I focused on a few key points that were achieved in 2022. These are listed in my address, available on the Web site:

https://www.probuscoorparoo.com.au

One of the key objectives in 2022 was to introduce electronic payments via EFTPOS. The 'take up' has not been great, I think this is due to the fees paid by members at point of transaction. The Executive Committee has decided to reduce these fees to 0.01% (or \$0.01 cent in \$100)! This is currently the minimum setting with the Tyro device. Calculations show that the club can pay the Tyro fees each month, from within banked reserves. After all, the money in the bank is members money!

I am actively encouraging members to use EFTPOS. Cash is problematic with regards to handling money on the day, preparing a Float of change, plus the extra effort required by the Treasurer, to drive to the bank and deposit the money (time frame: up to two days after the meeting). This carrying of large-ish amounts of cash poses an issue of safety to the individual and is time consuming. Note: There is no intention at this time to eliminate cash transactions.

Can I just touch on the trip to the Butterfly House and Bribie Island last week. The visit to the Butterfly House was just wonderful, I intend taking some of our grandchildren to the venue soon, so as they can enjoy the beauty of nature. Thanks to Christine Petersen and Roslyn Murray for organising this trip.

I look forward to catching up with you all on 12th April 2023!

Kind regards

Murray Excell ASM

GENERAL MEETING

The **April** General Meeting, will be held on **Wednesday 12**th **April** at the Holland Park Sports Club commencing at 10 am. We request that you adhere to the following procedures for "catering purposes", by registering your intention to attend this meeting OR registering your apology, if you are unable to attend.

These registrations must be received **NO LATER THAN THURSDAY 6th April** Any changes such as cancellations or attendance, to be advised by **Sunday 9th April** prior to 7pm.

Secretary, Cathy Lutvey, will be sending all members an email. Please respond either YES or NO

THE EXECUTIVE & MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE -2023



Back row: Trish McGregor, Jennifer Campbell, Estelle Wetten, Murray Excell, Margo Excell, Carole O'Connor.

Front row: Roslyn Murray Maryann Hackett, Chris Petersen, Terry Mitchell, Bron Midleton, Jude Wingfield & Cathy Lutvey.

Richard Edwards with Kerry & Jan Bradford at the AGM





THE RAFFLE-GIFT VOUCHERS



We encourage you, the members, to support your club by purchasing some raffle tickets, for your chance to win one of 2 draws.

1st prize \$30.00 Coles Myer voucher. **2nd prize** \$20.00 Coles Myer voucher

Congratulations to the Raffle Winners

Carmel Tobin (left) & Margo Excell (right)



APRIL GUEST SPEAKER



April Guest Speaker will be Gary Thorpe, who founded Silver Memories. He never dreamt its impact would be so big. He has been the General Manager of 4MBS Classic FM, Brisbane's classical music community radio station, since 1989 having been one of the people, that started the station in 1979. 4MBS also operates a digital station MBS Light and a Nostalgia station Silver Memories that addresses social isolation in the aged community.

MARCH DINE OUT

A large group of members attended a very enjoyable Dine-out at the Lord Stanley Hotel. Everyone was very impressed with the complimentary entrée of chicken wings



APRIL DINE OUT



WEDNESDAY 5TH APRIL 11.45am for 12 Noon

RALPH & CO 17 SAMUEL STREET, CAMP HILL.

If you are attending, could you please confirm with Bron.

Bron's contact details at the end of the newsletter.

MAY DINE OUT

WEDNESDAY 3RD MAY, HIGH TEA MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION



You are invited to a beautiful

High Tea,

to celebrate

Mother's Day,

at

Room with Roses,

Gallery level
Iconic Brisbane Arcade
117 Adelaide Street
at 11.30am
Entrances from both Queen
St & Adelaide St. Brisbane
CBD

Menu will be similar to the following: -

Deluxe High Tea. 2 Ribbon Sandwiches 3 Warm Savouries – Chef's Selection (all no seafood) 2 Raspberry Scones with house made raspberry jam and Chantilly cream 3 House made Sweets (Chef's Selection of different flavours) Tea, Coffee & a Soft Drink are included – Cost \$49.00 per person OR \$59 per person which includes a glass of Bubbly or a Raspberry Punch.

The following options are also offered: -Gluten Free Option \$54 pp Vegetarian Option \$52pp

Bron is taking bookings for this immediately, as payment is required at the General Meeting Wednesday 12th April. The venue requires a deposit that day & full payment is required prior to the event.

Bron's details are at the end of the newsletter. Please tell her which option you prefer, so the correct money can be applied. A bank transfer would be appreciated (please remember to put your surname & event) EFTPOS as Murray has mentioned in his report, will be available at the meeting.

MAHJONG & CANASTA

Probus Coorparoo has Mahjong & Canasta classes for beginners and experienced players.

Margo Excell and Jude Wingfield are your hosts and guides on the day.

Date: 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the Month. 13th & 27th April Time: 10am to 1pm

Venue: Fielders Club Address: 35 Bognor Street, Tingalpa. QLD 4179

Morning tea is available from the club, as is lunch, if you decide to stay on and enjoy the day a little

longer! If you are interested you are welcome to come along on the day

NEWS FROM THE TRIPS & FUNCTIONS COMMITTEE

Morning Tea at Sylvan Beach Park, Bribie Island.





A visit to the Bribie Island Community Arts Centre









A lovely Lunch at the Bribie Island Bowls Club





An amazing afternoon visit to the Butterfly House.









Wednesday 26th April 2023 Late afternoon City Cat cruise and Dinner at the Hamilton Hotel





For this trip we are trialling a new concept – an evening event. It is planned to travel by bus to West End where we will board the City Cat and travel downstream taking in the sights and lights of Brisbane to Hamilton where we will get off the boat and go to the Hamilton Hotel for dinner.

If you would like to travel to West End by bus, there are 5 seats still available. Please contact Chris or Roslyn.

The Bus will pick up The Village, Goring St. Coorparoo at 3.30pm & at Scott's Park, Harold St, Holland Park at 3.45pm.

The cost for this trip is \$22.00 to cover the bus.

Fares on the City Cat and the meal at the Hamilton Hotel are to be paid for individually.

Please consider travelling with us.

Bank Deposit Details

Probus Club of Coorparoo, BSB 484799, A/C No 601405292 include your name and trip.

Wednesday 25th May 2023 Toowoomba for a Tour of the Empire Theatre and Lunch





Please join us as we travel up to Toowoomba, stopping at scenic Picnic Point for morning tea. From there we will head into the heart of the CBD, where we will have a conducted tour of the historic Empire Theatre, which has been renovated from a movie theatre in the 1960s to a wonderful theatre complex.

After the tour, we will journey out of town, to have lunch at one of the many clubs.

Details of this trip are yet to be finalised and the sign on sheet with all details, will be available at our next meeting.

Date Claimer - please note change of day <u>Thursday</u> 27th July 2023

By popular request we have decided to again hold our Christmas in July celebrations at Birches at Mt Mee. Unfortunately, they could not accommodate us on our usual day of a Wednesday, but we have made a booking for the following day, which is a **Thursday**.

It would be great if you could join us again and experience the ambience of this location.





EVENT	LOCATION	DATE	TIME	DEPARTURE	COST/PAYMENT
DINE OUT	RALPH & CO	WED 5 TH APRIL	11.45 AM FOR 12 NOON		INDIVIDUAL
GENERAL MEETING REGISTER ATTENDANCE/ APOLOGY NON- ATTENDANCE	RESPOND TO THE SECRETARY'S EMAIL	THURS 6 TH APRIL			
GENERAL MEETING	HOLLAND PARK SPORTS CLUB	WED 12 TH APRIL	10.00 AM		\$7.00 PLUS RAFFLE
MAHJONG & CANASTA	FIELDER'S TINGALPA	THURS 13 TH APRIL & 27 th APRIL	10.00 AM – 1.00 PM		INDIVIDUAL
CITY CAT TRIP	HAMILTON HOTEL	WED 26 TH	3.30 PM	THE VILLAGE	PAYMENT DUE 12 TH APRIL
			3.45 PM	SCOTT PARK	(Bus Only) \$22.00
MAJHONG & CANASTA	FIELDER'S TINGALPA	WED 27 TH APRIL	10.00 AM - 1.00 PM		INDIVIDUAL
MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION	ROOM WITH ROSES	WED 3 RD MAY	11.30 AM – 1.30 PM	OWN TRANSPORT	PAYMENT DUE WED 12 TH APRIL (As per your option.)

Happy Easter

