



PROBUS CLUB OF COORPAROO INC NEWSLETTER APRIL 2026



Meets at Belmont Services Bowls Club
20 Narracott Street, Carina
10:00am Second Wednesday of the month

Postal Address:
15 Rous Street
Hendra 4011

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to one and all in Friendship, Fellowship and Fun

A big thank you to the many members who were present for our AGM. I think as a Club, it reflects well to have 62 members attend.

Once again, I look forward to working for our club as your President. Thank you for your support, encouragement and confidence.

It is wonderful to welcome new Committee members John Winfield as our Secretary, Judy Preston as Attendance Officer and welcome back to Maryann Hackett - this time as Newsletter Editor. Thank you to Marion Patrick for taking on the added role as Trips/Functions Coordinator as well as Vice President. Thank you also to Murray Excell for adding Minute Secretary and Web Coordinator to his role as PAQ Delegate. Thank you to re-elected Committee members Marie Buckley (Treasurer), Roslyn Murray (Membership Officer), Bronwyn Middleton (Dine Outs), Cathy Lutvey (Guest Speaker Coordinator and Digital Recorder), Lena Roelofs (Welfare Officer) and Bronwen Pillon (Providore).

A special thank you must go to outgoing committee members Estelle Wetton for her role as Vice President, Mary Rejmer as Secretary and Kez Zebaks as Newsletter Editor and Web Coordinator.

I mentioned in my President's Report at the AGM about the time and effort that goes into running a successful Club. Committee members, as well as ordinary members have supported your Club admirably throughout the previous year. This support and assistance is very much appreciated and I look forward to receiving it once again.

Probust Australia celebrates 50 years this year. We have plans for some celebration events to mark this milestone.

As always, I am happy to receive any suggestions you may feel would be beneficial for the Club. Suggestions, whether it be for a guest speaker, a trip or dine out are always appreciated. Fresh and new ideas can only enhance your Club.

I will be leaving my role in the capable hands of Marion for the April meeting, as both Marie and I have plans to be in Europe. I'll look forward to seeing you in May when I return.

Kindest regards

Pam

PROBUS CLUB OF COORPAROO INC APRIL MEETING

The **APRIL GENERAL MEETING** will be held on **Wednesday 8 April 2026** at the Belmont Bowls Club, commencing at 10 am.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER: ~ JUDY PRESTON will send out an attendance email to all members.

When you receive your email please respond either **YES** or **NO** to attendance.coorparoo@gmail.com

PLEASE ADDRESS ALL ATTENDANCE MATTERS TO: ~

attendance.coorparoo@gmail.com



Providore Bronwen Pillion ready for morning tea at the clubs monthly General Meeting.

MACLEAY ISLAND ~ BUS & FERRY TRIP

Wednesday 22 April

Cost \$40 per person

(Bring your **GO Card** for the ferry)

Historically, Macleay was one of the islands that provided Brisbane with valuable timbers and abundant supplies of mangos, avocados, citrus, pineapples and vegetables. The huge mango trees and citrus orchards that remain are testimony to the island's fertility. The island is just 15 minutes by fast passenger ferry from the mainland.



Enjoy morning tea at Victoria Point before boarding the ferry. On arrival at the island we will travel by bus for over an hour to explore all the island has to offer.

Enjoy lunch at the Bowls Club (**own expense**) before returning to the mainland. Payment due on or before Wed April 8.

Transport: 8.15am – depart the Village Goring Street Coorparoo
8.30am – depart Scott Park Rita and Harold Street, Holland Park

MAJESTIC THEATRE POMONA

Wednesday 27 May

Cost \$55 per person



The Majestic theatre built in 1921, is Queensland's longest continuously operating picture theatre and the only theatre in the world that continuously screens silent films. Majestic Theatre is the only remaining theatre with a console organ.

Join us for a fun day touring the old theatre and enjoying the screening of a silent film.

Pomona itself is a pretty rural town in the Shire of Noosa with a village feel. We have allowed plenty of time to wander the Village Main Street, visit the Art Gallery and have lunch in one of the many Cafes or the Pomona Distillery. **(own expense)**

Morning tea and Comfort stop enroute.

Transport: 8.00am – depart the Village Goring Street Coorparoo

8.15am – depart Scott Park Rita and Harold Street, Holland Park

Banking Details:

Bank of Queensland

BSB: 124 062

Account No: 23455992

Please reference your **NAME & EVENT**
when making your payment

Trips Contact Information

Marion Patrick – 0414 438 520

Roslyn Murray – 0405 566 409

UPCOMING GUEST SPEAKERS.

APRIL: ~ DR CHRIS REYNOLDS AUTHOR OF “What A Capital Idea”



Chris has led an interesting life as a schoolteacher, university professor, business manager and political strategist. His qualifications include a B. A, Dip.Ed., M.A and PHD.

Chris will speak about early Australian History, covering the period from 1770 up to and including 1901. Chris' book is a fascinating and comprehensive overview of Australian history, and the factual book is almost 500 pages long. Highly recommended reading!

MAY: - **BRIAN HERD - ELDER MEDIATION AND FACILITATION**

JUNE: - **JAMES LERGESSNER- BRISBANE HISTORIAN**

DINE OUT
CLOVE N' HONEY
Wednesday 1st April



The Club's April Dine Out will be at **Clove n' Honey**,

Location:- at the entrance to Stones Corner Village, 405 Logan Rd.

We will meet at 11:45am for a 12:00pm start.

Parking is FREE for the first 2 hours at the Aldi carpark in Stones Corner Village.

MOTHERS DAY HIGH TEA

WELLINGTON POINT FARMHOUSE
623 MAIN ROAD WELLINGTON POINT

Wednesday 6th May 2026

11.45 for 12 noon



The Dine-out in May will be
a High Tea to celebrate
Mothers' Day
(gluten free available)

Cost **\$45.00** per head pre-paid
by the April meeting.

Please contact Bronwyn
Middleton

to register your name
bronwynbmiddleton@gmail.com

Email or text 04370454

MAHJONG CANASTA

DATES: Thursday 9 April 2026 and Thursday 23 April 2026

TIME: 10am to 1pm

VENUE: Fielders Club Address: 35 Bognor Street, Tingalpa.
QLD



Margo & Jude host Mahjong and Canasta for Probus members at the Fielders Club in Tingalpa on the second & fourth Thursday of every month, starting promptly at 10 am. Coffee is available from the club if you need it!

It's a relaxed & friendly group, that is currently playing both Mahjong & Canasta. Everyone loves to have new members come along and are more than happy to welcome and teach people who have never played before. If you can already play either of the games, you will also be very welcome to join us.

Playing games together is a low stress activity and an opportunity to make lots of new friends at Probus. You do not have to commit beforehand on any day. Just come when you can! Don't get put off by the Tingalpa address - it's only ten minutes' drive down Wynnum Rd, from where Probus meets.

Many of the group stay to enjoy Fielder's excellent cuisine, which ranges from sandwiches to a full roast lunch, this is optional.

Address: Fielders Club Bognor St Tingalpa

Contacts: Jude: - 33665312 (leave a message if it's not answered)

Margo: - 0432576987



"Bring a Book, Leave with a Story"

The opportunity to swap books is available at every General Meeting.

"WHEREFORE ART THOU ROMEO?"



Yes, Romeo is back.

For those who don't know, Romeo stands for - **R**etired **O**ld **M**en **E**ating **O**ut.
We propose to have a breakfast get together, for the men in the Club, once a month.

Our first revival meeting will be at: -

CLUB SOUTHSIDE

76 Mt Gravatt/Capalaba Road Upper Mt Gravatt

Wednesday 15th April.

9.00 am

No need to book just turn up at 9.00 am and head to the cafe.

Regards

Frank Britt Coordinator