



PROBUS CLUB OF COORPAROO INC NEWSLETTER JULY 2024 (vs1.2.)

Meets at 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

President's Report

Hello and welcome to the July Newsletter! I open with a sombre message to members.

Vale Veronica Deathridge. *It is with much sadness that I inform members that Veronica passed away peacefully at home last Friday, 28th June. Veronica and Bob are active club members and she will be missed terribly by Bob and our members.*

We are thinking of you during this difficult time Bob. May you find strength in the knowledge that people care about you.

Rest in peace Veronica.

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Our membership is strong, and I am still receiving requests to join our club. The fact that we offer trips away, luncheons (dine-outs) and other activities are strong attractions to community members. Almost all enquiries for membership are coming from the web, with very positive feedback on the content. I thank Kerrie Zabaks for her work in this area.

I have received a few requests from people that are members of other Probus Clubs, to join our club. Some of these requests are coming from interstate and local members. Their reasons are varied. I want to propose that these existing Probus members be given a clear passage to join our club. No waiting period i.e. eliminate the need to attend three functions (including a monthly meeting). These people know what Probus has to offer. I will raise this at the July meeting for further discussion to gain the feel of members.

A few meetings ago I raised the matter of capping membership numbers at 100. A Standing Resolution was passed at that time. We are almost at that point! I will look for consensus to increase the membership by a few more! We have some members that are absent for periods of time (that is: not active) for legitimate reasons. The few additional members will allow a small increase in membership numbers to offset the absent members. Once we reach that point I will publish this on our web site and start a waiting list. I will raise this for discussion next meeting.

I look forward to seeing you at the July meeting, take care for now.

Kind regards

Murray Excell ASM

PROBUS CLUB OF COORPAROO

The **JULY MEETING** will be held on **WEDNESDAY 10 JULY 2024** 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 4 JULY 2024**. Changes such as cancellations or attendance to be advised by **SUNDAY 7 JULY 2024** prior to 7pm.

Secretary Cathy Lutvey has sent out an email to all members already.

Please respond either **YES** or **NO**

REMINDER - GUEST SPEAKER FOR JULY

10 July 2024: Harry the paramedic and author – funny stories



Harry Colfer is the pseudonym of an acting Critical Care Paramedic with nearly twenty years of on-road experience gained in both England and Australia. As one of the highest trained pre-hospital clinicians, he regularly attends cardiac arrests and major incidents.

As a way of dealing with these experiences, Harry has embraced the cathartic paramedic custom of storytelling and, back in 2012, began writing in his spare time. Using his knowledge of

the subject area, he created a series of short stories, '**Ambo Tales from the Frontline**', with the ultimate aim of publishing one for each of the thirty-two codes used to categorise emergency calls.

Although his stories are the product of his imagination, his writing style is very realistic, and his characters rarely pull punches when discussing their fictional management.

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14 August 2024: Ron Baker - History of Brisbane and the Brisbane River

The Coorparoo & Districts Heritage Group Inc. was formed in 1991. Its main strength is the monthly talks given by local historians over a considerable time, and generally very well-attended.



The lead history manager, Ron Baker, has documented the large collection of history talks.

Ron is well known to some club members, and we look forward to having him talk about our lovely city.

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11 September 2024: 40th Anniversary Celebrations



There is no guest speaker for September but watch this space for more information on our 40th anniversary celebrations!

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9 October 2024: Seniors Month



Entertainment brought to you by "Mates Rates"

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BOOK SWAP

Wednesday 10 July 2024

AT THE GENERAL MEETING



Thanks to the members who brought books to the last meeting. We will continue this activity.

MAHJONG, EUCHRE, CANASTA AND 500



Dates: **Thursday 11 July 2024 and Thursday 25 July**
Time: 10am to 1pm
Venue: Fielders Club Address: 35 Bognor Street, Tingalpa. QLD

Margo and Jude welcome experienced and beginner mahjong players.

Canasta and 500 card games are also being played. Come and join in!

Many participants stay on for lunch afterwards.

NOTE: Some members attending these activities are keen to change the days to the first and third Thursday of the month. This matter will be discussed and considered by those attending and if agreed, the changes to the days will commence February 2025.

FORTHCOMING DINE OUTS



7 August – Easts Leagues Club



4 September – Vaiola at Tarragindi

2 October – Ralph & Co, Camp Hill



These venues are yet to be confirmed, but more details will follow shortly.

NEWS FROM THE TRIPS COMMITTEE



Wednesday, 24 July 2024

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Our destination is finally revealed! Secrets on the Lake is nestled in the beautiful, lush rainforest overlooking Lake Baroon, with great views from the deck which overlooks the lake where we will enjoy the warm winter ambience whilst enjoying the delights of an award-winning restaurant.

The land was first sighted by explorer Ludwig Leichhardt in 1843, and quickly became a passion for the owners George and Aldy Johnston who are farmers and entrepreneurs. They have expanded their farm to include accommodation, spas, a café and restaurant.

A light morning tea will be enjoyed at Mary Cairn Crossing overlooking the beautiful lush Glasshouse Mountains hinterland and coastal beaches, after which we will enjoy a pre-ordered 2 course Christmas lunch.

Cost: \$60 per person

Bus pick up: 7:45am – The Village, Goring Street, Coorparoo
8:00am – Scott Park, Harold Street, Holland Park

Banking Details:

Bank of Queensland

BSB: 124 062

Account No: 23455992

Don't forget to reference your **NAME** and **EVENT** when making your payment.
Due to its popularity this is for members only.

Payment due by Wednesday, 10 July

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Wednesday, 28 August
THE SIR THOMAS BRISBANE PLANETARIUM



The Planetarium is located next to the Brisbane Botanic Gardens. We will have a guided tour of the universe and beyond by one of the Planetarium's Senior Astronomers in the Cosmic Skydome. We will also view the exhibits from the Apollo 11 spacecraft mission to the moon, and other universal wonders.

Lunch will be held at [The Brook Hotel, Mitchelton](#). Lunch is at members own expense, but there is a senior's choice to select from, plus the usual menu.



Cost: **\$35 per person**

Bus pick up: 8:30am – The Village, Goring Street, Coorparoo
8:45am – Scott Park, Harold Street, Holland Park

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Wednesday, 25 September 2024

MARY RIVER RATTLER



ALL ABOARD! Probus Coorparoo is celebrating its 40th birthday with a special outing on The Mary River Rattler Steam Train.

We are travelling first to picturesque Amamoor, right in the heart of the Amamoor State Forest. The State Forest has more than 120 species of Australian bird life and is a popular destination for tourists, campers and

bird enthusiasts.

We will watch the Rattler arriving and watch the turn-around on the restored turntable for its trip back to Gympie.

Once on board the Rattler will wind its way through the scenic Mary Valley, through Dagon, Lagoon Pocket before arriving at Gympie. The trip will take approximately 1 hour. On arrival we will be treated to a 2-course lunch on the station platform before we board our coach for the return trip to Brisbane.

There will be comfort stops and morning tea along the way.

Cost: \$120 pp with lunch and morning tea included (less the \$20 deposit required to secure your booking).

Bus pick up: 7:00am – The Village, Goring Street, Coorparoo
7:15am – Scott Park, Harold Street, Holland Park

Banking Details:

Bank of Queensland

BSB: 124 062

Account No: 23455992

Don't forget to reference your **NAME** and **EVENT** when making your payment.

Please email Chris on tripsfunctionscoorparoo@gmail.com if you are interested.

Full payment required by Wednesday, 7 August (Probus meeting day)

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SAVE THE DATE!

Wednesday, 11 December 2024



Probus Christmas Lunch

Mark your diary now!

Details provided closer to the date

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DINE OUT – COOEE CAFÉ

Some 30 members enjoyed lunch at the Cooee Café, with beautiful views overlooking the golf course on a stunning winter's day. Some pics of the day!



Twinnies Pelican and Seabird Rescue Centre

What a great day everyone had. With a quick stop at Caboolture for morning tea, our group then spent the day exploring Twinnies and hearing all about the work that Paula and Bridgette put into the rescue and treatment of the animals in their care.

Morning Tea at Caboolture



Twinnies



COORPAROO PROBUS EVENTS 2024					
	PLACE	DATE	TIME	TRANSPORT	PAYMENT
JULY EVENTS – PLEASE NOTE YOUR CALENDAR					
General Meeting	Holland Park Sports Club	Wed 10 July	10:00am	Own	\$7 plus raffle
Mahjong/Canasta/500	Fielders Tingalpa	Thur 11 July	10:00am	Own	Individual
Christmas in July	Secrets on the Lake	Wed 24 July	7:45am	Bus pick up See details above	\$60 pp
Mahjong/Canasta/500	Fielders Tingalpa	Thur 25 July	10:00am	Own	Individual
AUGUST EVENTS – PLEASE NOTE YOUR CALENDAR					
Dine Out	TBC	Wed 7 August			
General Meeting	Holland Park Sports Club	Wed 14 August	10:00am	Own	\$7 plus raffle
Mahjong/Canasta/500	Fielders Tingalpa	Thurs 15 August	10:00am	Own	Individual
The Sir Thomas Brisbane Planetarium	Mt Coot-tha	Wed 28 August	8:30am	Bus pick up See details above	\$35 pp
Mahjong/Canasta/500	Fielders Tingalpa	Thurs 29 August	10:00am	Own	Individual
SEPTEMBER EVENTS – PLEASE NOTE YOUR CALENDAR					
Dine Out	TBC	Wed 4 September			
General Meeting '40 th Celebrations'	Holland Park Sports Club	Wed 11 September	10:00am	Own	\$7 plus raffle
Mahjong/Canasta/500	Fielders Tingalpa	Thurs 12 September	10:00am	Own	Individual
Mary River Rattler Steam Train	Amamoor Station then train to Gympie	Wed 25 September	7:00am	Bus pick up See details above	\$120 pp
Mahjong/Canasta/500	Fielders Tingalpa	Thurs 26 September	10:00am	Own	Individual
OCTOBER EVENTS – PLEASE NOTE YOUR CALENDAR					
Dine Out	TBC	Wed 7 October			
General Meeting Seniors Month	Holland Park Sports Club	Wed 9 October	10:00am	Own	\$7 plus raffle