PROBUS CLUB OF COORPAROO INC
NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 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 all in Friendship, Fellowship and Fun.

We seem to have already reached the busy end of the year. Some members attending three functions in the first week of September with the dine out at the popular Fish Factory on the Wednesday, the informative City Hall tour on the Friday and the 50th anniversary walk on the Saturday. Enjoy the details and photos covered later in the Newsletter.

As a result of our Mini Senior's Expo at our August meeting, I know at least 12 members have attended sessions with the exercise physiologist, including me. I had my very first session in my life at a gym with all the associated equipment last week. Just goes to show you are never too old!

It was pleasing to see a large number of our members at our last meeting and particularly some who have returned after bouts of ill health.

Remember in October we celebrate Probus/Senior's month. Your committee has arranged a fun filled morning of entertainment with a special morning tea. As mentioned at the meeting, this is thanks to the generous donation to our club from Cr Fiona Cunningham via the Lord Mayor's Community Fund.
Cr Cunningham has been a great supporter of our club and has accepted an invitation to join us. Please endeavour to attend if possible.

I would just like to send out a special thank you to Terry and Ken Mitchell who manage our book exchange. Ken and Terry store the books, plus transporting them to and from the meeting. This is no small task. It is much appreciated Terry and Ken.
Kindest regards
Pam.

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OCTOBER MEETING

The OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING will be held on Wednesday 14th OCTOBER 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

September Guest Speakers were Loretta Ryan and Craig Zonca from ABC Radio Brisbane's Breakfast Show.





The club's **Membership Officer** is Roslyn Murray. Please contact Roslyn if any of your personal details change. Roslyn is at the trips table for the General Meetings or her contact details are at the end of the newsletter.
Roslyn spent several years on the Trips and Functions committee and has been a great support, to those of us, who have taken on new roles since joining the club.



Craig and Loretta pictured with Cathy, our Guest Speaker Coordinator.

OCTOBER IS PROBUS and SENIORS MONTH



Please do not miss the October meeting, as we celebrate Probus and Senior's month.
Thanks to the Lord Mayor's Community Fund and Cr Fiona Cunningham, Deputy Mayor and our local Coorparoo Ward member, we have once again been a recipient of a generous grant, that will enable us to provide entertainment by way of the Brisbane Ukulele Musician's Society, along with some special extras for morning tea.
The meeting will be brief…so come along for a morning of fun and entertainment.



Brisbane Ukulele Musician's Society.



Fourteen members took part in the Queensland Walk on Saturday 5th September to commemorate 50 years of Probus. A total of 97 kms was added as our contribution to the 1876 km required, which is the approximate distance covered by Probus Clubs from Port Douglas to Coolangatta.

It was a beautiful clear warm spring morning for our walk along Bulimba Creek covering a distance of over 8 kms return.

Terry and Ken Mitchell added to the total on another walk.

Well, done everyone!





The walkers included Jude and John Wingfield plus Lulu, Anne and Ian Moonie, Geoff Solomon, Annette Taylor, Lena Roelofs, Judith Byrne, Larraine Diprose, Marie Buckley, Pam Gould and Margaret Carey.

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TOUR OF BRISBANE CITY TOWN HALL





Deputy Mayor Fiona Cunningham welcomed a group of 16 members to a tour of City Hall.

We were very fortunate to view the RED DRESS in the Museum, with Erola Prat.

A 14-year global collaborative embroidery project was conceived by British artist Kirstie Macleod to provide a platform for individuals—especially women in vulnerable situations—to tell their stories through embroidery.

Every thread carries a story. The dress includes contributions from refugees, asylum seekers, survivors of war, and disadvantaged women across the globe, with all commissioned embroiderers compensated.

380 Embroiderers. 51 Countries. 1 Dress.



The tour started in the main entrance, with Eomer our guide, providing a description of the different marble structures & the mosaic floor.

In the Enoggera Courtyard the history of the building was described in great detail.

Other features were the auditorium, where a variety of events are held, including The Lord Mayor's Senior's weekly concerts & the Henry Willis, pipe organ recitals.







The group then enjoyed a lunch at the *Room with Roses.*









2 of these photos are AI generated thanks to Marion. Clever lady!! Which ones??

SUMMER LAND CAMELS ~ SCENIC RIM

28th October, 2026 **COST $58.00**





Join us for a Tour, Taste and Camel Encounter at Summer Land Camels.
Our Tour will follow the paddock to plate journey.
The history of camels in Australia; camels up close; the dairy; the benefits of Camel milk and a visit to the maternity and nursery paddock.
The tour ends with a taste of the products.



Lunch Royal Hotel Harrisville. (at own cost)



BUS PICK-UP 8.15AM: The Village Goring Street, Coorparoo
8.30 AM: W.J. Scott Park Cnr Rita & Harold St. Holland Park.
PAYMENT: $58.00. DUE: 14th October, 2026
ALL ENQUIRIES: Marion Patrick 0414438520
patricks66kyle@gmail.com

THOMAS DIXON CENTRE
WEDNESDAY 25 TH NOVEMBER, 2026

Cost $10 Self Drive $30 Uber Transport.



THE HISTORY OF THE QUEENSLAND BALLET CENTRE

1878 Thomas Coar Dixon built a shoe factory on the site
1908 a new building was erected on the site – also a Boot and Shoe factory
1991 Purchased and Converted to an Arts Centre by the Queensland Government
2022 Thomas Dixon Centre undergoes a major redevelopment

BEHIND THE SCENES

A magical world takes place behind the scenes of each production.
The performance is what we pay to see but how many of us know about the history, the time put in by the Designers, Producers and Cast for each production.

Uber Pick-up:	9.15 am	The Village Goring Street – *no Scott Park pick-up*
	10.00am	Thomas Dixon Centre Tour
	12 Noon	Raven Hotel West End (Own Cost)

Cost: - $10.00 Self Drive
$30.00 Shared Uber
Payment: 11th November, 2027 (November meeting)

Banking Details:
Bank of Queensland
BSB: 124 062
Account No: 23455992
Please reference your **NAME** & **EVENT** when making your payment.

ALL ENQUIRIES: MARION PATRICK 0414438520

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COORPAROO PROBUS CHRISTMAS FUNCTION



THE BROSNAN ROOM
COLMSLIE HOTEL

CNR WYNNUM & JUNCTIONS ROADS MORNINGSIDE

WEDNESDAY 9 TH DECEMBER 2026 at 11:30 AM

A 2-course Christmas Lunch for $45.00 Members (heavily subsidised)
$65.00 Non Members.





Sign on sheet available at the October meeting

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MAHJONG CANASTA







DATE:- Thursday 8 Oct 2026 and Thursday 22 Oct 2026

TIME:- 10am to 1pm

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

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.

A Mahjong Play Off is being held on Thursday 8th October at 10am.

Contacts: Jude:- 3366 5312 (leave a message if it's not answered)

Margo:- 0432 576 987



Bron Middleton, Jenny Harding and Donna Éstrange



Jude Wingfield, Elaine Young and Ian Laing.

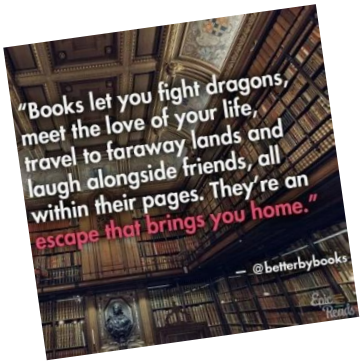


Terry Mitchell, Marion Patrick, Cathy Lutvey and Margo Excell.



John Winfield, Kim Gilmore Murray Excell, and Murray's guest and Gaye Clark.

BOOK SWAP



Share your love of reading & discover new amazing books.
The opportunity to swap books is available at every General Meeting.

SEPTEMBER DINE OUT. The Fish Factory.





Lyn Yandell, Terry Mitchell, Margo Excell and Bron Middleton



Geoff Solomon, Ken Mitchell, Sue Bramble and Barbara Kennedy.

OCTOBER DINE OUT.

Wednesday 7 OCT.

11.45 for 12 noon lunch

Holland Park Hotel

Logan Road





"WHEREFORE ART THOU ROMEO?"

Retired Old Men Eating Out.

Carina Leagues Club

Wednesday 21 October.

Breakfast at 7.30 am







A great opportunity for the men of the club to get together; have a chat and enjoy a lovely breakfast.

