



PROBUS CLUB OF COORPAROO INC

NEWSLETTER MAY 2026



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

Postal Address:
15 Rous Street
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VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to all members and especially to our 4 newly inducted members Margaret Morton, Regis Danillon, Margaret and Barry Chesterfield to the May Probud Coorparoo Newsletter.

I am sitting in this seat for a few weeks whilst our President, Pam Gould is travelling with Treasurer Marie Buckley. I am certain you all agree by their smiles in the photos below they are having a wonderful time. Stepping into Pam's shoes I had the pleasure of attending the 50 years of Probud Cocktail Party at Government House. Her Excellency the Honourable Dr Jeannette Young AC PSM (the 27th Governor of Queensland) welcomed a large gathering of Probud Committee members from around the State. Her address, along with that of Caroline Nelson PSP Director, focused on the social value of Probud through Friendship and Fellowship. The evening certainly lived up to these ideals giving members the opportunity to meet those from other clubs.

A week later PAQ held a workshop at Belmont Services Club for clubs in Brisbane's East and Southern suburbs. Splitting the delegates into President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and "Other" tables to discuss each position, the positives and issues experienced at each Club. Once again, the interactions were most valuable.

We are very fortunate at Coorparoo to have a strong active membership and with all Committee positions filled. Each one of us has a part to play in the continued success of our Club whether that be in a committee role or in the participation of meetings, welcoming of new members and social events. In this time of uncertainty in the middle east and fuel supplies here at home we are very aware of the impact this may impose on our bus trips. The bus companies are monitoring their fuel costs and although trips have been booked for the remainder of the year it may be that the participation cost will need to be increased by a few dollars to cover the increase cost passed on to our Club.

Wishing you all a Social Probud Coorparoo May 2026

Best wishes
Marion Patrick
Vice President



PROBUS CLUB OF COORPAROO INC MAY MEETING

The **MAY GENERAL MEETING** will be held on **Wednesday 13 MAY 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



Introducing **Judy Preston**
Attendance Officer welcoming Patty
Blake to the April General meeting

Vice President Marion Patrick inducted and welcomed new members to the Probus Club of Coorparoo.



Regis Danillon. Margaret Morton. Margaret and Barry Chesterfield.

APRIL GUEST SPEAKER

DR CHRIS REYNOLDS
Author Of
“What A Capital Idea”

Chris’ presentation was both informative and entertaining on the history of Australia.

Members were very keen to purchase his book, so we can expect some wonderful conversations sharing more of his knowledge.





UPCOMING GUEST SPEAKERS

MAY ~ BRIAN HERD ~ *"Avoiding the Ageing Parent Trap"*

"Avoiding the Ageing Parent Trap" is the title of a book Brian has published.

It covers the events, challenges, demands and opportunities, that being an ageing parent, and particularly the dynamics of the extended family.

Brian recently retired as a lawyer who practised in Elder Law, that is law relating to older people and their families.

He now operates his own business of facilitation and mediation in the family disputes area involving mostly adult children and their ageing parents (and parents in law).

JUNE ~ JAMES LERGESSNER~ BRISBANE HISTORIAN

Dr James G. Lergessner is one of Queensland's most distinguished historians, biographers and memoir writers. He started his writing career in 1993 as a professional, contracted author, with Boolarong Press in Brisbane.

Formerly a university professor of education and an academic consultant within Australia and Canada, James is also a passionate observer and recorder of life and events in Brisbane, the State of Queensland and Australia.

TRIPS AND OUTINGS

MACLEAY ISLAND





A wonderful trip to Macleay Island was enjoyed by members & friends from the Village. The weather was perfect; the morning tea was beautiful; the guided bus tour was very interesting and the meal at the Macleay Club was delicious. Thank you to Marion, Roslyn and everyone, who made this day so memorable.



Views from the club out to Morton Bay.



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

DINE OUTS

Members enjoyed the April Dine Out at

CLOVE N' HONEY.



Happy Mother's Day



Happy Mother's Day to all us Mum's. May your day be filled with love, joy and all the things you love most. Your strength and care make the world a better place.

Thank you for being a mother and have a wonderful Mother's Day, with rest, joy and all your favourite things.

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)

Please contact Bronwyn Middleton
for any further queries in regards to
the celebration.

bronwynbmiddleton@gmail.com

Email or text 0437 045 443

JUNE ~ DINE OUT

Ashton & Old

Shop 5/459 Old Cleveland Rd, Camp Hill

Wednesday 3 June 11.45 for 12 noon.



MAHJONG CANASTA



DATE: - THURSDAY 14 May 2026 and Thursday 28 May 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.

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

Margo: - 0432576987

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"Bring a Book, Leave with a Story"



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

Please let me know if you are returning a great read and I can feature it here.

"WHEREFORE ART THOU ROMEO?"

Retired Old Men Eating Out.

Carina Leagues Club Wednesday 20th May at 7.30am



Frank's report on the club's first ROMEO breakfast meeting.

We had six attendees and had a great old chat. The fellows that didn't make it missed a very enjoyable breakfast. We guarantee that newcomers to our next breakfast will be most welcome.

A suggestion that perhaps a lunch meeting would be better, but Wednesday was out because one of us had bowls. What about Thursday? One of us had bowls on Thursday. After going through all the days of the week and getting the same result, it was decided for us, that lunch would not work. Imagine a small group like this being so involved with bowls. Obviously we should arrange a bowls competition to find the Probus Premier.

Therefore it was back to breakfast. A 7.30 am time was agreed as the best. Therefore the next ROMEO will be at the Carina Leagues Club on the third Wednesday of May (20th) at 7.30am and we want to see a bumper crowd.

Cheers

Frank

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