



PROBUS CLUB OF COORPAROO INC

NEWSLETTER MAY 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

Message from the President – May 2023

Welcome to the May 2023 Newsletter!

I reflect on the last meeting and was so impressed with the membership turn out on the day and the number of visitors that attended the meeting was great to see.

Many of the visitors have indicated, they intend retuning to Probus for another look and decide if they wish to join, others have already submitted their application to join the club!

Thanks to all the members that encouraged visitors to pop along and see what Probus can offer and perhaps join. New members add diversity of the membership, new ideas and perspectives on the events we hold. They are most welcome.

Couple of things learnt from last meeting. Firstly, the ladies on the door were flat out taking the meeting fees, raffles ticket sales, memberships fees and trips/outings monies. Overall, almost \$1600 was taken by EFTPOS which is just fabulous!

Thanks so much to Estelle and Roslyn, who carried on regardless of the volume of payments taken on the day!

With this in mind, a new and streamlined procedure will be trialled at the May meeting. Upon arrival, members can pay their meeting fees and purchase raffle tickets. Either EFTPOS or cash will be accepted as usual.

Members can peruse the outings/trips and add their name to the lists, these will be on another table away from the primary 'check in' table. No payments will be taken for the trips/outings at this time. At the morning tea break and after the guest speakers close off, members are encouraged to then pay for the trips and outings. This will eliminate the 'traffic' for Estelle and Roslyn, makes things much easier to manage. Feedback for the process by members will be welcomed.

Secondly, Jennifer Campbell trialled a new process for morning tea. The principle was to have a table for cups, tea/coffee and members place the tea/coffee in the cup, then move to the counter for hot water, followed by another table with milk and sugar etc. This worked so much better than having the accumulation of people trying to get their refreshment and eliminated hot water vessels being positioned on tables. We look to keep this process in place. A mention to those folks that help clean away the cups/plates, it is appreciated by the Committee members.

I wanted to mention our guest speaker, Mr Gary Thorpe. Many members expressed a real appreciation for his attendance and the work that he and the company he works for, particularly in supporting new and emerging Queensland artists and the 'Silver Memories' station. I have asked Gary for detail for any member that wishes to consider Silver Memories for a loved one.

Margo and I will be away for the May meeting. Vice President Chris Petersen will Chair the meeting. I know you will all support Chris in this role.

INDUCTIONS



President Murray Excell welcomed new members **Elaine Rasmussen, Lorelle Palmer & Barbara Kennedy**. The ladies told the group a little about themselves & each mentioned how friendly the members had been in welcoming them to the club.

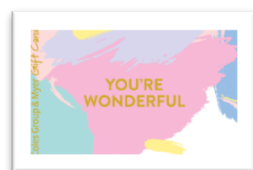
GENERAL MEETING

The May General Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 10th May** 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 4th May** Any changes such as cancellations or attendance, to be advised by **Sunday 7th May** prior to 7pm.

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

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
Judy Kissane & John Staunton with Gary Thorpe**



APRIL GUEST SPEAKER



The April Guest Speaker Gary Thorpe, from 4MBS Classic FM was welcomed by Margo Excell. Gary's presentation was very informative especially in relation to music for the aged. The station operates a digital station called Silver Memories that addresses social isolation in the aged community. From 12th May – 11th June there is a festival of Classics celebrating 30 years, with 30 concerts in 30 days.

MAY & JUNE GUEST SPEAKERS

Update from the Speaker Co-ordinator.

Hello all,

I have been working to source interesting guest speakers for the May and June meetings.

The May meeting was scheduled to be Rod Preston however due to circumstances outside our control, Rod cannot make the visit this year.

I did contact 'The Office of Fair Trading' to see if the 'Fraud and Scams' presentation could be bought forward.

During discussions, it was noted that 'The Department of Fair Trading' has a theme for presentations. I asked the Executive Committee to endorse the engagement of the 'Department' to visit in May to present on the topic of 'Consumer rights/purchase warranties and on-line purchases/returns'.

This presentation will dovetail into the June presentation of 'Fraud and Scams'. Mr Bob Walker will present in June; he has presented at many Probus clubs and he is passionate about working with seniors to assist them in identifying scams and fraudulent activities and what to do when these are encountered.

I believe these two topics are highly relevant to seniors, I do hope you enjoy the presentations.

Margo Excell

APRIL DINE OUT



The Dine Out was well attended during the school holidays, at Ralph & Co Camp Hill.

Our photographers were so busy enjoying the company of the other members & their meals they forgot to take some photos.

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

Cost \$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

Tomorrow Friday 28th April is your last chance to book & pay for this lovely Dine Out as the final payment to Room with Roses has to be made at the close of business.

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 required (please remember to put your surname & event)

JUNE DINEOUT



The June Dine Out is at the Balmoral Hotel,
152 Oxford Street Balmoral - 11.45am for 12noon lunch.

There is a carpark at the rear which is free (with ticket validation).

Sign on sheet will be at the May General 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. 11th & 25th May Time: 10am to 1pm

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

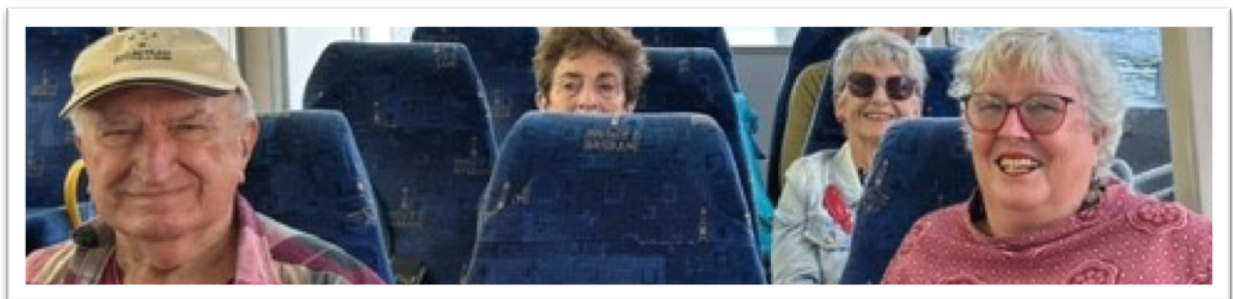
Morning tea is available from the club, as is lunch, if you decide to stay on and enjoy the day a little longer! If you are interested, you are welcome to come along on the day.

NEWS FROM THE TRIPS & FUNCTIONS COMMITTEE

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

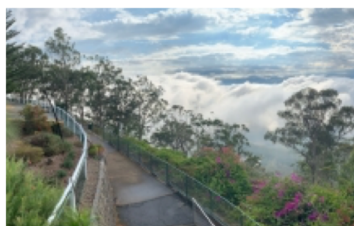
This trip was a little different to the usual monthly bus trip but proved to be very popular.

A very relaxing trip cruising on the City Cat, down the river & a short walk to the Hamilton Hotel, where we enjoyed a lovely dinner.





Wednesday 24th 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 Club Glenvale. Menu attached.

The cost of this trip will be \$70 payable in full by the May meeting.

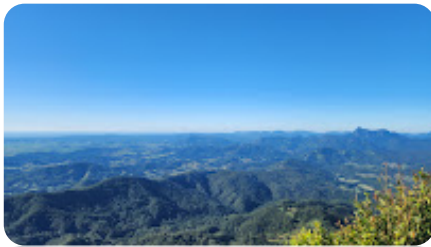
The bus will depart the Village at 8.15am and Holland Park at 8.30am.

Bank Deposit Details

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

Wednesday 21st June 2023

Tour of the Numinbah Valley and Kingscliff



The Lonely Planet calls the Numinbah Valley the 'world's most beautiful place'.

Undeveloped, with spectacular green landscapes, the tour follows the Nerang River, taking in views of Mt Warning, the distant Macpherson Ranges, descending into the Tweed and Rous River Valley, before winding back to scenic Kingscliff, where we will enjoy lunch at the Kingscliff Ocean View Bistro in the Bowls club.

Morning tea is served at a destination chosen by the bus driver.

Cost, including lunch and morning tea, is \$60. per person. Payment to be made by the June meeting.

The bus departures from the Village & Scott Park are still to be finalised.

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Date Claimer - please note change of day
Thursday 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, however we have made a booking for the following day which is a **Thursday**.

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

This event is heavily subsidised by Probus. Cost for members is \$55 and non-members \$70.

EVENT	LOCATION	DATE	TIME	DEPARTURE	COST/PAYMENT
DINE OUT	ROOM WITH ROSES	WED 3 RD MAY	11.45 AM FOR 12 NOON	OWN TRANSPORT	PAID IN ADVANCE.
GENERAL MEETING REGISTER ATTENDANCE/ APOLOGY NON - ATTENDANCE	RESPOND TO THE SECRETARY'S EMAIL	THURS 4 TH MAY			
GENERAL MEETING	HOLLAND PARK SPORTS CLUB	WED 10 TH MAY	10.00 AM		\$7.00 PLUS RAFFLE
MAHJONG & CANASTA	FIELDER'S TINGALPA	THURS 11 TH MAY	10.00 AM – 1.00 PM		INDIVIDUAL
BUS TRIP	TOOWOOMBA	WED 24 TH MAY	8.15 AM	THE VILLAGE	PAYMENT DUE 10 TH MAY
			8.30 AM	SCOTT PARK	\$70.00
MAHJONG & CANASTA	FIELDER'S TINGALPA	THURS 25 TH MAY	10.00 AM – 1.00 PM		INDIVIDUAL
DINE OUT		WED 7 TH JUNE	11.30 AM – 1.30 PM	OWN TRANSPORT	INDIVIDUAL
BUS TRIP	NUMINBAH VALLEY	WED 21 ST JUNE	Time to be advised	THE VILLAGE	PAYMENT DUE 14 TH JUNE
				SCOTT PARK	\$60.00