



PROBUS CLUB OF COORPAROO INC

NEWSLETTER AUGUST 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 August newsletter.

Last meeting the club welcomed four new members. Our club is in a very strong membership position, each week I receive calls for people wanting to join a Probus club. There is a great need for such clubs to exist and I am so happy that our club is able to have such wonderful members.

Last meeting things were hectic! I did apologise at the meeting for the inconvenience experienced by members and guests. Shirley Ryan and Jude Wingfield have offered (and I have accepted graciously) to be Greeters. This will allow new guests to be better managed, paperwork completed and a seat found for them. Thank you, Shirley and Jude.

We will experiment with a more spacious table set up as well at the August meeting. I note that people were a little jammed and I believe we can do better. Thank you to those members that approached me with that feedback, the only way we can improve processes is to hear back from members. I don't take feedback personally, I look to see how things can be improved, so don't hesitate to provide me with your thoughts. We cannot always accommodate all matters, however, the Committee will do its best to adjust processes as required.

Retiring Committee members: It is timely to mention that many of the Committee members are retiring early 2025. I cannot run another term, the Secretary (Cathy Lutvey) is not standing again, nor is Margo Excell (Speaker Seeker), to name just a few positions. Some other Committee members might like to go around for another term. However, **ALL** positions will be up for re-nomination in 2025.

If anyone is keen to take on a role (we have over 100 members now) please make yourself known to me or other committee members and we can chat about what is required.

I look forward to catching up on 7 August 2024 (remember the date has changed due to the EKKa Public Holiday)

Kind regards

Murray Excell ASM

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The **AUGUST MEETING** will be held on **WEDNESDAY 7 AUGUST 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 1 AUGUST 2024**. Changes such as cancellations or attendance to be advised by **SUNDAY 4 AUGUST 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 AUGUST

7 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"

BOOK SWAP

Wednesday 7 August 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 8 August 2024 and Thursday 22 August 2024**
Time: 10am to 1pm
Venue: Fielders Club Address: 35 Bognor Street, Tingalpa. QLD

Margo and Jude welcome experienced and beginner mahjong players.

Canasta, 500 and Euchre card games are also being played. There is talk about cribbage starting up as well.

We are looking for a few more members to make up numbers for cards in particular. Whilst attendance is very good, if we had more people attending then additional games could be played.

Come and join in! You can enjoy a cuppa and many participants stay on for lunch afterwards.

FORTHCOMING DINE OUTS



13 August – Easts Leagues Club



4 September – Ralph & Co.

2 October – Colmslie Hotel



NEWS FROM THE TRIPS COMMITTEE

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

Banking Details:

Bank of Queensland

BSB: 124 062

Account No: 23455992

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

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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).

Note the early pick up times for this trip!

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7:15am – Scott Park, Harold Street, Holland Park

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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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CHRISTMAS IN JULY – SECRETS ON THE LAKE

Word on the street has it that Christmas in July was a great success. By the look of the photos I think everyone had a wonderful time. Guests enjoyed a delicious 2 course lunch whilst enjoying spectacular views of the lake and surrounding bushland. Thank you to our Trips Committee for organising such a great day!



COORPAROO PROBUS EVENTS 2024					
	PLACE	DATE	TIME	TRANSPORT	PAYMENT
AUGUST EVENTS – PLEASE NOTE YOUR CALENDAR					
General Meeting	Holland Park Sports Club	Wed 7 August	10:00am	Own	\$7 plus raffle
Easts Leagues Club	40 Main Ave Coorparoo	Tue 13 August	12:00pm	Own	Individual
Mahjong/Canasta/500	Fielders Tingalpa	Thurs 8 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 22 August	10:00am	Own	Individual
SEPTEMBER EVENTS – PLEASE NOTE YOUR CALENDAR					
Dine Out	Ralph & Co.	Wed 4 September	TBA	Own	Own
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	Colmslie Hotel	Wed 2 October	TBA		
General Meeting Seniors Month	Holland Park Sports Club	Wed 9 October	10:00am	Own	\$7 plus raffle
Mahjong/Canasta/500	Fielders Tingalpa	Thurs 10 October	10:00am	Own	Individual
Jacaranda Tour	TBA	Wed 23 October			
Mahjong/Canasta/500	Fielders Tingalpa	Thurs 24 October	10:00am	Own	Individual
NOVEMBER EVENTS – PLEASE NOTE YOUR CALENDAR					
Melbourne Cup Lunch	TBA	Wed 6 November			
General Meeting	Holland Park Sports Club	Wed 13 November	10:00am	Own	\$7 plus raffle
Mahjong/Canasta/500	Fielders Tingalpa	Thurs 14 November	10:00am	Own	Individual
Outing	TBA	Wed 27 November			
Mahjong/Canasta/500	Fielders Tingalpa	Thurs 28 November	10:00am	Own	Individual
DECEMBER EVENTS – PLEASE NOTE YOUR CALENDAR					
Christmas Lunch	TBA	Wed 11 December			