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Much will have been happening in our lives since we last met – some positive, some not so encouraging, for some it has meant a new home which can take some adjustments. Time to share with others at Probus can brighten lives or help ease the challenges of life. Part of the Probus motto is friendship and time together at meetings or involvement in activities is a good place to share with others.

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As news of homes and lives being lost due to fires during the month are presented on our TV News bulletins, it is a timely reminder of the information that was conveyed very well to those at our meeting last month by the Fire and Rescue men from Ashfield Fire Brigade. Thoughtful explanations and vital pointers for safety in our homes were shared by the team. Some Probus members have already followed through on their offer to assist with fire alarms in their homes.

Our Guest Speaker for August: Is Adele Jago founder of Search Dogs a lead K9 instructor presenting on the vital work of her canine team.

REMINDER:
As the Club is now opening at 10am, our meetings begin at 10.30am, finishing at approximately 12.30pm

The Mid-Year Luncheon:
Thanks to all who made our luncheon an enjoyable time. The organisers, raffles makers, Anne and Julie for organising the games for this event and David as MC enabled the function to run smoothly.
A delicious three course lunch with alternate servings was provided by Shetty and served in an efficient and pleasant manner.
As on other occasions, it was an opportunity to enjoy the company of others and get to know one another more, even if we had interacted with them previously.

Walking Group:
Another enjoyable walk for members - the large open grounds of Yaralla Estate, Concord accessible down the very long tree-lined driveway or across open paddocks, which from a road many would have driven, not aware of what was beyond. Though Yaralla House is currently used as a health facility, the grounds are open for the public to enjoy the large variety of beautiful trees and open spaces which made for a pleasant and interesting walk away from the hustle and bustle of city life.

Scrabble: Our Scrabble group was enriched by three new players: Liliane, Kathy and Elizabeth. We had three games going at once for the first time this year. Everyone had fun and most came to Coffee Club as well. Most heartening. Scrabble is alive and well at Probus!''

COMING EVENTS

WALKING GROUP: **Thursday, 10th September 2026**

North Bondi (Blair St), to Bronte, via Bondi and Tamarama Beaches. 3-4 km 1-2 hours
Meet: Central Platform 24 at 10.00 am. For T4 10.09 to Bondi Junction
Transport: 10.09 am (10 mins) T4 from Central & 379 from Bondi Junction 10.30 am (10 mins). Return 379/T4 from Bronte. Lunch: Bronte Beach

AUGUST OUTING: **Elizabeth Farm Parramatta. Note the Date: Friday 28th August** as the venue is not open earlier in the week. Meet at 10:30 at Bus Stop B1, Parramatta Station for bus 909. Lunch at Five Loaves Cafe near Elizabeth Farm.

SEPTEMBER OUTING: Wednesday 30th September Bus trip to Kiama, Minnamurra and Berry. We will be meeting at 8:15 for 8:30 departure at bus stop in Elizabeth St after Charlotte St. Cost $20 per person. Please pay via EFT to Ashfield Probus Club or pay at the general meeting.

LUNCHEON CLUB:
September lunch will be at West's Leagues Club in the Asian dining room on Wednesday 16th at 12 midday.

500 CLUB:
First Monday of the Month 10am Club Ashfield. Next game Monday 7th September.
Contact: Cecily 9798 5059.

SCRABBLE:
Last Monday of the month: 10am Club Ashfield. Next games 31st August and 28th September.

COFFEE CLUB: 11.00am Happy Daze Café following Scrabble. Next gatherings 31st August and 28th September

BOOK EXCHANGE:
Such a variety of books to choose from – bring your books to share with others and find another to enjoy. Should your book not be taken, please take it back.

CINEMA:
Discussion Tuesday 1st September Executive Boardroom from 10am -12 noon.
The Blue Trail: Drama/Adventure, 86 m, Start Date - 30 July. **Description:** In the near future 77-year-old Tereza, having lived and worked her whole life in a small industrial town, is being asked by the Government to relocate to an isolated housing community against her will. She takes a journey down the Amazon...

Holy Days: Drama/Comedy. 101m, Start Date-6 August.
Description: In 1970's New Zealand young Brian seeks comfort at a run-down convent. He forms an unlikely bond with the three eccentric elderly Nuns.

GENERAL MEETING SPEAKER:
Monday 21st September:
Julie Evans from the Sydney Harbour Trust will be speaking on Extraordinary Places on Sydney Harbour, painting a picture of our visitor destinations and history.

'Thought for the Month' –Time is like a river – you cannot touch the same water twice because the flow that has passed will never again pass.

Club meets every 3rd Monday of the Month,10.30 am Club Ashfield,1 -11 Charlotte Street, Ashfield.
Exceptions may occur. Please consider becoming a member of Probus and Club Ashfield.