



## PROBUS CLUB of RAUMATI INC

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**Next Meeting: Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> of May 2025 at 9.45am**

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**Apologies: Don't forget to send in your apology if you are unable to attend the meeting. There are still some members who fail to do this. You can ring or text Sonna-Ra on 021 0328360, or Diane Smith on 0272 648342. You can also send your apology with a friend you know is going to attend the meeting.**

**If your address or phone number changes, please let Sonna-Ra know so we can keep our records up to date. Our membership now stands at 79.**

**Website:** you can access our Probuss website by entering "raumatiprobuss" in your search engine. Lots of information there.

**Guest Speaker: Robin Gunston, HOMES FOR GOOD Initiative in Kapiti Region.\_  
Cameo Speaker: to be advised.**

### **Notes from the President**

*President for a month. What a month it has been. A new Constitution and Standing Regulations passed by a healthy 93% of members present at the April meeting. Induction of new member Cathie Paton and last month Margie van Essyen. We currently have two life members Merlene Beard and joining her our only foundation and now life member Helen Lambert. We now look forward to finalising the Constitution and Standing Regulations.*

*I have introduced a theme for each meeting to be liberally interpreted by the members to enhance our fun component. April was "Autumn". I encouraged everyone present to pick up a leaf, watch a sunset, anything that reminded them of autumn.*

*And next month the members will discover the theme is "Think outside the square". Come enjoy your next themed meeting. Onwards and upwards, please ring me if you have any questions.*

Cheers,

**Mary-Anne - President.**

## **MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS**

*Please do not forget that your subs are now due.*

**The cost is \$40 if paid by the end of April. After this date a late payment penalty of \$5 is applicable.**

*Details you will need for online payment are:*

**Name of account: The Probus Club of Raumati. (This is a Business Premium Current Account with ANZ)**

**Account number: 11-7259-0183426-11**

## **LIFE MEMBER**



**Helen Lambert is appointed Life Member of our Club. Helen is also our only Foundation Member.**

## **NEW MEMBERS OF OUR CLUB**



**Margie van Essyen was inducted at the February meeting.**

**Cathie Paton was inducted  
at the March meeting.**



**Mary-Anne invited Committee Members to give a short resume of their role on the Committee.**



**Left to right: Cam Gerrard – Marketing Team and Assistant Seating Organisation; Diane Smith – Membership (ex officio); Sonna-Ra Kavanagh - Membership; Jim McIntosh - Sound System Technician, Marketing Team and Assistant Seating Organisation; Mary-Anne Kindell – President and Cameo Speakers; Geoff Gregory - Treasurer; Gary McElhinney - Immediate Past President and Marketing Team; Terry White - Facilities Co-ordinator; Mike Whooley - Trips and Seating Organisation; Joy Heenan - Secretary; Absent: Trish Tennant – Guest Speakers; Annie Johnston – Newsletter Editor.**

**At the last Committee Meeting a sub-committee was formed to deal with the marketing of our Club. This Committee will be headed by Gary McElhinney, aided and abetted by Mike Whooley and Jim McIntosh.**

## EVENTS AND INTEREST GROUPS

<u>GROUP AND CONVENOR</u>	<u>REGULAR MEETING DAYS</u>	<u>DATE of NEXT MEETING and VENUE</u>
<b><u>ARTS GROUP:</u></b> Merlene Beard 902 4225	Last Tuesday of the month.	The next meeting will be on Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April.
<b><u>AWAY CAFÉ:</u></b> Ian and Allison Basire 904 9121.	Second Wednesday of the month.	On Wednesday 9 April we will meet at the Paraparaumu railway station by 10am, catch the train into Wellington, then a number 25 bus at 11:19am to Holloway Road then walk back to the Aro Cafe for lunch.
<b><u>LITERARY GROUP:</u></b> Trish 027 241 7910 or Hazel 904 7243.	Second Friday of the month.	The next meeting will be on Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> April at 10am at Margaret's, V85/65 Guildford Drive, Paraparaumu
<b><u>GAMES GROUP:</u></b> Irene Bayly 04 299 2824, 021 252 6492.	Third Friday of the month.	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> of April 2025, at 21 San Priamo Place, Paraparaumu.
<b><u>GARDEN GROUP:</u></b> Annie Johnston 021 187 4089.	First Thursday of the month.	The next meeting will be on Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> May.
<b><u>JIGSAW GROUP:</u></b> Delza Raynor 04 299 5388 or 021 170 3374.	Second Monday of the month.	The next meeting will be at 10am, Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> of April at 15 Telford Way, Raumati.
<b><u>SUNDAY WALKING GROUP:</u></b> Kay Bell 027 603 5769.	Every Sunday.	Phone Kay if you would like to join in as they meet at a different venue each Sunday, walk for about an hour and then have a cuppa at a café near to wherever they happen to be.
<b><u>KNITTING4CHARITY:</u></b> Heather Wakeling 04 902 2285 or 027 271 2290.	Last Monday of the month.	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> of April at Heather's house.
<b><u>MUSIC GROUP:</u></b> Peter Sander 904 8452	Second Monday of the month.	The next meeting will be on Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> of April, 1.30pm.
<b><u>TRIPS:</u></b> Mike Whooley 027 687 2010.	First Thursday of the month.	Unfortunately, the trip to Mana Island was cancelled due to bad weather being forecast. The Mana trip people have said that the island is closed to visitors for two months so the trip will be booked for later on in the year. Payments will be refunded.
<b><u>LUNCHEON GROUP:</u></b> Kay Bell 027 603 5769.	After each Probus Meeting.	Lunch will be at The Lock-up, Paraparaumu Beach.

		<b>Don't forget to let Kay know by the Wednesday if you plan to attend.</b>
<b><u>WINE APPRECIATION GROUP:</u></b> Kevin Morris 905 0019.	Third Sunday of the month.	The next meeting will be on Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> of April. Kevin will make contact re next meeting.
<b><u>NATURAL HERITAGE GROUP:</u></b> Margaret Willard 027 363 2967	Third Monday of the month.	<i>I have booked a Kiwi Night Encounter for 5.30 pm on Monday 21 April. Cost \$60. All welcome, but confirm with me first. We'll meet at my place at 5pm, and carpool from here. Phone me on 027 363 2967.</i>

## **SHOWS AND CONCERTS**

We will no longer be making bookings on behalf of members.

**ALMONER: Hazel Ollerenshaw 021 108 9513 or 04 904 7243.** Whilst Hazel is no longer a member of the committee, she is still our Almoner. If you know of any member who is ill or needs help, please give her a call.

**NEWSLETTER: Annie Johnston 021 187 4089.** Hope everyone is successfully receiving their copy of the newsletter. If you think you are missing out, ring me or email me on [anniejohnston51@gmail.com](mailto:anniejohnston51@gmail.com)

**Please send any contributions you wish to make to the newsletter to [raumatiprobus@gmail.com](mailto:raumatiprobus@gmail.com)**

### **COMMITTEE 2025-2026**

**President: Mary-Anne Kindell 021 251 5375; Immediate Past President: Gary McElhinney 04 299 3135; Secretary: Joy Heenan 027 327 9775; Treasurer: Geoff Gregory 027 384 4126; Membership: Sonna-Ra Kavanagh 021 0328 360; Newsletter: Annie Johnston 021 187 4089; Guest Speakers: Trish Tennant 027 241 7910; Cameo Speakers: Mary-Anne Kindell 021 251 5375; Trips: Mike Whooley 027 687 2010; Facilities Co-ordinator: Terry White 299 3611; Seating Organisation: Mike Whooley 027 687 2010 and Cam Gerrard 2977 1245; Sound System Technician and Assistant Seating Organisation: Jim McIntosh 299 9003; Marketing Gary McElhinney 04 299 3135, Jim McIntosh 299 9003 and Cam Gerrard 977 1245.**

**The next meeting of this committee will be held on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of May, 10am, at 7 Harry Shaw Way, Raumati.**

**The committee acknowledges the support of the following members:**

**Barrie Woods for organising the projector for our speakers;**

**Isobel Whooley for organising our morning tea and coffee;**

**Diane Smith who will assist Sonna-Ra with membership duties on meeting mornings;**

**Joan Truman for the lovely photographs that go in our newsletters.**

**DATE OF NEXT PROBUS MEETING:**

***Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> of May 2025***

**Please note:** As there are two statutory holidays in April, the next Probus meeting has been moved to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> of May. The May meeting will be on the regular date of Friday 30<sup>th</sup> of May.