WOY WOY EVERGLADES PROBUS CLUB INC.

NEWSLETTER – GENERAL MTG & AGM – 4th March 2026
Meeting No. 95-2026 Probus Club 55080

Meeting: First Wednesday of the Month	**Venue: CLUB UMINA AUDITORIUM**
President: Warren Harkins 0437 746 659	Meeting Room Doors open at 9:20 a.m.
Vice-President: Sharyn Ford 0407 009 697	Meeting will commence at 9:45 a.m.
Treasurer: Ken Martin 0414 607 211	LIFE MEMBERS: Noel & Dawn McDonald
Secretary: Di Greenhaw 0405 346 686	

March Birthdays: Yvonne Potts 6th; Alan Reed 11th; Nancy Schneider 11th; Grace Douglas 15th; Janice Mackison 16th; Marie Besgrove 23rd; David Griffiths 24th; Peter Goswell 26th.
March Anniversaries: None

❖❖❖ ***February Meeting***: 56 Present; 21 Apologies; 14 Unexplained; 4 Visitors. ❖❖❖

President's Report – Warren Harkins



Hi to my fellow Probarians,
It is that time of year again, where we have not only our General meeting but also our very important Annual General Meeting, both held on 4th March 2026.

I again urge every member of the club to attend this meeting and support George Kennedy and his entourage who will once again entertain us with a new play he has written. It's an important day for our club as each year in March we elect a new committee and having all members attend is important. Remember however, as I put in my last report, that you are not obligated to nominate for any position on the committee but you yourself might like to nominate someone. It's just a day where you can participate and become inclusive of the process if you feel like it, so please don't be afraid to attend.

We have some wonderful months ahead with plays, outings and theatre, to name just a few, as well as a planned self-drive holiday to Forster. I will write a report which I will present to you at the meeting but at this stage I personally would like to thank you all for making me feel appreciated. As you all already know I have had the time of my life each month at our meetings and I love each and every one of you. I will speak more about the committee in my report.

For now, thank you for all you do for this wonderful club. To any committee members who have decided to step down i wish you well and thank you on behalf of the members for your contribution. To George Kennedy, thank you for caring enough to write two plays for our entertainment.

Be Well, Be Safe, Be Happy, Cheers Waz

AGM entertainment – from George Kennedy – a PLAY!

"One Flick and He's Gone!"

This play to be performed before lunch at the March meeting.

Break a Leg! George.





OUTINGS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Contact: Dianne Smith – 0412 155 777



INTERNET BANKING is the preferred payment method.
Bendigo Bank – Ettalong BSB 633 000 Acct 204 344 667
Please use Ref: Surname + Code – One activity per deposit
CASH -CORRECT MONEY, in sealed envelope, with name, function & amount.

Outings Table has Notice Boards For all trips & outings.

4 March 2026 – Wednesday – General Meeting & Annual General Meeting

The bonus for attending this General Meeting is you will also be ready to attend the Annual General Meeting, which commences immediately after the General Meeting. Also at our General Meeting, some of our members are presenting George Kennedy's play --- always good fun, so come along and be part of the fun. At the AGM, a new Committee is voted in for 2026/27, and we encourage fresh faces and ideas, which are the recipe for a strong club.

11 March 2026 – Wednesday – Premiers Gala Concert

For those who have tickets, meet on Woy Woy station in time for the 8:42am train.



13 March 2026 - Friday – Coffee Morning (2nd Friday of the month)

Meet near The Big Tree on Woy Woy waterfront **from 9:30am**.
Any change to location because of weather will be sent by email that morning.

18 March 2026 – Wednesday – St Patrick's Celebrations @ Club Umina

Doors opening at 11:30am. To those going to this outing, if you haven't paid the full amount of $60, please pay the outstanding balance of $50.00 into our bank before Wednesday, 4th March 2026.

27 March 2026 – Friday - 2026 WALKING GROUP

Last Friday of month is our usual date for the walking group.
Watch for an EMAIL for location date & details towards end of March.





Holiday: *18-25 April 2026 – Self-Drive Holiday at Gallipoli Court, Forster.*
One downstairs unit still available. Please contact Dianne Smith for details.

11 June 2026 – Thursday – Tocal Homestead (north of Maitland)

2-Hour tour of heritage sites. Farmers baked-dinner for lunch, included in price. **Coach Trip - $152**
At the moment, 10 people are going. Please pay $20 Deposit before Tues 10th March 2026. **(Surname+TOCAL)**

15 July 2026 – Wednesday – Xmas in July cruise on Newcastle Harbour.

Still seats available. $135.00. Please pay before Wednesday, 10th June, 2026 **(Surname + Xmas July)**



February Coffee Morning under the Big Tree at the Woy Woy Waterfront. 11 members spent a couple of hours enjoying a very chatty morning.



Morning Tea Raffle







Book Swap
Bring your book(s) Swap for another.
Take home if not swapped



THEATRES – Yvonne Potts - 0412 698 717

All bookings enquiries to Yvonne: Email yapdon@outlook.com
Online Payment – each show separately - Surname and Ref code.
Cash in sealed envelope with name, show and number of tickets.



NOTICE FOR THEATRE BOOKINGS.
Members who place their names on the theatre list are reminded to check the **specified payment due date.**
Tickets will only be purchased once payment has been received.
Failure to make payments by the due date will result in a ticket not being secured for that performance.

**** *Laycock Street Theatre*

Oliver – Gosford Musical Society – Saturday - 14 March 2026 -1.30pm CLOSED
Oliver! follows **Oliver Twist**, a kind-hearted orphan in Victorian London. After escaping a harsh workhouse, Oliver is taken in by **Fagin**, who trains homeless boys to pick pockets. Oliver is arrested during his first outing, but the gentleman he attempted to steal from, **Mr Brownlow**, takes pity on him and offers him a home.

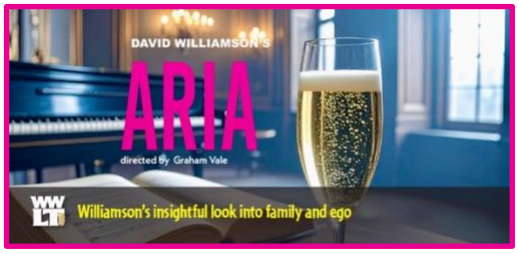
Unforgettable – Legends of the 50s & 60s - Sunday – 12 April 2026 – 2pm. SOLD OUT
Get ready to be taken back to the golden years of crooning, rock n roll and sweet soul music, with this UNFORGETTABLE musical journey celebrating the legends of the 50's and 60's with this Aria, Logie, Mo, Ace and Helpmann award winning entertainer and his 7 piece band featuring songs by Nat King Cole, Johnny Mathis, Frank Sinatra, Sammy Davis Jr, Dusty Springfield, Connie Francis, Bobby Darin, Elvis Presley, Tina Turner, Sam Cooke, Roy Orbison & More.

**** *Morning Melodies at Laycock: 2nd Wednesday of each month 11am - Cost $25pp*

The Songs of Rodgers and Hammerstein
Featuring talent from the Central Coast in an intimate cabaret celebrating the timeless music of Oklahoma, The King and I, South Pacific, The Sound of Music and Carousel.
Wednesday, 8th April 2026 – 11 am
$25.00 Money to be paid into bank account by Mar 1st (Surname + MM)

**** *Woy Woy Little Theatre*

ARIA – by David Williamson – Sunday, 10th May 2026 – 2pm
Aria is a 2025 dark comedy play by celebrated Australian playwright David Williamson, focusing on Monique, a narcissistic matriarch whose delusions of grandeur—specifically that she was destined to be an opera star—are threatened during a chaotic family gathering. The 90-minute play highlights conflicts with her three sons and their wives.



$29.00 - Money to be paid into bank account by April 1st *(Surname + WWLT)*

THE NEXT MEETING – General Mtg– 1st April 2026
Email: woywoyeverglades@yahoo.com *Snail mail: 3/18 Allfield Rd Woy Woy 2256*
Our website: in Google search field, type: "Woy Woy Everglades Probus Club"



Time for a Smile



FEBRUARY INDUCTION



At our first meeting
for 2026 President
Warren Harkins
inducted
Alan Entwistle on
4th February 2026
WELCOME ALAN



Our guest speakers for our February meeting – Search Dogs Sydney Inc.
Thoroughly entertaining – such an eye-opener for what they do – and well worth supporting these amazing dogs.





Search Dogs Sydney Inc is a distinguished team equipped with expertly trained canines adept at locating both living and deceased individuals. Our specialised services extend to various scenarios, including wilderness search operations, natural or man-made disasters, as well as single or mass casualty events. Comprised of qualified Search Technicians partnered with highly skilled canines, our team operates around the clock, ensuring readiness for any mission.

