

NEWS LETTER



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October Meeting Venue: Gynea Trade Union Club - The Kingsway meeting commences 10.00 am

PAYMENTS DUE Wednesday 22ND November meeting 2023

COMM BANK BSB 062-164 ACCT#1057 4595

ACTIVITY	AMOUNT \$	CODE
Probus Xmas Party (Kareela Golf Club)	\$65/\$70	XMAS

The next edition of the Newsletter will be in January 2024



Night Before Christmas in Aussie land

'Twas the night before Christmas; there wasn't a sound.
Not a possum was stirring; no-one was around.
We'd left on the table some tucker and beer,
Hoping that Santa Claus soon would be here;
We children were snuggled up safe in our beds,
While dreams of pavlova danced 'round in our heads;
And Mum in her nightie, and Dad in his shorts,
Had just settled down to watch TV sports.
When outside the house a mad ruckus arose; Loud
squeaking and banging woke us from our doze.
We ran to the screen door, peeked cautiously out,
snuck onto the deck, then let out a shout.
Guess what had woken us up from our snooze, But
a rusty old Ute pulled by eight mighty 'roos.
The cheerful man driving was giggling with glee, And
we both knew at once who this plump bloke must be.
Now, I'm telling the truth it's all dinki-di,
Those eight kangaroos fairly soared through the sky.
Santa leaned out the window to pull at the reins,
And encouraged the 'roos, by calling their names.
'Now, Kylie! Now, Kirsty! Now, Shazza and Shane! On
Kipper! On, Skipper! On, Bazza and Wayne!
Park up on that water tank. Grab a quick drink,
I'll scoot down the gum tree. Be back in a wink!'

So up to the tank those eight kangaroos flew, With
the Ute full of toys, and Santa Claus too. He slid
down the gum tree and jumped to the ground, Then
in through the window he sprang with a bound.
He had bright sunburned cheeks and a milky white beard.
A jolly old joker was how he appeared.
He wore red stubby shorts and old thongs on his feet,
And a hat of deep crimson as shade from the heat.
His eyes - bright as opals - Oh! How they twinkled!
And, like a goanna, his skin was quite wrinkled!
His shirt was stretched over a round bulging belly
Which shook when he moved, like a plate full of jelly.
A fat stack of prezies he flung from his back, And
he looked like a swaggie unfastening his pack. He
spoke not a word, but bent down on one knee, To
position our goodies beneath the yule tree.
Surfboard and footy-ball shapes for us two.
And for Dad, tongs to use on the new barbeque.
A mysterious package he left for our Mum,
Then he turned and he winked and he held up his thumb;
He strolled out on deck and his 'roos came on cue; Flung
his sack in the back and prepared to shoot through.
He bellowed out loud as they swooped past the
gates- MERRY CHRISTMAS to all, and goodonya,
MATES!

BEST WISHES TO EACH AND EVERY WONDERFUL MEMBER OF OUR CLUB



President's Report

Phew! What a busy month we've had! I hope you too joined in the fun. Our organisers provide lots of chances for us to get together and that's what makes this such a great club. As well as outings we have interest groups too – there's tennis, craft and games which meet regularly, and I would recommend our morning teas at the Den which Maria organises for us. And let us not forget the reason you can keep up with what is happening is that Barbara Bell sets out our newsletter

each month. Each month I am pleased to acknowledge all the work behind the scenes our organisers give to our club. Think too what you contribute to our club. Our AGM in March is an opportunity for you. Look around, check out what is happening and see where you can help.

Fellowship helps us through trying times. Our Lantern tour of the Rocks began with an electrical storm which upset the train signals. We were stuck on the train outside of Loftus for an hour. On another occasion we would have been fretting and wondering what we could do but there was so much laughter in our carriage we had trouble hearing the guard's announcements. It was an eventful night and I thank Greg Deane for leading us through it.

Our second adventure happened after the Pearl farm(excellent). There was a breakdown on M7 so our driver took such a convoluted way home we're still reeling as to why we passed El Alamein Fountain in Kings Cross! But still we kept up the laughter and fun and our 2 hour journey home seemed no time.

I'm so excited about our Christmas party. There are so many of you who have already paid, thankyou. You can pay at our meeting on Wednesday too. It would be great to include all members in our Christmas fun. We have lots of surprises in store. no I'm not going to tell!

We especially welcome back Lin Wilson and Bev Hewitt. I wish other members well too who have been going through tough times. Please remember to let Lesley Penny know of any member needing help or just a call.

I would like to wish you and your family the best of Christmas spirit, full of fun and happiness. **Joy**

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Hello everyone! We're heading towards our last Probus meeting for 2023 ,(No meeting in December, just a committee meeting and a planning meeting). Hope you're well and enjoying yourselves.

Whenever you're not well please let our Welfare person know, or don't if you'd rather keep it to yourself. If you're in need of a lift to a meeting or outing please contact the activity organiser for some names of members who are attending so you make a call or two

and organise a lift. We'd hate you to miss out just because your cars being repaired or you're not able to drive.

We're enjoying our newest venue and have some tenure until late next year at least- here's hoping it continues! Good facilities, great parking, friendly staff and good, reasonably priced lunches available,(about 40 members take advantage of this after most meetings), There's

even a spa on site for those who'd like a bit of pampering! See you at the meeting next Wednesday, 10am. **Janet.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Club finances are in a healthy position.



Copy of Treasurer's report has been handed to Secretary, who will forward to you with minutes of Club meeting.

Payment for Club Activities can be made by the following forms of payments:

1. EFT (prefer method) Commonwealth Bank BSB 062-164 Account No 1057-4595
2. Cash Banked at Commonwealth Bank using special deposit slip (available at meeting)
3. Cash paid at Monthly meeting to Treasurer

If you are attending Xmas party, please ensure that payment for this activity is made by 22nd November 2023. Sheryl Mifsud
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<http://www.probusouthpacific.org/microsites/engadineyarrawarra>

Day Coach Tours



Pearl Farm Tour

Extended Tours

Melbourne Flower Show KTG Tour

18th March to 23rd March 2024 6 days for \$1,799 SS \$500

All meals included. Visiting Yarra Valley Ranges, Dandenong Ranges and Puffing Billy, a day at the Melbourne International Flower Show

15 members attending and there is 1 spare room. Brochures are available at the meeting.

Linga Longa Tour – Yarrawonga

Sunday 2nd June to Friday 7th June 2024 6 days 5 nights

Minimum number needed: 25 members

\$1,295 Twin Share \$300 Single Supplement All Meals included.

Highlights include:

Staying at Central Motor Inn - Yarrawonga right at the door step of shops and restaurants

Wine tasting & Cheese Platter, Aussie BBQ dinner, Oriental Pearl Dinner, Tame Restaurant

Explore Yarrawonga town, Visit Swanpool with Cinema from yesteryear, Visit Benalla, town of Ned Kelly, we visit Benalla Art Gallery and the Benalla Street Art. Goorambat is the start of the Silo Art Trail. Explore the Silo Art Trail, back to Yarrawonga to board the PS Cumberoona relaxing on Lake Mulwala. We visit Albury Wodonga and explore the Army Museum. Corowa Whiskey and Chocolate Factory. We visit Tocumwal and the historic Aerodrome. Then to Deniliquin and explore Waring Gardens Interest sheet will be on the table at the meeting.

Brochure :

https://www.lingalongatours.com.au/files/ugd/f391b7_a76df2baa6f34bcd9d06ad78e0bce4de3.pdf

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Show 12 members attending and there are 2 spare rooms. Brochures are available at the meeting. **Pauline Herring 0407 380 380** eypc.tours@gmail.com



MESSAGE from Pauline Herring **Planning Meeting** Monday 27th November 10am at my home 14A Chipilly Ave Engadine and it is the house at the rear of the block. All committee are welcome but please let me know if you will be attending. The members that have confirmed are: Sue O'Brien, Aileen Wagstaff, Joy Pogson, Greg Deane and Kerrie Baldwin.