NEWSLETTER



Next Meeting

TUESDAY
9th June 2026 10.00 am

The Probus Club of Copacabana meets on the second Monday of the month at 10.00am at Copacabana Surf club.
Contact: Max Hopkins President
email: copapc2018@gmail.com

Guest Speaker: Mark Bundy
Rookwood Cemetry

2026 Committee

President	Max Hopkins	0488 184825
Vice President	Trevor Johnston	
Secretary	Pippin Lord	
Treasurer	Elizabeth O'Rourke	
Guest Speakers	Roge Mairet	
Activities	Dave Morgan	
Activities	Gabe Revello	
Newsletter & Website	Pamela Brown	
Book Club	Margaret Morris	
Walking Group	Roy Etherington	

President's Corner



As Max is away, I am acting president, and writing this month's President's Corner.

The club's activities for the past month have been well attended and enjoyed by all. The guest speaker at the May general meeting, gave us an interesting insight into hypnotherapy.

As well as the usual monthly activities, we had an outing to the Woy Woy Little Theatre organised by Pippin. The play production "Aria" was excellent. Also, a big thank you goes out to Dave and Veronica, who rang around members who were attending the May social, advising them of the last-minute change in venue.

Activities for the coming month include an outing to the Avoca Beach Theatre to see a live band performance. Later in July there is a planned trip away to the Hunter Valley for a "Christmas in July".
Visitors are welcome to come along to any of our Probus events, activities and general meetings. However, visitor attendance is limited to three such events, activities and meetings in total, before they are required to apply for club membership.

Trevor Johnston

Copacabana Probus Calendar

Date	Time	Activity	Location
Tuesday 9th June	10.00 am	Probus General Meeting	*Copacabana Surf Club*
Sunday 14th June	11.00 am	Biggest Morning Tea	*Progress Hall MacMasters Beach*
Sunday 14th June	1.30 pm	1966 (60 Years) The Album Show	*Avoca Beach Theatre*
Tuesday 16th June	10.00 am	Walking Group	*Hardys Bay (Meet left of jetty)*
Thursday 18th June	4pm - 6pm	Book Club	*Host: Angela Papa'*
Thursday 25th June	5.30 pm	Social/Dinner	*Avoca Beach Bowling Club*
TBA		State Theatre tour	*TBA*
Monday 20th July		Christmas in July	*Hunter Valley (see flyer)*
Saturday 25th July	1.30pm	Songs of the Stage	*Laycock Street Theatre*
Wednesday 5th August		Art Gallery of NSW 2026 Archibald	*TBA*

Sign on sheets will be available at the next meeting for all activities

Special Interests Groups

Walk/Coffee Club	Walks held on Tuesday in week following meeting
Happy Hour/Social+Dinner	4th week of the month Wednesday or Thursday
Book Club	3rd Thursday of the month (see calendar)

Special Interests Groups Contacts

Walk/Coffee Club	**Roy Etherington 0417 438 162**
Happy Hour/Social+Dinner	**Dave Morgan 0429 369 914**
Book Club	**Margaret Morris 0427 554 115**





Our GUEST SPEAKER for JUNE is MARK BUNDY from Rookwood Cemetery
NOT many people can say they're in a dead zone when they pick up the phone, and literally mean it.
But then they haven't met Mark Bundy, who has worked at Sydney's Rookwood Cemetery in numerous positions for over 25 years. He is the Director of External Operations at Rookwood Cemetery. His main area of focus is burial operations and assisting to promote the historical side of Rookwood.

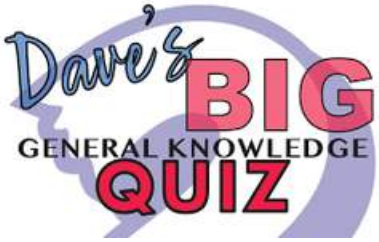
"It's the biggest conversation starter, 'Where do you work?'" Mr Bundy, of Booker Bay, near Woy Woy, said. Since 2017 he has done presentations to over 250 groups. I am sure our members will find Mark's presentation very interesting.

BOOK CLUB



Next Book Club meeting will be held on Thursday 18th June
4.00 pm - 6.00 pm
Host: Angela (PAPA)
All enquiries
Margaret Morris
0427 554 115

DAVE'S **BIG** QUIZ





Our fantastic Quiz Master, Dave, will be back this year with another round of clever questions—some straightforward, some delightfully tricky. You'll find surprises in both the questions and the answers, so stay sharp!
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Walk/Coffee Club



Tuesday 16th June
Hardys Bay
(Meet at the left of jetty 10.00 am)
Enquiries:
Roy Etherington
Phone 0417 438152



MAY Guest speaker
DR. LEON W. COHEN





Sue Carty proved to be an excellent subject for hypnotherapist Dr. Leon W. Cohen. During his engaging presentation and live demonstration, Dr. Cohen illustrated how hypnotism can assist individuals struggling with a range of issues, such as insomnia, smoking, obesity, and many other challenges. He was careful to emphasize that hypnotism is not a magic wand—it won't do the work for you—but when a person is genuinely committed to achieving their goals, it can be a powerful tool to help them get there. The audience hung on his every word, completely mesmerized by both his technique and the visible transformation taking place in Sue before their eyes.





50th Anniversary of Probus in Australia

In 2026, Probus has reached a significant milestone, marking 50 years of helping tens of thousands of older Australians stay engaged and connected. In fact, the very first Probus Club in Australia, being the Probus Club of Hunters Hill (established 3/2/1976) continues to provide the essential connections that seniors need in later life.
Throughout 2026, PSPL will be showcasing the benefits of joining Probus, encouraging older Australians to enjoy more social engagement within their communities.
A key date for the national social program will be Thursday October 1st, being the start of Probus Month 2026. We hope that every Probus Club will participate in our National Probus Picnic/Lunch which will be widely promoted in the lead up to October 1st.

COPACABANA PROBUS CLUB INC. *NEW WEBSITE* www.probussouthpacific.org/microsites/copacabana

We want your news!



Submit photos and stories for the next newsletter!

- Email: chilliwoman45@hotmail.com
- Deadline: Last day of each month.

Send us your holiday pics, special birthdays, or any news you'd like to share!

Please note the new website address which is now through PROBUS South Pacific. Just google "Probus Copacabana" and go to the PROBUS South Pacific URL and it will take you straight there.
If you or another member is having a special birthday, anniversary or going on a fabulous holiday the Editor would love to hear from you along with a photo.

The deadline for submissions is the last day of each month.

MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT

Probus members enjoyed a delicious lunch at Everglades Woy Woy and afternoon session at Woy Woy Little Theatre seeing a performance of ARIA.











Members enjoying coffee after last month's walk in Bateau Bay



This is our happy club members enjoying dinner and drinks at Davistown RSL last week.



BANK DETAILS

All future online payments are to be made to
BENDIGO BANK
BSB 633000 Account 216 700 724
Copacabana Probus Club





You're Invited! –THE BIGGEST MORNING TEA

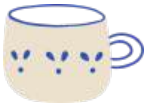
We're delighted to be hosting The Biggest Morning Tea for the fourth year, raising vital funds for cancer research.

This year, we honour Bev Jones from Copacabana, our beautiful friend who brought so much joy to everyone, and Ron Cross, a very special local man from Kincumber. Both were always willing to help anyone, anytime.

Join us for a beautiful morning of community connection and indulgence, with tea, coffee, delicious treats, and raffles on the day. There are some wonderful prizes to be won, including



Seacoast Fishing Kincumber 2 x $30 vouchers
$160.00 voucher - Kincumber Gym
Carrie Hairdressing - Kincumber
Mitre 10 - $100 mighty reward card
Tilly Wicks Candles
Boomerang Bags
Paintings by local artists Paul Macklin, Nel Davis, and Alison Johnston
Kincumber Homewares
Coffee by Zacs Shack
A $50 voucher from Macs Beach Cafe







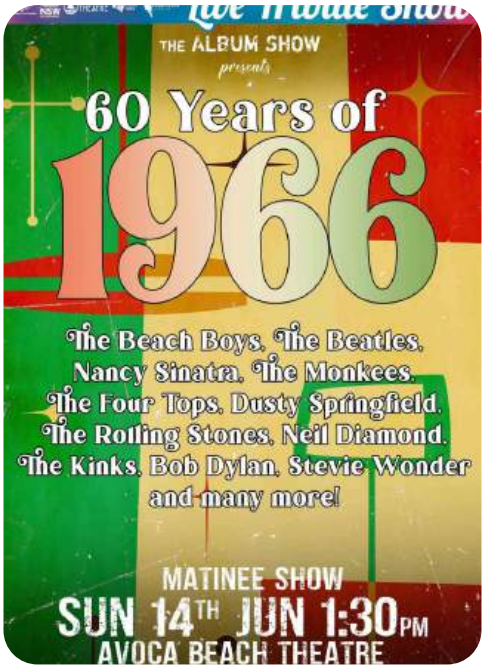
Bring your friends and family. $10 donation entry. We would also love it if you could do some baking – it would be very much appreciated.

If you're unable to attend, you can still show your support by donating online.

Every cup poured and every ticket sold helps make a difference.

We would love to see you there.

DATE:	**SUNDAY 14th JUNE**
TIME:	**11.00 AM**
VENUE:	**Progress Hall, MacMasters Beach**
INFORMATION:	**contact Ellen 0403222447**
WEBSITE:	**https://www.biggestmorningtea.com.au/s/60305/150318**







60 YEARS OF 1966 (The Album Show) is playing at The Avoca Beach Theatre. There is an option to go to Avoca Surf Club for drinks or a meal after the show.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY IN THE HUNTER VALLEY Experience a 2 or 3 night stay at the Mercure Resort Hunter Valley. From $189.00 - to $209 (buffet breakfast included), Special Christmas Dinner on 1st night $80.00 includes "Snow Time" at Hunter Valley Gardens the next day. Optional "Wine, Cheese, etc" bus tour $90 on the 3rd day.

SIgn on sheets at the next meeting

