



The Probus Club of Bribie Island Inc



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President's Report July 2026

It's my pleasure this month to address you as the first 90-year-old to do so and to welcome and thank Jenny Manwaring for volunteering as the minutes secretary. It's very gratifying to see some of our newer members volunteering in various categories. I know they will get a lot of satisfaction from doing so. It's also gratifying to be able to report the financial situation of our club, due, in particular, to the amazing members of the committee, headed by our President, Don Somerville.

A visit was recently made to the new BCF shop opening at Sandstone Point, and further to a talk with the manager, we are hopeful that a donation either of cash or goods might be made.

I hope that some of you were able to attend the annual Nambour Flower Show. We have previously made visits to this show, which went off very well.

We wish our hard-working President and his wife, Angela an enjoyable cruise and holiday trip and look forward to seeing them back on the island in September.



Thank You,
David Simpson
Probus Bribie Island
Vice President,

Congratulations to our Probians Celebrating their Birthday in July 2026

**Susan Hamlin 4th. David Lawler 7th. Maurie Richardson 15th.
Pat Sattler 17th. Mary Brown 17th.
Don Somerville 18th. Chris Nelson 19th. Roxanne Zolin 27th**



Program Officer: Ian Yoxall

15 Minutes of Fame	Month	Guest Speaker
Ian Yoxall	4 th August	Don Mullen – My memories of Bribie
In the Pipeline	TBA	Michael (Squizz) Taylor – an inspirational talk from an athlete who became a paraplegic. Raedel Support Group-Bright Bags Queensland. A not-for profit organisation providing bags, clothing, activities and hygiene items for children. HAART – Healthy Aging Assessments and Rehabilitation Team, a team of clinicians based at Bribie Satellite Hospital

Welfare: David Simpson

Please let David know if someone is unwell or would like a cheer up phone call.



Upcoming Outings Activities & Tours: – Pam Bearce

What	When	Where	Open	Nominations Close	Cost	Pay By
Port of Brisbane Tour (Beachmere Probus)	8:00 am Mon 20 th July	Pickup at Beachmere Tavern Try to get there 15 minutes early	CLOSED		\$30	9 th June
Ladies Lunch (LEOS)	12 noon Tue 14 th July	Oyster Bar Sandstone Point Hotel	Now	7 th July	Pay as You go	On the day
	9-9:30 for 10:00am	Bribie Island Retirement Village	Now		\$5	

Special Morning Tea	Tue 21 st July	12-40 Foley Street. Bongaree		14 th July		14 th July
Brisbane to Longreach 7 day Queensland Outback Spectacular Tour	28 th July to 3 rd August	7 days, Rail Out, Flight Back			Cost is \$4,099	
Summerland Camel Farm	18 th August	Harrisville with lunch at Boonah Pickup at Park N Ride 7:50 am	1st May	31 st July	\$70 Lunch at own cost	31 st July
Christmas in the Grandparents Cub	2:00 p.m Sunday 29 th November	Redcliffe Entertainment Center (self-drive) NOTE DATE CORRECTION	CLOSED		\$67.50	
2026 – 50 th Anniversary of Probus in Australia		October/November – Details to be decided				



**Probus Bribie Island
Tennis Club**
Tennis Anyone? Contact Ron Lett on
0497 546 091

Raffle & Jackpot Prize:

Thank You **Ian Kelly** for organising the Raffle & Jackpot draw each meeting

Congratulations to the winners of this month's raffle prizes

FIRST \$15 Ian Bain
SECOND \$10 Ian Kelly
THIRD \$5 Daryl Mair
MEMBERS JACKPOT Dawn Wilkie (\$40)

Members must be present and have purchased a raffle ticket on the day to win the Members Draw

Next Committee Meeting

FRIDAY
Bribie Island Library
10 am Friday 31st July 2026

Next General Meeting

TUESDAY
Tuesday 4th August 2026

9 am for 9.15 am – RSL Garden Room

Our Club Website: Ian Yoxall - The Club Website is up to date. To visit the website, place your cursor over the **https** link below, right click your mouse and then click "open hyperlink" from your drop-down box. The webpage should magically appear!

<https://www.probusouthpacific.org/microsites/bribieislandc/1> Welcome

Another successful BBQ, though with slightly less members than usual, was held at ToCH on 16th June. Thanks to Christine and her hardy crew of volunteers, everyone had their fill of a “best meal for the cost” on the island.



Member 15 Minutes of fame

Ron Lett spoke of his life and career in the fire service, working with airlines and at airports in numerous locations over his 30 years of service.

In 1964 he joined the Army Reserve and in 1969 had training with Ansett.

He had two years on Norfolk Island where he was the only fire service employee and covered all fires on the island. Seven days a week, 365 days a year.

Ron took us through some of the emergencies he faced during his career and said his postings in the Northern Territory were his favourite, followed by Cairns.



ROMEOS enjoying their monthly lunch at the Bongaree Bowls Club

Guest Speaker

Valuable information in accessing government-subsidised eldercare was given by **Simon Prentice** from **Blue Care Community**.

Various levels of care were discussed, - one time use, ongoing or higher level of care, from entry level to more coordinated support: there are eight levels of funding, based on needs.

Application is through My Aged Care, and Simon's most important message was that, even if you don't need help yet, **apply early**.



**Really pleased to get
a full tank of petrol
for \$90 today.**

**Admittedly it was
for the lawnmower,
but I'm trying to
stay positive.**

Did you know ?

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It takes 7 seconds for food to pass from mouth to stomach. A human hair can hold 3kg. The length of a penis is three times the length of the thumb. The femur is as hard as concrete. A woman's heart beats faster than a man's. Women blink 2 times as much as men. We use 300 muscles just to keep our balance when we stand. A woman has read this entire text. A man is still looking at his thumb.

"You are never too old to set another goal or dream a new dream." – C.S. Lewis