

PROBUS CLUB OF BERMAGUI

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A Club for local retired and semi-retired professional and business people and others with a like background, who appreciate and value increased social contact and opportunities to meet others in similar circumstances.

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Lorraine's Log

We have had 2 activities in the last few weeks and they were both fantastic (from my point of view anyway, or should I just say I have had a great time at each).

Australia Day was a huge success and even the rain played nice and stayed away. John G put up a tarp to extend the garage in case the worst case scenario occurred. It ended up being a shade from the sun for the BBQ's and food table. It was wonderful to see so many members and guests mingle and from the sounds I heard, there were lots of enthusiastic conversations going on.

Last Wednesday evening we had our quarterly Movie/Pasta evening.

The movie that John Sobey showed was "What we did on our Holiday". I could hear the laughing all the way through this movie it was a very entertaining and funny movie. I have to say good recommendation by John S and good choosing by the members. The pasta on offer was yummy and varied. I had one member say **"we have already seen the movie but we could not pass up on a great dinner for \$18"** and you know what, this comment made all our efforts seem worthwhile.

A reminder that it is the meeting next Monday (12th February) and the retired police officer will be there to give us the final installment of her career, which I for one and looking forward to.

As this is my last Bulletin for the year, I wish to do 2 things and they are:

Thank you all for allowing me to once again steer the ship for the last year and for all the support that has been given by members and some non-member wives as well; and
Lastly, I wish to thank all the committee members who have worked through the year to ensure our club runs smoothly as without the committee we would not have a club, which is something we all need to consider with the upcoming AGM and coming year of activities.

Lorraine Courtiss,

President

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Meeting next Monday 12th February

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Probus Music Group



A very congenial last gathering of year of the Music Group was held at Joost and Uta's House on 17th November 2023. Thank you Joost and Uta.

The Venue for the February Music Group Meeting will be decided at the Probus General meeting on 12th February 2024.

Come and join us on Friday 16th February 24 at 2.00 pm. We generally finish about 4.30 with a break in the middle.

Bring your favourite tippie and a plate. Ron Dawson's music will be the usual mixture of classic and light music. If you want to come let us know as we still must know numbers
Ron Dawson

Coming Events

The upcoming activities are:

Mon 19 Feb BBQ Payne Island with a 12pm start and its BYO everything except the food for \$7 into the honesty box

Mon 11 March BBQ lunch following AGM and this will be funded by Probus so come along to the AGM and enjoy lunch on us. If you wish to have a drink with lunch that will be BYO as usual

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Anyone interested?

Many years ago we had a wonderful group of those interested in live theatre (Plays). We used to have lunch at the Batemans Bay Club then move up to the Batemans Bay players theatre for a Sunday afternoon performance, which usually enabled us to drive home before dark.

The plays were always very good and the performance of the cast was also very good.

Now, have we anyone interested in seeing some plays (usually three a year) in the year ahead?

There is a performance of "The Importance of Being Earnest" scheduled for 26 April to 11 May.

Please think this over and we'll talk about it at the next meeting.

**LEMON PICKERS NEEDED IN FLORIDA - ONLY US
CITIZENS OR LEGAL IMMIGRANTS NEED APPLY**

"Lemon Pickers Needed" read the ad in the newspaper.

Ms. Sally Mulligan of Coral Springs , Florida, read it and decided to apply for one of the jobs that most Americans are not willing to do.

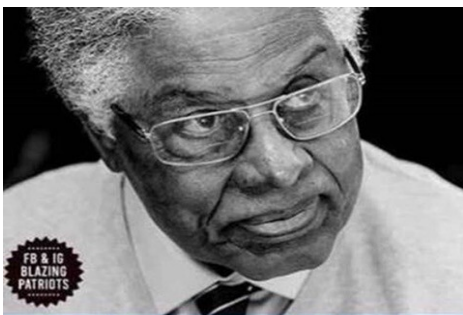
She submitted her application for a job in a Florida lemon grove, but seemed far too qualified for the job. She has a liberal arts degree from the University of Michigan, and a master's degree from Michigan State University. For a number of years, she had worked as a social worker and also as a school teacher.

The foreman studied her application, frowned and said, "I see that you are well educated and have an impressive resume. However, I have to ask you, have you had any actual experience in picking lemons?"

"Well, as a matter of fact, I have," she said. "I've been divorced three times, owned two Chryslers and voted for Trump ."

I'M READY WILLING AND ABLEJUST NOT ALL AT THE SAME

Thomas Sowell (b. Jun 30, 1930) grew up in Harlem, served in the Marine Corps during the Korean War, graduated Magna Cum Laude from Harvard, Masters from Columbia, PhD Economics University of Chicago, economist, social theorist, philosopher, Senior Fellow Hoover Institution, Stanford University, National Humanities Medal, Francis Boyer award and author of more than 45 books.



"Civil rights used to be about treating everyone the same. But today some people are so used to special treatment that equal treatment is considered to be discrimination." — Thomas Sowell

**"WHAT EXACTLY IS YOUR 'FAIR SHARE' OF WHAT 'SOMEONE ELSE' HAS WORKED FOR?"
—THOMAS SOWELL**

**"The welfare state is the oldest con game in the world. First you take people's money away quietly and then you give some of it back to them flamboyantly."
~Thomas Sowell**

It is hard to imagine a more stupid or more dangerous way of making decisions than by putting those decisions in the hands of people who pay no price for being wrong.

