**BONDI BEACH**
**PROBUS CLUB INC.**
**Newsletter No.17 July 2026**

# Bondi Probians meet some friendly alpacas

DESPITE some light rain, our group had a wonderful time at Iris Lodge Alpaca Farm.
Sharon was a fantastic host, giving us great insight into life on the farm while we tucked into a delicious morning tea. As we walked out to the paddock, the alpacas already knew it was feeding time. In no time, we were surrounded by 20 gentle alpacas, gently eating, right from our hands—it made us all feel like children again.
We then visited the Allison Homestead, a brilliant museum featuring beautiful turn-of-the-20th century buildings packed with nostalgic antiques that reminded many of us of our grandparents' homes.
We wrapped up the day with a great country lunch at the Old Milk Factory tavern, followed by some shopping at the local chocolate, cheese, and salami shops next door. Highly recommended!
**Sylvia**

**STOP PRESS: Seats are still available for the Chau Chak museum bus trip on July 1. And for the Wollondilly trip on July 31. We have also secured a second bus for the Auburn cherry blossom festival after the August 26 bus was quickly sold out. Seats are available for the second trip on August 28.**

## HOW TO GET IN TOUCH

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**President – Maureen**
**Vice President – Marcelo**
**Secretary – Len**
**Treasurer -- Steve**
**Welfare – Pamela**
**Membership -- Sue**
**Guest Speaker – Penny**
**Activities -- Sylvia**
**General Committee members**
**Annette, Julie, Margaret**

## ACTIVITIES

Our activities team are presenting trips and outings and events so fast that it's hard to keep up. Check your WhatsApp Announcements but remember that the Calendar is the go to – always updated and all the information you want on dates, cost, venue accessibility, payment deadlines and all event details. Oh yes, and try not to pay twice!

**Your club website:**
https://www.probussouthpacific.org/microsites/bondibeach

**Facebook:**
https://www.facebook.com/share/1Lg3vGpKJX/



*Bondi Beach Probus Club acknowledges **Easts Leagues Club and staff** for the provision of our monthly meeting place and associated facilities and services. Members are encouraged to join Easts to take advantage of discounts on food and events. Check out Easts events page: Home - Easts Bondi Junction*

**Club General Meeting**: 2nd Tuesday of every month at 10.15am. **NEXT MEETING 14 JULY**
**Meeting venue**: Bondi Room, 1stFloor, Easts Leagues Club, 93-97 Spring Street, Bondi Junction.

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# Blissful Beethoven

Beethoven's trio for clarinet, cello and piano was bliss, according to our group at the UNSW concert. And the rest of the program was top notch also.
Watch out for two more concerts on 12 September and 7 November. Organiser Marcelo.
https://www.music.unsw.edu.au/australia-ensemble-unsw/australia-ensemble-unsw-2026-concerts

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# FOR YUR DIARY – OUR REGULAR EVENTS

**1st Sunday of month** – Jazz at NSW Government House (free event). Future events on July 5 and August 2. Organiser Len.
https://www.governor.nsw.gov.au/government-house/jazzthehouse

**1st Monday of month** -- Bondi walk and coffee. Meet at Pavilion for non-strenuous walk for half an hour returning for coffee at Surfish at 10.30am. See Len.

**2nd Monday of month** – Book club. Meet for coffee and a bookish chat at Olive & Oak Terrace, Easts Leagues Club 10.30am. Organiser Gilda.

**4th Monday of month** – Dinner (optional 6pm) + trivia (6.45pm) at Easts. Organiser Margaret Fitzgerald.

**2nd Tuesday of month** –General meeting with guest speaker, 10.15am at Bondi Room, Easts Leagues Club. Stay on for lunch at own cost. Organiser Maureen.

**3rd Tuesday of month** – Movie group at Ritz Randwick, at 10am ish, followed by optional lunch. Movie announced at monthly meeting and via WhatsApp. Organiser Penny.

**Wednesday mid month** – Free lunchtime concert 1.30-2.30pm High Tide Room, Bondi Pavilion. Meet at Surfish Café at 12.30pm for lunch or coffee or just attend the concert. August 12, September 16, October 14, November 11, December 2 carols. Organiser Len.
Lunchtime Concerts at the Pav 2026: August to December | Bondi Pavilion

# COMING UP

*link to the Members Calendar*

**See also WhatsApp Probus BB Announcements**

**Please note club Refund Policy**
**Events listed as Sold Out – join waitlist**

**July 1** – Chau Chak Museum. $35. Seats available. Organiser Sylvia.
https://www.sydney.edu.au/museum/whats-on/guided-tours.html#tabs-4047ff2ad8-item-141f778324-tab

**July 5** – *Anastasia the Musical*, Lyric Theatre. Sold out. Organiser Annette.

**July 8** – Opal Card trip. Meet at Coogee Bay Hotel for lunch 12.30pm. Organiser Julie.

**July 25** – Xmas in July lunch at The Ambry, Waverley Greens. $45. Organiser Annette.

**July 31** – Wollondilly Heritage Centre. $30. Seats available. Organiser Sylvia.
https://wollondillymuseum.org.au/

**August 5** – *Lion King*. Sold out. Organiser Annette.

**August 19** -- Opal Card lunch trip to Bar Reggio. Organiser Julie.

**August 26** – Auburn cherry blossom bus trip. Sold out.

**August 28** – 2nd bus for Auburn cherry blossom. $35tbc. Seats available. Organiser Sylvia.

**September 11** – Australia ensemble music UNSW. Organiser Marcelo.

**September 16** – Bowral tulip festival and Retford House bus trip. $50. Organiser Sylvia.

**October 8** – Bus trip Elizabeth Farm. Details TBA. Organiser Sylvia.

**October 11** – *My Fair Lady*. Sold out. Organiser Annette.

**November 7** – Australia ensemble music UNSW. Organiser Marcelo.

**November 21** – *Cirque du Soleil*. Sold out. Organiser Annette.

**December** – Xmas lunch TBA

# Guest speaker line-up

**July 14** – *Hearing and Brain Health*, Andrew Campbell, NeuAudio.

**August 11** – *Big Stories Little Films*, Danika Armytage

**September 8** – *A Hop, Skip and Jump*, a history of childhood amusements, Warren Fahey

**October 13** – *The Habit of Happiness*, Gareth Robinson

**November 10** – TBA

**December 8** – *The History of Rock and Roll*, Paul Kearney