



PROBUS CLUB OF NARRABEEN LAKES INC.

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CLUB RAMBLINGS – MARCH 2020

FROM THE HELM

Dear Members, only last month we were talking of the devastation caused by drought and bushfires. Now we have the corona virus besetting the nation. Consequently our Probis meetings and outings are cancelled for March and April. This means our AGM is deferred for the time being. We will reconsider our position at the end of April and keep you informed.

This is a very difficult time, especially for our age group, as the powers that be, want us to keep our distance! Nevertheless a walk and a chat in the open air would help keep us sane and linked, so please think of coming on our walk on 1 April.

We shall all be together again eventually, so stay in touch and keep safe.

More than twenty of us Probians attended Bob's Memorial service at Warriewood Brook on 29 February. A huge crowd celebrated his life and achievements, with many eulogies from the different areas of his life, including our Lawrie Edey speaking for Probis. His children and grandchildren were, of course, the most loving and admiring of the celebrants. Judy must have been so proud of them. Afterwards a magnificent wake was enjoyed by all of us to cheer Bob on his way. We shall miss him dreadfully.

*Lynn Grierson
President*

NEXT MEETING – WILL ADVISE LATER IN THE YEAR

FINANCES		
Opening Balance	\$3596	February 2020
Receipts	\$1690	Outings, Club Fees & Coffee/Tea
Payments	\$744	Venue, Speaker & Other Expenses
Closing Balance	\$4542	
Attendance at the last meeting was		62 Members + 6 visitors
Bank Account Name: Narrabeen Lakes Probus Club BSB: 062205 Account No. 00902285		

Please remember to wear your membership badge

**Annual Membership Fees are due latest in March: renewal \$25, new members \$35.
Remember: If you haven't paid your membership, you are not insured for accidents on any of the Probus events, or on the way to/from it.
Membership lapses if fees are not paid by the AGM in March
Membership Status: 89**

**When paying cash, please have the correct money in an envelope with your name on it.
Cheques should be marked clearly with your name to avoid confusion.
Please don't forget to mention the event you are paying for.**

To use direct bank deposit to pay for events or your annual subscription, please make sure you put your name in the reference section and then email me at rwjcpa@bigpond.com with your name, amount paid, date and reason for payment.

If you are paying for theatre tickets or outings/lunches, please also email me, Helen or Runa.

Do you have any friends/neighbours who are looking to socialise and make new friends? Bring them along to our Probus meetings – every fourth Wednesday of the month. There is currently no waiting list and we are happy to welcome new members.

And if you are willing to engage in any of the offered activities, or even volunteer to help us keep our Club active and interesting, please come forward and let any of our committee members know!

Ray Johnson

WELFARE

Our Probus Club supports the need to reach out to members who may not be able to attend monthly meetings or activities due to illnesses or other commitments. If you know of members who could be in this situation, we ask that you make it known at the monthly meeting or notify our Welfare Officer or make contact with one of the Committee Members.

The newly appointed Welfare Officer is happy to follow up if you let her know at the meetings or contact her by telephone 0413 706 107.

Lyn Johnson

OUTINGS, LUNCHES AND ACTIVITIES

POSTPONED TO LATER IN THE YEAR OR 2021: Broken Bay Pearl Farm Tour.

Did you know that the world's most lustrous and rare Akoya pearls are grown in the Central Coast, just 1 hour north of Sydney?

For the first time in 15 years, Broken Bay Pearl Farm opens its doors in this very special opportunity to learn about Pearls of Australia.

Lunch at own cost at the Ettalong Diggers. Price \$65/pp for group 10 to 25 people. Self-Drive/Car Share

Helen Howes

OPAL EXCURSIONS

Instead of Opal Excursions and to avoid public transport and crowded places we will organise small group walks on the Northern Beaches, with the first one starting on

Wednesday, 1 April, 10 am: Meet near Warriewood Square at corner of Jacksons Road and the delivery truck road. Walk towards Garden Street, and enter the wetlands track at Katoa Close, around to Garden Street. Cross Garden Street and take the track to Irrawong waterfall (ground conditions permitting).

Return to Garden Street, walk around Watergum Drive and Shearwater Drive, to the wetlands track and back to Warriewood Square.

If you wish to participate, just turn up on the day and walk with us

Suggestions for Outings/Excursions in 2020/2021 – Keep them coming!

Mini-golf morning at North Narrabeen

Lunch at St Patrick's or at Brookvale TAFE.

Both venues are catering colleges and their students need real-life diners!

Ride on the new light rail through the City.

Lunch at Saddles Mount White on the Central Coast – self-drive

Walk around Lake Narrabeen, Long Reef around the golf course and maybe a picnic after

If anyone has suggestions or request for outings, please let me know.

Helen Howes

Lunch at the Bored Monkey on Wednesday 25 March has been cancelled - POSTPONED

THEATRE 2020

ELANORA PLAYERS – APRIL PERFORMANCE CANCELLED

Hoping to show the play in January 2021.

With your permission I will hang on to the ticket money for the January 2021 show.

If you want a refund, please let me know and I will arrange.

We enjoyed another fantastic production with the **CALENDAR GIRLS** in January.

The next show **Moon Over Buffalo** centres around fading Broadway stars George and Charlotte Hay, who are performing with their touring company in Buffalo, New York. Disaster is imminent, caused by George's dalliance with a young ingénue. All is not lost as a talent scout is headed to town. However, everything that could go wrong does go wrong. Including a hilarious uncertainty about which play they're actually performing! This is a fast paced, farcical, screwball comedy, reviewed as a "valentine to the stage" with larger than life personalities that inhabit the world of theatre.

GLEN STREET THEATRE: THE WHARF REVUE 2020

I have not received word from the theatre whether the September performances are going ahead or not. As soon as I hear, I will let you know by email or telephone.

With your permission I will hang on to the ticket money for the time being until it is decided

Good Night and Good Luck: After 20 years this comedy institution bids farewell. Don't miss out on this one last hurrah as the indefatigable trio of Jonathan Biggins, Drew Forsythe and Philip Scott reunite with dazzling accomplice Mandy Bishop, for one final victory lap of the Wharf Revue

I have booked 25 tickets for the **11 am matinee performance on Wednesday 9 September.**

You know places are selling fast, so please let me know if you want to book your spot.

Price is **\$70/pp – 2 seats available**

Runa Schmidt-Muller

SPEAKERS

The scheduled speakers for the next few months have been advised of the cancellation of our meetings in March and April and will be rebooked at a later date in the year or 2021

Martin Bes

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PROBUS CLUB OF NARRABEEN LAKES INC. HELD ON 26TH FEBRUARY, 2020 AT THE NARRABEEN BAPTIST CHURCH

WELCOME

Lynn Grierson opened the meeting at 10.00am and welcomed all members and visitors to the meeting.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 22nd January, 2020, having been circulated by newsletter or email, were approved on the motion of Monty Smith and seconded by Jo Gravemade and signed by the President.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ray Johnson reported that there was an opening balance of \$2,586 receipts \$1,122, payments of \$112 with a closing balance of \$3,596.

PRESENTATION OF MEMBERSHIP BADGES/MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Membership badge presented to Wendy Hordern and membership card presented to Noelene Neal.

BIRTHDAYS

Ron Allars will distribute January scratchies at February meeting.

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER

Liz Waring advised the current membership is 87 plus 4 new members today. 62 members attended this meeting plus 6 visitors, 4 of these have now joined the club.

EXCURSIONS/OUTINGS and WALKS.

All events for February were cancelled due to weather and Helen's unexpected return to UK. These will be re-scheduled in March.

Lunch – Wednesday 25th March - lunch at The Bored Monkey. Cost \$25pp which includes two courses and a glass wine/beer. Members asked to put their name on the appropriate sheet if attending this lunch.

Runa also asked members to put their name on appropriate sheet if attending lunch after the meeting at Pittwater RSL.

THEATRE GROUP

Runa Schmidt Muller advised of the following productions:

Elanora Players – Sunday 19th April, 2020 production of Moon over Buffalo. Cost \$22ph. Sold out.

Glen Street Theatre: The Wharf Revue 2020 – Wednesday 9th September at 11am. Unfortunately this is the final Wharf Revue to be experienced. Runa has booked 25 seats. Cost is \$70pp. Two tickets left.

MEMBER TALKS

Member speaker this month was Martin Bes who recounted his time in Spain prior to coming to Australia to live as well as providing the reasons why he came and why Australia. We also heard about his early days in Australia as a new immigrant. I am sure the meeting found this talk very interesting. Thanks Martin

WELFARE

Lyn Johnson presented the welfare report.

WEBSITE

Ron Allars advised website being updated as required. Members need to have a look at our site.

GENERAL BUSINESS

AGM - Lynn Grierson reminded the meeting that nominations are required and welcome for positions on the Management Committee, particularly Secretary and Treasurer. There will be an Annual General Meeting in March when office bearers will be elected.

Block out blinds – Ron Allars kindly sourced appropriate block out blinds for the windows in the church to assist when using the screen. These worked well. Many thanks to Ron.

GUEST SPEAKER

After breaking for morning tea our guest speaker was Dr. Keith Farrugia from Forest Chiropractic Wellness Centre. The meeting was provided important information on how to get (and stay) healthy. I know this was a popular talk judging on the queue at the end of the meeting to sign up for a consultation

The meeting finished at 11.45am.

Confirmed, and signed by President.....