



# NARRABEEN LAKES PROBUS CLUB INC.

Registered Number: Y2430248

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## THIS MONTH'S MEETING – WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE 2022

### FROM THE HELM

Greetings All,

We certainly had an action-packed meeting in May starting with the Induction of Jeanette Romeo, Di Byrne and Dawn Farebrother to our Club. I know you will all make them feel very welcome.

The drone demonstration by Keith Mealey also had us all enthralled as we learnt about the amazing capability of drones large and small.

Norma Moran's initiative to set up various interest groups within our Club was overwhelmingly embraced with over 40 members listing their names for Groups such as Movies, Dining and Computers so we are looking for convenors for each so Norma will be in touch.

My aim this year is to get every member involved in the activities of our Club and we have certainly started out well so please keep it up and book for the various outings and theatre activities planned by your hard-working committee.

**Ron Allars**  
**President**

**Please note: the July meeting is on the third Wednesday of the month on 20 July – as an exception to the regular fourth Wednesday of a month.**

**NEXT MEETING – WEDNESDAY 20 JULY 2022**

<b>FINANCES</b>		
<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>\$4056.12</b>	<b>April 2022</b>
<b>Receipts</b>	<b>\$325.00</b>	<b>Outings, Club Fees &amp; Coffee/Tea</b>
<b>Payments</b>	<b>\$347.75</b>	<b>Venue, Speaker &amp; Other Expenses</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>\$4033.37</b>	
<b>Attendance at the last meeting</b>		<b>47 Members and 2 visitors</b>
Bank Account Name: <b>Narrabeen Lakes Probus Club</b> BSB: <b>062205</b> Account No. <b>00902285</b>		

**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: 76**

**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 [nonny.moran@gmail.com](mailto:nonny.moran@gmail.com) with your name, amount paid, date and reason for payment.

If you are paying for outings or lunches, please also email Helen at [helsim@internode.on.net](mailto:helsim@internode.on.net).

As indicated previously, our Meeting Fee has increased to **\$5 starting in January 2022** to cover expenses and to contribute a little to our Xmas lunch as we have in the past.

We prefer paper money to coins!

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.

**Norma Moran**

## **WELFARE OF OUR MEMBERS**

If you know of any of our members being unwell or in hospital, please let **Lynn Grierson** know. She is our new Welfare Officer and we would like to keep in touch with our members even if they can't attend our monthly meetings.

**Lynn Grierson**

## ROSTER FOR MORNING TEA

Jun: Petah Welch and Roberta Brose  
Jul: Bev Hulme and Nerilyn Schooley  
Aug: Ken Stuart and Roberta Brose  
Sep: Carol Vincent and Judi Wilson  
Oct: Juliet Kilgour and Robyn Curley  
Nov: Wendy Hordern and Rosemarie Hamilton  
Dec/Jan: Jane Forsyth and Petah Welch

We probably won't have a meeting in December, so we can then look at moving December volunteers to January, because we shall be looking for more people for the next six months.

These volunteers should be at the Narrabeen Baptist Church at 9.15am to prepare the Morning Tea, arrange table, prepare refreshments, etc.

**If they are unable to attend they must find a replacement person.**

Thank you all for volunteering – it looks like smooth sailing ahead

***Norma Moran***

## OUTINGS, LUNCHESES AND ACTIVITIES

**Lunch after the meeting:** we are going to a different venue for lunch after the meeting: **The Forest Hotel on Frenchs Forest Road East.**

It is next to the PRP building, and behind Dan Murphy's. Plenty of parking, but we can carpool if that's more convenient. The drive takes about the same time as going to Pittwater RSL.

**Wednesday, 6 July:** meet at Manly Wharf in time to get the 9.30 ferry to Circular Quay. Then Rivercat to Parramatta, arriving about 11.30. Walk and lunch in Parramatta. Return time to be determined.

**Monday/Tuesday 1-2 August: Yulefest at Bathurst**

2-day tour with Yulefest dinner at the stately Abercrombie House hosted by the Morgans. Fantastic venue and lots of extras. Features outstanding accommodation at Rydges Mt Panorama. Please check with On Course Tours direct if you are interested 02 9986 2400 \$485.00. Flyer attached to Newsletter.

**Friday, September 23: Bowral Tulip Festival**

This day trip was very popular last time in 2019. We have about 20 people on our list for this trip, but need a minimum of 30. Please ask friends if they would like to join us. Cost: approx \$95.00, includes morning tea and 2-course lunch. Flyers available at the meeting.

**Wednesday, 16 November at 1.15 pm: Jacaranda Cruise on Sydney Harbour.** See the most beautiful harbour in the world with breathtaking Jacarandas in full flower. Departing from King Street Wharf, this 2.5 hour harbour cruise is an icon in Sydney's Spring calendar. Commentary for the cruise is provided by gardening celebrity Graham Ross. Price \$75/pp, deposit of \$20 is payable when booking and balance is due by September meeting.

***Helen Howes***

**Forthcoming suggestions:**

Barefoot bowls - possibly at Newport Bowling Club

Moree and the Hot Springs, possibly in September – Roberta Brose to report in a little more detail

Please let Helen know as soon as possible if you would be interested in any of these, so bookings can be made.

# THEATRE

## ELANORA PLAYERS

The Elanora Players are back in action with their new production **MR. BENNET'S BRIDE**, written by Emma Wood, directed by Vicky Castorina.

Mr. Bennet's Bride is set in the 1780s, 25 years before the novel Pride and Prejudice opens. The play concerns the ill-suited Mr. and Mrs. Bennet, portrayed with such humour in that famous novel, and examines how they met and decided to marry.

**Matinee Performance on Sunday, 10 July at 3 pm. Concession price is \$28/pp**

**We meet at 2.45 pm at the theatre entrance, so we can all go in as a group (no individual tickets)**

If you want to join us, you will have to decide and pay for the ticket at the June meeting

The next production is called **LOVE LETTERS**: a lifetime love affair between two friends who, for various intellectual, artistic and cultural reasons, only communicate well through letters. Written by A.R. Gurney, directed by Kerrie King.

Performance dates for matinees are on Saturdays at 3 pm: 13, 20, 27 August and 3 September. (No Sunday performances). Please let me know whether you are interested to see this performance.

*Runa Schmidt-Muller*

## SPEAKERS

**June 2022: David Hunt:** Great writer and raconteur, wrote the brilliant Australian histories "Girt" and "True Girt". His latest effort is entitled "Girt Nation".

### **Member Speakers:**

Part of our meeting is dedicated to allowing members to share some of the personal stories. If you would like to tell the rest of us something about your life, early adventures or an amusing story or anecdote please contact myself or **Ron Allars**.



Keith Mealey intrigued us with his drone flying demonstration and display of many types of drones

<b>UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2022</b>			
<b>EVENT</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>COST</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>
<b>WINING AND DINING</b> Lunch after the meeting at the Forest Hotel	12.30		
<b>OUTINGS</b> <b>Elanora Players:</b> Mr. Bennet's Bride <b>Bathurst &amp; Abercrombie Winter Yulefest:</b> Two-day trip with On Course Tours, 02 9986 2400 <b>September 23:</b> Bowral Tulip Festival <b>Jacaranda Cruise on Sydney Harbour,</b> deposit \$20 by Sep meeting	Sun/10 Jul  1-2 Aug  Fri/23 Sep  Wed/16 Nov 1.15 pm	\$28  \$485  \$95  \$75	Runa SM 0403 939 499  Helen Howes 0424 464 047  Helen Howes 0424 464 047
<b>SPEAKERS</b> <b>David Hunt,</b> introducing his latest effort entitled "Girt Nation".  If there are <b>no member speakers</b> and time allows, we will keep you on your toes with <b>TRIVIA QUESTIONS</b> prepared by Helen Howes.	Wed/25 May		Martin Bes 0402 252 419

## **SOCIAL GROUPS WITHIN PROBUS**

At one of our recent Committee Meetings we discussed the creation of possible **Social Groups** within our Probos Club and came up with the following groups.

Movies: Lynn Grierson

Dining: Norma Moran, starting on Wednesday 10 August

Technology & Computers: Jeanette Romeo - TBA

Board Games: TBA

Garden Lovers: TBA

Wine Appreciation: TBA - Possible 2-3 day trip to winery

Some groups already have one of our members to lead, others are waiting for one of you to step up. How about a challenge?

**Norma Moran**

## **MINUTES FOR MEETING OF THE NARRABEEN LAKES PROBUS CLUB INC HELD ON 25 MAY 2022**

### **WELCOME by PRESIDENT**

Ron Allars opened the meeting at 10.00 am and welcomed all members and visitors to the meeting.

### **APOLOGIES**

Jill Bruce, Roger Marquet, Pat Axford, Ray and Lyn Johnson, Carole Burton, Roberta Brose, Ivan Heyman, Jill Edey

### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 April 2022 were confirmed having been circulated by newsletter or email, were approved by the meeting on the motion of Geoff Short and seconded by Rosemary Hamilton and will be signed by the President.

### **PRESIDENT**

#### **Life Membership**

A discussion was held regarding Life Membership and two members were put forward. First Ken Fitzpatrick's name was announced. Ken joined 17 February 1998, Secretary 1999-2001, Vice President 2002-2003, President 2003-2004, Newsletter 2007-2008, Geoff Short proposed and Ron Jones seconded and Members agreed. Geoff Short's name was then announced and his service to the Club over the years. Geoff Short joined 28 May 1997, Newsletter 2000, Acting Secretary June, July, August 2001, Treasurer 2007-2009, Acting Secretary from May 2012 to March 2013, Vice President 2012-2013, President 2013-2014. Lynn Grierson proposed and Barbara Matterson seconded Geoff Short to become a life member. The members agreed and we thank them both for their service to our Club.

#### **Morning Tea Roster**

Ron Allars informed members we need volunteers to help with the morning tea/coffee and a roster is on the table and members were asked to put their names for the month they are able to help. Pat Axford took over this duty when Lyn Johnson was unable and we thank Lyn firstly and Pat for all her work in combining this with her duties as Secretary.

### **INDUCTIONS**

Ron Allars (President) and Helen Howes (Vice president) then inducted our 3 new members and presented them with a letter welcoming them to our Club and their name badges. Rosemary Hamilton took photos to commemorate this induction. Di Byrne, Jeanette Romeo and Dawn Farebrother.

### **SECRETARY**

No correspondence to report.

### **TREASURER**

Receipts for March were \$1,648.00 and payments were \$2,096.45 resulting in a closing balance of \$4,056.12

### **MEMBERSHIP OFFICER**

We had 47 members and 2 visitors attend the May meeting. One member paid his membership fees for 2022.

### **BIRTHDAY SCRATCHIES**

Helen Howes presented scratchies to 6 members who had a May birthday.

### **OUTINGS/TRIPS/ACTIVITIES**

The different trips being planned for the future were discussed and Helen Howes had the sheet where members can put their names as wishing to attend. It was brought to their attention that some tours need to be booked directly with On Course Tours.

**Bowral Tulip Festival** – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September with On Course Tours. Cost \$95 pp. Name to be put on appropriate listing at morning tea. Payment can be made directly to Narrabeen Lakes Probus Club bank account.

**Bathurst Yulefest** – Two day trip now August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 2022 with On Course Tours. Bookings to be made direct with On Course Tours. Cost \$485pp. As previously an additional fee for single participation.

**Rotary Car Rally** Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Cost \$50 donation to Bear Cottage. Flyer in Newsletter.

**Mini Golf** Helen has booked the Mini Golf for Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June.

Norman Moran then discussed Ideas for some "new groups" which may be for 3 or 4 as a way to make new friendships and enjoy different activities. These included Board Games – scrabble, trivia.

Movie Group  
Wine appreciation  
Dining group  
Garden lovers group  
Computer and technology group  
Craft group

A sheet was available for members to register their interest during morning tea.

**Suggested future activities:** Barefoot bowls at Newport Bowling Club.

### **THEATRE**

Runa advised that bookings were being taken for the Elanora Theatre play on 10 July at 3 pm. When putting your name pay Runa as she now has to make a payment through her credit card when making and confirming any bookings.

### **MORNING TEA**

We all enjoyed our morning tea with Lynn Grierson and Petah Welch behind the counter

### **GUEST SPEAKER**

Keith Mealey, a retired High School teacher who now has a passion for Drone spoke on Drones. Keith brought with him a huge selection of the drones available. He also provided a leaflet which told of the many “do’s and don’ts” of owning and flying a drone. We all found his talk fascinating and the final demonstration of flying one of these drones quite amazing. I feel the members would have liked the talk to go much longer.

The meeting closed at 12.pm

### Pictorial Report of our exciting May Meeting – New members



President Ron inducted new Members Jeanette Romeo, Di Byrne and Dawn Farebrother