



MEETS: 9:30am. Fourth Tuesday each month at Kincumber Uniting Church.

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Notes for your 2017 Diary

Mar. 14th. Ferry to Bobbin Head 1.30am.
 21st Bush Walk 10.30am
 28th Monthly meeting 9.30am

April 4th Committee Meeting
 11th Empire Bay Tavern Lunch 12 noon
 18th Monthly Meeting 9.30am

All contributors please note:

DEADLINE for the next News Sheet is Friday **March 17th 2017**, **but early reports are always most welcome.**

Note: reports to be sent to: jimpat3@bigpond.com

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News Sheet

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February 28 2017

President's Report

What a month this has been, record high temperatures and catastrophic fires. How thankful I am for all our wonderful volunteers who keep us as safe as possible in very dangerous conditions.

How sad that some people still light fires when it could be fatal to do so.

I trust that we all have survived the month and that we can start to look forward to cooler times.

We are nearing the end of the Probud year and thankfully we have filled most of the places for next year. The job of social convener is still not filled but in the event of it not being fill at the AGM we do have a way of overcoming that on hopefully a temporary basis.

Probud South Pacific have put the capitation fee up by about 4% which is more than the CPI, which is a concern that our treasurer is considering. We are writing to them to express our disappointment that they could not keep to within the CPI. This is the last full meeting that I will be President so I would like to say what a great honour it has been and what a great club this is to guide. We have had a great team on the committee and so many willing people in the club doing all sorts of thing to keep it a smooth happy club. Thank you all

Arthur Adeney

Welfare Report

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I hope this Newsletter finds everyone well and have survived the summer that has set in with its unusual severity of hot weather.

On a sad note Reg Charlesworth passed away. Reg and Ruth were past long term members including being the Social Convenors. The Charlesworths had moved to Melbourne to be near family, our deepest condolences to Ruth and her family.

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Bush Walking

Tuesday March 21st 2017.

Davistown Waterfront

We are repeating this walk we did 2 years ago as some people missed it and it was a very popular walk. We meet at 10.30 am at Pine Avenue car park at end of Pine Avenue. Turn off the Davistown Road at Lilli Pilli Street and go to end, road bends right into Pine Avenue, drive straight down to bottom.

This walk takes us right around the picturesque Davistown waterfront with lovely views across Brisbane Water to firstly Empire Bay, then St. Hubert's Island and Woy Woy. It's a completely level walk and distance is approx. 4 km.

We will have lunch near Pine avenue wharf. There is a shelter with some tables and seats nearby. Also some new toilets. Remember to wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water, sunscreen and insect repellent.

Barrie and Betty Pickersgill

VOLUNTEERS

MANY WILL BE SHOCKED TO FIND

WHEN THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT NEARS

THAT THERE'S A SPECIAL PLACE IN HEAVEN

SET ASIDE FOR VOLUNTEERS

FURNISHED WITH BIG RECLINERS

SATIN COUCHES AND FOOTSTOOLS

WHERE THERE'S NO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN,

NO GROUP LEADERS OR CAR POOLS.

NO EAGER CLASS THAT NEEDS A TUTOR,

NOR SPEAKERS OR CRAFT SALES,

THERE WILL BE NOTHING TO STAPLE,

NOTHING TO FOLD OR ANYTHING TO MAIL.

TELEPHONE CALLS WILL BE OUTLAWED

BUT A SNAP OF THE FINGERS WILL BRING

COOL DRINKS AND GOURMET DINNERS

AND RARE TREATS FIT FOR A KING.

YOU ASK WHO'LL SERVE THESE PRIVILEGED FEW

AND WORK FOR ALL THEY'RE WORTH?

WHY, ALL THOSE WHO REAPED THE BENEFITS

AND NOT ONCE VOLUNTEERED ON EARTH!

Guest Speakers

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February : Judy Townsend, who writes children's books, will be very interesting and entertaining with stories about children's reactions

March: No guest speaker as a rule, but maybe a Bush Poet this year

Profile Speaker: will be David Casey



March Birthdays

Happy birthday to:

Beverley Tysoe John Sutton
Pat Fordham Tony Kelly
Adrian McConnell Helen Goudge



March Anniversaries

David and Hermione Dunbar
John and Helen Sutton



Treasurers Report

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JANUARY 2017

Opening Balance 1.01.2017	2511.92	
Receipts	12.05	
	2,523.97	3746.69
Expenses	69.60	3557.73
Closing Balance 31.01.2017	2454.37	

Gerry Turner

Important Notice

AGM

This is a special reminder that we will hold our AGM on 28 March 2017 alongside our regular General Meeting. Remember that the AGM is a small segment of the morning's activities and we will still have an interesting program for you.

At the AGM we need to approve a minor change to the Constitution in regard to voting for prospective Life members.

The Constitution states voting will be "by secret ballot". Members agreed that the vote we held for John Mulford should be open.

The Committee recommends that section in Clause 2 of Appendix 1: Life Membership should read: "**Committee decisions to award Life Membership will be submitted to the club for confirmation, by open or secret ballot**"

This section is on the back page of the Constitution if you wish to look at it.

Nomination Forms will be available at today's meeting if you wish to nominate anyone.

Yvonne Chandler

Tuesday 14th March **Ferry from Patonga to Bobbin Head**

Time: **11.30am Ferry (meet at 11.10)**
Cost: **\$25 Concession**
Travel: **Own Arrangements**
 Perhaps you can arrange car pooling.
Lunch: **We will have an hour at Bobbin Head.**
 There are a couple of cafes or you
lunch. **Can bring your own picnic**
Return: **Arrive Patonga at 3pm**



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Tuesday 11th April **Empire Bay Tavern – Lunch**

Time: **12 Noon**
Cost: **Own Expense**
Travel: **Own Arrangements**

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Gloria Reid

Guest speaker: Our own member David Dennison presented detailed information about the Maori culture and history with many illustrations. He told of the background and origins of the Maoris – of their migration from Melanesia. Some aspects of their culture are particularly impressive. Their language consisting of 14 letters achieves an excellent level of communication. The manufacture of their canoes is amazing. Some are very large, including double canoes, which can transport 90 to 100 men. Navigation by the sun, moon and stars is traditionally learned by mouth and contributed to the journey which led to the settling in New Zealand. We saw many photos of Maori life and traditions, and admired the woven bags made from flax. David spoke of the family settlements, their farming skill and experiencing pit cooking. Tradition is learned by word of mouth and includes remembering the settling of their country. David’s time in a Maori school showed him the people’s pride in their country and the sense of humour which is also a feature of their communities. This glimpse into the culture of Maoris was colourful and informative.

Profile report: Jenny Baker told about her attendance at a Ballet Recital at the Opera House which involved Jan Costigan’s 14 year old grand-daughter who is very talented. Belle attends the Australian Ballet School in Melbourne which means she has to live there during study time. From the age of 4 she showed a love for ballet and a high level of talent which resulted in her attendance at the esteemed Ballet School. As a young dancer Jan and George helped by taking her to various ballet activities and watched as she showed such great promise. She won a place in the Ballet School at the age of 14 and this meant she had to move to Melbourne and live with another family. Her days at the school involve routine academic studies in the morning and classes connected with ballet and that life style in the afternoon. It was a proud day for all as they watched Belle perform at the Opera House. Jan’s beautiful photos confirmed that she is a young lady with a future.

Yvonne Chandler