



KINCUMBER

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

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*Notes for your 2016 Diary*

June 7th Committee Meeting  
 14th Picnic Kincumba Mountain 12 noon  
 21st Bush Walk !0.30am.  
 28th Monthly Meeting 9.30am.



July 12th Lunch Empire Bay Tavern 12 noon  
 19th Bush walk  
 26th Monthly Meeting 9.30 am.

**All contributors please note:**

**DEADLINE** for the next News Sheet is Friday 17th June 2016, *but early reports are always most welcome.*

**Note:** reports to be sent to: [jimpat3@bigpond.com](mailto:jimpat3@bigpond.com)

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**News Sheet**



**Meeting No.386**

**May 24th 2016**

*President's Report*

What a warm Autumn it has been, I trust many of you enjoyed the Homestead visit and the walk at Putty beach. For a couple of years we have given you the important information about the changes occurring in Probud South Pacific Limited. We have also looked at comments and reviews of what has been happening from the Probud South Pacific Reform Group. They have reviewed financial and directional issues as they occurred. Our Committee has tried to bring the most relevant details to you while we concentrated on running our Club in the best possible way. One of our long standing principles is to keep things as simple as possible. Over recent months some further changes have been made by PSPL which concern us. There are two levels to consider. First there is an ambitious plan to grow the number of Probud clubs in Australia by 700. They also propose to expand in New Zealand, Nauru and other South Pacific areas, including the Philippines. To do this PSPL is looking for financial and active member involvement on a broad scale. Secondly and at the same time a proposed changed Constitution has been put forward for consideration. John Mulford and John Orme, as the sub-committee on these matters, have been examining the details and ramifications in consultation with members of your Committee. At this meeting they will talk in more detail about what this may mean for us and allow you to ask any questions you. PSPL have asked us to respond by the end of June. This gives us time to consider what the best way forward should be. I am not quite sure how this fits into Fun Fellowship and Mental stimulation. We are doing our best to keep it from disturbing our core essentials as a club

*Arthur Adeney*

**Guest speaker:** Lisa O’Sullivan from Access Com described the caption telephone for those with hearing loss in a clear and appealing way. No proof of hearing loss is needed to have this phone, which although it costs \$600 is available on a \$55 per year rental plan. A national relay service captures the conversation, but security is covered in detail. There are many options for use with volume and tone buttons allowing clearer conversation without even using the screen. The phone has a memory and can recall the text of any conversation gives additional help for conducting effective conversations on the phone. There is training for the new user which alerts you to all the capabilities and benefits of the phone. Your phone bill will be the same as normal and there are no monthly fees for use of the phone. President Arthur tested the phone by calling Gloria and commented that use of the lower tone option contributed to clearer conversation. At the end of the call a total record of the conversation appeared on the visual screen. Access Comm is not yet advertising but brochures were available for interested members.

**Trip report:** John Orme spoke about the enjoyable trip which 10 of our members enjoyed. It involved a flight to Adelaide, cruise on the Murray River, and train return to Sydney on the Indian Pacific. Obviously the ‘mighty Murray River’ was a highlight. Our travellers were impressed with the paddle steamer Murray Princess, its food, attentive staff and comfortable cabins adding to the enjoyment of the cruise. Stops along the way allowed access to tourist attractions, riverside towns and nature walks. Experiencing the Murray at night and the sheer sandstone cliffs during the day were highlights. A visit to the Barossa Valley, then onto Broken Hill rounded off the trip with the return to Sydney on the Indian Pacific. This trip was a great experience and John thanked Di for organising it so well.

*Yvonne Chandler*

**Treasurer’s Report for  
April 2016**

<b>Cheque account opening balance 1.4.16</b>	<b>\$1515.64</b>	
<b>Savings account opening balance 1.4.16</b>	<b>\$1676.36</b>	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3192.00</b>
<b>Income</b>	<b>\$1185.79</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>\$1175.70</b>	<b>\$10.09</b>
<b>Balance as at \$31.04.16</b>		<b>\$3202.09</b>



*Gerry Turner*

**June Anniversaries**

Roy and Leone Bird

Peter and Joy Park



**June Birthdays**

Happy Birthday to:

Janelle Costigan Irene Dunlop Rhonda Laybutt  
Jenny Baker Peter Park Ann Dillon



Conditions have been perfect for playing golf over the last month. It has been cool but sunny and the Terrigal course is in great condition

Sadly our numbers have been down a bit – so many members away on holidays. I hope we can encourage a few more Probus members to join us to bolster the numbers. Even if you have not played for a while it does not take too long to get back into it. I had not played for about 18 years before joining the Probus golf group and still manage to keep up with the others in the group. It is really all about having fun, making friends and getting a bit of exercise.

At the time of writing, the Results for the past four weeks are:

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April** - Winner Roy Bird with Nett 29  
Par 3 Nearest the pins -  
2nd hole: Wally Tuffs, 4th hole: Roy Bird, 6<sup>th</sup> hole:  
Jochem Zalm

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April** - Winner Roy Bird with Nett 33  
Par 3 Nearest the pins -  
2nd hole: Liz Gilbert, 4th hole: -----, 6<sup>th</sup> hole: -----

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May** - Winner Liz Gilbert with Nett 27  
Par 3 Nearest the pins -  
2nd hole: Liz Gilbert, 4th hole: Wally Tuffs, 6<sup>th</sup> hole:  
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**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May** - Winner Bev Tysoe with Nett 35  
Par 3 Nearest the pins -  
2nd hole: Liz Gilbert, 4th hole: -----, 6<sup>th</sup> hole: -----

We only play 9 holes and hit off at 10.30am on Friday mornings. We hope to see you there.



*Liz Gilbert Convenor Handicapper*

Walk from Hardy's Bay to Wagstaffe

Tuesday June 21<sup>st</sup>. 2016 10.30 am

Meet at 10.30am at Hardy's Bay waterfront (parking all along the waterfront). Walking to corner of waterfront and turn right along Arulien Road to end and along laneway to Pretty Beach. Walking through Pretty Beach until we get to Wagstaffe Avenue and turn right. Continue until we reach Wagstaffe shop and jetty. After short break, we will return the same way. Approx hour and half return. Lunch on the front and plenty of toilets all along walk.

This walk was cancelled in March due to rain so hope for better weather. Bring lunch and chairs, hats and sunscreen. It's a completely level walk and fairly easy.

*Betty and Barrie Pickersgill*

## 2016 Probus Debates in August - Debate Topics Wanted

Probus debates kick off in August with heats of two schools each at The East Gosford Probus Thursday 4 August, and at Avoca Beach Probus on Monday 15 August. The winning team from each heat face off at our club at the start of our meeting on Tuesday 23 August.

Teams from Kincumber High School, Central Coast Grammar School, Green Point Christian College, and Erina High School will compete. For the young debaters (perhaps there is a future MP in the group!) debating before Probus is especially rewarding given our collective depth & breadth of real world experience.

I eagerly welcome your suggestions for debate topics that meet the tough twin tests of being of real interest to both Probus members, and equally to the young debaters. Please email Peter Park at [park\\_uk@me.com](mailto:park_uk@me.com) with your topic, and why you believe it is of interest to both the young and not-so-young.

## Social Events

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Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June Picnic on Kincumba Mountain  
Continuation of Kincumber Street, Kincumber.

Time: 12 Noon

Travel: Own travel arrangements.  
Bring your own everything including  
food drinks chairs etc.  
(A sausage sizzle will be available for  
all members attending)

**NAMES ARE REQUIRED AT THE MAY MEETING PLEASE.**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2016 LUNCH

Venue: Empire Bay Tavern  
1 Poole Close, Empire Bay.

Time: 12 Noon

Cost: Own Expense

Travel: Own Travel Arrangements.

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*Gloria Reid*

## Welfare Report

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We're pleased to let you know Fred Leaks' daughter called in to see Peggy Horton who has now happily settled in to well-appointed accommodation with a friendly atmosphere at Autumn Lodge in Armidale, which is close to her family. She's getting involved in the activities there. Peggy is also in the process of writing a letter to us all with her best wishes.

Bob spoke to Adrian McConnell several times over the last few weeks, he is currently receiving treatment and has a positive outlook. Our best wishes go to Adrian.

I phoned and spoke to Joyce Kenny and David is still much the same and has his good and bad days. That they are both looking forward to their youngest son's wedding in ten weeks time, which is going to be held Joyce's court yard and is busy planning her garden for the big event. Both Joyce & David were sad to hear about Ken Robson's passing. Joyce also expressed she would still like to continue being a member of Kincumber Probus.

We wish Alan & Isabelle Drew congratulations on their 55<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary celebrated on the 6<sup>th</sup> May, a great mile stone. Best wishes and a very Happy Birthdays to all our members who celebrated birthdays in May,

*Bob Cochrane*

43821858 or

*Carla Hurley*

43239823 or



## Speakers

**May** John Middleton from the local Fire Brigade

**June** Raymond Howes will speak on Violin Making

**Profile speaker** is Rob Capon