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DATES FOR YOUR 2020 DIARY

Tuesday Jan 14 Bush picnic & BBQ
Kincumber Mountain & the **"PROBARTS"**
competition

11.30 for 12.00 noon

Tuesday Feb 11 Lunch at Empire Bay
Tavern

12 Noon Own Cost Own Travel
Arrangements

Jan 28 Next Meeting

Golf at Breakers Country Club every Friday

All contributors please note that the deadline for the next Newsletter is **15th JANUARY 2020** but any reports sent earlier will be very welcome.

Please send to alutze@tpg.com.au

FROM THE PRESIDENT

There are still a few days before we get to celebrate and be merry and as we fast approach the end of the year most of us reflect on times gone by.

Christmas is a time that brings me very pleasant memories of my earliest childhood in the company of family and good friends and the excitement of dressing the tree and wrapping the presents to go under. This year I hope all my Probud friends are able to get together with their loved ones and spend some special and enjoyable times with them.

I have a memory of when I lived in a little village in Hertfordshire in the UK. Our home was in a cul-de-sac and at the end grew a Christmas tree where a path led to the woods where rabbits and dog walkers frequently trod. At about this time of the year decorations mysteriously appeared on it and remained through Christmas time, before disappearing on twelfth night. No-one ever knew who did this, but isn't it the very essence of Christmas, someone adding a bit of magic into the lives of strangers for no reward.

I would like to thank all our members for your input in making our Probud Club the friendly and happy club that we are and to wish you all a very happy and enjoyable Christmas followed by a healthy and peaceful New Year.



GLORIA REID



OVERWHELMING RESPONSE TO "BRING A MUG – SAVE A CUP"



Well over half of members attending the November meeting brought their own mug for morning tea – a huge success in doing our part in reducing disposable cups in the landfill.

Perhaps our effort is having a only small effect on what is a huge problem. It is, however, a good beginning and reminds us of things we can do to reduce our impact on the planet our children and grandchildren live in.

Peter Park

MARKETING PROBUS CLUB OF KINCUMBER



"Marketing" sounds like a commercial word, but it aptly describes what all of us can do to spread the word about our friendly club and its offerings to seniors on the Central Coast.

It starts with the beautiful new [website](#) that Webmaster David Casey has built from the already excellent foundation developed by Barry Riley on the previous portal. From the website, prospective members can get a real sense of our active club,

Drive by the new electronic billboard sign outside Kincumber Uniting Church, and you are likely to see our new advertisement which displays for 5.5 seconds and cycles with several other church notices. In just a 1-2 second glance, a driver will get the critical details on our meetings.

With the approval of our grant application to the Federal Stronger Communities Programme will come a new retractable exhibition banner which will advertise our club both at the church and at community and senior exhibitions. Approval of the application, endorsed by MP Lucy Wicks, is expected by January.

A brochure from Probus South Pacific overprinted with our contact details is given to all visitors along with a welcome letter from President Gloria Reid. Copies of the booklet are available at the sign-in table for you to take and distribute as you wish in your communities.

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, your personal help in telling others about our club and encouraging wonderful people to join is key to our continued success.

Peter Park

SEE THE ARCHIBALD'S AT GOSFORD REGIONAL GALLERY

If you missed the Archibald's during our August Probus trip to the Gallery of NSW, you can visit now through to 12 January at the Gosford Regional Gallery in East Gosford. All 51 finalists are exhibited in a rare tour outside the Gallery of NSW. Awarded to the best painting of a notable Australian, the Archibald Prize is a who's who of Australian culture, from politicians to celebrities and from sporting heroes to artists. Prestigious and controversial, the Archibald Prize, now in its 98th year, is Australia's foremost portraiture prize. The Archibald Prize awards \$100,000 prize money for the winning artist.

Among the paintings you will see local artist Jordan Richardson's painting of political journalist, commentator, and television host Annabel Crabb.

The Gallery is open 9:30 am to 4.00 pm every day.

Peter Park



2019 PROBUS TRIP



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS



At our last meeting we inducted two new members into Probus Kincumber.

Let us all welcome Joan Mcleod and Patricia Kull.

GUEST SPEAKER FOR NOVEMBER



Our speaker was Dr Rob Zammit, known as the Vineyard Vet. Rob gave us an extremely insight into his life and left a lot wiser into a life of a vet. He had even found time to write two books.

David Minshall

Best wishes to our members who celebrate their birthdays in January

Patrick Leonard
Thelma Leonard
Dianne Rudd
Lawrie Gee
Betty Pickersgill
Margaret Hobbs



Congratulations to our members who are celebrating Wedding Anniversaries

Chris and Ann Dillon

A TIMELY REFLECTION

I love a sunburnt country, a land of sweeping plains. But I've gotta tell ya mate, I like it better when it rains.

The countryside is dying & there's just no end in sight & just to rub salt in the wounds, the bush has caught alight.

The landscape is on fire from Brisbane to the Gong. And everybody's asking "Where the hell did, we go wrong?"

But we can get through this one if we help each other out. Take care of your neighbour, that's what Aussies are about.

The rain is going to fall again, the good times will return. But living in Australia means - at times-it's going to burn.

So, if you need a helping hand, just give a mate a call. We're all here to help you out and catch you when you fall.

The RFS, the SES, the fireys, and the police, all put their lives upon the line to help beat this beast.

So, hats off to these heroes and thanks for all you do. And I hope when this is over, we can make it up to you!

by Troy Gerdes.

GOLF REPORT



Finally, today after our Probus Golf Club presentation luncheon which was held at Breakers Country Club *where we meet every Friday at 9.20 am*; I can finally announce that the 29th winner of our Probus Bob Cummings perpetual golf trophy is **drum roll please WALLY TUFFS**. Wally has played with our Club for a number of years and all his golfing friends agree he is a most worthy winner.

We look forward to seeing anyone who would like to join us.

You Know **Where**

You Know **When**

You Know at **What** time

Merry Christmas to all of you from all of us and don't forget to keep that trophy polished Wally.

Peter Mear 0401 346 824



THEATRE REPORT
UPCOMING THEATRE NEWS

MAMMA MIA

I have booked 12 seats for **March 21st** at 2.00 pm.

Cost \$42 – Laycock Theatre. Please contact me prior to 17th January to reserve and pay for your seat to this great Musical.

For those who missed out on “Le Mis”, bad luck it was a fantastic show.

Cheers



Diane Rudd
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BUSH PICNIC/PROBARTS

The bush **picnic/PROBARTS** competition is rescheduled to the date of the “Recovery Picnic” on 14th January which will be held at Kincumber Mountain.

Peter Mear

BUSHWALK REPORT

Coo-ee!! Walks will resume next year with the ***SOUTH HEAD SYDNEY SENSATION*** being our first big hit out in **March 2020**. More information to come. This will be an all-day walk encompassing Sydney Harbour/Watsons Bay/South Head/The Gap and much more...this will also be my ***grand finale***.

So please join us.

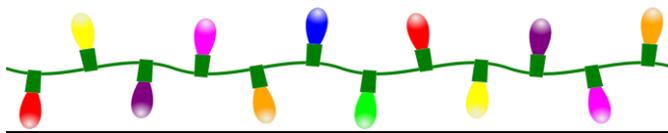
Coo—eee Bob Cochrane Bush Walks Officer



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2020 SOCIAL ACTIVITIES



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Lunch at Empire Bay Tavern
12 Noon Own Cost Own Travel Arrangements
Jenny Baker

POSITIONS VACANT

The following Probus positions will become available in March, 2020.

Social Convenor, Bushwalking Convenor and Junior Vice President. For further information please contact the appropriate convenor, Gloria Reid or Peter Park if you are interested in these roles.

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The Probus Club of Kincumber Inc. meets at the Kincumber Uniting Church at 9.30 am on the fourth Tuesday of every month except December. Visitors are always very welcome.

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