



KINCUMBER

April News Sheet

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

SUB-COMMITTEE AND CONVENERS 2013-2014

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| WEBMASTER: | Barry Riley |
| WELFARE OFFICERS | Elizabeth Butler and Helen Sutton |
| VENUE OFFICERS | Reg Charlesworth and Patrick Leonard |

Notes for your 2013 Diary

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| May | 14th | 11.00 am | Gosford Regional Gallery |
| | 21st | 10.30 am | Walk from Point Clare |
| | 28th | 9.30 am | Monthly meeting |



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| June | 4th | 2.30 pm | Committee meeting |
| | 11th | TBA | St James's Church |
| | 18th | 10.30 am | Bushwalk TBA |
| | 23rd | 9.30 am | Monthly meeting |

All contributors please note:

DEADLINE for the next News Sheet is Friday 17th May 2013, but early reports are always most welcome.

Note: reports should be sent to - wtuffs34@optusnet.com.au

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23rd April, 2013

President's Message

On behalf of us all I wish to express our thanks to John (Rudd) for the excellent job he has done over the past year, and welcome our new Junior Vice President, Diane. Thank you also to John (Pagett) who retired from the Membership Officer position.

The year augurs well for my term as President of Kincumber Probud. All committee and convener positions are in very capable hands and I thank those who have undertaken to play a role in the running of the Club and its activities. It is particularly pleasing that some new members have been willing to take on a responsibility.

The Probud objectives of Friendship and Fellowship will be the focus of this year. 'Friday night is Macs Beach night' kicked off to a good start and I'm sure that lunch at Kincumber Pub after the monthly meetings will continue to be well attended. The social events organised by Ruth and the bushwalks are also opportunities to turn people you hardly know into friends; it has worked that way for many of us.

Today we will hear about Diane's and John's holiday in Africa. At the committee meeting Marie outlined her program of guest speakers for the next few months; together with the members' profile/five minute talks it all adds up to a most interesting and enjoyable year.

Thelma Leonard

From the March 2013 General Meeting

Five minute talk: John Orme was prompted to give this talk after a photograph appeared in the Sydney Morning Herald of the Blind Beggar public house in Whitechapel Road, which is in East London where the London Olympics were being played out. This revived memories as in the 1960's, as a Police Officer in the UK, John had a responsibility for managing crime in the Midlands. His work often took him to New Scotland Yard and he had actually enjoyed a drink in the Blind Beggar. This pub is famous for several reasons. It was the place outside of which William Booth, the founder of The Salvation Army, preached his first sermon. The story about how this pub was named goes back to the Battle of Evesham in 1265. Baron Henry de Montfort lost an eye in that battle. He subsequently had a son who sadly fell on hard times and became a beggar in the region where the pub now stands, hence the name The Blind Beggar. John's visits to London were at the time when the Kray twins Ronnie and Reggie were at their most active in the London area, heading an organised London empire of violence and murder. John spoke about the success of the investigation undertaken by Detective Superintendent Read (Nipper Read) from New Scotland Yard which followed the murder in the Blind Beggar of George Cornell, a rival gang member, by Ronnie. This was the pub where the Kray twins drank and George had invaded their territory by drinking there. The brothers were successfully convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment; both died while in custody. By then John had moved to warmer climes to become the Commissioner of the Royal Fiji Police. Presumably, that is another story!

Speaker: Our speaker was Pat Skehan, who spoke about the writing of her book "Lest I forget" about Lerryn Mutton. Pat spoke about how Lerryn had badgered her to write his book. Eventually she did it as an oral history, using many of Lerryn's own words. Lerryn had flown Beau-fighters in the Second World War, and had a host of stories – both amusing and sad – to tell about his experiences at that time. Pat also spoke about Lerryn's achievements in the rest of his life.

Treasurer's Report

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| | Cheque account | |
| | Year to date | March |
| | Balance at March 1, 2013 | \$312.58 |
| Income | \$1,170.00 | \$1170.00 |
| Expenses | \$123.95 | \$123.95 |
| | Balance | \$1,358.63 |
| | Savings account | |
| | Year to date | January |
| | Balance at March 1, 2012 | \$1,006.14 |
| Deposits | nil | nil |
| Interest | \$2.77 | \$2.77 |
| Withdrawals | nil | nil |
| | Balance | \$1,008.91 |
| Combined net balance at March 31, 2013 | | \$2,367.54 |



Bushwalking

Tuesday 21st May 2013 – Brisbane Water Shoreline-Point Clare towards Gosford.

This is a pleasant easy level walk exploring the stretch of Brisbane Water shoreline from near Narara Creek Gosford down to Goodaywang Reserve Point Clare.

At the site of the historic stone wharf at Goodaywang Reserve, built in 1841 to accommodate sailing vessels transporting cargo and livestock to and from Sydney and Newcastle, there's an interesting plaque and photo, and there's also a beautiful panoramic view looking out over Brisbane Water.

We will meet at 10.30 AM at Fagan Park, driving down to the end of Jirrah Avenue Point Clare. You will need to bring chairs and tables for lunch.



John Sutton

Welfare Report

David Lester, a foundation member of our Club, has been transferred to Veronica Nursing Home and visitors are welcome.

Mavis and Lerryn Mutton have relocated to Yallambee Lodge at West Gosford, however Lerryn has since been admitted to North Gosford Private Hospital.

I am pleased to report that Helen Sutton and I will be partners in the Welfare role and we hope that we can successfully follow Lorraine and Hermione's wonderful example. Please help us by sharing any news about people who may need a cheer up.

Elizabeth Butler 4360 2403 Helen Sutton 4365 3434

Social News

Tuesday 14th May, 2013: Visit 2 exhibitions at the Gosford Regional

Gallery 36 Webb Street, East Gosford UBD Map: 45 J 11

“Sculpture by the Bay” (i.e. Caroline Bay) – by High School students.

“Emerging” by young artists (ages 18-30 years) from across N.S.W.

Time: 11.00 a.m.

Cost: Free

Lunch: (optional) - at Caroline Bay Brasserie.

Tuesday 11th June, 2013: Visit St James Church, Guided tour including Crypt

173 King Street (Corner Philip Street) Sydney

Travel: Train (Travel information sheet available at May meeting.)

Cost: Free. – suggest donation

Lunch: (Optional) Various places to eat – see travel info. For details.

Numbers required by May meeting please.

Saturday 13th July: Saturday Night Dinner, Trivia & Sing-A-Long.

Venue: Patrick & Thelma Leonard's Home,
52 Henderson Road, Saratoga. UBD Map: 97 Ref: F13

Time: 6.00 p.m. for 6.30 p.m.

Cost: \$20.00 – Includes food and drinks.

Numbers and payment required by June meeting please.

NB: Maximum No.: 40 people

Ruth Charlesworth

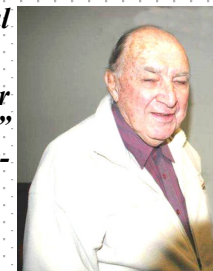
Lerryn Mutton: President John Rudd named the debating shield “The Lerryn Mutton Shield”, and read the following text that will be inscribed onto a plaque attached to the shield:

LERRYN MUTTON

Lerryn Mutton was born in 1924 and educated at North Strathfield Public School and Fort Street Boys' High School. He served in the RAAF from 1942 to 1946, seeing active service as a pilot in Labuan and Borneo. He was a member of Concord Council from 1953 to 1968, and Mayor in 1961 and 1962. He was the Liberal Member for Yaralla in the NSW Legislative Assembly from 1968 until 1978, and Government Whip from 1976 to 1978. He was also the founding Editor of the Northern Standard, and acquired the Weekly Times in 1979. In 2010 he was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia.

Lerryn joined the Probus Club of Kincumber on 23 February 1988, and served as Speaker Convenor from 1992 until 1997. In 1993 he established the Probus Debating Competition, and managed it until 2007. In this annual competition, teams from four Central Coast high schools participate in debates (two heats and a final) before three local Probus clubs. The winning school holds a perpetual shield for one year.

On 26 March 2013, the Probus Club of Kincumber named the winner's shield “The Lerryn Mutton Shield” to honour Lerryn's vision in establishing this inter-generational tradition.



Profile Talks

Today, **Arthur Adeney** will give us a talk on his profile.

May's profile talker will be **David Butler**.

In June **Jean Johnson** will give us a five minute talk.

In July, **Jan Costigan** will have her profile talk.

In August, **George Pendergast** will give his profile talk.



INDUCTIONS

Four new members will be inducted at today's meeting.
They are:

**Cecilia Donnelly Jenny Godfrey
Isabelle Drew & Alan Drew**



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Membership renewals are due this month, and Barry Riley will be ready and willing to collect your fees of \$40 today.



Guest Speaker

At today's meeting, Diane Rudd will tell us about her and her husband John's adventures in Africa.



In May, Patricia Amphlett will entertain us with memories of her career entitled "REFLECTIONS"

What's On

- 28 April Avoca Beachside Markets at Heazlett Park, Avoca.
- 30 April Kincumber Book Club at Kincumber Library. 10am-12 noon.
- 2 May Australian hearing tests at Kincumber Library 9.30am - 12.30pm
Bookings essential. 4304 7641
- 4th & 5th May Gosford Regional Show at Gosford Showground.
- 10 May The Angels - Greatest hits at Laycock Street Theatre.
- 11 May Gosford City Markets at Kibble Park, Gosford.
- 12 May Peninsula Waterfront Art Market at Anderson Park, Woy Woy.
- 17 May EBay for Beginners Kincumber Library. 10.30am - 12 noon.
Bookings essential 4304 7641
- 19 May Century Challenge at Mt. Penang.
- 24 & 25 May Buy Local Festival at the Impact Centre, Erina.
- 25 May -14 July Reconciliation Exhibition at the Gosford Regional Gallery
- 26 May Avoca Beachside Markets at Heazlett Park, Avoca.

A small group of Probus members play a round of golf at the nine hole course at Breakers Country Club, 64 Dover Road, Wamberal on Friday mornings starting at 10.30am.

The course is flat and improvements have been made over the past few years, especially to the drainage. It is usually in excellent condition and it makes for a very pleasant walk, taking a bit over two hours to complete.

We hold a competition on most days with the main aims of the group being to exercise and enjoy ourselves. Following the golf we usually adjourn to the clubhouse for a coffee and maybe a snack.

If you are a beginner or would like to return to golf, you can walk around the course with us playing shots as you wish without keeping score. Visitors are welcome so you may bring a friend.

Please see me if you are considering playing.

John Ruddel

May Birthday Greetings

Congratulations to those members who are celebrating their birthdays in May.

Denise Lawrence Nev Owen Stan Roberts
Gloria Reid Gerry Turner



May Wedding Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following couples who are celebrating their anniversary in May.



Joyce & David Kenny Isabelle & Alan Drew