



# PROBUS CLUB OF KINCUMBER INC.

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## *News Sheet*

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## *President's Message*

### **President's Report November 2014.**

It's incredible the way the year seems to have flown, and soon we'll be thinking about Christmas, the holiday season and all the good things that summer brings. Much has happened since the October Presidents Report. The six day coach trip to Bellingen and beyond with Berkeley Probus was very successful in every respect. The coach was comfortable, coach captain Jack did a great job, the scenery around Bellingen and all the other places we visited was great, the motel we stayed at was comfortable, and its setting looking out on the mountains superb. Even the weather was perfect for the whole trip, also it was great getting to know the Probians from Berkeley Vale Club. Another thoroughly enjoyable event was the performance of Phantom of the Opera at the Laycock St Theatre enjoyed by 22 Club members. A marvellous achievement by the Gosford Musical Society and its personnel and the very talented performers. A big thank you to Barbara for organising this event. The bush picnic on 18 th November at McMasters Beach is always one of the social highlights of the year and marks the end of the Bushwalking Group's activities until next year. All the walks this year have been really enjoyable, so well organised by Reg and Ruth.

Again a big thank you to all the Committee members, and all those who do so much to keep the wheels of the Club turning so efficiently and smoothly.

*John Sutton*

**2014-2015**

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## **NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER**

**OCTOBER BUSHWALK:** Despite grey skies, 9 of our members enjoyed the walk in South Wyrribalong National Park. Ocean views, wild flowers and great company, it was a really lovely day.

Thankyou to everyone who supported and participated in our bushwalks during the year.

Bushwalking is now in recess, and will resume in March



2015.

*Reg and Ruth Charlesworth Phone: (H) 4369 5006 (M) 0407 353 039*

## *A Special Concert*

On 7 December Central Coast Concert Band will present a special concert – the last to be conducted by Robert Bedwell before his retirement after 25 years as Musical Director of the band. The concert will feature tunes from *The Sound of Music* and *Man of La Mancha*, music composed by Charlie Chaplin, and much, much more.

Time: 2pm

Date: Sunday 7 December 2014

Place: Gosford RSL Club, West Gosford

Cost: Adults \$20, Children \$5



Tickets will be available at the door. All are welcome. As well as its historic significance, it will be a wonderful and memorable afternoon!

# Welfare Report

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As we come together for our November meeting we will be thinking of George and Jan Costigan. George is going to the Mater hospital for a hip replacement on December 1<sup>st</sup>. Our best wishes go with you, George, and we hope that you will soon be back enjoying golf and all your other activities.

Thelma and Patrick Leonard have been in our thoughts as they made a sudden trip to the UK, fortunately arriving in time to see Thelma's father before he passed away. Our members send them love and sincere sympathy.

*Elizabeth Butler 4360 2403*

*Helen Sutton 4365 3434*



## December Birthdays

*Congratulations to the following members who are celebrating their birthdays in December*

**David Dennison Sid Holmes Max Newman  
Wally Tuffs Yvonne Kelly Ineke Esveld**



## December Anniversaries

*Congratulations to the following couples who are celebrating their anniversary in November*

**Richard and Marilyn Collins  
Ken and Velda Robson  
John and Dianne Rudd  
Mike and Heather Ryan  
David and Elizabeth Butler**



# Golf Report

*Nov. news sheet*

Our annual golf championship has been completed and you would not believe that Diane has won again with a net 18 hole score of 61. She had not won a Friday event for quite a while but seems to be able to play her best golf when it counts. George and John O were joint runners up both with 65.

John R won the best 18 hole score off the stick of 90 with Roy runner up with 92.

It seems as though it will be very difficult to keep the golf group going unless we can obtain new members. The group is already small and several of our members will not be available for some time. I hope it does not come to this as next year will be the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the group.

*John Rudd*

## Social Events

### **Tuesday 9th December CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

**Venue:** Ettalong Beach Club (Pretty Beach Room)  
54 The Esplanade, Ettalong Beach. (UBD Map 53, Ref: C/D  
11&12)

**Cost:** \$35.00 per person - Complimentary drink on arrival  
2 course festive Christmas lunch and dessert - bread rolls -  
tea and coffee.

**Time:** 12 Noon  
**Names and payment required Today please.**



### **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January RECOVERY PICNIC**

**Venue:** Broadwater Park, Sea Breeze Ave, Kincumber (UBD  
Map 50 Ref: D8)

**Time:** 12 Noon  
Bring your own everything = Food, Drink, Tables and Chairs etc

**All are Welcome.**

*Gloria Reid*

## *Treasurer's Report by Barry Riley*

*October 2014*



### *Cheque account*

Balance at March 1, 2014    \$350.45

	<i>Year to date</i>	<i>October</i>	
Income	\$2,031.25	\$40.00	
Expenses	\$2,212.12	\$255.07	
		<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$169.58</b>

### *Savings account*

Balance at March 1, 2014    \$1,042.76

	<i>Year to date</i>	<i>October</i>	
Deposits	\$ 1,210.00	nil	
Interest	\$31.16	\$ 4.56	
Withdrawals	<i>nil</i>	nil	
		<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$2,280.92</b>

***Combined net balance at October 31 2014    \$2,450.50***

An ideal life is not worrying about the last second

and not worrying about the next second.

## **October General Meeting**

Speaker Convenor Marie Riley introduced Brian Walters from the Boer War Memorial Group as our speaker for the day. An important present day function of the group is the planning and setting up of a memorial in Canberra to recognise Australian involvement in the Anglo-boer War (1899-1902). Up to 23,000 soldiers were involved with around 1,000 losing their lives.. It was the first conflict in which Australia engaged as a nation, with our men achieving distinction as courageous fighters in harsh and desolate conditions. The regiment involved was light horse cavalry and the nature of the conflict was usually on horseback. Our Lancers were the first to land in South Africa. Australians fought side by side with servicemen from New Zealand – in essence perhaps the first ANZACS. 60 nurses were also involved, 6 of whom won the Royal Red Cross Medal, and 6 Victoria Crosses were won during the conflict. Our soldiers established a fine reputation throughout the war. It took 2.5 years to suppress 45,000 Boers who were more than a match for British Forces. Their tough opposition resulted in many setbacks, setting a record as the longest, most difficult colonial conflict. Eventually the Boers realised the fighting was a lost cause, sought peace, and became British subjects. The story of Breaker Morant belongs to this time. He was a talented horseman and leader who became embroiled in a political situation – his trial was rushed and biased leading finally to his execution. The design for the planned memorial has been approved and is impressive. It is a substantial project which will result in a fitting tribute to participants of the Boer War and especially those who lost their lives. More information can be found at the website: [www.bwm.org.au](http://www.bwm.org.au)

Michael Ryan passed a vote of thanks to Brian on behalf of the Club.

*Yvonne Chandler.*

**Profile speaker:** Laurie Gee proudly spoke of his 51 years married to Jan and of their decision to move to Australia to be with their daughter and grandchildren. Laurie was born in Staffordshire and pursued a career as an electrical engineer. Over the course of his working life he enjoyed the work he had chosen, including a two year apprenticeship in Manchester and meeting Jan who was a nurse. Memories of spending a summer vacation in South Africa, time spent at Southampton and working in the area of silicon chips used in clocks, TVs and computers were explained. For the last ten years Laurie and Jan spent holidays in France and England, and Laurie

## *Guest Speaker*

**November:** Peter Cane



### **The Legends of Christmas**

This presentation tells us where we got some of the items we use to define Christmas. Where did the tree originate, the tinsel, the holly or even Santa Claus? There are fascinating stories and theories for all of these and many more. Are they true or just stories to tell the young ones?

*Marie Riley*

*Hermione Dunbar*



**MEETS:** 9:30am. 4th Tuesday each month at Kincumber Uniting church.

***SUB-COMMITTEE AND CONVENERS 2014-2015***

ASSIST. MEMBERSHIP	Col Laybutt
ASSIST. SOC. CONV.	Sue Schmid & Jenny Baker
ASSIST. SPEAKER CONV.	Hermione Dunbar
BUSHWALKING	Reg & Ruth Charlesworth
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DEBATES	Richard Collins
GOLF	John Rudd
HISTORIAN	John Rudd
INTER-CLUB LIASON	Thelma Leonard
BOOKSHARE	Jenny Baker
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THEATRE	Barbara Orme
WEBMASTER	Barry Riley
WELFARE OFFICERS	Elizabeth Butler & Helen Sutton
VENUE OFFICERS	Bill Clark & Alan Drew

***Notes for your 2014 Dia***

Nov. 18th	11.30am	Bush Picnic
Dec. 9th	12noon	Xmas Lunch
Dec. 2nd.	2.30pm	Committee meeting
Jan 13th	12 noon	Recovery Picnic
Jan.27th	9.30am	Monthly meeting (2015)



**All contributors please note:**

**DEADLINE** for the next News Sheet is Wednesday 26th Nov. 2014, *but early reports are always most welcome.*

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