



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

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Notes for your 2016 Diary

Aug. 2nd. Committee Meeting 10.am.
 9th Lunch Breakers 12 noon
 16th Bush Walk 10.30am.
 23rd. Monthly meeting 9..30 am.

Sept 13th Archibald Prize Exhibition
 19th Bush walk
 26th Monthly Meeting 9.30am.

All contributors please note:

DEADLINE for the next News Sheet is Friday 19th Aug. 2016, 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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President's Report

The months seem to come round so fast, many at this time of year are away in Europe and UK.

Those of us who have family and friends in UK have been aware of the many reactions to the Brexit vote, my family were shocked.

Many of us have been making decisions to travel to Wangaratta and on to Bright in April next year as a Probus group. Thanks Dianne Rudd and Joan Vella for getting that underway.

Probus South Pacific continue to encourage clubs to grow, I am not sure why, as they were set up to be a service organisation for Probus clubs to provide insurance etc. I wonder if they have overstepped the mark in what they should be doing. We are having no difficulty in keeping our members and thank you all, especially to those who help with all the activities of the club, which help to maintain the ethos of Probus to be a club for fellowship, intellectual stimulation and fun.

This month has, I think, illustrated this. We were all enthralled by Raymond Howes's violin making.

The history was fascinating, and the expertise getting the wood to sing was amazing. Many of us also enjoyed the time of fellowship chat and catch up that we had at Empire Bay Tavern, judging by the General hum of the conversation there was a lot of chat!

We continue to remember the battles of the First World War with the battle of the Somme 100

years ago this month. A tragic time when 84,000 allied troops died in a day. A tragic reminder of the futility of war.

Arthur Adeney

Guest speaker: We were very fortunate to have Raymond Howes, a friend of President Arthur's, to give us a wonderful presentation on violin making. He posed the question as to whether the art of violin making was an art or a science. He commented on the geometric aspects of the structure and how he used the technical side of his profession as an Architect to assist in making violins. We were certainly fascinated and awe struck with the history of the great violins which were given names. There is an intricacy in the detail needed to form and develop the various types of wood to make a violin, its moulding and shape, and the parts of the instrument used to create a work of art. Raymond demonstrated the varying sounds which can come from different woods, allowed us to handle the parts of the instrument and the tools, and listen to his CDs of two of the famous great violins being played. An interesting and unexpected surprise was the way in which he makes his own varnish – an art in itself. There are blind sound test held today to measure the quality of modern day violins with the older versions – the results vary but in some cases the modern day violins are considered superior. Raymond is certainly a highly skilled artist in his field and we thoroughly enjoyed his talk and demonstration. In answer to the question – Is violin making an art or a science? Raymond believes it is probably both.

Profile report: Phyl Hill gave a follow up talk to her earlier presentation about Riley Island. She recalled her early childhood in Ashfield and her grandparents who were concerned people, often having extra people living with them in a caring environment. After moving to Ryde she attended Business College, had an exciting working holiday in New Zealand with many adventures. After marrying she travelled to the USA on a German Freighter which had only 7 passengers. Living in America for 10 weeks was a unique experience especially since little was known about Australia at that time. She returned home in time for the birth of her first child and always remembers that wonderful experience.

Yvonne Chandler

<i>Treasurer's Report for</i>		
<i>June 2016</i>	<i>Year to Date</i>	
<i>Opening balance 1.6.16</i>	<i>\$3,166.99</i>	
<i>Receipts</i>	<i><u>133.44</u></i>	<i>2,932.77</i>
	<i>\$3,300.43</i>	
<i>Expenses</i>	<i>131.52</i>	<i>2,033.60</i>
<i>Closing Balance 31.5.16</i>	<i>\$3,168.58</i>	



Gerry Turner

August Anniversaries

Happy Anniversary To:

Barry and Marie Riley



August Birthdays

Happy Birthday to:

Kevin Southgate Anne Mulford
Pam Prendergast Yvonne Chandler
Eric Caelli Ron Hogan



Despite the colder weather we have still had a few brave souls turning up to our golf day on Fridays, although the rain on the 8th July put everyone off. After our endless summer we now seem to have gone to the opposite extreme. We had a fun day on the 1st July, playing an Ambrose competition with two teams of three. Roy Bird stole the show on the 8th hole – He had a long straight drive down the middle of the fairway; we also used his second shot which landed within 4 metres of the green. In Roy’s characteristic style he said “Watch this; I’ll put it within a foot of the hole”. He promptly putted it over a slight rise, onto the green, whereupon the ball ran straight across the green, hit the flag and dropped into the hole - a birdie! It’s fair to say he won the competition for our team, and he has officially been granted “bragging rights” for the next 6 months! At the time of writing, the Results for the past four weeks are:

Friday 24th June – Winner: John Rudd with Nett 33

Par 3 Nearest the pins -

2nd hole: Liz Gilbert, 4th hole: -----, 6th hole: -----

Friday 1st July – Ambrose Competition. Winning team: Liz Gilbert, Roy Bird and George

Costigan with Nett 29

Par 3 Nearest the pins -

2nd hole: John Rudd, 4th hole: -----, 6th hole: -----

Friday 8th July – Cancelled due to rain!

Friday 15th July – Winners: Liz Gilbert and

Roy Bird shared first place with Nett 35

Par 3 Nearest the pins -

2nd hole: Wally Tuffs, 4th hole: Roy Bird, 6th hole: -----

We have all concluded that reason there are so few

nearest the pins on the Par 3’s is because the

course designers made the greens far too small!

We would welcome new members - hope to see you on the golf course.

Liz Gilbert Convenor/Handicapper



Tuesday 16th August 2016 – 10.30 am

Gosford Waterfront Walk

Park on waterfront or along front on Monte’s side at 10.30 am



Walking along the waterfront, we walk across the bridge and then continue walking along the footpath for a while. Footpath turns left and after a short while turns left (carawoeh boardwalk).

We then walk along the boardwalk until it reaches the lake, and then take the other boardwalk back through the mangroves till end. When it reaches main path turn left and walk a short while and then along the dog walking track (nice trees along here). Return same way. Easy flat walk.

Bring chairs, hats and sunscreen. Either bring lunch or we can get fish and chips from Monte’s.

Betty and Barrie Pickersgill

If Wet Weather please phone 43694559 or 0411560324

2016 Probus Debate at August Meeting

Our August meeting begins with the exciting final of the 2016 Probus Debates pitting together the winners of two heats held earlier at The East Gosford Probus Thursday 4 August, and at Avoca Beach Probus on Monday 15 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.

The heats will be on the topic “BREXIT, it is a good decision.” The topic is both timely and purposefully general to allow the bright young minds to craft a winning strategy. The topic for the final debate at our club is also a topical and timely one which will be revealed to the teams winning the heats.

One note: As no microphones are allowed in these debates, those of us who are hearing challenged will want to seek seats up front. Please welcome the students who after the debate will join us for morning tea.

Peter Park

Tuesday 9th August **LUNCH**
Breakers Country Club
64 Dover Road, Wamberal.

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



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Tuesday 13th September **ARCHIBALD PRIZE EXHIBITION**
Art Gallery of NSW, Art Gallery Road,
The Domain, Sydney.

Time: **12 Noon (Private Guided Tour)**
Cost: **\$15 per person concession.**
 (payable to myself on day)
Travel: **Public Transport.**
 ETD Gosford Station 0936. ETA Central 1056.
 ETD Central Station 1119. ETA Martin Place 1124
Walk through Park to Gallery.

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Gloria Reid



Bob's been in contact with Probus Brentwood Village residents the McConnells and Tysoes, both have health problems. Adrian McConnell with Natalie's TLC is recovering well while Keith Tysoe faces open heart surgery in Royal North Shore Hospital shortly. Our best wishes go to Keith and Beverly and we hope to report positively at our next meeting. Meanwhile our Catering Officer Anne Dillon has the dreaded Shingles. Get well soon Anne and we hope your Manchester man Chris is catering well at home.....

Sue Schmid contacted Alan Drew to let us know her husband Gunter has had an accident and is in Royal North Shore hospital, our thoughts and prayers are with them at this time.

And it's good to see Gloria Reid's broken ankle is on the mend, hopefully at the next meeting she'll be bootless.

We wish Wally and Suzanne Tuffs a Happy Wedding Anniversary celebrated on the 18th July. Best wishes and a very Happy Birthdays to all our members who celebrated birthdays in July,

Bob Cochrane

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Speakers

JULY: A very bubbly lady named Kami from McDonald House.



JULY Profile Speaker: Lyn Martin

AUGUST; No speaker as we have the Schools' Debate