

## NEWSLETTER July 2005

President:	Fay Grant	Welfare:	Marie McGuigan
Vice	Peter Piltz		John Smith
Secretary:	Barbara	Newslett	Keith Beirne
Treasurer:	Beryl Aitken	Hospitali	John & Jan Vrolyks
Past	Keith Beck	Activitie	Jim & Ellen Poile
Public	Bob Williams	Activitie	Joy Beck
Membership:	Gwen Feutrill	Program	Murray Aitken

President Keith opened the meeting in his usual style. The Probus prayer was read by Bernie Langtry. Membership now stands at 105. Attendance at the June meeting was 56 with 26 apologies and 24 visitors. David Kennedy provided the very enjoyable entertainment. Thank you David.

It is with regret that the resignation of Lyle and Noela Arnel was accepted by the committee. I`v;; thank them for their contribution to the Club and wish them well.

**July Birthdays:** Keith Beirne 8<sup>th</sup>: Gloria Hollis 9<sup>th</sup>: Joyce Harrison 11<sup>th</sup>: Des Gaynor 12<sup>th</sup>: Annette Gaynor 14<sup>th</sup>: Ron Gowden 15<sup>th</sup>: Fred Wood 24: Glyn Jones 26<sup>th</sup>: Elaine Baker 31<sup>st</sup>: Jean Pottie 31<sup>st</sup>. Best wishes for a happy day to you all.

At each meeting volunteers are sought to help in the kitchen, do not be backward in coming forward. Please see Janice or John Vrolyks.

**Please note: The July meeting will be held in the Senior Citizens rooms, Tarcutta Street, and not at the Wagga Boat Club**

**ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE PLEASE PAY ASAP BY PUTTING MONEY OR CHEQUE, MADE OUT TO GARDEN CITY PROBUS IN AN ENVELOPE WITH YOUR NAME OR NAMES.**

President Keith presented his report and officially passed the chain of office to incoming President Fay Grant who then introduced her committee and congratulated now Past President Keith for his jokes. The ladies of the Coursing Park CWA were also congratulated for providing a very enjoyable afternoon tea

Welfare Hayden Willetts is recovering at home following an operation Ann Witletts is nursing two broken fingers. Dot Prest is to have an operation in Albury. Vince King is to have tests in Albury. Bob Carmichael is still in hospital in Sydney.

Condolences are extended to the family of Past President Wal Baker who died recently. **ACTIVITIES August Meeting:** Please bring any photos, slides, videos of club trips

**July 13: Lunch South Wagga Bowling Club** 12 for 12.30 Contact Ellen Poile

**PLEASE:** Help the Activities Committee when paying for your activity by putting the correct money in an envelope marked with your **NAME**, the **ACTIVITY**, and, the **AMOUNT** enclosed. If you are paying by cheque please make it out to Garden City Probus Club. **PLEASE**, when ever on a Probus trip or outing, **WEAR** your **NAME BADGE PLEASE**.

### **Walking Group**

The walking group meets biweekly generally. If you wish to join contact John Vrolyks.

### **October- November**

**30<sup>th</sup> Oct – 4<sup>th</sup> Nov 6 day Probus Rendezvous Tour Geelong** . Cost \$725 twin share

Includes Tour of Geelong, Great Ocean Road to Lorne , Otway Fly Tree Top Walk; Bellarine Peninsula, Queenscliffe, Melbourne Cup afternoon, Sorrento Ferry to Mornington Peninsula. Registration forms are available from the committee interested.

*"People wish their enemies dead; but I do not, I say give them gout."* Lady Montague  
Keith Beirne

## NEWSLETTER August 2005

In the absence of President Fay, the meeting was opened by Vice President Peter Piltz. The Probus prayer was read by Ellen Heinjus,

Before continuing with the meeting, VP Peter called for a minute's silence in memory of the late Bob Carmichael. Our condolences to Nola.

Murray Aiken presented a very interesting five-minuter on the club's recent trip to the Gulf Country and north Queensland. Good one Murray!

The main guest talk was given by Danny Humphries and his team from the Turvey Park Fire Station - including an interesting audio visual treatment of the role of the Fire Brigade in the community and fire prevention in general. Thank you Danny and Co. Remember, check your smoke detectors, or have one (or more) fitted if you don't have any

**Membership:** The committee regretfully accepted the resignations of Joyce Thompson, Lynton & Constance Davis, and Neil & Dorothy Harris. Our good wishes to you all. Geoff & Betty Baker were presented with their membership badges. Bruce and Heather McAlister were welcomed as new members.

Membership stands at 104. Attendance at the July meeting was 56 with 16 apologies and 6 visitors.

**Birthdays: August birthdays include:** - Aug 4<sup>th</sup>, Don Grant; Aug 7<sup>th</sup>, Bob Williams; Aug 10<sup>th</sup>, Joan Corbett; Aug 14<sup>th</sup>, Ellen Heinjus; Aug 15<sup>th</sup>, Joan Beirne; Aug 16<sup>th</sup>, Gwen Feutrill; Aug 20<sup>th</sup>, Joan Morgan; Aug 26<sup>th</sup>, Joan Bruest.

**Subscriptions:** If you have forgotten to pay your subs, please do so ASAP. Ensure your money or cheque,

made out to Garden City Probus, is enclosed in an envelope bearing your name(s) and endorsed subscription

**Welfare:** Ray Fielder is in hospital, Dorothy Prest's operation was successful, Haydon Willetts is on the mend and is still at home. It was good to see Ann Willetts at the meeting. Our good wishes to all for a speedy and complete recovery.

Elaine Baker thanked the club for the sympathy card and advised members that Xmas boxes needed to be filled and returned to her.

### ACTIVITIES

**Luncheons:** The July luncheon was a success with 11 starters. The August luncheon will be at the Sportsmans Club Hotel (Aug 11), 12 for 12.30. Intending starters were asked to record their names and meal choice at the July meeting.

**Walking Group:** Walking recommences Aug 3. Meet at Knight's meats near the old Hampden Bridge. If interested, contact John Vrolyks.

**Trips: Jim & Ellen Poile outlined plans for a series of one day trips and one long trip to Broken Hill** (Mar/Apr, 2006).

**The Wendy Hucker Nursing Home is organising a trip to the Bowral Tulip Time on 28<sup>th</sup> Sept.** Cost is \$60 per head.

**Geelong Probus Rendezvous 30<sup>th</sup> Oct – 4<sup>th</sup> Nov.** Cost \$725 twin share. Details on P69 of Probus magazine. If interested, registration forms are available from the committee.

Don't forget August meeting is a show and tell about Probus tours. Hope I've not omitted anything important.

*"They say a psychiatrist is a fellow who asks you a lot of questions your wife asks for nothing"* (Joey Adams)

**KGB**

## NEWSLETTER September 2005

President Fay Grant opened the meeting at 1.40 pm. The Probus prayer was read by Marie McGuigan. The five-minuter was presented by Ray Grant who kept us interested with tales of his careers in the PMG and the teaching profession.

President Fay then read out letters from Nola Carmichael and Barbara Fielder, thanking the club for its letters of condolence.

Membership: New members - Heather and Bruce McAlister, Laurel Macdonald and Dorothy and Vic Eade were officially inducted into the club and received their badges. Bill Pascall was welcomed as a new member.

Membership was reported as 106. Attendance at the August meeting was 9 with 17 apologies and 6 visitors.

**Birthdays:** September birthdays include: - Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>; Norma Judd, Lorna McQuillon, Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Yvonne Condon, Sept 6<sup>th</sup> Alan Mathew, Sept 8<sup>th</sup> Laurel Macdonald, Sept 15<sup>th</sup> Ivan Heinjus, Sept 18<sup>th</sup> Barb Fielder, Ruth Walker, Sept 26<sup>th</sup> Dorothy Eade, Sept 27<sup>th</sup>: Noreen Langtry, Sept 30<sup>th</sup> Robyn King, Bill Prest, Bruce McAlister. Congratulations to you all birthday people. Subscriptions: Treasurer Beryl reports subscriptions have been coming in at a fair clip. If you have forgotten to pay your subs, please do so ASAP. Ensure your money or cheque made out to Garden City Probes is enclosed in an envelope bearing your names) and endorsed subscription.

Welfare: Ray Fielder is still not 100 per cent and reportedly, has lost a leg. Dorothy Prest's operation was successful but unfortunately was quite sick and in hospital again Bill hoped she would be home about the time of the August meeting. It was reported that Haydn and Ann Willets continue to improve. Our best wishes to all for a return to good health.

### ACTIVITIES

Luncheons: Joy Beck reported the August luncheon at the Sportsmans Club Hotel was a success.

The September luncheon is planned for the William Farrer Hotel on 14<sup>th</sup> September 12-00 for 12.30. To facilitate catering intending participants were asked to register names and meal preference at the meeting. If you want to make a last minute booking you should contact Joy but you might have left it too late.

Joy has given early notification of the Christmas party to be held on December 8<sup>th</sup> at the Commercial Club, 12.00 for 1230. Cost \$22 per head.

**Trips:** The Broken Hill trip is still being planned. More details later.

The main business of the afternoon was the-show and tell presentation of the various club trips. A special thank you must go to PP Keith Beck and VP Peter Piltz for that excellent audio video presentation. Truly marvellous.

**Future Meeting Dates:** Tuesday 25 October; Tuesday 22 November, 2005.

*"Wickedness is a myth invented by good people to account for the curious attractiveness of others"* (Oscar Wilde)

**KGB**

## NEWSLETTER for October 2005

Hi everybody! Sorry to be late- a little glitch. President Fay opened the September meeting at 1.40 pm.

The Probus prayer was read by Joan Beirne.

The five-minuter was presented by Maurice Salmon who entertained us with the finer points of inquisition especially as it affected his daughter (a real estate salesperson).

**Membership:** New member Bill Pascall received his Probus membership badge. Welcome to Probus Bill. Membership now stands at 108. Attendance at the September meeting was 58 with 2 visitors. There were 26 apologies.

**Birthdays:** October birthday's Include: - Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> Murray Aitken; Oct 5<sup>th</sup> Ellen Poile; Oct 8<sup>th</sup>; Bernie Langtry; Oct 12<sup>th</sup> Margaret Johnston; Oct 13<sup>th</sup> Jim Waddell; Oct 20, Ray Fielder; Oct 24<sup>th</sup> Eileen Hargreaves; Oct 27<sup>th</sup> Nola Chapman; Oct 31<sup>st</sup> Col Dunn. Best wishes to all for a happy day.

**Welfare:** Marie McGuigan had a fairly long list to report on last month. Nancy Dunn had been ill in a Sydney hospital, but is now home. Dorothy Prest is much improved but Dot Harris is not well. Joy Beck has had an operation on her wrist while Barbara Fielder needed to consult a doctor re her hand. Ray Fielder is still not 100 percent, but is improving; Haydn Willetts continues OK but will be returning to hospital for a check up. John Smith Suffered a mild stroke recently. He is back on his feet and attended the September meeting. Our thoughts are with you all, hoping for a complete return to good health.

### ACTIVITIES

**Luncheons:** In Joy's absence, Keith Beck advised that the September luncheon at the William Farrer Hotel was a success. The October luncheon is planned for the Saigon Cafe on Thursday, 20 October- 12.00 for 12.30. The cost for the banquet type meal will be \$10.00 per head. Intending participants indicated by a show of hands to facilitate catering. The Christmas luncheon will be held on December 8<sup>th</sup>, at the Commercial Club, 12.00 for 12.30. Cost \$22 per head. Money to be in by the November meeting.

**Trips:** Jim Poile reminded members of three trips on offer:

1. The drive yourself trip to Gundagai on 4 October. Jim must have had foreknowledge of the glitch when he said the trip would be over before the newsletter came out.
2. CSU is organising a performance of "Music under the Leaves" at the Bamboo Gardens in the Wagga Wagga Botanic Gardens. Date is Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October and programme starts at 6.00 pm. Wine and cheese will be available. If interested, contact Karen Jamieson direct at CSU by 18<sup>th</sup> October
3. The Broken Hill trip is scheduled for 27<sup>th</sup> March, to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2006. Cost will be \$545.00 per person twin share. A deposit of \$100 (p.p) is required with your name(s). Full payment to be made by the end of 2005. **PLEASE NOTE: THIS OFFER IS NOT AVAILABLE "TO OTHER CLUBS UNTIL NOVEMBER 2005.**

**Guest Speaker:** The scheduled speaker was Stephen Howe from Wagga ambulance. He was to speak on correct procedures to be adopted when summoning an ambulance and what to do while waiting. Unfortunately, he was called away on a case almost in mid sentence. He was able to leave copies of a valuable CPR chart for our information.

**Future Meeting Dates:** Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2005. There will be no meeting in December other than the Christmas luncheon.

### **Quote for the month:**

*"Any one who goes to a psychiatrist should have his head examined"* Sam Goldwyn

**KGB**

## NEWSLETTER for November 2005

Hi everybody! Hope there won't be a repeat of last month's glitch. President Fay opened the October meeting at 135 pm. The Probus prayer was read by Des Gaynor. The five-minuter was presented by Geoff Baker who entertained us so much with his very interesting life that the five minutes became very elastic. Thank you you Geoff for an excellent talk.

Before proceeding to the rest of the programme, President Fay read out a letter from Ray Fielder thanking members for all the kind thoughts and good wishes following his operation. Fay also informed members that the committee had new standing resolutions under consideration. As we will have to vote on these at the November meeting, the resolutions were tabled for members' perusal.

**Membership:** New members Joan Riches and Helen Byle-Drages were inducted into the club and were issued with their club badges. Welcome ladies to Probus; we hope you will enjoy being with us.

Membership remains at 108. Attendance at the October meeting was 72 with 3 visitors. There were 13 apologies.

**Birthdays:** November birthdays include:- Nov 2, Bob Harrison; Nov 6 Janice Vrolyks; Nov 9, Hadyn Willetts; Nov 19, Margaret Nash; Nov 22 Elva Westman, John Vrolyks; Nov 24, Keith Beck, Judith O'Brien; Nov 27, Jim Poile; Nov 29 Beryl Aitken. Best wishes to all. We hope you each enjoyed your special day.

**Welfare:** Marie McGuigan again had a fairly long list to report on last month. Nancy Dunn is still unwell with heart trouble. Dorothy Prest was able to attend the October meeting and looked much better. Dorothy Harris is still not well and Neil reportedly is also in hospital. Ellen Heinjus has suffered a broken arm. Joy Beck has recovered from her wrist operation. Ann Willetts has been admitted to hospital with pneumonia. Ray Fielder is home while Glyn Jones is nursing an injured wrist, the result of a fall. Our thoughts are with you all, hoping for a complete return to good health.

**Administration:** The committee will be meeting in January to consider the new standing resolutions which have to be adopted by the AGM in March 2006. Also, to fit in with the notice requirements for the AGM there could be a normal club meeting in January, 2006. More details later, but the formal 21 days notice of the AGM will probably have to be included in the February, 2006, newsletter.

### ACTIVITIES

**Luncheons:** The Saigon luncheon was a success. The next luncheon will be at the Duke of Kent hotel on Nov 10, - 12.00 for 12.30 select meal from the hotel board menu. The Christmas luncheon will be held on December 8, at the Commercial Club, - 12.00 for 12.30. Cost \$22 per head. Money to be in by the November meeting. Bring a \$2 gift.

**Trips:** Keith Beck reported on the Gundagai trip. Judging by his comments, he was most impressed by the silver service morning tea at the museum. All in all a very enjoyable trip.

Jim Poile advised that the Broken Hill trip in March, 2006, requires a minimum of 30 starters. At the moment there are 25 takers. Total cost is \$545 per person and there is a single supplement. A \$100 deposit [pp] is required with your name(s) by the November meeting, balance payable at the end of 2005. Please put moneys plus details of name and trip in an envelope.

Koorinal Ladies Probus is organising a theatre party at the Riverina Playhouse on Saturday, Nov 26 to a matinee of Cabaret. Cost \$25. Contact Jean Spurge.

**Guest Speaker:** The guest speaker was Chris Coleman from ABC Riverina. Chris gave an extremely entertaining expose (?) of the radio and television media.

**Future Meeting Dates:** Tuesday, 22 November, 2005. Thursday, 8 December - Christmas lunch at Commercial Club. Tuesday, 24 January 2006 [to be confirmed].

### Quote for the month:

*"Education is when you read the fine print. Experience is what you get if you don't"* Pete Seeger

KGB

## NEWSLETTER for December 2005

Hi everybody! The November meeting was opened by President Fay at 1.32 pm. There were 67 members present with 20 apologies. We welcomed 5 visitors. The Probus prayer was read by Robert Hodge and a very entertaining five-minuter was presented by Heather McAlister. Thank you Heather.

The Treasurer's report showed the club's financial state to be healthy.

President Fay announced that Wagga City Council will provide the central base station for the new radio microphone system. Clubs can buy their own mobile microphones if desired. The system was demonstrated by supplier Rick Priest later in the meeting..

**Administration:** Following explanations by Keith Beck and Bob Williams, the meeting agreed to the adoption of new standing resolutions with the proviso that if a single member leaves the club and the next eligible is a couple both can be admitted, even though this might exceed the 140 member ceiling.

**Membership:** Membership is 108. Applications for membership from Maxine and Pat Koetz have been accepted by the committee.

**Birthdays:** Best wishes to the December birthdays celebrants. They include: - Pam Wood (1/12), Jan Jones (6/12), Perc Condon and Robert Hodge (16/12), Alf Westman (18/12), Fay Grant (21/12), Nola Carmichael (23/12) and Chris Johnston (26/12). Enjoy your special days.

**Welfare:** Marie McGuigan and John Smith reported a number of Probians were on the sick or injured list. Mentioned were Ellen Heinjus (broken arm), Dot Harris (receiving radiation), Neil Harris (injured knee). Nancy and Col Dunn and Chris Johnston. Our thoughts are with them all..

### ACTIVITIES

**Luncheons:** Joy Beck reported the Duke of Kent luncheon, on Nov 10, was a success and enjoyed by all who went. She reminded all that the Xmas lunch will be at the Commercial

Club on Dec 8. She was concerned some intending starters had not yet paid. **Please remember this is a sit down meal so members should be ready to sit down at 12.30.**

Joy also suggested the January, 2006, "luncheon" be at the Tolland Hotel on Thursday 19 January, 6.30 pm. You'll enjoy both the venue and the meal. Intending starters please contact Joy direct.

**Trips:** At the moment, Jim Poile has 30-35 starters for the Broken Hill trip but hopes for another 6 to sign up to complete the 40+ comfort number. If interested, contact Jim direct. The cost is \$545 per person (twin share) and you'll need to give Jim a \$100 deposit when booking.

**Guest Speaker:** Helen Byles -- Drace gave a very interesting talk on her research at CSU into urban to rural integration. It was a most interesting talk and we thank Helen.

**Future Meeting Dates:** The next formal club meeting will be Tuesday, 24 January, 2006. Plans are afoot to have a trivia quiz.

### Quote for the month:

*"Old age isn't so bad when you consider the alternative"*

Maurice Chevalier

### KGB

### P.S.

A trivia afternoon has been organised for the January 24 (2006) meeting. A 1.30 pm start is planned, so please be early. Would members please bring a wrapped prize to the value of \$2.00 to be used as spot prizes, table prizes, etc?

There will be no charge for playing but the success of the afternoon depends on your participation and generosity.

## NEWSLETTER for January, 2006

Hi everybody! Well a very happy New Year to all! Hope you all enjoyed the Christmas break. The January meeting is to be a fun afternoon with a trivia competition. A 1.30 pm start has been planned so please be early. Although there will be no entry fee as such, would each member bring a wrapped gift to the value of \$2.00 to be used as spot prizes, table prizes etc. Remember, 24 January, 1.30 pm.

**Membership:** Membership is 108. Applications for membership from Maxine and Pat Koetz have been accepted by the committee.

**Birthdays:** Congratulations to the January birthdays celebrants. They include Fay Grant and Janette Carroll (03/01), Jean Jenkins (12/01), Joan Young (13/01), Wal Breust and Dorothy Prest (15/01), Frank Downey (23/01), Martin and Leonie Kendall (24/01), Joan Taylor (25/01) and Betty Butler (26/01). Hope your day was or will be special\_.

**Welfare:** Those who knew her will be saddened by the news of Dorothy Harris' passing on Christmas Day. Our condolences to her family. Marie McGuigan reports she hadn't had notification of members on the sick list over the break. Ray Fielder and Ellen Heinjus are on the mend and Chris Johnston is soldiering on. Haydn and Ann Willetts are going well.

### ACTIVITIES

**Luncheons:** The Christmas luncheon on 08 December was an outstanding success and greatly enjoyed by those who attended. Congratulations to Joy Beck and her helpers for a job well done.

The January, 2006, "luncheon" is still planned for Thursday, 19 January, 6.30 pm at the Tolland Hotel. If you still intend to participate, ring Joy. You'll enjoy both the venue and the meal.

Reservations are essential.

**Trips:** Hope all intending starters for the Broken Hill trip are fully paid up. Should you have forgotten, contact Jim Poile direct..

**Future Meeting Dates:** Tuesday, 24 January 2006 - trivia afternoon Tuesday; 28 February 2006 ordinary meeting. Tuesday, 28 March 2006 - AGM (?).

**Quote for the month:** *"The optimist proclaims that we live in the best of all possible worlds, and the pessimist fears this is true"* James Branch Cabell

Remember our trivia afternoon - it should be a lot of fun! And please bring a \$2.00 wrapped gift to go towards prizes.

**KGB**

## NEWSLETTER for February, 2006

The January meeting was voted a fun afternoon by all. Bruce and Heather organised an excellent trivia afternoon. Congratulations Bruce and Heather and thank you. Thank you, also to all of those who brought gifts for the prize giving.

**Membership:** Gwen Feutrill reported membership now stands at 107, Judy O'Brien having resigned. Some 40 members attended the January meeting with 5 visitors. There were 26 apologies.

**Administration:** President Fay reminded members that the March meeting (Tuesday, 28 March, 2006) will be our AGM. She announced that all positions on the Committee (except President) have been declared - vacant and nominations for new committee persons are required and are to be submitted at the February meeting. Because the incoming President is a male, it is essential that the Vice President be a female. **Please ensure you get your nomination in, it is important for the continuance of the club. A nomination form is included.**

**Birthdays:** Congratulations to our February birthdays celebrants. They include: - Peter Davis and Peter Piltz (02/02), Audrey Killalea (07/02), Helen Byles-Drace (08/02), Bill Pascall (11/02), Nancy Dunn (13/02), Joan Riches ((16/02), and John Smith (28/02). Hope your day was or will be special.

**Welfare:** Nancy Dunn and Perc Condon are both not well. Chris Johnston is undergoing treatment in Canberra and Ellen Heinjus is reportedly having trouble with her broken arm.

### ACTIVITIES

**Luncheons:** Those who attended the January "luncheon" enjoyed an excellent meal and a fine social evening.

Joy Beck has organised a luncheon at the Duke of Kent Hotel for Wednesday, 15 February, 2006 - 12.00 for 12.30. If you want to enjoy, but haven't advised Joy, you can do so by ringing her (but be quick).

**Trips:** Jim Poile reported he has filled 44 seats on the coach for the Broken Hill trip with 2 vacancies. Note that **all** moneys are to be in by the February meeting. It is planned to have a trip to the Sydney Olympic Park on the week-end of 22-23 April to attend the Military Tattoo. Cost is advised at \$350 per head. Interested members contact Jim direct.

An itinerary for a 6-day tour to Moree, 16-21 May, 2006 was distributed at the January meeting. No doubt Jim will have more to say about that later.

**Future Meeting Dates:** Tuesday, 28 February, 2006 - ordinary meeting. Tuesday, 28 March 2006 - AGM. Official notification of the AGM will be given in the next newsletter. **Please Note** Outgoing committee advises that subscriptions will fall due on 1 April, 2006. They remain at \$25.00 per member.

**Quote for the month:** *"To err is human but to really foul things up requires a computer"* Paul Ehrlich  
**KGB**



## NEWSLETTER for March, 2006

**Members are reminded that the AGM will be held on Tuesday, 28 March, 2006, in the Senior Citizens rooms, Tarcutta Street starting at 1.30 pm.** Election for a new committee will take place then. Please be advised that the April meeting will be the change-over meeting. In reminding members of these arrangements, President Fay stressed that the future of the club depended on people nominating for the committee.

The Probus prayer was read by Bernie Langtry. A quite humorous five -minuter about "Peeking" Duck and his career on the land and in the Air Force was given by John Smith.

**Membership:** Gwen Feutrill reported membership now stands at 107. The February meeting was attended by 71 members with 16 apologies and there were 5 visitors. The resignation of Robert Hodge was announced.

**Administration:** President Fay reminded members that subscriptions are now due and should be paid by the AGM (the March meeting) Subs remain at \$25.00 per member. The committee has decided to defer action on the purchase of new microphones until they have been proved to be as effective as claimed.

**Birthdays:** Congratulations to our March birthdays celebrants. They include- Shirley Steele (07/03), Joyce Angel (10/03), Heather McAlister (11/03), Colleen Ireson (12/03), Lorraine Downey (14/03), Pat Koetz (15/03), Bernice Piltz (18/03), Nancy Jones (22/03), Marie McGuigan (27/03), Bill Nash and Helen Davis (29/03). Hope your day will be special.

**Welfare:** Marie McGuigan reported Nancy Dunn is still both not well. Chris Johnston is still undergoing treatment in Canberra and Margaret is feeling the strain. Ellen Heinjus is reportedly bearing up with her broken arm.

### ACTIVITIES

**Luncheons:** Joy Beck reported the luncheon at the Duke of Kent Hotel left a lot to be desired for several reasons and recommended the club no longer patronise that venue. The next club luncheon will be at the William Farrer Hotel on Wednesday, 15 March, 12.00 for 12.30.

**Trips:** Jim Poile reported he has a coach full and the trip to Broken Hill is a goer. Jim advised the coach will leave Cross Street at 8.00 am sharp on 27 March (that's a Monday in case you forgot) and warned all to be on time or be left behind.

**Future Meeting Dates:** Tuesday, 28 March, 2006 - AGM. The March board meeting has been moved to Tuesday, 21 March. This newsletter is to be regarded as the official notification of the AGM.

**Please Note** In closing the meeting, President Fay again stressed the need for members to nominate for positions on the committee, especially for Vice President (female), Secretary and Treasurer, to ensure viability of the club. The change-over meeting is in April.

**Quote for the month:** *"We know what happens to people who stay in the middle of the road. They get run over"* Aneurin Bevan

**KGB**

## NEWSLETTER for April,2006

**The AGM was held on Tuesday, 28 March, 2006, in the Senior Citizens rooms, Tarcutta Street, and was declared open at 1.30 pm. by VP Peter Piltz.**

The Probus prayer was read by Audrey Killalea. There was no five -minuter.

**Membership:** Gwen Feutrill reported membership now stands at 106. The March meeting was attended by 55 members with 33 apologies and there were 2 visitors.

**Administration:** Subscriptions are now due and should be paid ASAP. Subs remain at \$25.00 per member. At this stage VP Peter Piltz called on Wal Bruest to conduct the election of the new committee. Those elected were:

President:	Peter Piltz	Welfare:	Alan Mathew
Vice President:	Barbara Fielder		Jeanette Carroll
Secretary:	Joan Riches	Newsletter:	Keith Beck
Treasurer:	Annette Gaynor	Hospitality:	John & Jan Vrolyks
Past President:	Fay Grant	Activities:	Ray Fielder
Public Officer:	Bob Williams		Joy Beck
Membership:	Gwen Feutrill	Programmes:	Bernice Piltz

**Birthdays:** Congratulations to our April birthdays celebrants. They include:- George Cameron (08/04), Geoff Baker (14/04), Norma Steward ( 19/04), John Pottie and Bill Corbett (22/04), Maurice Salmon and Don Chapman (26/04). Our good wishes to all.

**Welfare:** Marie McGuigan reported Nancy Dunn is still not well. Chris Johnston is still undergoing treatment in Canberra.

### ACTIVITIES

**Luncheons:** Joy Beck reported the luncheon at the William Farrer Hotel on Wednesday, 15 March, was successful. The April luncheon will be at the South Wagga Wagga Bowling Club on Thursday, 20 April, 12.00 for 12.30.

**Trips:** The Broken Hill tour party had not returned for the AGM. We will no doubt hear all about it at the change-over meeting.

**Guest Speakers.** Chris and Anna from the Riverina Regional Library gave an interesting summary of the facilities and services of the library.

**Future Meeting Dates:** Tuesday, 25 April, 2006 - Change-over meeting despite being a Public Holiday. The meeting is scheduled to start at 1.30 pm. Afternoon tea will be provided at a cost of \$4.00 per head and members are asked to pay as they register.

Vice President Peter declared the meeting closed at 2.45 pm.

**Quote for the month:** *"Gossip is the art of saying nothing in a way that leaves practically nothing unsaid."* Walter Winchell

**KGB**

## NEWSLETTER for May,2006

Our April meeting was opened on the 25<sup>th</sup> at 1.30pm by our President Fay Grant, who read the Probus Prayer, stating that as she had no one in mind to do it and as it was her last meeting she would read it herself This being the changeover meeting no five minute speaker was engaged.

**Membership:** Gwen Feutrill reported membership now stands at 104. The April meeting was attended by 52 members with 25 apologies and 12 visitors.

It was decided by the committee that the apologies would read out at the general meeting, perhaps reminding those who could not attend to submit an apology. Sadly we received resignations from Peter and Helen Davis and Helen Byles-Drage.

On a happier note Pat and Maxine Koetz were installed as members and presented with their badges by President Fay.

**Administration:** Subscriptions became due on 1<sup>st</sup> April and should be paid as soon as possible. Subs are \$25.00 per annum.

Subscriptions for new members are payable on a pro rata basis declining by 25% per quarter, anyone introducing new members please advise them of this.

**Birthdays:** Birthday people for May are John Walker 5<sup>th</sup>, Peter Killalea and Jan Williams 15<sup>th</sup>, Gwen Earsman 16<sup>th</sup>, Anne Willetts 21<sup>st</sup>, Esmae Salmon 22<sup>nd</sup>. We wish you all a happy birthday.

**Welfare:** Our welfare officers were unavailable and no one else advised of any unwell members with the exception of Chris Johnston, get well soon Chris.

### Activities

**Lunches:** Joy Beck reported the lunch at the South Wagga Bowling Club on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> was successful with 28 members attending.

The next lunch will be at the Koorungal Hotel Bistro on Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> May, 12 for 12.30 as usual, names to be submitted as soon as possible to arrange table bookings.

One of our members had a meal there recently and can thoroughly recommend it.

**Trips:** Annette Gaynor gave a report on the recent trip to Broken Hill, thoroughly enjoyed by all. A vote of thanks was given to Ellen and Jim Poile for organizing a most successful trip.

**Shepparton Trip:** Joy Beck is arranging a trip to Shepparton on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, with morning tea on the way then onto Shepparton to visit the Ardmona factory for shopping and lunch then on to Rutherglen for afternoon tea, to visit shops, etc there, then on home. For more details please contact Joy as soon as possible before the next meeting, the last day for booking and money to be in is 9<sup>th</sup> June. The more on the trip the cheaper it will be.

### **THE ANNUAL CHANGEOVER**

This month's meeting was the annual changeover of Office Bearers. President Fay thanked all the retiring officers for their help over the past year and said she had enjoyed the experience greatly and it had given her more confidence.

She then handed the Sash of Office to incoming President Peter Piltz, who then introduced his Office Bearers for the coming year.

Visitors were in attendance from the following clubs, Koorungal Ladies, Koorungal Men's, Murrumbidgee Combined, Sturt Ladies, Wagga Ladies Wagga Men's, and Wollundry Ladies. The afternoon was capped off by entertainment provided by Karen Smith and her daughters Jessica and Emily on piano, violin, and trombone, a very talented and entertaining trio. To finish we all enjoyed a sumptuous afternoon tea provided by the Yathella/Coursing Park CWA Ladies for which we thank them sincerely and will now try to shed the extra weight.

Enough for this month, don't forget the next meeting will be Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

**Remember:** *All men make mistakes. But the married ones know about it sooner.* Regards,  
Keith.

## NEWSLETTER for June, 2006

President:	Peter Piltz	Welfare:	Alan Mathew
Vice President:	Barbara Fielder		Jeanette Carroll
Secretary:	Joan Riches	Newsletter:	Keith Beck
Treasurer:	Annette Gaynor	Hospitality:	John & Jan Vrolyks
Past President:	Fay Grant	Activities:	Ray Fielder
Public Officer:	Bob Williams	Activities:	Joy Beck
Membership:	Gwen Feutrill	Programmes:	Bernice Piltz

Our June meeting was opened on the 27<sup>TH</sup> by President Peter at 1.30 pm in the usual way by welcoming our three visitors as well as all members present.

The Probus Prayer was read by Pat Koetz.

As no one had anything to offer in the five minute speaker spot Peter filled in with several humorous and interesting by-lines.

So come on Probianas if you have something to contribute don't be afraid to come forward

**Membership:** Gwen Feutrill reports that we have 107 members, with 62 members 19 apologies and 3 visitors at the June meeting.

At the meeting Bruce and Ailsa Bowman were inducted into the club, with President Peter presenting them with their name tags and offering them our friendship. Neil Harris who was a past member has rejoined the club.

**Birthdays:** Birthdays for July are, 8<sup>th</sup> Keith Bierne, 9<sup>th</sup> Gloria Hollis, 11<sup>th</sup> Joyce Harrison, 12<sup>th</sup> Des Gaynor, 14<sup>th</sup> Annette Gaynor, 15<sup>th</sup> Ron Growden, 24<sup>th</sup> Fred Wood, 26<sup>th</sup> Glyn Jones, 29<sup>th</sup> Victor Eade, 31<sup>st</sup> Elaine Baker and Jean Pottie.

Happy birthday to you all, it seems by the above number July was a good month to be born.

**Welfare:** Janette and Alan advise that we seem to be a healthy lot with only Alf and Elva Westman not well and also Chris Johnston with his ongoing health problems. Please let our welfare officers know of any members who are not well.

**Guest speaker** for the meeting was Deirdre Moulden, who is involved with the settling of refugees in the Riverina area. These people come here with virtually nothing and are often also traumatized and need help with language difficulties, filling in paperwork, learning to use household appliances , just about everything to fit in with every day living here.

At the moment 13 families with 34 people mainly from Africa and Afghanistan are being assisted.

The guest speaker at the next meeting will be Dr. Ray King who is involved with 'Sunflower House'.

### Activities

**Lunches:** Joy Beck reported that the lunch at the Shanty Bistro was well attended by 26 members on a very frosty day with the large log fire well received. The meal was enjoyable but the beef was very rare (nearly bellowed).

The next lunch will be **Christmas in July** at the Garden Court Restaurant in the Botanic Gardens on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at \$25 per head, 12 for 12.30 serve. Any one still wishing to go please let Joy know, with the money before the 12<sup>th</sup> July for catering purposes.

**Trips:** The day trip to Shepparton was greatly enjoyed by all who went, with most finding some great bargains at the cannery outlet, as the luggage compartment on the coach showed. After everyone worrying about a forecasted wet start to the day, it turned out to be a beautiful day, with a little rain in Shepparton at lunch time. We then returned home with a short stop for coffee in Rutherglen.

**Suggestions.** If anyone has any suggestions for day trips, please let Joy know, all suggestions welcome.

**Ettalong Trip:** Ray Fielder is still seeking people for the Ettalong trip. He needs about 40 for a successful trip to allow the coach travel to go ahead.

The trip is from 16<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> September. Cost is all inclusive (bus there and back). For \$560 per person, \$200 deposit required when booking. Contact Ray.

If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?

Regards

*Keith.*