

NEWSLETTER MAY 2014

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OUR NEXT MEETING DATE: Tuesday 27th of May 2014 at the Equex Centre



MAY BIRTHDAYS

5th John Walker, 9th Allan Davis, 15th Peter Killalea, 19th Harold Wilson and 24th Judy Dempsey

President Joan commenced our changeover meeting by extending a welcome to all especially our guests from other Probus Clubs, visitors and members. At today's meeting there were 71 members with 14 apologies, 14 guests from other clubs, two visitors and then there was our entertainment group for today; one lady and 10 men The Probuskers.

Following the reading of the Probus Prayer by Robyn Kirchner, our Fire Safety Officer, Murray Aitken explained the procedure to be followed in the event of the need to evacuate the room. For the benefit of our visitors he added that they should leave their handbags and he would look after them.



Bruce McAlister then read some thoughts for the elderly beginning with the sage advice 'Do not regret growing old it's a privilege.' This was followed by the advice of choosing your friends well, keep active, laugh be alive.

Joan read the list of birthdays for April and on behalf of the club wished them all the best then asked for and received support from members.

Following the tabling of last months minutes by Barbara and a Treasurer's report by Peter, membership officer, Robyn, advised that our membership is currently 110 with eight new inductees for the year and two resignations.

In her welfare report Bernice said that Laurel Macdonald was in hospital, that Rita Smit had also been in hospital but was present today. Gloria Beck has been unwell and Jenny Batten is continuing her battle.

Alcia in her last luncheon arrangement although she will fill in for our incoming activities officer when he is absent advised that our next luncheon will be at The Thomas Blamey Hotel on Tuesday the 13th of May.

GUEST SPEAKER: Our guest speaker at our May meeting will be Professor Joe McGirr who is the Associate Dean at the University of Notre Dame in the grounds of Calvary Health Care.

Maureen, as the outgoing trips organiser, spoke about the upcoming trip to the <u>Altina Wildlife Park</u> as well as some of the Combined Probus Tours Groups proposed tours. She then reminisced on the many events that we had enjoyed through the year, The Mystery Trip, visits to the Rex Pilot Academy and RAAF Museum, the Uranquinty Power Station with lunch at the Uranquinty hotel, <u>Lake Mulwala Cruise</u>, Friendship Day, the Junee Correctional Facility with its fantastic concert followed by lunch at the Junee Hotel and a visit to the Liquorice Factory, our fun Saint Patrick's morning tea and the enjoyment of reliving old movies with the Silver Screen offerings.

Martin gave details of our the walking group's venue which was decided to be from Forsyth Street



culminating with morning tea at the South Wagga Bakery. He then armed himself with his collection bag and proceeded to gather fines from people who had nowhere to hide.

The general meeting was closed with current positions being vacated. Joan thanked her committee for their support during her tenure before inviting John Whiles to come forward where she passed on the symbols of office offering him and the incoming committee her and the members best wishes.



In accepting John congratulated Joan and the outgoing committee and committed himself to continuing the good work. John then introduced his new committee members before breaking for afternoon tea, which is being excellently catered for by Coursing Park CWA.



Our entertainment for the afternoon, the Probuskers singing group, was introduced by John who invited Peter Simpfendorfer' spokesman for the Probuskers, to give a brief outline of the groups history before we were treated to a variety of songs that were definitely designed to appeal to our generation. A member of our club, Alex Macdonald led a rollicking version of McNamara's Band while John Ducie and Terry Harvey gave splendid solo performances.

When the backing board on the organ collapsed Elaine kept the accompaniment going while a couple of our members managed to restore the board to the clips on the instrument. So popular were the group that they were caught unprepared

when they were requested to do an encore but they handled it with aplomb.

As the organiser who arranged for the group to perform at today's meeting Boyd moved a vote of thanks and his remarks were enthusiastically endorsed by the members.

John called for numbers for the dinner at the William Farrer before closing what was a very successful meeting



AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER FOR MAY 27th MEETING Nola Carmichael, Jeanette Carroll, Joan Corbett, Alan & Nell Davis MEMBERS UNAVAILABLE TO ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT

INSIDE EVERY OLDER PERSON IS A YOUNGER PERSON WONDERING WHAT THE HELL HAPPENED



MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT PAYED THEIR FEES FOR THE 2014/15 YEAR ARE REMINDED THAT A PROPORTION OF OUR FEES IS PAID TO PROBUS SOUTH PACIFIC AND COVERS SUBSCRIPTION TO THE MAGAZINE 'ACTIVE RETIREES' AND ALSO OUR INSURANCE WHEN ATTENDING PROBUS FUNCTIONS.



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OUR NEXT MEETING DATE: Tuesday 24th of June 2014 at the Equex Centre



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

2nd Vince King, 6th Roy Possie, 10th Janet Terry, 12th Joy Beck, 13th Hazel Tennant, 17th Rita Cameron, 20th Boyd Stone, 21st Marie Tulk, 26th Joan Stone



The weather outside might have been wet, with the netball courts a sea of water, but the atmosphere inside was as usual warm and welcoming as we got under way for our first full meeting under our new president John Whiles.

It was great to receive more nominations for membership and we look forward to Di Jacobson, Allan & Marnie

part of our friendly group.

Also noticed the return of John Gray who has been unable to attend for a few months; he has been greeted back by being rostered for afternoon tea duty that will get him back into the swing of things.

Duffus and Barry & Sonia Williams becoming

There is promise of a compromise regarding a Trips Organiser with Pam Whiles and Barbara Fielder considering being our representatives at the Combined Tours monthly meetings from where they can keep us informed of any exciting trips that are being planned.



INVITATION TO WALK

The walking Group is open to all members and being a great walker is not essential, just the wish to spend some quality time with friends.

The walking can be just an excuse to join in a cuppa in the morning and there are some who restrict their walk to from the car to the place of refreshments.

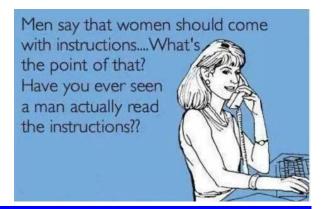
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McDonald's and the South Wagga Bakery are popular with, weather permitting, the occasional bring your own snack picnic style.

You will notice that the Newsletter has been changed and no longer repeats in depth much of the information that is shown in the minutes. There will be the opportunity to promote events that are relevant to our members so if you have any suggestions please let us know.

Garden City is your club so share your thoughts for the benefit of us all.

Marty has returned from the tripping around that he and Leonie enjoyed, and might be angling for a position with a travel agency judging by his enthusiastic description of their time away; especially the Indian Pacific and Murray River Cruise. He was full of vigour to fleece any member who has either been lucky, been shown in the media, or had an anniversary of any sort. He also returns to lead the walking group as they step out to earn a cuppa wherever they go.



MAY GUEST SPEAKER

Joe McGirr, was introduced by Maureen Nugent in his role as Associate Professor at Notre Dame University. A progression in healthcare available in locally the Wagga Wagga Rural Clinical School opened in June 2011in the grounds of Calvary Health Care Riverina.

Speaking with great clarity, Joe interspersed humour with much detail about the benefits of having this facility on our doorstep with students gaining experience in both Calvary and the Base Hospital.

An update on the progress being made of the new building being constructed in Hardy Avenue was of interest as further indication of the commitment of the university to process as an integral part of the Wagga and Riverina community.

The option of a question and answer period following Joe's



speech was eagerly accepted and the answers were very well received by those in attendance. As a token of appreciation President John offered a small gift and his thanks were supported with great enthusiasm.



Welcome
HOST & HOSTESS ROSTER FOR JUNE 24th MEETING
Dell & Peter Bungay, Jeanette Carroll and Gwen Feutrill

Welcome

Feel like going on a trip with Probus friends? If so check these:

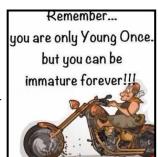
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Some ideas using Makehams:

19th of July a one-day trip to hear <u>The Ten Tenors in Canberra</u>, with the cost being \$170.

2nd/3rd of August Makehams are going to Melbourne for *The King and I*.

16th/17th of August there is a two-day one to take in <u>Strictly Ballroom</u> in Sydney. If you are interested in any of these simply make your own booking and payments with Makehams and tell them that you wish to use the Probus allocated seating.





AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER FOR JUNE 24th MEETING Barb Fielder, Annette & Des Gaynor, Fay Grant and John Gray MEMBERS UNAVAILABLE SHOULD ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT



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OUR NEXT MEETING DATE: 1:30pm Tuesday 22nd of July, 2014 at the Equex Centre

JULY BIRTHDAYS



8th Keith Beirne, 9th Milton Loiterton, 11th Joyce Harrison, 12th Des Gaynor, 14th Dell Bungay & Annette Gaynor, 24th Rita Moore, 31st Elaine Baker & Jean Pottie





If ever there was a day for missing a meeting, Tuesday the 24th of June was that day. As freezing wind and sleeting rain lashed the netball courts outside our meeting room 52 members & 3 visitors braved the weather and readied themselves for another great afternoon.



The June lunch was held at the Sportsmen's Club Hotel, with 16 members sharing time and stories.

Our June meeting started with the club's Probus prayer being read by Annette Gaynor before we settled into what was a very interesting afternoon.

Bernice gave her welfare report about the current health of those of our members who are experiencing ill health and read a card that thanked members



for their concern and expressions of support.



Ronda Lampe presented for members signatures a petition requesting the council to return the Information Centre to its location in Tarcutta Street.

THE WALKING GROUP

If you feel that you would like to accompany the walking group don't hesitate you will be made very welcome. If you are not up to walking you can still come to share a cuppa and enjoy the company.

Walks are held fortnightly except for a period after Christmas when the heat is excessive.

HOST & HOSTESS ROSTER FOR JULY 22nd MEETING Alcia & Michael Dowd and Dorothy & Bill Prest

The minister was preoccupied with thoughts of how he was going to ask the congregation to come up with more money than they were expecting to pay for repairs to the church building.

Therefore, he was annoyed to find that the regular organist was sick and a substitute had been brought in at the last minute. The substitute wanted to know what to play.

"Here's a copy of the service," he said impatiently. "But, you'll have to think of something to play after I make the announcement about the finances."

During the service, the minister paused and said, "Brothers and Sisters, we are in great difficulty; the roof repairs cost twice as much as we expected and we need \$4,000 more. Any of you who can pledge \$100 or more, please stand up." At that moment, the substitute organist played "The Star Spangled Banner."

And that is how the substitute became the regular organist!

JUNE GUEST SPEAKER

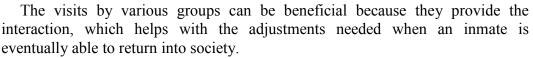


Guest Speaker was Trevor Coles, the Offender Services Manager from the GEO Junee Correctional Centre. Trevor a resident of Wagga for the last 26 years commenced his

employment at the Junee Correctional Centre (JCC) in 2003 as the Resettlement Officer.

In his speech he emphasised the importance of having inmates being

supported in their quest for rehabilitation.



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An invitation to the Canberra Friendship lunch on Tuesday 23rd September 2014. At the Tuggeranong Viking's Club. This year being the Centenary of the 1914-18 world war, it is deemed appropriate to have a military speaker. This will be Brigadier Wayne Goodman, a regular serving officer.

Probus provides opportunities to share time with like minded friends especially on trips. A few suggestions worth a look are:

Sept the 19th the Wollundry Ladies trip to Goulburn with some places still available. Price is \$330 per person a deposit of \$50 will reserve your seat. Pauline Mead (Ph 6922 5089) is the contact.

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Our prayer for our members who are in need.

Look after our members who are sick or suffering, or who have lost a loved one, and give them the comfort of knowing that we care.

Amen

Our guest speaker for July will be Bill Fraser who is an authorised volunteer worker in Canberra for the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (RFDS). The RFDS provides general and specialist health care to over 80% of Australia, including Air Ambulance services to Wagga Wagga and district.





AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER FOR JULY 22nd MEETING Gwen Feutrill, Neil Harris, Joyce Harrison, Patsy & John Hassall MEMBERS UNAVAILABLE SHOULD ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT



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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

10th Joan Corbett, Robyn Kirchner, 11th Peter Bungay, 12th Anne VanWel 13th Ruth Davis, 14th Ellen Heinjus, 15th Joan Beirne, 16th Gwen Feutrill, 20th Bernie Dempsey, 22nd Gloria Beck



What a difference a day makes. Last month's miserable wet, windy, cold day replaced by a cool sunny afternoon to set the scene for a great meeting.



18 members enjoyed the luncheon at the Royal Gardens Restaurant.

Our July meeting was in danger of being a disappointment when the fuse in the kitchen area blew leaving the possibility of no hot water for afternoon tea. Fortunately with some ingenuity the Urn was



brought to boil in the meeting area. The Probus Prayer was read by Margaret Johnston before Bruce McAllister read some 'anecdotes' on

living in the 'good old days'.

A number of our members are not travelling all that well but are showing great spirit as they strive to get back to good health.

THE WALKING GROUP

Better weather meant a better roll up. Why don't you join us?

Walks are held fortnightly except for a period after Christmas when the heat is excessive.



HOST & HOSTESS ROSTER FOR AUGUST 26th MEETING Annette & Des Gaynor and Patsy & John Hassall

One Sunday a priest told his congregation that the church needed some extra money and asked the people to prayerfully consider giving a little extra in the offering plate. He said that whoever gave the most would be able to pick out their three favourite hymns.

After the collection, the priest glanced down and saw that someone had placed a \$100 note on the plate. He was so excited and said he'd like to thank the person who placed the money on the plate.

Rosie, sitting all the way at the back, shyly raising her hand. The priest asked her to come to the front. Slowly she made her way to the front and he told her how wonderful it was that she gave so much and in thanksgiving asked her to pick out three hymns.

Her eyes brightened as she looked over the congregation, pointed to the three most handsome men in the building and said, "I'll take him and him and him!"

JULY GUEST SPEAKER



Bill Fraser our Guest Speaker visited us from Canberra where he is a highly accredited Australian in many spheres and disciplines.

Bill gave a very comprehensive and very well received talk on the origins of The Royal Flying Doctor Service with its many interesting characters.

He outlined just how far reaching the service is and how quickly it is able to

respond in the case emergency.

He explained how the Rev John Flynn, a minister with the Presbyterian Church witnessed the daily struggle of pioneers living in remote areas with just two doctors to provide the only medical care over a vast area. How on 15 May 1928, this dream had become a reality with the opening of the Australian Inland Mission Aerial Medical Service (later renamed the Royal Flying Doctor Service) in Cloncurry, Queensland.



A few social suggestions worth a look are:

5th September Wagga Wagga's Greatest Ever Blokes lunch. Information: 0427 224 602 Sept the 19th the Wollundry Ladies trip to Goulburn with some places still available. Price is \$330 per person a deposit of \$50 will reserve your seat. Pauline Mead (Ph 6922 5089) is the contact.

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A prayer for our members who need support.

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Our guest speaker for July will be Rod Kendall, Mayor of Wagga Wagga. This will be a wonderful opportunity to hear Rod speak on developments that are planned for our city and answer questions that no doubt many are anxious to hear. Possibly one question that everyone is thinking is what is the plan for future Probus meeting parking availability.





AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER FOR AUGUST 26th MEETING Ellen & Ivan Heinjus, Margaret Johnston & Jan Jones MEMBERS UNAVAILABLE SHOULD ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT



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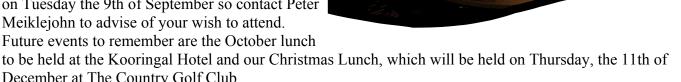
1st Norma Judd, 4th Bernice Munro, 6th Ronda Lampe, 8th Laurel Macdonald 9th Gay Lucas, 10th Warren Tulk, 12th Lynette Stackenburg, 15th Ivan Heinjus 18th Barbara Fielder, Ruth Walker, 21st Helen Brill, 27th Malcolm Alexander, Alcia Dowd, Noreen Langtry, 30th Robyn King, Bruce McAlister, Bill Prest



Probus is more than a once a month meeting. It provides a way for members to interact with people who become friends sharing common interests. On the 12th of August a group from Garden City enjoyed lunch at the Wagga Wagga Commercial Club before moving to the lounge area for a cappuccino and cake to end the occasion.

Our September lunch will be at Romano's Hotel on Tuesday the 9th of September so contact Peter Meiklejohn to advise of your wish to attend.

to be held at the Kooringal Hotel and our Christmas Lunch, which will be held on Thursday, the 11th of December at The Country Golf Club.





Probus doesn't just revolve around the meetings that are held monthly, it is a way of sharing your friendship.

That is manifest in the different little social interactions that occur from time to time such as the gatherings of anyone who wants to join in with the walking group. Another time was when Gwen Feutrill was surprised by Ruth Walker and some of her friends with a birthday cake which was presented, cut and consumed in the food area at The Marketplace, with a quiet little "Happy Birthday" sung.

THE WALKING GROUP

Do you want the opportunity to exercise or socialise? Why not join us?

Walks are held fortnightly except for a period after Christmas when the heat is excessive. Ask Martin Kendall for details.



HOST & HOSTESS ROSTER FOR SEPTEMBER 23rd MEETING Margaret Johnston, Jan Jones, Boyd & Joan Stone

An Irishman moves into a tiny hamlet in County Kerry, walks into the pub and orders three beers. The bartender raises his eyebrows, but serves the man three beers, which he drinks quietly at a table, alone. An hour later, the man has finished the three beers and orders three more. This happens yet again.

The next evening the man again orders and drinks three beers at a time, several times. Soon the entire town is whispering about the him. Finally, a week later, the bartender broaches the subject on behalf of the town. "I don't mean to pry, but folks around here are wondering why you always order three beers?"

'Tis odd, isn't it?" the man replies, "You see, I have two brothers, and one went to America, and the other to Australia.

We promised each other that we would always order an extra two beers whenever we drank as a way of keeping up the family bond." Then, one day, the man comes in and orders only two beers. The bartender pours them with a heavy heart. This continues for the rest of the evening - he orders only two beers. The word flies around town. Prayers are offered for the soul of one of the brothers. The next day, the bartender says to the man, "Folks around here, me first of all, want to offer condolences to you for the de ath of your brother. You know-the two beers and all..." The man ponders this for a moment, then replies, "You'll be happy to hear that my two brothers are alive and well... It's just that I, myself, have decided to give up drinking for Lent."

AUGUST GUEST SPEAKER



Phil Hoey, delivered a powerful message on recognising and dealing with a stroke. He gave the statistics of the number and frequency of strokes that occur in Australia. He stressed the importance of recognising the warning signs and advocated remembering the use of **FAST** as an indication of what to look for and reminded us that speed of intervention is vital.

Phil was very comprehensive and enlightening in his address and members were very impressed, asking a number of questions that were answered with clarity and understanding.

At our next meeting take the opportunity to pick up some small cards that will be a reminder about the things that we need to watch for.

FAST is an acronym for the various components to look for. **F**ace, **A**rm and **S**peech are the words that are important to note while **T**ime is critical to a chance of recovery.



Trips Committee suggestions worth a look are:

3rd to 5th of November—Melbourne cup two-night trip. There are 23 names on the list and the cost is \$420 per person (twin share) with a deposit of \$100 due ASAP. Contact Graham Hornibrook (6933 1350) for more details.

Priests Coaches: Tamworth Country Music Trip from 21st to 26th January. Cost \$1,680 pp.

From Priest's Coaches (02) 6926 1298:

A trip to Floriade on September 14, cost \$60 pp Elvis Presley at Parks on January 10th with a concert at 2:00pm. Cost is \$140pp.

Opera in the Alps at Beechworth, January 17 at a cost of \$145 pp.

Our prayer for our members who need support.

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Amen

Because of unavoidable circumstances, Rod Kendall, our City's Mayor, who was to be our August guest speaker had to cancel. He now plans to join us for our September meeting and we look forward to hearing him speak on planned city developments and answer questions that no doubt many are anxious to hear, hopefully including what is the plan regarding parking availability for future Probus meetings.





AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER FOR SEPTEMBER 23rd MEETING
Noreen Langtry, Betty & Milton Loiterton, Sylvia Lowrey & Gay Lucas
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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

2nd Murray Aitkin, 5th Ellen Poile, 11th Robert Stackenburg 12th Margaret Johnston, 21st Neil Harris, 23rd Betty Loiterton



Our September lunch at Romano's Hotel on Tuesday the 9th of September was attended by about 15 members who had to do some financial juggling when the hotel would only accept one payment to cover the whole group. Fortunately our members managed to work out their own costs enabling the bill to be paid.

Our October lunch will be held at the Kooringal Hotel on the 14th of October.





The Walking Group defied the weather when we car pooled and drove to Lockhart where we endured the wind and rain as we sheltered while we ate our morning tea before exploring the various shops in the this town which is known as the Verandah Town.



CHRISTMAS 2014

DON'T MISS OUR CHRISTMAS LUNCH
THURSDAY DECEMBER 11
AT THE WAGGA COUNTRY CLUB
COST \$25 PER PERSON
BOOKINGS AND PAYMENTS FROM OCTOBER 28th



HOST & HOSTESS ROSTER FOR OCTOBER 28th MEETING LEONIE KENDALL, RONDA LAMPE, BETTY & MILTON LOITERTON

An engineer died and ended up in Hell. He was not pleased with the level of comfort and began to redesign and build improvements. After a while they had flushing toilets, air-conditioning and escalators

One day God called to Satan, "So, how's it going down there in Hell?" Satan replied, "Hey, things are great. We've got air-conditioning, flushing toilets and escalators, and there's no telling what this engineer is going to come up with next." God was surprised, "What? You've got an engineer? That's a mistake. He never should have gone down there in the first place. Send him back up here."

"No way,' replied Satan, "I like having an engineer, and I'm keeping him."

God threatened, "Send him back up here now or I'll sue."

Satan laughed and answered, "Yeah, right. And just where are YOU going to get a lawyer?"



SEPTEMBER GUEST SPEAKER



Norma Gray introduced Mr Rod Kendall, Mayor of Wagga Wagga, as our Guest Speaker. Rod and his wife Robyn have fostered many children over the years.

Rod, who was born in Holbrook but his family moved to Wagga when he was a youngster, spoke on major projects which will bring benefit to our city, including an extensive building commencing soon, will house three basketball/netball courts (indoor) as well as providing conference facilities.

He spoke on the Bomen Container terminal, which will provide a boost to the economy, the rejuvenation of the beach area will also expand the recreational opportunities for people and the levee work that will go ahead. North Wagga areas will be made flood compatible.

After Rod had answered many questions from the floor, Michael Dowd thanked him on behalf of our club and presented him a gift of NOT Grange Hermitage.

Here are some trips that might be of interest from Priest's Coaches (02) 6926 1298:

Opera in the Alps at Beechworth, January 17 at a cost of \$145 pp.

Tamworth Country Music Trip from 21st to 26th January. Cost \$1,680 pp.

Wagga Evening CWA has available a one-day coach trip to BEECHWORTH CELTIC FESTIVAL on the 8th of November, the cost is \$50 and payment to be made by 8th of October or ASAP. For bookings contact Belle 6931 7001 or Hilary 6925 4907. Leaving from Fox Street at 7:00am and returning at 6:00pm approx. Morning tea is included.

Our prayer for our members who need support.

Look after our members who are sick or suffering, or who have lost a loved one, and give them the comfort of knowing that we care.

Amen

Our meetings in the Netball Complex are coming to an end. Remediation work in the Tarcutta Street area is almost complete so the October meeting will be our last here with the plan being to return to The Senior Citizens Centre for our November meeting. December being our Christmas Lunch.

Our guest speaker in October will be Professor Elaine Dietsch, a senior lecturer in midwifery at Charles Sturt University. Her topic will be on the subject that Life for women and girls in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) can be an horrific experience. Yet, despite circumstance, there's an overwhelming strength and bravery that inspires.





AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER FOR OCTOBER 28th MEETING
Ann Peacock, Ellen & Jim Poile and John & Jean Pottie
MEMBERS UNAVAILABLE SHOULD ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT



NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2014

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OUR NEXT MEETING DATE: 1:30pm Tuesday 25th of November, 2014 at the Equex Centre



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

6th Janice Vrolyks ,11th Michael Dowd, 13th Cecilia Irons, 17th John Hassall, 22nd John Vrolyks, Elva Westman, 24th Keith Beck, 27th Jim Poile, 29th Beryl Aitken, 30th Sylvia Lowrey



Twenty one members gathered to share lunch at the Kooringal Hotel on the 14th of October. The renovations have enhanced the venue and most members expressed their enjoyment of the day. On the 11th of November lunch will be held at the Turvey Tavern then in December we have our Christmas party as shown below.

There's no lunch in January will have resume lunches in February at a venue to be advised.





The picturesque lagoon was the starting point for the last Walking Group outing. Its hard to get the ladies away from the South Wagga Bakery but on the 5th of November a convoy of cars will leave from the northern entrance to the MTC then will head to Coolamon for a bring-your-own morning tea before going on to visit Ganmain to enjoy lunch provided by the Ganmain Craft Group.

All members are welcome



CHRISTMAS 2014

DON'T MISS OUR CHRISTMAS LUNCH
THURSDAY DECEMBER 11
AT THE WAGGA COUNTRY CLUB
COST \$25 PER PERSON
BOOKINGS AND PAYMENTS FROM OCTOBER 28th



HOST & HOSTESS ROSTER FOR NOVEMBER 25th MEETING SYLVIA LOWREY, ALEX MacDONALD, HEATHER & BRUCE McALISTER

An English man left the traffic filled streets and terrible weather in London for a vacation in Port Douglas.

His wife was tied up with work and was planning to meet him there the next day. When he reached his hotel in Port Douglas he decided to send his wife a quick email. He couldn't find the scrap of paper on which he had written her email address so he did his best from memory. Unfortunately he missed one letter and his note instead was directed to an elderly minister's wife whose husband had passed away only the day before.

When the grieving widow checked her emails, she took one look at the monitor and let out a piercing scream before falling to the floor in a total faint.

At the sound her family rushed into the room and saw this note on the screen. **DEAREST WIFE:**

JUST GOT CHECKED IN. EVERYTHING PREPARED FOR YOUR ARRIVAL TOMORROW. P.S. SURE IS HOT DOWN HERE





Norma Gray introduced Doctor Elaine Dietsch and Elaine's husband John. Elaine gave a great insight into the lives of women and girls in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) illustrated with photographs of some of those who had died in just a short while after the pictures were taken. She told of the incidence of rape, torture and murder. Elaine spoke of hospitals being set up to repair the damage done to women and children rape victims. Elaine sees her mission as relating to and walking alongside the midwives and the women. There is an organization which now can accept cash donations for various areas of assistance, and Mr Dietsch assured the meeting that every cent is used for that specific cause

Although Probus clubs are not allowed to make donations or fund raise, John outlined a list of things that individuals might like to do to make a difference.



A file indicating what a small donation can do is available here.

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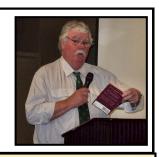


Our prayer for our members who need support.

Look after our members who are sick or suffering, or who have lost a loved one, and give them the comfort of knowing that we care. Amen Remediation work in the Tarcutta Street area has been delayed so our November meeting will still be held at the Netball Complex.

We will return to The Senior Citizens Centre for our January 2015 meeting.

Our guest speaker in November will be Graham Burmeister who will speak on his visit to North Korea. Here he visited the DMZ having been there before but of on the South Korean side. He said that this is regarded as one of the most tense spots on earth where the slightest wrong move could result in a military incident. With Paul Dempsey they were wined and dined and were used in Burmo's opinion in camera footage for the next propaganda film to show how Westerners viewed the feats of the great leader.





AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER FOR NOVEMBER 25th MEETING JANET TERRY, MARIE TULK, JOHN & JANICE VROLYKS MEMBERS UNAVAILABLE SHOULD ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT



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OUR NEXT MEETING DATE: 1:30pm Tuesday 27th of January, 2015 at the Equex Centre

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



1st John Whiles, 6th Jan Jones, 7th Joan Cahill, 12th Alex Macdonld, 17th Ray King, 18th Norma Gray, 21st Fay Grant, 23rd Nola Carmichael, 27th Alan Duffus



Members gathered at the Turvey Tavern on the 11th of November for a lunch. The opportunity to spend time with friends was appreciated but we were disappointed by the slowness of service

In December we will have the pleasure of sharing friendship at our Christmas party.

Due to members requests we will have the opportunity to share a lunch on Tuesday January13th when we will meet at Golden Seasons.





At 9:00AM a convoy of cars left from the northern entrance of the MTC and arrived at Coolamon for morning tea. With its beautifully landscaped main street and opportunity shops it was a great start for the tour. When the ladies eventually dragged themselves away from the opportunity shops we proceeded to Ganmain to peruse the items in the Craft Centre where we were served a sumptuous country style lunch.



CIRISTMAS 2014

CHRISTMAS LUNCH
THURSDAY DECEMBER 11
AT THE WAGGA COUNTRY CLUB



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Council advise that our meeting from Tuesday January 27th 2015 will be held at the Senior Citizens Centre in Tarcutta Street.

CLAIM THE DATE TUESDAY, JANUARY 13th 2015 OUR PROBUS LUNCH AT THE GOLDEN SEASONS RESTAURANT



NOVEMBER GUEST SPEAKER

Graham Burmeister, who has had long connections with Rotary. was introduced by Norma Gray to speak on his experiences in North Korea. Graham gave a very interesting account of that time when he was part of twelve "round-eyed westerners" taking the tour and said that they only saw and met four North Koreans. One was the driver (who spoke no English), the Guide who spoke English, and their porter (who pretended not to speak English, but they found during the course of the tour that he could and was actually monitoring them). The fourth was a colonel of the army .. when they were at the 38th parallel dividing line between north and south. Because travel is strictly controlled, all travellers vetted and escorted throughout every step of their visit.

Propaganda is forefront in all movements, and several guards were on hand at all times – they were watched like hawks.

Following questions, Michael Dowd, on behalf of the club, extended sincere appreciation of Mr Burmeister's stories and making his time available and presented him with a gift.

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ESPECIALLY AT THIS TIME WHICH BRINGS FAMILIES AND FRIENDS TOGETHER

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INDIVIDUALLY WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE REMEMBERING THAT THE MESSAGE OF CHRISTMAS IS LOVE, SUPPORTED BY SACRIFICE.





AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER FOR JANUARY 27th MEETING JOY & KEITH BECK AND HELEN & JEFF BRILL MEMBERS UNAVAILABLE SHOULD ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT



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NEXT MEETING DATE: 1:30pm Tuesday 27th of January, 2014 at the Senior Citizens Centre



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

3rd Jeanette Carroll, Ray Grant, 12th Jean Jenkins 15th Jim McLarty, Dorothy Prest, 18th John Smit 24th Leonie Kendall, Martin Kendall, 25th Joan Taylor



The Walking Group made their way via car pooling on the 3rd of December to The Rock.

It provided an opportunity to breath in the fresh air of this rural township, and once again mother nature made things interesting, with showers of rain failing to dampen the spirits of our intrepid walkers.

The opportunity shops provided both respite from the misty rain as well as attracting interest in the items that we once knew as common items in every home.





After investigating all the hidden treasures that lived in the opportunity shops we were taken to view a house that was being constructed using straw. The straw providing thermal insulation in the walls that were much thicker than we are accustomed to in our modern dwellings. Following this we enjoyed a delicious Chinese menu at The Rock Bowling Club. The food was delicious and the service was swift and very courteous.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Our next meeting, on Tuesday the 27th of January 2015 Will be at the Senior Citizens Centre in Tarcutta Street.



A Happy New Year to all. A new era awaits us marking our return to the Senior Citizens Centre, having benefitted from the generosity of the Netball Association, who allowed us to use their facilities while remediation work was transforming the car park area.

You, the members, are the heart and soul of our great club and you can help us to grow to be even better by accepting roles to meet our needs.

DECEMBER CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Our Calendar year ended with the excellent number in attendance for our Christmas Lunch at the Wagga Country Club. Set in the restaurant area,

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the larger by far, number in attendance filled the area leaving barely sufficient room for the serving staff to make their way among the

tables. The function's success gives confidence that our club is ready to continue as a healthy, vibrant and active Probus club.

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An 89 year old woman was arrested for shop lifting When she went before the judge he asked her what she had stolen. She replied, "A can of peaches."

The judge asked why she had stolen the can of peaches and she replied that she did it because she was hungry. Then the judge asked her how many peaches were in the can. She replied, "Six." The judge said, "Then I will sentence you to six days in gaol." Before the judge could actually pronounce the sentence, the woman's husband spoke up and asked if he could say something on his wife's behalf. The judge said, "What is it?" The husband said, "She also stole a can of peas."



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AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER FOR JANUARY 27th MEETING JOY & KEITH BECK AND HELEN & JEFF BRILL MEMBERS UNAVAILABLE SHOULD ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT



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NEXT MEETING: 1:30pm Tuesday 24th of February, 2014 at the Seniors Community Centre



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2nd Jeff Brill & Peter Piltz, 7th Audrey Killalea & Rita Smit 8th Bill Lampe, 9th Judy McLarty, 11th Bill VanWel 16th Peter Meiklejohn, 28th Ann Peacock



The January lunch, held at the Golden Seasons Restaurant, was attended by 34 members obviously anxious to get the new year underway by their fellowship as shown with their attendance.

On the **10th of February** we will head North to experience what The Red Steer has to offer our group of food connoisseurs.







Back in the Seniors Community Centre after many months in the Netball Facility at the Equex Centre we must thank the netball community for allowing us to use their facility. We will miss the convenient parking but look forward to the more spacious kitchen facility, which makes catering so much easier.

IMPORTANT NOTICE OUR PROGRESSIVE CLUB NEEDS

NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE POSITIONS.

HOST & HOSTESS ROSTER FOR FEBRUARY 24th MEETING JANET TERRY & JANICE VROLYKS

I pulled into the crowded parking lot at the local shopping centre and rolled down the car windows to make sure my Labrador Retriever Pup had fresh air.

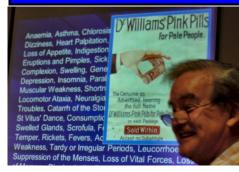
She was stretched full-out on the back seat and I wanted to impress upon her that she must remain there.

I walked to the curb backward, pointing my finger at the car and saying emphatically,

"Now you stay. Do you hear me?" "Stay! Stay!"

The driver of a nearby car, a pretty young blonde, gave me a strange look and said, Why don't you just put it in 'Park'?"

JANUARY GUEST SPEAKER



Peter Gissing, whose family operated Gissings Pharmacy for many years in Fitzmaurice Street, was introduced by Norma Gray and gave an extremely interesting speech on The History of Pharmacy in Wagga Wagga. Peter told us that H.C. Rose opened the first outlet was in 1863 then taking us through the growth of Wagga, as the railway's arrival caused the population to swell to 4,000 people. Peter's speech was both educational and highly amusing as he talked about the variety of medications promoted and used through the early years when the side effects were often more debilitating than

the complaint.

A well known snake oil salesman was August Eichorn who promoted himself as 'The Snake King of Upper Adelong.' Eichorn was said to have allowed snakes to bite him in order to prove the effectiveness of his cure.

The well-known "Goanna Oil", which originally contained fat from goannas, might still be sold by that name, but it no longer has any goanna content.

After a hearty question time, John Whiles expressed the thanks of the members and presented a token gift to Mr Gissing – advising that it was a medicinally focused thankyou.

Potent Patent Medicines

WAS WINS LOW'S

FOR THE PATENT MEDICINE

SOOTHING SYRUP

For Those who want to break out and do a trip, Priest's Coaches have a trip to Broken Hill. Leaving Wagga on Wednesday the 17th of June at 7:30AM and returning on Sunday the 21st of June at a cost of \$927.50 p.p. twin share.

Deposit of \$200 required on booking the balance \$727.50 is required **not later** than 30th of April. Phone 02 6926 1298



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Before hearing from our Guest Speaker, Roy Possee took the opportunity to thank those who had visited him and supported him during his recovery period.



AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER FOR FEBRUARY 24th MEETING DELL & PETER BUNGAY, JOAN CAHILL, RITA WILSON MEMBERS UNAVAILABLE SHOULD ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT



NEWSLETTER MARCH 2015

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NEXT MEETING: 1:30pm Tuesday 24th of MARCH, 2014 at the Seniors Community Centre



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

5th Patsy Hassell, 8th Karin Pettitt, 11th Heather McAlister 14th Lorraine Downey, 18th Bernice Piltz, 21st Maureen Nugent 24th Arthur Moore, 28th Bill Nash







The Walking Group left the comfort of the South Wagga Bakery and provided our own morning tea when we walked from the Wagga beach area.

There is still a lot of work going on, but with new barbeque areas and covered picnic places, it is hard not to admire another of Wagga's, probably underutilised, facilities. For the February lunch 17 members ventured out to the Red Steer Bistro. Peter Meiklejohn, having arranged the date and venue was a 'No-Show', having somehow managed to break his leg in the sheep yard.

Our next lunch will be at the Riverina Australian Football Club on 10th March. As Peter is out of action, contact Pam Whiles to reserve a place.



March 17, Maureen Nugent has arranged a Saint Patrick's Day, Morning Tea at the Leprechaun's Rean

Last year's event is still being talked about ... so if you want to be part of this outing contact Maureen who will

add you name to the large number who have already accepted. Phone number is: 6925 2944



HOST & HOSTESS ROSTER FOR MARCH 24th MEETING VINCE & ROBYN KING, RITA SMIT, RITA WILSON



MEMBERS ARE REMINDED
THAT SUBS ARE DUE AND
PAYABLE
PLEASE BRING YOUR MONEY
IN AN ENVELOPE
WITH YOUR NAME
TO OUR MARCH MEETING
WHICH IS OUR A.G.M.

NEXT GUEST SPEAKER

Sharon Ferguson of Bush & Campbell will speak to us on financial services relating to retirees.

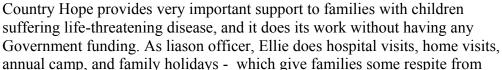


FEBRUARY GUEST SPEAKER



Our Guest Speaker for the day, Ellie Webb, Manager/Family Liaison Officer for Country Hope in Wagga Wagga was introduced by Norma Gray.

Ellie originally volunteered in 2008, and has since become a family liaison officer and is now Manager as well.



their sometimes dire situation.

15 new families become involved each year, and due to the stress of the situations many marriages split – Ellie quoted that as many as possibly one in three families suffer divorce.

Ellie gave a very touching presentation, and provided members with a strong insight into the ability of the organisation to provide the wonderful support and assistance to families for which Country Hope is well known, while relying on voluntary donations and sponsorships from the community.

John Whiles expressed the appreciation of everyone to Ellie for her informative presentation, and presented a token gift for her generosity of time.



Proposed Probus Trips being considered

29th April 2015 to Altona Wildlife Park Darlington Point visit Yenda, Winery, Barellan – staying overnight at Arcacia Motel COST: \$235pp Organising Club Combined Murrumbidgee Probus, Colin Lang 69 311 748 Numbers by end of March

SOUTH COAST - 23-25TH OCTOBER proposed by **WOLLUNDARY LADIES PROBUS** CONTACT: Pauline Mead on 69 225089 Kangaroo Valley, Kiama, Nan Tien Temple, Gallery –on-Track (Arts and Crafts), Bungendore. COST: to be advised

SEPTEMBER 2015- Oberon- gardens and other attractions - 2 nights - Details at a later date—STURT LADIES PROBUS

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Congratulations to Boyd & Joan Stone, and Des & Annette Gaynor, who recently celebrated 60 years of married life.



AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER FOR MARCH 24th MEETING BERNIE & JUDY DEMPSEY, ALCIA DOWD, GWEN FEUTRILL MEMBERS UNAVAILABLE SHOULD ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT





NEWSLETTER APRIL 2015

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NEXT MEETING: 1:30pm Tuesday 28th of APRIL, 2015 at the Seniors Community Centre



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

2nd Rita Wilson • 8th George Cameron • 10th Judy Willis 15th Pam Whiles • 19th Norma Steward • 22nd John Pottie







The Walking Group returned again to the convenience of the South Wagga Bakery, but soon will be trying out the newly refurbished shop on the corner opposite Collins Park to buy take away coffee or tea to enjoy on our own chairs in the park area while the weather allows. Cakes should be available at the shop but some might prefer to bring their own.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

21 members enjoyed lunch at the Riverina Australian Football Club on 10th March and were pleasantly surprised at the variety in the menu that was available for the day.

The Saint Patrick's Day,
Morning Tea at the Leprechaun's
Bean organised by Maureen
Nugent was a special occasion.
44 people were greeted by a
variety of sandwiches, slices and cakes (the latter
being bedecked by green icing) plus a test
regarding the map of Ireland that was conducted
by the proprietors.

Lucky seat numbers added to the event with Irish chocolates and items being given as prizes.

Some fairy dust was sprinkled by an unseen leprechaun and this had the effect of magically changing the colours worn by some.

Subscriptions, are \$25:00 with the balance being subsidised from the club's accumulated funds. Being mindful that it is necessary to retain sufficient money to pay our annual costs to Probus South Pacific, often prior to collection of subscriptions from members.

HOST & HOSTESS ROSTER FOR APRIL 28th MEETING MAUREEN NUGENT, KARIN PETTIT, JEFF AND HELEN BRILL IF YOU ARE ABLE TO OFFER ASSISTANCE IN WELCOMING VISITORS TO THIS OUR CHANGEOVER MEETING IT WILL BE APPRECIATED



CLUB NOTICEBOARD

April Changeover Meeting afternoon tea members \$5 in an envelope with names.

Sportsmen's Club Hotel Lunch
Tuesday April 14th
Contact Judy Willis to add
your name to the list.

Vintage Fashion Parade April 16th,10:00AM start in aid of Specialist Medical Resources Foundation Wesley Church Hall, Johnston Street Annual Subscriptions \$25 per member NOW DUE

MARCH GUEST SPEAKER



Sharon Ferguson of Bush & Campbell gave a very interesting outline of the varied and complicated costs involved in being able to live in a nursing home.

Her presentation covered information regarding Aged Care Accommodation requirements and had our full and startled attention. Sharon's explanations were well presented, however, the rules and options are quite complex and needing thorough consideration.

Following many questions, Boyd offered our thanks and appreciation to our Guest Speaker and presented her with a small gift.

An indication of how well received was Sharon's message that a number of members have asked if it will be possible to have her speak again some time soon.

Proposed Probus Trips

Wednesday, April 22nd: Wollundry Ladies, one-day to Altona Wildlife Park, Darlington Point. Cost is \$80.00 (approx). Leave 8:00am from Collins Park, lunch at the Darlington point bowling Club, back in Wagga Wagga by 4:00 pm. Contact person is Pauline Mead 6922 5089.

23rd – 25th of October: Wollundry Ladies: South Coast - Kangaroo Valley - Kiama -Nan Tien Temple & returning through Bungendore..... The cost is \$610.00 – all inclusive. Payment by September 20th. Contact: Pauline Mead 6922 5089

Friday Oct 30th to Sunday November 1st: Sturt Ladies Probus two-night trip to the beautiful Mayfields Gardens at Oberon and other attractions. Further information hopefully next month.

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There will be no Guest Speaker at our April Changeover meeting, instead we will be entertained by Robert Haywood, who provided the music that enhanced our very Successful Christmas Party.

At the April Changeover Meeting the catered afternoon tea will cost members \$5:00 and we are asked to bring it in an envelope, which includes our names.