



Probus Club of Wagga Wagga Garden City

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NEXT MEETING 1:30pm JANUARY 24, 2023 at the Seniors Community Centre

Hi All. Well another year is coming to a close, and of course Christmas is just a few weeks away. Luckily this year we have been able to have our meetings and outings which have been enjoyed by many members.

Thank you to those responsible for arranging lunches, bus trips, other outings and celebrations, for the members of our Probus Club, they are appreciated by all. Our Christmas Party is on Wednesday, 7th Dec. at the Carriage House, and promises to be a great day. Hope to see you all there.

I wish all members and their families a Happy and Healthy Christmas Season and all the best for 2023. Helen B.



Wishing everyone a happy & safe Christmas

WELFARE REPORT

Boyd Stone had further surgery and a Get Well card was sent to him and he has thanked us for caring. It's good to see that he is here with us today.

Bruce McAlister passed away on the 29th of October. A Sympathy card was sent to Heather. A number of our members were present at Bruce's funeral service and Heather thanked us for thinking of her. It is great to see that she is with us today.

I made a phone call to Barry Williams. He and

Sonia are struggling with medical problems. They appreciated the call. I have also sent a Thinking of you card to them as Sonia is in ICU.

Nell Davis, a past member died earlier this month and a few members were able to attend her funeral.

Audrey Killalea's brother has died. Audrey was a past member of our Club.

We received a Thank you from Murray Aitken in response to our Sympathy card on the passing of Beryl.

Dell

We pray 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



If you know of members needing support please contact Dell Bungay on 6922 6031.



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

12th Alex Macdonald
21st Fay Grant

17th Ray King
27th Allan Duffus



LUNCHESES NEWS: With Bruce McAlister's funeral service being due to be held at 11:30, Gay arranged for November's lunch to be delayed for an hour, which was appreciated as it gave a number of our members the opportunity to attend Bruce's farewell. As with all of our lunches the response was excellent at the Ashmont Hotel and we thoroughly appreciated the opportunity to get together.

Our Christmas lunch will be held at the Carriage House Motel on Wednesday December 7 and will be our only December event for this year. After the restrictions over the past few years let's make Christmas 2022 one to remember.



TRIPS NEWS: Wednesday November 16 with a not very encouraging forecast saw us at Bidgee Strawberries and Cream which is situated at Billagha Street, Wagga Wagga. Seated in the designated shed we were given a lesson on the history of growing this delicious fruit. Following this we were taken to see the Damara Sheep, that come from South Africa. with their unusual wool that requires no shearing as it shed each spring as the weather warms. Then came the opportunity to pick some strawberries, which was appreciated by all.



Don't forget our 3-day, 2-night trip to Bendigo/Ballarat from March 7 to 9, 2023. With its chance to see some of the iconic places in country Victoria. People interested in history will really enjoy spending time at Sovereign Hill, which is a living museum presenting the story of Ballarat as a goldrush boomtown. Gold was discovered in Ballarat in the 1850s. There have been a few people who have needed to pull out so if you want to come call Di on 0413 955 047 ASAP as there are still a limited number of rooms available at the Motel.

Let's start 2023 with a morning tea at 10:00am on Wednesday January 4 at Collins Park. Please bring your own chair, hot water for tea or coffee and a small plate of food to share or alternately bring take away coffee if preferred. For easy access we would park on the Thorne Street side. Please let Di know if interested on 0413 955 047.



Two people from St. John's Ambulance were our November guest speakers and they were entertaining as well as instructive. Leila Thiele & Shayne Weston certainly knew their business and using light hearted banter coupled with a very good knowledge of how to deal with an emergency.

Their dummy took no part verbally in the life saving messages, but happily lay there while his/her chest was compressed. We tend to take for granted all our Ambos but I'm sure that we have a better appreciation of their work after today's presentation.

**Wagga Wagga Garden City Probus Club welcomes both women and men.
As normality returns post COVID we are in a position to accept new members.
Why not come as a visitor to a meeting to find out what we offer.
Then decide if our club is what you are looking for.**