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Asquith Mixed Probus Club BULLETIN

President: Sandra Death Vice President Elect: Nick Speyer Vice President: John Channon Secretary: Pam Slater Treasurer: Yenda Holland Dianne Watson, Vicki McPherson, Denise Mayhew, Mary Potter, Jim & Judy Thompson, Barry Willick, Sylvia Gratton, John Davies,

Things to look forward to in 2020

A visit the HARS Aviation Museum in Albion Park and other interesting places



An Observation Fun Run

A Cruise to New Zealand



9 to 5 the Musical and other shows

A walk to Mosman Rowers and other great walks Our General Meetings with interesting speakers as well as our special interest groups.







Meeting Dates

Thurs. 5 March, 2020 Thurs. 2 April, 2020 at **Asquith Golf Club**

Registration 10.15am for a 10.30am start

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AMPC Committee Members 2019-20

AMPC Committee Me	embers 2018-19	Phone	Email
	Officers		
President	Sandra Death		
Vice-President Elect	Nick Speyer		
Vice President	John Channon		
Secretary	Pam Slater		info@asquithmixedprobus.org.au
Treasurer	Yenda Holland		
	Committee		
Bulletin	Nick Speyer		
Hospitality	Vicki McPherson		
Membership	Barry Willick		
Programme	Mary Potter		
	Jim & Judy		
Tours/Excursions	Thompson		
Welfare	Denise Mayhew		
Assistant Secretary	John Davies		
Assistant Treasurer	Dianne Watson		
Past President	Sylvia Gratton		

Other Activities

Cluster Ambassador	Anne Heaton	Dolls	Barbara Williamson
Auditor	Angus Dougall	5 th Thursday BBQ	Lance Williamson
Books DVD, Jigsaw	Sunny Dougall	Mah-jong	Yenda Holland
	& Robert Montgomery	Theatres	Rhonda Wilson
Dining out	Vicki McPherson	Trivia	Mary Potter
Cards 500	Mary Glasby	Walks	Laurie Keaton
Pot Luck Meals	Anne Heaton	Website & Men's Gp	Robert Allison
Public Officer & Historian	Sandra Death	Assist. Tours/Excurs.	Sandra Lees
Assist. Tours/Excurs.	Trish Taylor	Assist. Tours/Excurs.	Lula Andersen

Treasurer's Report as at 7 February, 2020

Income received for year to date \$5,295 Offset by expenses of \$ 997 Year to date surplus balance \$ 4,298 Add previous year's surplus of \$ 6,788 Gives an overall member surplus of \$11,086 This surplus consists of cash of \$45,453 Less liabilities - mainly activities paid in advance \$34,367 Total member equity \$11,086

Yenda Holland 12 February, 2020



MONEYS paid by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) should be made to: Bendigo Bank

BSB: 633-000 Account: 139 637 029

Account Name: Asquith Mixed Probus Club

It is important that your EFT payment is able to be identified. Please write your surname and activity abbreviation in the space provided and print the receipt from the bank. This transaction should be made prior to the general meeting. A copy of the EFT receipt and a completed Activities Payment Voucher shall be presented at the payments desk where a receipt will be provided. This receipt shall then be presented at the Activity Organiser's desk to have your attendance confirmed and your receipt endorsed by the organiser. Any transaction that cannot be identified will be forfeited to the Club.

Committee Notes - February 2020

The retiring President Sandra expressed her thanks to every member of the Committee and wished the new Committee every success.

It was noted that the Website photos have been updated.

The Armidale/Moree Trip will include a tour of a sheep farm, and a possible tour of a tomato farm. There will be an opportunity for participants to make a donation to the local RFS.

Proposed Cruise -Two options were put to the last meeting: NZ in Oct. or Qld. in Nov. Both were supported at the meeting, but the Committee decided on the 13 night NZ Cruise in October.

It was reported that only 109 had paid their Annual Membership, but Denise would follow up those who were missing.

AGM. It was noted that nominations have been received for all positions, except for **Auditor**. The **Secretary** and **Treasurer's** terms have expired, but they are willing to stand again, so this will require a motion from the floor.

It was noted that the Bowling Club for the proposed **Barefoot Bowls** no longer provides Monday lunch. The Committee agreed that Mary explore moving this to a twilight meeting in November.

Denise recommended visits to the bushfire areas and Jim pointed out that the proposed Mt Tomah visit is one of these.

DON'T FORGET

Membership fees are now due for 2020.

Please send an apology to the Secretary if you are unable to come to a General Meeting.

Speakers



Bob Davis

We are grateful Bob Davis was able to replace our booked speaker, who was unavailable due to an accident. Bob was speaking about the Power of Music, and this was seen as he reminisced about the music associated with different events in his own life. We were not left with glistening eyes as we joined him in singing old advertising jingles such as "I love Aeroplane Jelly" and the Brylcreem ditty.

With the AGM happening at the March meeting, we will be offered a potpourri of interesting speakers once the business side of things is concluded.

Walks Program: Laurie Keaton

The January Walk was cancelled due to extreme weather conditions. 18 members enjoyed a pleasant social evening at Berowra RSL.

Due to the prevalence of electrical storms an additional statement will be included in the Walks Risk Management Statement which will basically conform to accepted protocols – namely the 30 second rule for the gap between lightning and thunder clap. Outdoor activities are suspended for a prescribed period in this eventuality.

The Cremorne walk requires a Non-refundable \$10 deposit for lunch. This enables the club to meet booking requirements as to numbers attending. The luncheon will proceed unless weather conditions or the like are extreme. Bookings must be finalised by the close of the March meeting. At present 40 members are attending.

The May Collaroy walk will be from Dee Why to The Beach Club at Collaroy – approximately 4.4km. Arrangements are still to be finalised. Luncheon options will include lunch at the Beach Club, BYO or fish and chips at a local takeaway.

Thursday 26 March 2020

Where: Cremorne Point Wharf to Mosman Rowers

What: Easy 2.5 km walk with stopover at Robertsons Point.

Time to view the Lex and Ruby Graham Gardens. Lunch Mosman Rowers.

Return Ferry from Mosman wharf.

Lunch only participants catch 1100 or 1130 ferry to Mosman.

Travel: 0856 Train from Berowra. Dep Hornsby 0910 arr Wynyard 0953.

20 min coffee break at Circular Quay. 1030 Ferry to Cremorne Point.

Return Ferry from Mosman wharf at 25 & 55 mins past hour.

Thursday 23April, 2020

Where: Federation Cliff Walk Dover Heights to Watson's Bay

What: 5 km easy but steps at Diamond Bay. Transition at Town Hall and Bondi Junction requires awareness of being in a large group. Lunch at Watson's Bay Take away Fish and chips.

Travel: 0855 train Hornsby Arr. Town Hall 0942

Transfer to Bondi Junction Train 10.17 Bus 380 to Dudley Page Reserve Military Road. Overflow on Bus 387 at 1025. Return by Ferry.





Tours/Activities: Jim & Judy Thompson

Armidale-Moree Tour - March

Those that are booked for Armidale please see Jim at the meeting.

Thursday 19 March

Prince Henry Hospital Nursing and Medical Museum - \$12.00pp admission This includes morning tea, museum tour and chapel tour

We will catch the 8.24am train from Berowra / 8.35am from Hornsby to Central

This is a Central Coast train and will depart Hornsby on platform 3

We will then proceed to Eddy Ave – Stand 3 where we will board a 393 bus to Little Bay Lunch will be at a nearby cafe at your own cost.

Enquiries to Diane & Kevin Watson

Thursday 16 April

HARS Aviation Museum by train

Train on the scenic south coast line to Albion Park to visit the most interesting HARS Aviation Museum. We will have a guided tour of the aircraft in the museum which includes an ex QANTAS 747. Morning tea and lunch included.

Total cost \$30. There is a level walk of 400 m from the station to the museum.

Travel details next month.

Thursday 21 May

Cochlear Facility

Visit to the Cochlear facility which is quite close to the Macquarie Uni Station. Travel by train.

Thursday 18 June

Observation Fun Run

This will be organised by Angus Dougall and will be held in the Hills District where the traffic is quite light. We will have a car pool operating and lunch will be at a suitable venue.

More details next month.

PROBUS Cruise in October 2020

Yes we are going on a cruise to New Zealand in October!

The "Majestic Princess" departs Sydney on 23 Oct 2020 for a 13 night cruise to New Zealand.

Returns to Sydney. Interior cabins from \$1847 pp.

See www.princess.com for more details re cabins and a detailed itinerary.

Bookings are to be made through Allison Lord from Travel Associates, shop 5, 5-7 Rohini St, Turramurra (near the Pacific Hwy). Ph. 9440 8727.

Theatres: Rhonda Wilson

9 TO 5 THE MUSICAL

Inspired by the hit film, this hilarious smash-hit West End musical is about teaming up, standing up and taking care of business.

WEDNESDAY 1 JULY, 2020 - 1:00pm SYDNEY LYRIC THEATRE \$70 PAYMENT DUE **NO LATER THAN APRIL MEETING**



THE LIGHT IN THE PIAZZA

Four-time Grammy Award winner Renée Fleming is in this enchanting Broadway musical which won six Tony Awards, including Best Original Score

When: SATURDAY 22 AUGUST

Time: 1:pm

Where: SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE Payment: \$80 per ticket Due: NO LATER THAN 4 JUNE



COME FROM AWAY

The remarkable true story of the small isolated community of Gander, Newfoundland who play host to the world.

When: WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER

Time: 1:pm

Where: STATE THEATRE Payment: \$75 per ticket

Due: NO LATER THAN 6 AUGUST



Pot Luck Meal

Groups of 6 or 8 members come together 3 times per year for a meal, be it Brunch, Lunch, Dinner, Picnic or whichever you decide.

The rule of thumb is the host provides a main course and by agreement, the other couples provide nibbles, entrée, dessert or whatever the group decide. Once organised, the groups are autonomous and work date and food component with each other. Members bring own wine or drinks.

Groups are changed annually so you have the opportunity to get to know other members.

No partner? Not a problem, we will try and match 2 singles together.

Singles are more than welcome to make a couple.

I have a small home? No excuse. Members can eat on laps, eat in the park, on a veranda, the list is endless. The whole idea of the Pot Luck is to socialise and does not have to be formal dining.

What it is not! It is not a celebrity chef challenge but an opportunity to enjoy company over a meal regardless of your cooking expertise.

How do I join a group? Please put your name on the Pot Luck sheet at next meeting. We have quite a few new members and existing members who do not know each other. This is a great way to change that. The committee encourages you to sign up and give it a go. Groups will be formed after the March Meeting. Anne Heaton



OTHER ACTIVITIES

Trivia Nights: Mary Potter

A club group attends trivia at Asquith Bowling Club on the Wednesday night following the monthly general meeting. Starts at 7.00pm and there is no entry fee.

Next trivia will be on Wednesday 11 March. Enquiries phone Robin Roberts

Dolls: Barbara Williamson

When: Wednesday after the General Meeting

Where: Barbara's place.
Time: 10.00 a.m.
What to Bring: Sewing needles
Contact: Confirm with Barbara

Mah-jong: Yenda Holland

1.30pm at the Bowling Club every Wednesday

A new course for mah-jong **BEGINNERS** will start on Wednesday 6 May at 1.30pm at Asquith Bowling Club and will run for eight weeks. We would love to see you even if you are just showing curiosity about the game. Please advise Pam Clark if you would like to attend.

Card Playing 500: Mary Glasby

Asquith Bowling Club, Cost Free, 10.00am, 1st & 3rd Wednesday.

The game lends itself to varying numbers of players which is helpful as numbers vary from seven to fourteen. There is plenty of room at the club so we can make up any number of tables. **Enquiries, Mary Glasby**

Men's Group

The members present resolved to meet again on the third Wednesday in the month - at 10:30 at Magpies Club, opposite Waitara Station. Coffee is available as well as normal pub drinks. The Bistro is available for lunch if you wish to stay. Contact John Channon.



10 Year Membership

John Davies has reached 10 years of membership of AMPC. Well done!



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Date	Activity	Convener		Phone
Every Wednesday	Mah-jong	Yenda Holland	7	
4 th & 18 th March	500 Cards, Asquith Bowling Club	Mary Glasby	7	
5 th March	General Meeting	Sandra Death	-	
11 th March	Trivia @ Asquith Bowling Club	Robin Roberts	7	
11 th March	Dolls	Barbara Williamson	7	
11 th March	War Horse	Rhonda Wilson	-	
12 th March	Committee Meeting	Nick Speyer	-	
13 th -19 th March	Armidale-Moree Tour	Jim/Judy Thompson	5	
18 th March	Men's Group	Robert Allison	7	
19 th March	Prince Henry Hospital Museum	Dianne Watson	4	
26 th March	Walk Cremorne Point to Mosman Rowers	Laurie Keaton	4	
16 th April	HARS Aviation Museum	Jim/Judy Thompson	5	
23 rd April	Dover Heights to Watsons Bay walk	Laurie Keaton	4	
6 th May	Beginners Mah-jong	Pam Clark	7	
21 st May	Cochlear Tour	Jim/Judy Thompson	5	
18 th June	Observation Fun Run	Angus Dougall	5	
1 st July	9-5 The Musical	Rhonda Wilson	5	
22 nd August	The Light in the Piazza	Rhonda Wilson	6	
16 th October	Come from Away	Rhonda Wilson	6	
23 rd October	Cruise to New Zealand	Jim/Judy Thompson	5	

Welfare Report - Denise Mayhew

As reported at our last meeting, Josie Doughty is recovering from recent knee replacement surgery and is continuing to recover at her home.

While at work, Wendy Velthuyzen mentioned not feeling quite well but was quite surprised to find herself admitted to hospital to have a stent inserted. A very lucky lady indeed.

Having been in pain for some time, Narelle Crump was admitted to hospital to have a reverse shoulder reconstruction. Narelle is still wearing a sling support and we wish her a speedy recovery.

Very exciting birthday news since our last meeting: an OBN on 17th for Betty Ryan, an OBE on 19th for Robert Montgomery and an OBN plus 1 for Merle Robinson. To all other members celebrating their birthday this month I wish you all a very happy Birthday.

Denise Mayhew -

ROOKWOOD CEMETERY TOUR

Thursday 20 February 2020

Forty-two members boarded our bus for our tour of Rookwood Cemetery. We started our tour with a much needed coffee before venturing around the cemetery with our guide Mark. The cemetery was opened on 1st January 1867 and today is over 700 acres in size with 89 different religions represented. First stop was to view the remains of the old Mortuary Station where trains from Central arrived with the caskets, mourners and food and drink for the wake. Second stop was to view the grave sites of some well known people, eg. James Mitchell (Mitchell Library), George Peat, Anthony Hordern, John Fairfax and David Jones. Also visited the Harry Seidler designed Martyr's Memorial to the Jewish people who died in WW2. Our third stop and the saddest was the "Circle of Love" where 30,000 babies and children are buried in unmarked graves. After leaving Rookwood we drove on to the Catholic Club for an enjoyable lunch before heading home. Every one voted it a very informative and interesting day. (See photo on next page.)



Members at Rookwood Cemetery





Where did that phrase come from?

A berth is the place where a ship is tied up or anchored. When the anchor was lowered a ship would tend to move about on the anchor cable, so it was important to give it a wide berth to avoid collisions. Today, to give someone a wide berth is to steer clear of them.

Signing off

This will be my last Bulletin. Thank you to everyone who has contributed articles, reports, photos, and jokes over the last three years. You have all been a great help.

Nick Speyer - Bulletin Editor.

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