



# Asquith Mixed Probus Club BULLETIN

**President:** John Davies  
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**Vice President:** Jim Jeffries  
**Secretary:** Pam Slater  
**Treasurer:** Angus Dougall  
 Vicki McPherson,  
 Jim Jeffries Barry Willick  
 Judy Thompson Mal Steel Dianne  
 Watson

## President's Corner.

The Annual Meeting has been successfully negotiated, the new Committee has had its first meeting, the Committee Members are hard at work in their respective responsibilities, and we have begun to progress into the new year. There are, however, a couple of issues that have surfaced, that are of some concern.

The first is that there has been a sudden drop of 1.5% in our membership. Our Constitution sets the maximum membership at 150, and for many years we have had a waiting list to join, but we have had 29 withdrawals, and our membership now is 121. That is more than many other Probus Clubs, but we are still having trouble filling all our leadership positions. My encouragement to all of you is to look around for friends and neighbours who might be interested in joining.

That brings me to the second issue, which is the two important positions that still need to be filled. The most serious one is Treasurer, which is essential for the Club to operate. Thankfully, Angus Dougall has offered to fill that role until someone else can be found, but that leaves the role of Assistant Treasurer vacant. This is not an onerous job, and does not require that you be an accountant. Just some bookkeeping experience would do. If that is you, or you know someone who fits the job, please speak to me.

The other important position is that of Theatres. Many have greatly enjoyed attending the various reduced price theatre group outings that Rhonda Wilson has arranged over a number of years. However, Rhonda has stepped down, and there will be no more outings unless someone else is willing to step into her shoes. I would remind you that the Club only functions through the willingness of members to offer their services in leadership.

However, in spite of all this, we are looking forward to an enjoyable year of "**fellowship, the development of acquaintance and social interaction**," which the Constitution states is our aim to fulfil.

John Davies



## Meeting Dates

### General Meeting.

**Thursday 7 April 2022, at Magpies 10am for 10.30am start.**

**Thursday 5 May 2022 10am for 10.30am start.**

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### Asquith Mixed Probus Club Inc.

The Secretary AMPC, 9 Warruga

Crescent, Berowra Heights 2082

Formed by the Rotary Club of Berowra on 2 October 2008.

Club No: 9003799

District: 9685 PD3 Inc. No.: 9890687

### Bendigo Bank details for deposits.

BSB No: 633-000 Account No.: 139 637 029

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## COMMITTEE NOTES - March 2022

1. Now that we are meeting again, please put any suggestions in the **Suggestion Box**. Remember, this is **YOUR** Club.

There has been a suggestion of a Garden Group. Please see either Laurie Keaton or Wendy Velthuyzen.

2. We are still trying to make a list of **Trades People**, but we need recommendations from Members. Please give Yenda Holland any contacts who you believe do great work.

3. We would like to say thank you to Rhonda Wilson who has done a fantastic job of organising Theatre Groups for the past 6 years. We are now seeking a person to take on this position. There must be someone out there who enjoys going to these shows, who could put their name forward.

4. Since we are without an Assistant Treasurer, Angus Dougall has worked out a plan to simplify Payment of Monies. Please check this out within this Bulletin.

5. Vicki McPherson has taken on the position of Welfare Officer and would appreciate it if you could let her know of any members who are unwell.

6. Could members please contact either Barry Willick or myself by the Tuesday before all future meetings to register, as Barry needs to let the Club know how many will be in attendance.

### NEW COMMITTEE 2022-2023

***Pam Slater***

***Secretary***



## Treasurer's Report as at 4

March 2022

Income received for year to date	\$8,582	
Offset by expenses of	\$ 992	
Year to date surplus balance		<u>\$ 7,590</u>
Add previous year's surplus of		<u>\$11,290</u>
Gives an overall member surplus of		<u><u>\$18,880</u></u>
This surplus consists of cash of		\$19,795
Less liabilities – mainly activities paid in advance		<u>\$ 914</u>
Total member equity		<u><u>\$18,880</u></u>

*Yenda Holland*

6 March 2022

## Payment of Monies

The procedure for payment for now is as follows:

All cash or cheques should be placed in an envelope with your name and activity written on the outside.

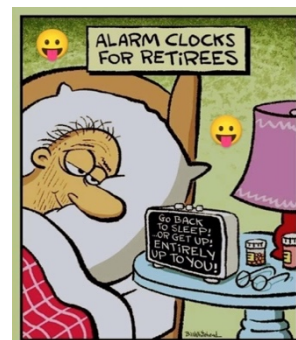
Envelopes will be retained by Treasurer as a receipt, and bank statements will confirm payments by EFT.

Please pay **EFT's** prior to monthly meetings including your name and outing abbreviation. Print and retain a copy of the bank receipt.

**Monies paid by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)** should be made to:

Account Name: Asquith Mixed Probus Club  
BSB: 633-000  
Account: 139 637 029

Please advise the outings organiser if you are unable to attend an outing and advise Treasurer if refund or transfer to a different activity is required.



**DOLLS** When? the Wednesday following our monthly 'member meeting' at 10:15 for a 10:30 start. Please join us for tea, coffee, cake and a chat. Wool, needles and stuffing supplied and the good news is you don't need to be able to knit.

For further information contact Barbara Williamson

## **MAH-JONG**

The Mah-Jong group meets every Wednesday afternoon from 1.30pm at Asquith Bowling Club. Contact Pam Clarke for more information.

## **CARDS**

500 cards held 1<sup>st</sup> and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 10am in the Pavilion at Magpies. New players welcome. Phone Mary

AMPC Men's Group	Robert Allison	Dolls	Barbara Williamson
Auditor	Robert Allison	5 <sup>th</sup> Thursday BBQ	Lance Williamson
Books DVD	George Gates	Mah-jong	Pam Clarke
Jigsaws	Robert Montgomery	Theatres	
Dining out	Judy Thompson		
Cards 500	Mary Glasby	Walks	Laurie Keaton
Pot Luck Meals	Anne Heaton	Web Site	Robert Allison
Public Officer & Historian	Sandra Death	Assist. Tours/Excurs.	Yenda Holland
Assist. Tours/Excurs.	Helen Nancarrow	Assist. Tours/Excurs.	Lula Andersen

## **AMPC COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2021-22**

<b>AMPC Committee Members</b>		<b>Phone</b>	<b>Email</b>	
President	John Davies			
Vice-President				
Elect	Sandra Death			
Vice-President	Jim Jeffries			
Secretary	Pam Slater			
Treasurer	Angus Dougall			
	<b>Committee</b>			
Bulletin	Sylvia Gratton			
Hospitality	Judy Thompson			
Membership	Barry Willick			
Programme	Jim Jeffries			
Tours/Excursions	Mal & Suellen Steel			
Welfare	Vicki McPherson			
Assistant Secretary	Sandra Death			
Assistant Treasurer				
Historian/Public Officer	Sandra Death			

## WELFARE REPORT

APRIL 2022

Paul Sorrell advises that his ankle is healing nicely and he is having the metal work out on the 21<sup>st</sup> of April. He is able to drive so is out and about but can't wait to get back to walking and exercising.

Georgina Hughes is having her knee operation on the 5<sup>th</sup> of April. Georgina is not looking forward to it but will be pleased when it's done as she is in a bit of pain at the moment. Georgina will be one week in the SAN then 2 weeks at the Probus (oops!) Mount Wilga Rehab Hospital.

Barbara Williamson is going into hospital on the 5<sup>th</sup> of April for a radio frequency exploratory "thing" (Barb's words) and hopes to see everyone at the April meeting.

Lance Williamson has had a pacemaker fitted and is feeling a lot less fatigued. Lance is looking forward to seeing everyone at the 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday BBQ on 31<sup>st</sup> March.

Barry Mayhew is progressing nicely after his double knee op. Barry is now in Mount Wilga (see it should be called the Probus Mount Wilga Rehabilitation centre). Barry says his knees are letting him know they didn't like being interfered with but he's having the 'good' pain relief so not too bad. His gorgeous wife is very happy now that she can visit him.

David Lees has now been transferred to Royal North Shore Hospital for further tests and treatment. We send our love and best wishes to David and Sandra.

Our thoughts and best wishes go to everyone who is not the best at the moment, may you all be feeling well again soon.



## **Tours & Excursions**

The Tours committee met and have developed a really great list of excursions for the coming year. We are really looking forward to them.

### ***Wed April 20<sup>th</sup> The State Theatre Tour:***

Subject to any timetable issues, we will catch the 8:40 am train from Hornsby, meeting at Car 2. The train starts at Berowra 8:26, then all stations to Asquith by 8:36. We arrive at 9:26 am in Town Hall. This allows you time to grab coffee in the QVB before getting to the Theatre by 9:50.

Mal will email the tickets directly to each participant.

Don't forget your Dine & Discover vouchers for lunch afterwards

### ***19 May - Observation Fun Run. \$15 per person***

Full day outing in the Hills District.

Bookings can be for drivers and friends, or if not bringing your car come along anyway, and we will find a car for you to travel in.

Please Book & Pay at the activities desk by the May meeting.

### ***Nov 13-18th Jindabyne Tour: Life of Riley \$875 p.p.***

#### ***No single supplement***

We have 17 friendly members signed up so far. More are welcome.



We are staying at the Lake Jindabyne Hotel, scenically located on the shores of the Lake.

It has a large restaurant, supplying us with a hot breakfast and 3 course dinner each day, plus 2 bars and plenty of spots you can sit down and enjoy a drink and the lakefront view.

Daily excursions employ local guides who are passionate about the history and the area they live in. All lunches are supplied whilst in Jindabyne.





We will visit all the scenic attractions of the Snowy mountains including Thredbo village and chair lift, Eucumbene dam, Charlotte's Pass, explore the Snowy Hydro scheme, visit Berridale village and much more.

A deposit of \$100 per person needs to be paid by the June meeting, with the \$775 balance to be paid by October meeting. No single supplement.

## Observation Fun Run

**Thursday 19 May 2022-03-15**

Join in a fun day touring around the Hills District, observing and answering the questions being asked along the way...



Lunch at your own cost will be at Galston R.S.L Club after the drive is finished,  
Then the **Prize Presentations!!**

Starts 9.15am at Galston RSL Club with a morning's drive around the Hills District. Route directions are provided with a list of questions for the observers to answer.... Questions are simply observation, some easy and some a little harder with ample time allowed. Many questions are visible from your car.... At the end of the first stage we stop for a pleasant Morning Tea Break....

Why not bring some friends with you...?

So, come along and have some fun....

Cost is \$15p.p including morning tea.



**Book at the activities desk.**

## **SPEAKERS**

Hans Kunnen will speak at our next meeting-

Hans found himself in the middle of a world changing event. As events unfolded from breakfast at the World Trade Centre, to the streets of the city and then to journeys by bus and ferry, Hans tells of his interactions with people he saw and leaned upon. It is definitely not a tale of heroism, rather it is mostly one of hope and help.

Hans is a mostly-retired economist. He was formerly chief economist of Colonial First State investments and of the St George Banking Group. He is an author and educator, having taught at the University of New England and Macquarie University in Sydney. Hans has been involved in mentoring refugees, and is an active member of the Anglican Church in Glenhaven. He is married with three adult children.

## **Dining Out & Hospitality**

We are dining out at JOYFUL HOUSE Restaurant. Shop R3 Westfield Hornsby. Join us for a delicious Chinese Banquet on Tuesday 12th April at 6pm. Please pay \$39 by EFT or cash, either on or before our meeting on 7th April and add your name to the list. Enquiries Judy Thompson



## Walk Report

The March walk saw 31 members attend. Uncertain travel resulting from late trains and the scheduled stop at Redfern being abandoned at the last moment did not mar a great outing. Well done John Britten once again.

Short Walk Cronulla Beach



Long Walk at Bass & Flinders Point



Please read the arrangements carefully re travel for this month's walk at Manly.

Wet weather prevented our planning trip for Hunters Hill. Frequent changes to transport routes means we cannot finalise travel until closer to the date. Therefore, a preliminary limit is placed on registrations.

### Thursday 28 APRIL 2022 Condamine Street Balgowlah via North Harbour Reserve to Manly - Leads Barry and Gai Brown.

**(Registrations Close April Meeting)**

**Where:** Corner of Sydney Road and Condamine Street Via North Harbour Reserve and walk to Manly.

**What:** **2 Hour Long Walk (Barry)** Balgowlah to Shelly Beach & Ivanhoe Hotel + Coffee stop.  
Distance approx 6.6 km  
**1.5 hour Short walk (Gai)** Balgowlah to the Corso & Ivanhoe Hotel+  
Coffee stop. **Ratings Easy but 3 down and 1 up railed sets of steps.**

**Travel:** **8.56 Berowra Train Hornsby 9.10 Arrive Chatswood 9.34.**  
**Bus Route 144 Stand F Victoria Street**  
**Long Walk: dep 9.41arr: Condamine St 10.29 (Kevin Bus)**  
**Short Walk: dep 9.51arr: Condamine St 10.39 (Laurie Bus)**  
Return by ferry and train or Route 144 Bus.

**Lunch:** Lunch at the Ivanhoe Hotel. 12.30 pm.

## Thursday May 26 Historic Hunter's Hill

### Lead Laurie and Kevin. (TBC) Limited Registrations (30)

**What:** **Medium:** **Easy** 4km via Kelly's Bush and Clark Point.  
**Long:** **Easy** via Mornington Reserve, Kelly's Bush & Clarke's Point **Steep steps** if Woolwich dock is open. No scheduled short walk

**Travel:** Two bus routes depart Victoria Street (W) 9.05 am. Train travel TBA at the May meeting. Return by Ferry and Train.

**Lunch:** At Woolwich Pier Hotel

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LATEST OBE MEMBERS

WAL GAMBELL



PHYLLIS DAVIES



JOHN BRITTEN



BARRY ROOKE



## **THEATRES.**

**THE GOOD OLD DAYS CONCERT PRESENTS BACK IN THE SWING.**

2nd May, 2:15pm

Tickets have been ordered - stay tuned.

**PHANTOM OF THE OPERA** - 21st August - Remember the safe place where you have kept your tickets from the postponed performance.

Keep safe,

Rhonda



"Psst Jack, wanna buy a ticket?"

Rhonda at The North by Northwest Show..

Many thanks Rhonda for all your hard work with group bookings over the past few years.



**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS  
FAYE & JIM KEITH**



**10 YEARS MEMBERSHIP  
CONGRATULATIONS  
JEFFREY MOORE**

**Our new President returning  
from March walk at Cronulla.  
Proof, he can fit in anywhere!**



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