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Asquith Mixed Probus Club BULLETIN

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US!







Hi AMPC Members

We hope you are all well & keeping busy & positive! I know that some days are easier than others so please remember we are only a phone call away. Contact numbers are on page 3 of the Bulletin.

Our 12th Birthday is coming up & we plan to celebrate with Birthday Cupcakes at our Meeting on 1st October!

DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS, OUR 12th BIRTHDAY PICNIC & ANNUAL PROBUS DAY CELEBRATION AT CROSSLANDS HAS SADLY BEEN CANCELLED.

Please phone or email Barry Willick to pre-register for the Meeting on 1st October before Monday 28th September as he has to notify the Golf Club of the numbers. If anyone is bringing a visitor to a meeting, please register them with Barry Willick beforehand by email or phone.

Take care & stay safe

Sylvia

Weeting Dates

Thurs. 1 October 2020 Thurs. 5 November 2020 at **Asquith Golf Club**

Arrive9 am for a 9.30am start

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COMMITTEE NOTES - SEPTEMBER 2020

 Discussion was held regarding rules that need to be complied with at October General Meeting at Golf Club. These will be emailed to members and posted to members who do not have email. Remember, if you are not well, please do not attend meeting.

Phone or email Barry Willick by the 28th September to register your intention of attending the meeting. If you are not attending, please send an apology to either Barry Willick or the Secretary.

We would prefer members to wear a mask.

Remember the meeting commences at 9.30 am.

It was decided to hold our birthday picnic in October at Crosslands but sadly this has had to be cancelled due to Covid restrictions

- Birthday cupcakes will be enjoyed at our October meeting which is our true birthday.
- Annual Probus Day this will be celebrated at our October Meeting
- Many members who couldn't join us at the last general meeting were able to watch the meeting on Youtube. The speaker was particularly good and those not in attendance were able to view it. We expect to do this for the October meeting for those who cannot attend.
- Please note we are unable to have the Book and Jigsaw exchange at the meetings during Covid-19.

Pam Slater - Secretary September 2020

Other Activities

Men's Group	Robert Allison	Dolls	Barbara Williamson
Auditor		5 th Thursday BBQ	Lance Williamson
Books DVD, Jigsaw	Sunny Dougall	Mah-jong	Pam Clarke
	& Robert Montgomery	Theatres	Rhonda Wilson
Dining out	Vicki McPherson	Trivia	Robin Roberts
Cards 500	Mary Glasby	Walks	Laurie Keaton
Pot Luck Meals	Anne Heaton	Web Site	Robert Allison
Public Officer & Historian	Sandra Death	Assist. Tours/Excurs.	Sandra Lees
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AMPC COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2020-21

AMPC Committee Members 2020-21		Phone	Ema	ail	
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Past President	Sandra Death				

Treasurer's Report as at 2 September, 2020

Income received for year to date \$8.741 Offset by expenses of \$4,431 \$4,310 Year to date surplus balance Add previous year's surplus of \$ 6,793 Gives an overall member surplus of \$11.103 This surplus consists of cash of \$13.614 Less liabilities - mainly activities paid in advance \$ 2,511 Total member equity **\$11,103**

Yenda Holland 9 September, 2020



Programme / Speaker Mary Potter

We enjoyed our first face to face speaker in months at the September meeting at the golf club. Noel Phelan told us about the circumstances surrounding the sinking of the cruise ship Costa Concordia, and the difficulties of its salvage. Those who may have initially been put off taking further cruises ended the morning encouraged by hearing of subsequent maritime regulations put in place.

Our presenter at the October meeting will be Richard de Grijs, an acclaimed academic and popular public speaker. Born and raised in the Netherlands, his successful career in astrophysics has allowed him to enjoy vibrant research environments in the USA, the UK and China. Richard now hails from Sydney, where he joined Macquarie University's Faculty of Science and Engineering as Associate Dean (Global Engagement) and Professor of Astrophysics in March 2018. His most recent popular/scholarly book, *Time and Time Again: Determination of Longitude at Sea in the 17th Century* (2017), has started him off on pursuits in the history of science.

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.

HOSPITALITY / DINING OUT

Hospitality and dining out

It is with regret we have to announce that the Crosslands birthday picnic is CANCELLED due to COVID. Onward and upward to a better 2021!

Ryde TAFE lunch sometime in November, sorry the numbers for this have been reached I can have a maximum of 40 spread out over 4 days (I can only book one table of 10 per day due to COVID restrictions). Those that have booked I will let you know your allocated day, the cost will be \$30 and I will let you know the specific details by email. If you have booked please let me know if you no longer wish to attend.

Our Christmas lunch will be Thursday 3rd of December at Asquith Golf Club, as numbers will almost certainly be limited due to COVID let me know ASAP if you will be attending. I'm not sure of the cost at this stage.

Keep well, Vicki

MEN'S GROUP

AMPC men's group normally meets on the third Wednesday of the month at Magpies Club, 11am. We welcome new members. Please contact Robert Allison.

ACTIVITIES Jim & Judy Thompson

MINI GOLF

Thu 19 Nov 2020. We are planning an outing to the Thornleigh Mini Golf. More details in the next Bulletin.

Middle Head on Thursday 17th September.

27 of us met at Middle Head after a coffee stop on the way. The day was beautiful, very warm and sunny.

The harbour view was magnificent, lots of boats and ferries to see.

We had a talk on the fortifications that are there and the importance of them dating back to 1801. It was certainly a prime position for spotting any enemies.

We heard of the early history including Cook, Phillip and La Perouse and Port Jackson.

It was all very interesting and we are fortunate that the land has been preserved in this way.





WELFARE

Two of our members have spent time in hospital recently:

Dusty (Robert) Miller was admitted to SAH for surgery to his back. After three weeks of rehabilitation at Mt Wilga Dusty is now at home and progressing well.

Kay Anstiss was also in SAH for a period of 8 days undergoing several tests before she was diagnosed with pneumonia. Kay is now at home recuperating and packing up her home for a permanent sea change to Woy Woy.

Noelene Oliver is in Mary Giles ward at Hornsby Hospital, I've spoken to Noelene who told me she'd had a fall. Noelene is doing well but will be remaining in hospital for a little longer while tests are being carried out. Wishing both Noelene and her husband John very best wishes.

Two weeks ago, Molly Raynor suffered a bad fall at her home, this resulted in carpet grazes and bruising to her face plus cracked vertebrae in her neck. Doctors have fitted Molly with a neck brace which she'll be wearing for at least 2 months, this has made it necessary for Molly to become a resident of Bowden Brae until the brace is removed and Molly is able to look after herself without assistance.

Merle Robinson and Lance Williamson have both recently had carpal tunnel surgery and are progressing well.

Jo Willick is continually improving after her surgery last August.

Just a thought: Remember all those times we wished the weekend would last forever? I guess our wish has been granted

Denise Mayhew.

OBE

Congratulations, Judy Paton, Vince Hughes & Barbara Williamson on receiving your OBE's.







WALK REPORT LAURIE KEATON

The Gosford Gardens outing was a great success. John Britten's meticulous planning in covering the requirements contained in Covid 19 safety plans for Community Sport including travel on train and bus, venue restrictions, local council requirements as the venue owners and luncheon arrangements was exemplary. As this was our first venture away from the local area the work he did on this trial run enables us to proceed with confidence. Great work John.

One issue concerning **Covid 19 Health Warnings** and Hot Spots arose. This issue is mentioned in the sample safety plan required where a community sport activity has more than 20 participants. To comply reference to relevant health warnings and the relevant web site link will be provided in the final mail out for participants for each activity in future. The site is www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/latest-news-and-updates.. The site clearly provides all relevant information for participants.

The **November Walk** has a limit of 20 participants to avoid any problems at this beach side location and as it is a point to point walk catering for various ability levels. If there is a heavy demand an additional walk may be scheduled with suggested later travel times and a 15min delay in start time.

Future Walks

Thursday 22 October Leader

Where: 1 hour Easy walk around Cremorne Point including the Lex and Ruby Garden Approx 1.7 km.

Start Point: Cremorne Point Wharf 10.50 am

Please proceed up the ramp to the park on your right on leaving the ferry

Finish Point: Mosman Rowers Club 11.50 am.

Travel: This is member responsibility. You may drive but parking is limited.

Best Option 0856 train From Berowra. 0910 Hornsby. Arr. Wynyard 0953.

Cars 3 (Hornsby) and 4 (pre Hornsby) on forward journey. Wearing a Mask is **recommended.** From Wynyard Walk or train to Circular Quay and then coffee.

Mosman Ferry 1030 from Wharf 4 to Cremorne Point (Covid limit 142 Passengers)

Lunch: Mosman Rowers. Details will be emailed to participants.

Registrations: Closed August 27th.

Thursday 26 November Leader - Barry

Where: Easy Walk from Collaroy B Line Bus Stop to Dee Why Beach via Long Reef. Approx 4 km.

RESTRICTED NUMBERS (20)

Start Point: **Collaroy B Line Bus Stop 11 am** – Meet your lead there.

Finish Point: Dee Why Beach followed by takeaway near the beach.

Travel: You may drive. Contact Barry for best parking option.

Best Option 0856 train From Berowra. 0910 Hornsby. Arr. Wynyard 0953.

B Line Buses from Carrington street depart every 10 minutes.

Registrations: Close, Thursday 27. October Error! Hyperlink reference not valid.

THEATRE PARTY

THE GOOD OLD DAYS CONCERT - still hopeful it will be on

IN THE SWING! STARRING 35 PIECE NSW POLICE CONCERT BAND SYDNEY TOWN HALL

2 NOVEMBER 2PM \$45 per ticket TICKETS STILL AVAILAILABLE

PAYMENT DUE WHEN CONCERT IS CONFIRMED

HOOKED ON CLASSICS with 45-piece Symphony Orchestra

Classical Classics - Mozart to Bach, Vivaldi to Mendelssohn, Tchaikovsky to Strauss.

27 MARCH 2021 3PM STATE THEATRE

Price: \$79.00 person

Payment Due: by December Meeting

COME FROM AWAY is a Tony Award winning musical which tells the remarkable true story of thousands of stranded passengers and the small town in Newfoundland, Canada that welcomed them all.

WEDNESDAY 18th AUGUST, 2021 1:00pm

CAPITAL THEATRE (note change of venue)

PRICE: \$75.00 Due May Meeting

HAMILTON - is opening the middle of 2021. A Reserve Tickets are available at \$184.450 which, understandably, members were not willing to pay.

I shall wait until Group Bookings which I feel confident will eventually happen.

Stay safe and well, Regards RHONDA





THINGS TO PONDER WHILST YOU ARE LOCKED IN!

If a poison's "use-by" date expires, is it more poisonous or is it no longer poisonous?

Which letter is silent in the word "Scent," the S or the C?

Why is the letter W, in English, called double U? Shouldn't it be called double V?

Maybe oxygen is slowly killing you, and it just takes 75-100 years to fully work.

Every time you clean something, you just make something else dirty.

100 years ago, everyone owned a horse, and only the rich had cars. Today everyone has cars and only the rich own horses.

If you replace "W" with "T" in "What, Where and When", you get the answer to each of them.

FOUR GREAT UNRESOLVED CONFUSIONS!

- 1) At a movie theatre, which armrest is yours?
- 2) If people evolved from monkeys, why are monkeys still around?
- 3) Why is there a 'D' in fridge, but not in refrigerator? (This one has bugged me for years!)
- 4) Who knew what time it was when the first clock was made?

VAGARIES OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE:

Why does the word "Funeral" start with FUN?

Why isn't a fireman called a waterman?

How come Lipstick doesn't do what it says?

If money doesn't grow on trees, how come banks have branches?

If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

Why are goods sent by ship called CARGO, and those sent by truck called SHIPMENT?

Why do they call it a TV "set" when there is only one?

AND A FEW WORDS OF WISDOM

Wrinkles don't hurt.

Families are like fudge...mostly sweet, with a few nuts.

Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside.

Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fibre not the toy.

Growing old is mandatory; growing up is optional.

Forget the health food. I need all the preservatives I can get.

When you fall down, you wonder what else you can do while you're down there.

You're getting old when you get the same sensation from a rocking chair that you once got from a roller coaster.

It's frustrating when you know all the answers but nobody bothers to ask you the questions.

Time may be a great healer, but it's a lousy beautician.

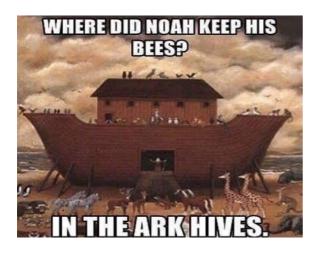
Wisdom comes with age, but sometimes age comes alone.

Life is full of twists and turns.

The Senility Prayer

Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked the good fortune to run into the people I do like and the eyesight to tell the difference."







AMPC FIRST GENERAL MEETING DURING COVID!









Proverbs, sort of...

An Elementary School Teacher had twenty-six students in her class.

She presented each child in her classroom the 1st half of a well-known proverb and asked them to come up with the remainder of the proverb.

It's hard to believe these were actually done by first graders.

Their insight may surprise you. While reading,

keep in mind that these are first-graders, 6-year-olds, because the last one is a classic!

1.	Don't change horses	until they stop running.			
2.	Strike while the	bug is close.			
3.	It's always darkest before	daylight saving time.			
4.	Never underestimate the power of	termites.			
5.	You can lead a horse to water but	how?			
6.	Don't bite the hand that	looks dirty.			
7.	No news is	impossible.			
8.	A miss is as good as a	mr.			
9.	You can't teach an old dog new	math.			
10.	If you lie down with dogs, you'll	stink in the morning.			
11.	Love all, trust	me.			
12.	The pen is mightier than the	pigs.			
13.	An idle mind is	the best way to relax.			
14.	Where there's smoke there's	pollution.			
15.	Happy the bride who	gets all the presents.			
16.	A penny saved is	not much.			
17.	Two's company, three's	the Musketeers.			
18.	Don't put off till tomorrow what	you put on to go to bed.			
19.	Laugh and the whole world laughs with you, cry and	you have to blow your nose.			
20.	There are none so blind as	Stevie Wonder.			
21.	Children should be seen and not	spanked or grounded.			
22.	If at first you don't succeed	get new batteries.			
23.	You get out of something only what you	see in the picture on the box.			
24.	When the blind lead the blind	get out of the way.			
25.	A bird in the hand	is going to poop on you.			
	And the WINNER and last one!				
26.	Better late than	Pregnant			