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Asquith Mixed Probus Club BULLETIN

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About 30 or so attended the outing to the Queen Victoria Building on 17 May. The party was split into two groups and was taken around by two different guides, because a big party is too great with all the other people in the building.

We were told the story of the building from the early days of the colony when there were city markets, to the construction of the building, its later alterations leaving it in a sorry state, to its final refurbishment to the splendid presentation of today.

We saw some of the decorative spectacles, such as the 'Balmoral Clock', with its moving dioramas on the hour, King Charles I being beheaded in 1649 being one of these.



Meeting Dates

Thurs 7th June, 2018 Thurs 5th July, 2018 at **Asquith Golf Club**

Registration 10.15am for a 10.30am start

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Walks Program



Sandy leads the group out from Sans Souci on the Probus walk to Brighton-le-Sands

The June walk is organized and conducted by Central Coast expert – John Britten – who is renowned as a very sociable host.

Members should note that an update is usually emailed by 1pm on the previous day where weather conditions are uncertain. A confirmation email is sent by 7am on the day of the walk where the walk is cancelled or arrangements are changed.

It would be appreciated if members acknowledge receipt of these emails to avoid time consuming follow-up SMS or phone messages.

Thursday 28 June: Contact is John Britten

Where: Umina Beach to Ettalong RSL. Flat and easy beach-side stroll.

Travel: Train 1022 Plat 5 Hornsby. Marshall is Paul Sorrell. Dep 1031 Berowra. Arr Woy Woy

1053. John Britten will meet you at Woy Woy. Bus to Umina.

Morning Tea: Umina.

Lunch: Services Club Ettalong RSL.

Thursday 26 July: Contact is Laurie

Where: Huntley's Point Wharf to Drummoyne Sailing Club. Approx 5 km. Loop C1

Via Gladesville Bridge

Travel: Train Dep Berowra 0857 Hornsby 0910. Arr Wynard 0953. 7 min walk to

Barrangaroo. Parramatta River Ferry 1018 Arr Huntleys Pt 1037.

Morning Tea: Coffee Break at Barrangaroo.

Lunch: Drummoyne Sailing Club (TBC)

Notes for this walk are on this link.

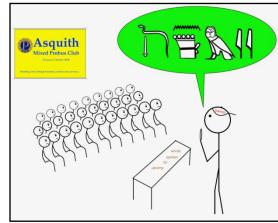
http://www.walkingcoastalsydney.com.au/brochures/documents/HC2011Day3DetailedMapsNotes April2011.pdf

At our May Meeting

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Speakers

- Following the Stepping On talk, arrangements are under way for a group commencing in a few weeks.
- We had a sweet treat at the May meeting when Paul Adams from Du Plessey Praline, West
 - Pymble spoke to us and shared a few samples. We enjoyed fascinating stories about Paul's father's early life, what makes good chocolate or not, and the good value and quality of Aldi chocolate.
- The June talk is 'Hieroglyphs, pyramids and all that'.
 We are privileged to have Jeremy Steele talk to us
 about such things in his usual inimitable style. Without
 stealing Jeremy's thunder, it can be said that
 hieroglyphics (literally sacred engravings) may look
 complicated but are no funnier than the English
 language.



AMPC Committee Members 2018-19

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Past President	Jeremy Steele			

Other Activities

Cluster Ambassador	John Channon	Dolls	Barbara Williamson	
Auditor	John Cole	5 th Thursday BBQ	Lance Williamson	
Books DVD, Jigsaw	Sunny Dougall	Mah-jong	Yenda Holland	
	& Robert Montgomery	Theatres	Rhonda Wilson	
Dining out	Robin Doohan	Trivia	Mary Potter	
Cards 500	Mary Glasby	Walks	Laurie Keaton	
Pot Luck Meals	Rhonda Wilson	Web Site	Pete Olney	

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CLUB OUTING FEES 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 Meeting 10 May, 2018 - Notes

- The President welcomed Observer Bob Burrows to the Meeting
- **Privacy on Website** was discussed at length. If members have a problem with being identified in photos, it will be their responsibility to step aside when group photos are being taken. They should also advise the Secretary.
- A redacted version of the Bulletin will be put on the website, and all others will be in "Committee only" area. If members require any information, they need to send an email to the Secretary through the website and it will be forwarded to the correct person. (Remembering that all members would have already had a copy of the Bulletin).
- The Club is on the lookout for members to take care of the Website. You only need to be Computer Savvy, not a specialist.
- When on an outing/walk/theatre, in case of a fall or emergency, it was agreed that members must have a "buddy".
- It was decided to have our Christmas lunch at Asquith Golf Club.
- Meet and Greet Robin Roberts and Robin Doohan will endeavour to meet new members and visitors on arrival. Members please make these visitors welcome when you see a new face.





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Tours/Activities: Barbara Williamson

Christmas in July at the Fiddler

Date: Friday 20 July, 2018

2 course traditional Christmas luncheon

Glass of wine on arrival

Lunch cost: \$45

Maximum 45 people (number cannot be exceeded)

Pay today

Transport: Car pool



Guide Dogs for the Blind

Date: Wednesday 15th August

Cost: \$30 per person. Pay by July

meeting

Lunch at the Richmond Club (all you can eat \$12.80)

Coach departs 8.30am

As most of the training is done in the real world away from the Centre, please note that the tour will not involve watching a dog being trained. Each week the tour offers something different as we walk around the Centre, depending on what is happening on the day. One day you might see puppies at play, dogs being groomed in



the kennels, or the veterinarian unit in operation. Another day there could be Pets as Therapy dogs, Puppy Pre-School, or obstacle training on the track.

No matter what, you will be sure to have a pleasant experience and gain a deeper insight into the work we do to enhance the independence and safe mobility of people who are blind or vision impaired.

Please consider weather on the day - you may want to bring a jacket, a hat, and wear comfortable shoes. The walking part of the tour is slow and on level ground, all areas are easily accessible. The Guide Dogs Centre is a designated smoke free environment. There are no refreshments available, and being a dog training centre we ask that no food be brought on site.

Day trip by train to Katoomba

Thursday 27th September

Details to be advised

Away Tour

8 day tour of Great Ocean Road

18th September to 25th September, 2018

\$1615 - single supplement \$500

\$100 deposit by June meeting

We need 30 to go



Car Observation Fun Run



Thursday 21st June

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 And then the prize presentations!!

Starts 9.30am 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 At the end of the first stage,

we have a pleasant Morning Tea break

Questions are simply observation, some easy and some a little harder, with ample time allowed.

Most questions items are visible from your car Why not bring some friends with you
Cost is \$15 p.p. including morning Tea

Book at the activities desk.



Where did that Phrase come from?

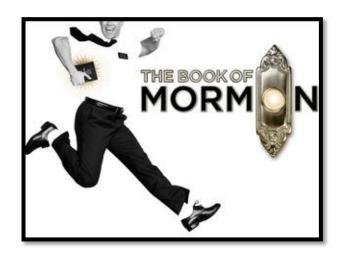
Way back in the 14th century a book entitled "The Travels of Sir John Mandeville" was released to popular acclaim. It purported to recount a brave knight's adventures during his supposed travels through Asia. Amongst many fabrications he wrote that – "These serpents sley men, and eate them weeping …." Mandeville's account of crocodiles weeping in sorrow somehow found its way into the works of Shakespeare, and 'Crocodile Tears' became an idiom in the 16th century. So now today we use the phrase 'crocodile tears' to describe a display of superficial or false sorrow.

Theatres: Rhonda Wilson

THE BOOK OF MORMON

Lyric Theatre Sunday 24th June - 1pm \$120.00

Don't forget to collect your tickets from Rhonda.





JERSEY BOYS

The theatrical triumph of the story of Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons returns to Sydney

Saturday 10 November 2pm

Capital Theatre

\$80 Payment due by August meeting (or earlier)

CHARLEY AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

Capital Theatre, Tuesday 9 July, 2019 1pm \$70 - payment due April, 2019.

Roald Dahl's delicious tale, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, is a delectable treat featuring songs from the original film, including *Pure Imagination, The Candy Man* and *I've Got a Golden Ticket*, alongside a brand new, toe-tapping Broadway score.



MANDIBA THE MUSICAL A Celebration of Nelson Mandela.

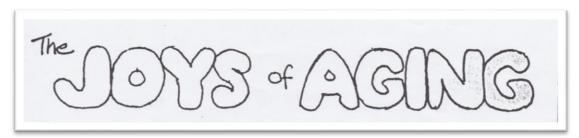
This powerful and uplifting Musical is a soul-stirring celebration of Nelson Mandela with pulsating

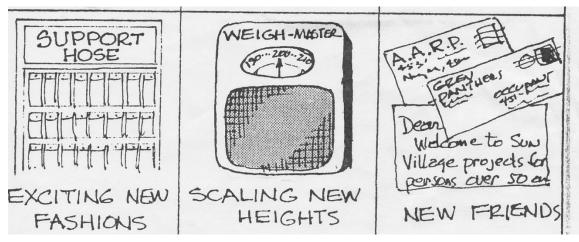
African dance, haunting drama and stunning visuals.

State Theatre

Wednesday 7 November 1pm \$81.00 payment due August meeting Limited number of tickets.







OTHER ACTIVITIES

Trivia Nights: Mary Potter

The next AMPs trivia will be at Asquith BOWLING Club on Wednesday 13 June, 7.00pm start. There is no charge to participate.

During the evening there is usually a game of True or False.

Entry is optional and cost is \$1, winner take all.

There will be no AMP team competing at the Golf Club this month.

All members are welcome to join with the AMPs (Asquith Mixed Probus) team. Enquiries phone Mary Potter

Dolls: Barbara Williamson

When: 2nd Wednesday of each month

Time: 10.00 a.m.

What to Bring: Sewing Needles

Contact: Confirm with Barbara

Mah-jong: Yenda Holland

1.30pm at the Bowling Club, 2nd and 4th Wednesday

BEGINNERS A good response was received to the mah-jong drive for more people. I regret to inform anyone else who may be interested that the class is now full. $6^{th} \& 20^{th}$ June

Any enquiries:- Yenda Holland



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 a number of tables. Again, no cost unless you choose to buy coffee or a drink. **Enquiries, Mary Glasby:**

Book Exchange Table: Sunny Dougall and Robert Montgomery

This month along with all the usual good reads we have Five - yes five James Patterson novels for your selection – and one of them might be just the book for you. Patterson, having won the prestigious Edgar Award may be considered to be towards the forefront of today's authors. He and his family are residents of Florida. So why not come and have a browse of all the books. Why not come down and have a look?

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Date	Activity	Convener	Page	Phone
4 th June	Quaker's Hill Lunch	Robin Doohan	-	
6 th June	Priscilla Queen of the Desert	Rhonda Wilson	-	
6 th & 20 th June	Beginners Mah-Jong, Asquith Bowling Club	Yenda Holland	9	
6 th & 20 th June	500 Cards, Asquith Bowling Club	Mary Glasby	10	
7 th June	General Meeting	Sylvia Gratton	-	
13 th June	Trivia @ Asquith Bowling Club	Mary Potter	9	
13 th June	Dolls	Barbara Williamson	9	
13 th & 17 th June	Mah-Jong, Asquith Bowling Club	Yenda Holland	9	
14 th June	Committee Meeting	Sylvia Gratton	-	
21 st June	Car Fun Run	Angus Dougall	7	
24 th June	The Book of Mormon	Rhonda Wilson	8	
28 th June	Walk: Umina to Ettalong	John Britten	2	
20 th July	Christmas at the Fiddler	Barbara Williamson	6	
26 July	Walk: Huntley's Point to Drummoyne	Laurie Keaton	2	
15 th August	Guide Dogs for the Blind	Barbara Williamson	6	
18 th - 25 th Sept	Great Ocean Road Tour	Barbara Williamson	7	
26 th Sept & 3 Oct	Evita	Rhonda Wilson	-	
27 th September	Train trip to Katoomba	Barbara Williamson	6	
7 th November	Mandiba the Musical	Rhonda Wilson	8	
10 th November	Jersey Boys	Rhonda Wilson	8	

The Wheels of Life

