

Coonara-Cherrybrook Chatter



Newsletter of the Combined Probus Club of Coonara-Cherrybrook

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Meeting held 3rd Tuesday of each month. 9.30am for 10am

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November 2022

**Remember, remember the 12th of November. We're quaffing cheese and wine!
I see no reason in the coming festive season, to let these habits decline!!**

President's Letter

Dear Everyone,

Thank you to David Happ for organising the luncheon trip to the King Tide Café at Brooklyn Marina on October 20. David reported that the lunch went very well, 25 members thankfully braved the negative weather forecast because even though it did rain but it provided a special ambiance from the deck of the restaurant overlooking the river. Thank you, David, for the extra work involved in re-organising the date of the lunch after the original date was declared a public holiday in honour of the death of Queen Elizabeth II.

We have just returned from our annual golf trip which we have missed in 2020 and 2021 due to covid. While as usual the friendship and comraderie was at its best the golf left a lot to be desired. The courses were very wet and muddy underfoot and made the games very long and physically difficult for the golfers especially on the last day when they were unable to play with golf carts on the course. I will give a full report of our trip at the November meeting.

I am looking forward to the wine and cheese night at the home of Leonie Lawson on November 12. The night is fully booked with 60 members then I am

going to try barefoot bowls for the first time in my life the next day – Sunday Nov 13 at the Castle Hill Bowling Club. My sporting coordinating abilities leave more than a lot to be desired but it will be a fun day. 12 noon for a light lunch, 12.45 for bowls, \$15 per head to play or come along and join us for the lunch at the club and be our supporters. We can still take some more members for that day, please call Colleen Sherwood on xxxx xxx xxx if you would like to join us.

As the year is drawing to a close, it's great to see our calendar filling up with some social events after all this time. On the golf trip the non-golfers went to the very popular and well known "Christmas Shop" in Morpeth which was the most amazing collection of Christmas decorations I have ever seen. The sign when we walked in said "**60 days until Christmas**". Totally scary!!

Best wishes to you all.

Carolyn Powell

President

NEXT CLUB MEETINGS

NOVEMBER 15th 2022

DECEMBER 20th 2022



TREASURER'S REPORT

Our Bank details as at 1/11/2022

Cash Position	Amount
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Westpac Working Account	\$
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Total Cash at Bank

Less

Prepayments Events/Activities	\$
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Net Cash Position \$

Subsequent payments will be ratified at the next committee meeting.

PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACTIVITIES

Bank Transfers: With members taking advantage of paying for Probus activities by bank transfer, to assist the organisers & myself , a few housekeeping aspects should be undertaken. When processing the payment ensure your name & the description of the activity is recorded, if a multi payment for a number of activities is processed , the description area will not record all activities, so please send an email to myself detailing the various activity payments.

Also, the organiser requires an Email/Text/Call to advise of the payment as the activity lists need to be updated as to who is participating & payment dates.

Prompt Payment : If you have provided your name for an activity, it is preferable that you pay ASAP, unnecessary time is wasted in checking lists & bank statements when payments are not paid & have to be followed up. The committee & organisers endeavour to provide many opportunities to participate in various activities & would appreciate your assistance in helping us

Philip Myers Treasurer

If you get a loan at the bank, you'll be paying it back for 30 years. If you rob a bank, you'll be out in 10 years. Follow me for more financial advice.



LUNCHES DINNERS

NOVEMBER



WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT

Date: Saturday November 12th

Time: 6.30-9.30pm.

Venue: -, Glenhaven.

Cost: is \$30 per person

Includes nibbles, wine, beer, soft drink, hot finger food, tea and coffee. Numbers are limited.

Bookings: September and October meetings.

BEERS: Hahn Lite, Toohey's Extra Dry (lite), Carlton and VB.

WINES: Whites: Sauvignon Blanc, Pino Grigio

Reds: Cab. Merlot, Cab. Sauvignon, Shiraz.

Carolyn Powell



Event: Probus Annual Christmas Luncheon

Date: Wednesday 7th December

Time: 12.00 noon

Cost: \$65.00 per person (including club subsidy)

Menu: Alternate serves of Lamb backstrap and Stuffed Turkey breast with cranberry jus, both served with seasonal roast vegetables. Desserts are Lychee Crème Brûlée and Mango Mousse. Cocktail on arrival and two bottles of wine per table of 10. Tea coffee station after dinner and cash bar for any additional drinks.

Come and enjoy a delicious seasonal meal with your friends in a lovely setting with magnificent views of the greens from the dining room.

Bookings: Final payments MUST be made by November meeting.

Contact: Sue Waesch or Elaine Finch



MAY 2023 TRIP –

TAMWORTH AND THE SCONE CUP

Expressions of interest: At the November meeting.

Dates: May 9 to May 13

Highlights: Include THE SCONE CUP RACE DAY as well as a seafood lunch at Scone, Arrowfield Horse Stud, Australian Country Music Hall of Fame, Golden Guitar and Gallery of the Stars Wax Museum, Tamworth Regional Gallery and Botanic Gardens, Australian Equine and Livestock Event Centre, the Briar Ridge Estate wine tasting and many others.

Accommodation: First 3 nights at the one place – the 4 Star Best Western All Seasons Motel.

Country races are a lot of fun, a reason to dig out the fascinator and get dressed up for a race day (guys don't have to wear the waistcoat and top hat). For the serious punters the Scone Cup attracts some of Australia's leading jockeys and trainers, the current race track is a state-of-the-art facility and offers a superb and true racing surface. I am afraid I pick my horse bets by the name of the horse ☺. This trip is very reasonably priced at \$1395.00 includes group pickup and drop off at Castle Hill plus all meals and admissions. Single supplement \$260.00

Enquiries Carolyn Powell



GUEST SPEAKER



The speaker at our meeting on Tuesday 15th November will be Ian (Herbie) Hemphill, from Herbie's Spices. Ian is an excellent communicator and has made a career out of talking and writing about herbs and spices. You will gather an understanding about how to mix spices and never look at a vanilla pod the same way again. This is one talk that will add a little spice to your life.

Ross Brown. Speaker Convenor.



Book Lending

A selection of books to be borrowed from our extensive collection, along with the catalogue will be available at each of our monthly meetings, books can be reserved from this list and made available at the next meeting.

Jan Motte & the Librarians- Jenny, Denise & Liz



WELFARE

I am pleased to report that Alex Burnham is now home from hospital, following a successful surgical wash out of the infection in his hip. I do hope this will enable Alex to continue his ongoing treatment.

Several members have been in hospital recently, they are now home and recuperating.

Now hopefully the rain has eased and we can all enjoy the Spring weather and get some vitamin D into our system.

Jan Duffy
janduffy641@gmail.com



INVESTMENT GROUP

First Tuesday of the month

Next Meeting: 1st Nov, 6th Dec.

Time: 10.00am.

Venue: Lucy's Bar at Castle Hill RSL Club

Back into the old routine and usual place usual time. If you are a new member and are interested in discussing matters financial in a light hearted way then come along and join us for coffee, company and a chat. All welcome.

John Badcock



CARD GROUP

When: 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month (except Public Holidays when there will be NO cards.)

Venue: West Pennant Hills Sporting Club

103 Newline Rd, West Pennant Hills

Date: 12th & 26th November

Time: 10 am - 12pm

Come along and join us for a morning of cards and good company. Some players stay for a light lunch or a coffee at the club bistro afterwards.

Contacts: Colleen Sherwood

Jenny Davis



TENNIS GROUP

We usually meet every Wednesday evening at Belltree Crescent Castle Hill between 5 pm and 7.pm. Spring has sprung and showery weather permitting, break out of your backyards once again and come and join us and keep young and beautiful, and keep those old joints supple!

Jan Motte coordinator

CD PLEA!



Please, can you help? I have misplaced 2 favourite CDs and hope someone in the group will also still have these or similar before they declutter.

Highlights from The Phantom of the Opera with the original London cast of Michael Crawford and Sarah Brightman and Whitney Houston, The Ultimate collection. I am hoping to be able to take copies. Please contact Joan Barber on

Thank you!



MOVIE GROUP

Third Monday of the month

Next Meeting: Mon 21st November

Venue: Castle Hill Events Cinema

Time: 9.45 am (Foyer)

As our third Monday is the 21st, a bit later in the month, it is still a bit early to know what will be screening. It looks as if "Mrs Harris Goes to Paris" may have finished by then, so I would recommend catching it privately before it ends as we don't want to miss it! I will email more information when it is published on line during the week prior. If you would like to be included on the list of movie groupers, please contact:

Elaine Finch

email:



BOOK CLUB

Second Monday of the month

Date: 14th November

Time: 10:30 am

Venue: Lucy's Bar Castle Hill RSL Club

Our book for Oct was The Long Call by Ann Cleeves. Surprisingly it was a little plodding at times, but mostly well-paced. A Detective Inspector returned to the area where he grew up to take charge of a case where a body has been found on the local beach.

The title chosen for November is Dark Rooms by Lynda La Plante. This will be reviewed next month.

Sheila McNeill



GOLF GROUP

If you would like to play social golf regularly, you should consider joining our Monday morning golf group. Both ladies and gentlemen are welcome to join our friendly group.

Time: We usually hit off at 7am for those playing 18 holes and those wishing to play 9 holes join in at 9am.

Venue: Various courses in our area.

Cost: \$20 per game approx.

Upcoming Games: November 7th, 14th and 21st

If you are interested in playing golf, please do not hesitate to contact me for more details.

Geoff Murray



SCRABBLE GROUP

Fourth Tuesday of the month

Next Meeting: Tue 22nd November

Venue: Chelsea Gardens Community Centre

Time: 1.30 pm

Last meeting for 2000 so come and enjoy a good old fashioned family style game and maybe a mince pie .

No weird words and starchy rules, we are not competition players! New players welcome.

Elaine Finch



BICYCLE GROUP

Third Friday in the month.

Date: 18th November

Time: See you there, ready to roll at 10:00am.

Place: Bulli to Wollongong

Our ride for November will be our annual ride from Sandon Point (Bulli) to Wollongong and return. This is always a popular ride and we can have a picnic in the park afterwards and look back over the year's previous adventures (all 3) as this will be our final ride for 2022.

Bring your own food and drink as there is no kiosk at Sandon Point, but there are clean toilets at the surf club. We will commence our rides for 2023 on January 20th at a venue yet to be decided.

See you there at Sandon Point, at the end of Point Street, Bulli, ready to set off at 10:00am on Friday 18th November.

Contacts for the Bicycle Group:

Russ or Rhonda Bush, phone mobile email





SOLO TRAVELLERS

Coffee Morning held 4th Tuesday of the month.

Date: Tue 22nd November

Time: 10.15 am

Venue: Lounge Area Castle Hill RSL Club

October Lunch

Date: Sunday 27th November

Time: 12.00 pm

Venue: Sugar Salt Café, 344 Galston Rd, Galston

No Lunch for December next Solo Lunch will be

January 22nd 2023

For lunch bookings please contact:

Ann Colless

Sue Dawes



WALKING FOR PLEASURE

NOVEMBER WALK

HUNTERS HILL

YES!! It is Jacaranda flowering season and time to traipse around the streets of Hunters Hill. The history of the area is evident in the buildings of yesteryear and mature gardens that can be easily viewed along the walk. Venture around the dry dock built in 1898, then the largest in Australia. Come and join us in this end of year walk.

DATE :- Tuesday 8th November 2022.

TIME:- 10.00am.

MEET :- In Weil Park at the end of Prince George Parade (street parking available).

GRADE :- Easy/medium (some steep steps)

DURATION: – about 3 hours.

TOILETS:- Clarke Point Reserve, Woolwich Pier Hotel, Weil Park (?)

WHAT TO BRING: – Water, hat, nibbles, camera.

FOLLOWING WALK:- For those who wish to stay following our walk, it is proposed that we purchase our lunch at the Woolwich Pier hotel. A pleasant location and end of year treat.

CONTACTS: Julie Dunesky or
Steve Dunesky



CRAFT

First Wednesday of the month

Next meetings: 7 December

Venue: West Pennant Hills Sporting Club

Time: 10 am – 12.00 noon

Join us for a morning of busy hands, friends chatter and a nice cuppa tea. So, sort out your own particular craft passion and bring it along!

Judith Gauci



LAWN BOWLS

2nd and 4th Friday of the month

Date: 11th and 25th November

Time: 9.15 am latest

Venue: Castle Hill Bowling Club

Hoping to dodge the spring rain and it holds off for our bowls days! Before the summer sun and heat begins it's perfect for a bit of gentle exercise. We can help you there! Don't forget to come and join in the fun of Barefoot Bowls on Sunday 13th!

Contact for Bowls attendance: Don Sappay

ph.: mobile:

Email:

KEEN TO TRY A DIFFERENT FUN DAY? BAREFOOT BOWLS!!

Sunday November 13 at our Castle Hill Bowling Club, 1.00pm start. It will be "**Bowls for Fun**", approx. 2 hours. Cost is \$15 per person to play which includes the use of bowls supplied. We can meet for lunch at 12 noon for a very low-key low-cost lunch (e.g., burger, egg and bacon roll) which the chef will organise for those interested – cost of lunch is extra. If you don't want to play you could come for lunch and stay for a while as spectators and socialise (no cost if you don't play). Or you may choose to come and watch for a while then join us for an after-game drink and **post mortem**! Last chance expressions of interest and payment at the November meeting.

Colleen Sherwood



NEWSLETTER COPY DEADLINE

Wednesday 30th November

Please send to Elaine Finch



THEATRE GROUP

Expressions of interest for:

"The Tina Turner Musical" Theatre Royal 1pm 13th September . Pay at July Meeting.

Pay for:

"Joseph And the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" Capitol Theatre Wednesday 22nd February , tickets \$70 pay November meeting.

"Hairspray" Lyric Theatre 1pm Wednesday 1st March tickets \$97 pay by December meeting. as this is our Christmas meeting earlier payment would be appreciated. If interested, but unable to attend meetings please call numbers below.

Howard & Sue Patterson

Pat Bisby

IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND

As a matter of courtesy, if anyone **cannot** attend a **function that they have booked** would they please let the organiser know as early as possible so that the venues, ferry operators etc. can be advised. Please consider others and notify the **organiser** of changed intentions even if on the day. Apologies for inability to attend monthly meetings should be sent to **Membership officer Sue Badcock**. Please remember to **SIGN IN at the membership table AT EVERY MEETING**. This is the only way you can acknowledge your required attendance.



Justices of the Peace

Leon Creed	
John Hughes	
Geoff Murray	
Susanne Waesch	

Direct Link to Probus Members Benefit Site: -
http://probussouthpacific.org/pages/members_of_fers_member_benefits_scheme

SUGGESTION BOX

The suggestion box is always on the front of the stage at every meeting and is looked at and discussed at the committee meetings. If you have anything you would like to bring up, please place it in the box, signed or anonymous and the committee will acknowledge it ASAP. Alternatively, you can email a committee member with any ideas or suggestions and it will be forwarded to the appropriate person. The email addresses of all committee members are on the front page of the Chatter



CLUB WEBSITE

Catch up with all the latest news on the club website. Leon continues to do a great job keeping it topical and Colin keeps him supplied with all the latest photo shots. May I encourage you all to access the site to keep up-to-date with the planned events and activities. The site is no longer password protected, so you can go directly to the site.

Site address: www.coonaraprobus.org.au



Chair & Tea Roster

CHAIRS

September

Russ Bush
Colin Cafferty
Hugh Cameron
Geoff Clark
Leon Creed
Stuart Davis
Terry Dowdell
Steve Dunesky

TEA

Dawn Dwyer
Lee Anne Eager
Jenny Eames



If you are unable to attend the Probus meeting when you are on the roster, please contact Steve Kyneur on [redacted] to arrange a replacement. If you are rostered to set out the chairs, would you also return them to storage after the meeting. For safety reasons please stack chairs 8 high only when using the chair transporter, then 12-14 high when in the storage area in order to get them all in the available space.

Please arrive about 9am if you are on either chair or tea duty.

CLUB OUTINGS

PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR OUTINGS etc.

Payment by cheque, cash or direct transfer (BSB No: Acc. No. for each outing must be in a separate deposit with your names and outing written in the deposit reference.)

REFUND POLICY – The restaurants, cafes and venues require prior notice of final numbers. If a member is unable to attend a function after paying, the policy of the club is that once monies have been paid, refunds are only possible if the venue does not charge for the absentee. Once paid for, theatre tickets become the responsibility of the club member.

>FACEBOOK<

To join our Probus Coonara-Cherrybrook Facebook page, click on link and request to join the group. This is a closed page to ensure privacy.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/ProbusCherrybrook_Coonara/?ref=groupheader

ANNUAL GOLF TRIP 2022



The 2 ladies in blue were the "Carers" who took a group of Probus wives for a day "out" into the city of Newcastle for the morning. One carer stayed in the front of the group as they walked and one stayed in the rear to make sure we didn't lose anyone. The head count was 12 + 2 which we had to do several times



Happy Hour what we do best



We all scream for ice cream



Lick it quick , it's melting!



Are those the prizes or your nightly drinking quota?



I choose this table!!



See we've nearly finished!



Cheers to all and to all a "GOOD NIGHT"!



COONARA-CHERRYBROOK CALENDAR 2022

November 2022

All Mon	Golf	Various Courses	TBA	Geoff Murray	
All Wed	Tennis	Belltree Crescent C. Hill	5-7pm	Jan Motte	
Tue 1	Investment	Castle Hill RSL	10.00 am	John Badcock	
Wed 2	Craft	W.P. H Sporting Club	10.00 am	Judith Gauci	
Tue 8	Walking Group	Hunters Hill	10.00 am	Julie & Steve Dunesky	
Fri 11	Bowls	Castle Hill Bowling Club	8.45am	Don Sappey	
Sat 12	Wine & Cheese Night	Glenhaven	6.30-9.30	Leonie Lawson	
Mon 14	Cards for Fun	W.P. H. Sporting Club	10.00am	Jenny Davis	
Mon 14	Book Club	Lucy's Bar C. Hill RSL	10.30 am	Sheila McNeill	
Tue 15	Members Meeting	Castle Hill Bowling Club	10.00am.	Sue Badcock	
Fri 18	Bicycle Group	Bulli - Wollongong	10.00am	Russ & Rhonda Bush	
Mon 21	Movie Group	Castle Hill Events Cinema	9.30 am	Elaine Finch	
Tue 22	Scrabble	Chelsea Gardens	1.30pm	Elaine Finch	
Tue 22	Solo Travellers Coffee	Castle Hill RSL	10.15 am	Ann Colless	
Fri 25	Bowls	Castle Hill Bowling Club	8.45am	Don Sappey	
Sun 27	Solo Sunday Lunch	Sugar salt Cafe	12.00 noon	Sue Dawes	
Mon 28	Cards for Fun	W. P.H. Sporting Club	10.00am	Jenny Davis	

December 2022

All Mon	Golf	Various Courses	TBA	Geoff Murray	
All Wed	Tennis	Belltree Crescent C. Hill	5-7pm	Jan Motte	
Tue 6	Investment	Castle Hill RSL	10.00 am	John Badcock	
Wed 7	Craft	W.P. H. Sporting Club	10.00am	Judith Gauci	
Wed 7	Christmas Lunch	Castle Hill Golf Club	12 noon	Elaine Finch	
Mon 12	Cards for Fun	W.P. H. Sporting Club	10.00am	Jenny Davis	
Mon 12	Book Club	Lucy's Bar C. Hill RSL	10.30 am	Sheila McNeill	
Tue 13	Walking Group	No Walk in December	10.00 am	Julie & Steve Dunesky	
Fri 9	Bowls	Castle Hill Bowling Club	8.45am	Don Sappey	
Mon 19	Movie Group	No Movies in December	9.30 am	Elaine Finch	
Tue 20	Members Meeting	Castle Hill Bowling Club	10.00am	Sue Badcock	
Fri 16	Bicycle Group	No Bicycle in December	10.00am	Russ & Rhonda Bush	
Sun 25	Christmas Day	Happy Christmas	Every	Body!!!!	
Sun 25	Solo Sunday Lunch	Back in January	12.00 noon	Sue Dawes	
Mon 26	Cards for Fun	Not Today it's Boxing Day!	10.00am	Jenny Davis	
Tue 27	Solo Travellers Coffee	Not on in December	10.15 am	Ann Colless	
Tue 27	Scrabble	Not on in December	1.30pm	Elaine Finch	
Fri 30	Bowls	Back in January	8.45am	Don Sappey	

