



Newsletter

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PROBUS CLUB of LEONAY Inc.

We meet on the third Friday of the Month at 10.30am
Leonay Golf Club (Emu Sports Club)
1 Leonay Parade, Leonay NSW

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[Link to our website](http://probussouthpacific.org/microsites/leonay) <http://probussouthpacific.org/microsites/leonay>

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Next Meeting will commence at 10.30 am on Friday 18th July



President's Report - Maggie Bellenger

Good Morning Members.

Well, we certainly have had a lot of changes in the weather lately. Thank God it has settled down and today is a beautiful sunny day.

What I would like to talk about this month is members wearing their badges. In saying that please note that this is not directed to any particular members as we are all guilty of forgetting to do it at times. We are overall, getting a bit forgetful in our advancing years. I'm probably the worst offender at times. Considering the club has over 100 members it would be impossible for us to remember every person's name, and when we address another member it can be a little uncomfortable when we don't know their name. When that person is wearing their badge, and we use their name to address them, it makes it more personal and inviting to the conversation. It establishes a better connection and these things are important, especially to any new members and visitors. I know I nearly always look for a badge when I start a conversation because I would forget my own name if it wasn't pinned on. Having your name pinned in a place where it is visible will also assist others to remember who you are without having to check out your chest to see your name. (a bit of humour). Sometimes we may know people's faces but still struggle at times to remember their names and it can be embarrassing. So please try to remember to wear those name badges. It's really important.

Noel's lunch on Friday went very well. Lovely group of people, really enjoyable food, great day all round.

Marian is out of action for a short while after a car accident and related injuries so we wish her well and a speedy recovery so we see her smiling face out front again.

THINGS CAN CHANGE ON THE DAY FOR ANY CLUB EVENT OR ACTIVITY, SO PLEASE ADVISE THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE MEMBER. ALL DETAILS AND NAMES ARE ON THE NEWSLETTER FRONT PAGE.

A LITTLE NONSENSE EVERY DAY IS RELISHED BY THE WISEST MEN.

That's a wrap
Maggie

Bank Account Details: (Westpac Penrith Branch)

BSB: 032 278 Account Number 876804

Account Name: PROBUS CLUB OF LEONAY INC

Please include your name and what payment is for.

Please wear your name badge for the benefit of fellow members when attending meetings

Remember: No Badge No Win for Lucky Door Raffle.

Last months winner was Cathy Brown

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A Message of Thanks From

The Haven - Nepean Women's Shelter

"Thank you so much for all your support with donations.

We are so grateful for the sheets that were delivered by Ros today.

The sheet sets are perfect for this cold winter we are experiencing, and our women are truly grateful"

Ros Brown will happily deliver donations.

June Guest Speaker

June Birthdays for these Guys and Dolls!



An interesting and very informative talk entitled Colonial Castlereagh was presented by Steve Ethridge, Retired Principal Penrith Lakes EEC. Steve's address on his research into the history of the Castlereagh area gave an insight into early settlement, apportioning of land, the impact on the indigenous population and the evidence that remain of that time.



July Guest Speaker:

NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO GUEST SPEAKER AS WE ARE ENJOYING OUR XMAS IN JULY LUNCH



July Birthdays

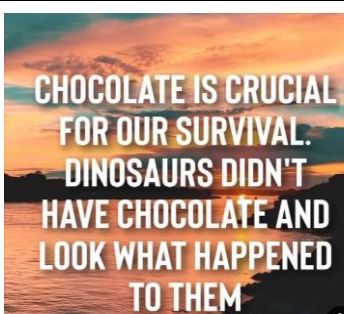
Jim Armstrong, Helen Baczelis, Lyn Baczelis, Helen Brown, Judith Fitt, Pam Karbe, Marian Le Breton, Trisha Meyers, Lenore Moffatt, Helen Price



Get Well Soon / Welfare

If you need support, or if you know of a member who is unwell, grieving or feeling lonely, please advise our Welfare Officer Liz Newman

Food for Thought 🍴



GUESS WHO?

Can you pick this Member in her glamorous youth 🌹

ANSWER: See Page 4

Margaret Houlihan's friend Angela Urban attended the June Meeting as a visitor.



Tours, Outings, Activities and Meetings

Contact Dianne McAlister 0414 282 972 / Denis Gallagher 0411 483 002

Date	Event / Activity	Cost	Transport
No Catch Up this month	Note: There will be no Coffee Morning in July		
Friday 18 th July	Christmas in July Lunch following July General Meeting Two Course Festive Lunch with alternative serves. Club subsidised first drink - beer, wine or soft drink and Festive Lucky Door Prizes ATTENTION STRAGGLERS: RSVP & PAYMENT NEEDED NOW	\$20.00 for Members & \$30 Non-Members	
Friday 25 th July	Lynne's Monthly Walk – Harbour Bridge and The Rocks 9.52am BMT at Emu Plains and 9.56am at Penrith to Milsons Point via Central. We will walk across the Bridge and through The Rocks where we'll enjoy a pub lunch	Lunch at own Expense	Train & Feet

Fri 1 st August	3 hr Port Hacking Cruise with commentary and Morning Tea on the MV Tom Thumb III. PLEASE PAY BY JULY MEETING Departs Gunnamatta Wharf near Cronulla Railway Station	\$30 PP (Concession)	Train to Cronulla via Central
Thurs 7 th August	St Mary's Diggers Club, Cnr Hall St & Mamre Road. 12.00 noon CHINESE CUISINE. If you wish to attend, please put your name down or advise Noel. 0407 033 299 email noel-davis@live.com .	Lunch at own expense	Own Transport
Friday 12 th Sept	Zig Zag Railway & Esbank House Museum Friday 12 th Sept. Lunch included at Lithgow Workies Club. MONEY DUE 15TH AUGUST. Organiser: Dianne 0414 282 972	Cost is \$110 including lunch	Coach
Friday 10 th Oct	Day Trip to Broken Bay Pearl and Oyster Farm at Moonee Moonee including a 2-course lunch. A boat tour of oyster leases & history of oyster farming in the area. PLEASE WEAR ENCLOSED SHOES (Some Uneven Ground) Organiser: Dianne McAlister 0414 282 972	\$125 Payment due by 19/9/2025	Coach
Sunday 2nd Nov to Sat 8th Nov	Melbourne Cup Cruise 2025. Onboard Credit Available – See Invoice. Cruise is fully booked. FINAL PAYMENT - 18TH JULY Download Carnival App to manage your booking. (iTravel will contact you) Organiser: Dianne 0414 282 972	Transfers Return to Quay \$50 pp	Cruise: Carnival Splendor

SYDNEY HELICOPTERS BASE TOUR, JOY FLIGHTS AND LUNCH AT PEACHTREE INN

It was a bonus that this outing, organised by Dianne was so conveniently located

35 members and friends visited Sydney Helicopters Base at Castlereagh. A wonderfully informative tour of 40 minutes pushed out to 2 hours, thanks to the generosity of owner Mark in showcasing his passion for the industry

Three members took to the skies for a flight over the new airport, Warragamba Dam and Penrith and The Lakes and Di's house so she could wave to her son and his dogs.

As always, The Peachy didn't disappoint for lunch after a fantastic morning.



COFFEE CATCH UP AT LAUGHIN BOY

A small but vibrant group of ladies and their handsome escort braved chilly weather for the monthly coffee catch up. Thanks, Denis, for keeping the ladies in line!!

POST-OUTING LUNCH AT THE PEACHTREE INN

After the very informative tour at Sydney Helicopters, most adjourned to the Peachtree Inn for a lovely lunch.



*Peachtree Inn
Penrith
June 2025*



**I know how it
will end. One of
my Grandkids will
unplug my
life support to
charge their
phone** 😊

SOME FAMILIAR FACES ON SUNRISE



Thought for the Month

*"When the power of love overcomes the
love of power, the world will know
peace" - Jimmi Hendrix*

AUGUST'S GUEST SPEAKER WILL BE FUN

Paul O'Laughlin will be leading us in
CHAIR YOGA. LYCRA IS OPTIONAL!!!

MONTHLY LUNCH AT O'DONOGHUES – A happy group of 21 members enjoyed lunch at O'Ds. Thank you, Noel.



**The August General Meeting
will be on Friday 15th August at 10:30am**

"GUESS WHO" ANSWER: Wendy Healey

The Probus Club of Leonay Inc acknowledges the generous and continuing support of Leonay Golf Club