

NEWSLETTER July 2025



Probuss Club Of Nelson City

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Those of us unaffected by the floods over the last few weeks can blithely joke about having “webbed feet” But for those experiencing the devastation in their home and work, and severe consequences for their health are in the unenviable position of having to rebuild almost everything of importance to them. I can only try to empathise—but I have never been put into such a terrible position . Although we

probably all know somebody badly affected, unless it is something we have experienced first hand, I doubt that we fully appreciate the effects.

It was heart-warming to see the Student Volunteer Army pitching in once more. Secondary students on holiday assisting with the clean up was one bright spot on an otherwise dreadful situation.

Our thoughts and best wishes go out to everybody who has been adversely affected.

Best wishes for a dry and pleasant month ahead!

Glenys Della Bosca

July Meeting Cancelled

We were all disappointed that the July meeting had to be cancelled due to the Golf Club withdrawing our booking to make the room available to their membership for a funeral. Organising an alternative at such short notice was not feasible so the decision was made to cancel the meeting. Fortunately, none of the committee members can remember another time this has happened, so we can be reasonably confident of no repeat.

What's Been Happening in Our Club

Mid Winter Luncheon

Mid Winter Luncheon: Thirty members gathered at the Anchor Restaurant on June 26th to enjoy a relaxed meal in a warm and friendly atmosphere while the rain teemed down outside. Unfortunately health and weather related issues for several members meant last minute cancellations but those attending enjoyed some good food and Probuss fellowship.

Shona King



Cyclist Group



We termed our ride, " on 2nd July, "Tour de Stoke: Encore (It followed on from a popular ride earlier in the year led by Jan Gillanders which explored off-the-beaten-track aspects of Stoke.)

As predicted, the day was grey and chilly, but we - Ian, Stephen, Bruce, Robyn, Jan, Sue (a 'visitor' to our Club), and myself - soon warmed up for a ride which took us up to Orphanage Stream and across to Summerset-on-the- Ranges for our refreshment stop. (An excellent, value-for-money, venue.) We returned via the Railway Reserve to our starting point in Beach Road.

It was fitting - if fortuitous - that this ride avoided the off-road sections of the Great Taste Trail which have suffered significant damage in recent days. It was also the final ride of the 2024-5 season. The group will go into recess until warmer weather (hopefully) in September.

Convenor Bob Gidlow



<https://www.1news.co.nz/2025/07/01/tourism-fears-as-nelson-tasman-bike-trail-faces-months-of-flood-repairs/>

This is desperately sad. How much of the various trails can be repaired in time for Spring, remains guesswork until a full assessment can be undertaken.

It is probably appropriate - if

fortuitous - that we are closing down our Probus rides until September AND that our final ride of the season - was in an urban environment with largely sealed surfaces.

Welcome to Our New Members: -

John and Daphne Ryder,

John and Kathy Taber

July Outing

We have been invited to visit the **Nelson Search and Rescue Headquarters** on Friday next week. This is Land SAR and is not connected to the Helicopter Trust.

A donation of \$10 per head will be welcome.

Given sufficient interest we will then head to lunch at an interesting and very economical venue – the Nelson Hospital Café.

Believe me, it is one of the best and cheapest in town!

Details are:

Date: July 18th

Time: 10am (max 1 1/2hrs)

Location: Navy sea cadets -Talisman building.

Address: 24 Harley Street, Nelson

Parking: is limited and parking costs may apply so suggest you share a ride.

Please email johncrocker@xtra.co.nz by 5.00pm this Friday if you are attending.

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Coffee Morning Group

A reminder that the coffee morning will be on Thursday 17th July at River Kitchen Café, Millers Acre Car Park at 10.00am. Convenor is Zelda Anderson, Ph 021 031 7541.

Leisure Walking Group

Group Coordinator Stephen Wynn-Jones is away at present. He recommends that the group meets at Broadmeadows Café on 24 July and whoever turns up heads out for a walk in Isel Park.

Chess Group

Our chess afficianodos meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday afternoons of each month, from 2pm at 52 Manuka Street, Nelson.

Convenor is Michael Roberts Ph 021 0228 8359.

New players are welcome—experienced or never played before.



Book Challenge Group

Meet at the Honest Lawyer at 10am on the first Thursday of the month.
Queries to Convener Jane Evans email jane.evatech@gmail.com

Scrabble Group

Our keen scrabble players meet at 10am, on the third Tuesday of the month at 8 Chamberlain Street, Tahunanui. Convenor Rose Biss can be reached on Ph 021 0797 868.



Mainly Ukeleles



If you find yourself singing along to songs on the radio you would enjoy the Ukulele group on Tuesday evenings. And if you have an instrument collecting dust even better! It doesn't have to be a ukelele—we can accommodate guitars, banjos etc. Come along and loosen those vocal chords with us at Shone and Shirley Funeral Directors on Tahunanui Drive from 7—8.45pm. Enquiries to Jan Gillanders 027 292 4661. Leave each session with a smile on your face!

August Meeting Programme

Birthday Quiz— Brush up on your knowledge of all things Probus. Compete for ...chocolates!

Meeting Speaker— Ross Newman: “The History of Health Stamps and Health Camps”.



Perennial: A plant or flower that refuses to follow instructions throughout the entire year.

Annual: A plant that disappoints only once a year

Source “Senior Moments”, Angus Fitzimons

Monthly Sunday Luncheon

Sunday 27th July at midday.

Venue: "Miracle: 200 Hardy Street,
Nelson

Menu: Sim Sum, Cantonese, Thai



Recent Online Review: -

Great food, warm room on a cold evening in June, and loved the robot delivering food!

Food was plentiful and tasty, didn't need dessert, staff friendly and I think would suit all sizes of group.

**Bookings essential : Ph Ian MacGregor 021 436 224 or
email idmacgregor.ir@gmail.com by 10pm Thursday 24 July.**

Sunday 24th August at midday.

Venue: Speights Ale House (Near Mitre 10)

Menu: Snacks, Brunch, Full Meal

Bookings close 10pm, 21 August



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August Outing

Visit the Suter Gallery for an introduction to the gallery, discuss artworks and discuss some not on show.

Sign Up at the Next Meeting

Next Meeting—10am Thursday 14 August

Raffle Tickets on Sale

\$2.00 each or \$5 for 3

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