



GLEDSDWOOD GAZETTE

PROBUS CLUB OF GLEDSDWOOD HILLS INC

GENERAL MEETING:

Country Club Gledswood Hills – 91 The Hermitage Way, Gledswood Hills NSW 2557. Meetings held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 10.30am.

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

Firstly, let me wish you all a Merry Christmas (in July). I hope you all have your Christmas outfits ready for our upcoming meeting. Just letting you know that it's only 25 weeks until Christmas, followed by the end of 2025 a week later. There is so much truth in the saying, 'Time Flies'.

At our recent Committee Management meeting we had several members who have shown interest in the workings and continuance of the club attend. It was most pleasing to see that the Club is in good hands when the current Committee stand down. Once again if you feel that you can give something to your club and would like to be invited to our next meeting in September, please come and see me or any other member of the Committee.

We have also had a subcommittee working on a review of the Constitution and Standing Orders of the Club, which has been requested by Probus South Pacific (PSPL). This will be distributed to you all well before the August Meeting for everyone to vote on and adopt.

For some time now, we have had the guest speaker presentation after morning tea with the meeting before. Some members have expressed concerns that they would prefer the guest speaker before morning tea followed by the meeting after. Please let me or any other Committee member know your preference.

Once again, I wish to remind you that our club is at capacity for membership. If you have friends, neighbours or family that wish to join, they may visit to a maximum of three times, and from there it may be quite a long time for a vacancy to occur.

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PRESIDENTS REPORT (Cont')

October is **Probus Month** which gives us an opportunity to celebrate what Probus is all about, it also creates awareness of Probus within the wider community. For 2025, the **Probus Month** theme of "**Reinvent your retirement**" resonates with so many members who have found a sense of belonging within the Probus family.

This year as well as our regular monthly meeting we will be celebrating with the Bowls Day and Lunch at Antegra Village, Leppington on 15th October. Even if you don't wish to play bowls, please join all your friends afterwards for a special lunch. (Therese will advise more within her report).

See you all Wednesday. Ho, Ho, Ho!

Bruce

SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE



Last Wednesday, 25th June, 36 of us ventured to the Sydney Opera House for a guided tour. The sun was shining, the wind was icy and fierce, but we managed to walk up to the Opera House steps without getting blown into the harbour! We met with our very informative tour guide, Jason, who gave us all headphones, it was great as we could all hear him clearly. Let the Tour Begin ! we learnt that over 200 submissions from all over the world were presented for the architectural design, out of these Jorn Utzon (from Denmark) was selected for his bold unique design and construction commenced in March 1959 and was completed in 1973. BUT Utzon withdrew from the project in 1966 after having a "hissy fit" and Peter Hall (an Australian) was appointed to finish the job. Hall continued the project focussing mainly on the completion of the interior. Sadly, we were told Hall didn't receive the recognition he so deserved, the interior is absolutely stunning ! We were lucky enough to witness the Sydney Symphony Orchestra rehearsing in the main concert hall, a snippet of how breathtaking the acoustics are !

Michael Whittaker won the prize for "most questions asked" (ps. He told me I could add this !) it was a great day and a worthy visit and ended on a high note with a delicious lunch at the Quay before heading home !

Note. Not one person died during the entire construction and no harnesses were used! Amazing !

Jan Poole



ACTIVITY REPORT

Hello

Another month has flown by. Too cold for me but I guess that's winter. July will be fairly quiet activity wise as School holidays keep many busy. Those of us who attended Annie really enjoyed the show. It was especially special for me as my cousin was one of the cast members. Our Opera House tour last Wednesday was also a great day out despite the cold wind. There is a great report in the newsletter from Jean Player and Jan Poole reporting on both events, thankyou ladies.

Upcoming events

- 18th July Girl Talk at Ronda's
- 30th July Wollondilly Museum visit and lunch at The Oaks Hotel \$15 for Museum and morning tea
- 13th August Opal Card trip to Kiama
- 17th September Mystery trip. There are only 6 spots left \$20 deposit secures a spot.
- 15th October Bowls and lunch at Antegra Retirement Village Leppington. This event will also celebrate Probus month. Cost \$25 includes lunch
- 10th to 14th November Hunter Valley and Central Coast trip. \$750 twin/queen, single supplement \$1100

There will be other events added as the year goes on. Denis and I have put together what we hope will be an enjoyable trip to the Hunter and Central Coast. The cost of the trip is being based on 30 attending and will be adjusted accordingly if numbers increase. There is a new sign on sheet available now the first one was for expressions of interest only. \$100 deposit required when adding your name to the list thank you.

A special thankyou to Deb Denny for organising the Wollondilly Museum and Oaks pub day out on 30th July whilst Denis and I traverse the Nullarbor.

Don't forget the July meeting is Christmas in July themed.

Therese **Specks and Spicks!**
by Bruce.

BANK ACCOUNT
WESTPAC
Macarthur Square
BSB 032-734
A/c No. 144472

1. In what year was the first Woodstock?
1. Where did Kris Kristofferson find himself busted flat?
1. On the front cover of Abbey Road, in which order, from front to back, are the band members crossing the road?
1. When Doris Day sang 'Que Sera,Sera', what did she mean?
1. Before The Wiggles were The Wiggles, they were?

(Try not to use Google! Answers given during the July meeting).



EVENTS CALENDAR

EVENT	VENUE	DAY	DATE	TIME	COST	PAY BY	COMMENTS
PROBUS MEETING	GLEDSDOOD HILLS COUNTRY CLUB	Wednesday	2/07/25	10:30AM	\$5	At Door	Pay at door. Christmas in July dress up theme.
MOVIE DAY	Narellan Cinema	Wednesday	16/07/25				Details to be provided closer to date.
GIRL TALK	Ronda's Place	Friday	18/07/2025				Contact Ronda on 0432 591 637 if planning to attend
WOLLONDILLY HISTORICAL MUSEUM	The Oaks	Wednesday	30/07/2025	10:00AM	\$15	July Meeting	Guided Tour & morning Tea. Limited Walking. Lunch The Oaks
PROBUS MEETING	GLEDSDOOD HILLS COUNTRY CLUB	Wednesday	6/08/25	10:30AM	\$5	At Door	Pay at door.
OPAL CARD DAY OUT	Kiama	Wednesday	13/08/2025		Lunch at own cost		
GIRL TALK	Ronda's Place	Friday	15/08/2025				Contact Ronda on 0432 591 637 if planning to attend
MOVIE DAY	Narellan Cinema	Wednesday	20/08/25				Details to be provided closer to date.
PROBUS MEETING	GLEDSDOOD HILLS COUNTRY CLUB	Wednesday	3/09/25	10:30AM	\$5	At Door	Pay at door.
MYSTERY TRIP	???????	Wednesday	17/09/25		\$60.00	September Meeting	Limited Walking
NATHAN FOLEY IN CONCERT	Casula Powerhouse	Thursday	18/09/25		\$30.00	Fully Booked	
ABBALANCHE	Campbelltown RSL	Saturday	20/09/25		\$40.00	Fully Booked	Abba Tribute Band
BOWLS & LUNCH	Antegra Leppington	Wednesday	15/10/25		\$25.00	October Meeting	Probud Day Celebrations. Wear Probud colours
HUNTER VALLEY LIGHTS	Central Coast	Monday to Friday	10/11/25 to 14/11/25		\$750 Share \$1100 Single		Deposit \$100 Due ASAP



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Day out to the Capital

Denis and Therese have an uncanny insight into long range weather forecasting, so again we were able to enjoy a great day out on an almost perfect winters day in Sydney.

Members were able to take a leisurely walk from Central to our lunch venue at the Thai Chat Haymarket restaurant, next to the Capital Theatre.



The restaurant is great for casual dining, with friendly service, and delicious authentic Thai food. Perfect place to relax and chat before going on to the Theatre.

Annie, the musical is a classic, heartwarming story with themes that would appeal to audiences of all ages. The cast featured many recognisable actors, Anthony Warlow, Greg Page and Debora Krizak in starring roles. The talented little girl who played Annie on the day we identified as Beatrix Alder, showing skills beyond her years. The dog Sandy, was a scene stealer and won the audience, giving him a big round of applause.



The music, costumes, dancing and set design were fantastic and memorable.

Good to see school groups in the audience, young people out on excursion enjoying such a positive musical experience.

It was a very enjoyable day out for all. Many thanks to our very active, Activities Co-ordinators.

Jean Player

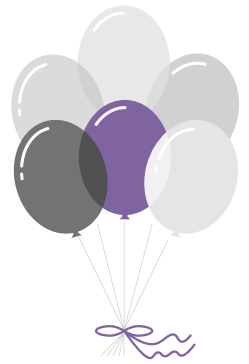
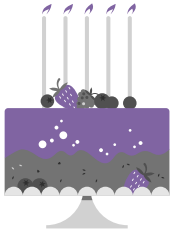


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BIRTHDAYS

JULY

- Sue Thomas (1st)
- Glenn Denny (1st)
- Sheena Whittaker (3rd)
- Lisa Butcher (5th)
- Olga Litkens (14th)
- Beryl Hope (15th)
- Diana Purvis (15th)
- Virginia Middleton (23rd)
- Dianne Worthington (24th)



Useful information/Services Available:

Help Is Close If you require transport to or from an appointment with doctors, travelling to or returning from hospital, or require help for other transport or welfare issues please free to contact one of the welfare officers or one of the executive.

- Welfare Officers: • Jean Player 0428 097 701
- Brian Owen 0417 140 240
- Evelin DeCean 0412 540 314

GUEST SPEAKER

Our June Speaker enlightened us all on the importance of Organ & Tissue Donation and transplantation. Resmi dispelled many myths regarding Who can donate & What can be donated - Every one of us, Young, Old & even with existing medical conditions CAN Donate our BITS!! An organ donor can transform up to 7 lives, and a tissue donor many more. From bone, eye, & skin tissue, to heart valves, pancreas, liver, kidneys, heart & lungs, there are sadly too many people in Australia waiting for these life-changing gifts.

Don't rely on a once ticked box licence renewal - please go to donatelife.gov.au or ring 1800 777 203 and ensure you are Registered to Donate !

See you all on 2nd July,
Barb.



MENS GROUP

It took a while however recently were able have a gathering of the men of our club. A sedate affair (as you would expect) but nonetheless a very enjoyable few hours. We did solve the problems of the world however, unfortunately Donald would not listen to our advice. 😊😊😊

Till next time.
Denis