



The Fun Club

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President's Report November 2025

I hope we all listened to our guest speaker Jon on scams etc. and what we may be able to do to avoid them. It is important that if you do suspect something, that you follow it up with your bank or experts like Jon,

Well, since our last meeting we have had a very busy Probus month. We had our free BBQ lunch which was attended by over 30 of our members and was a great day. Bingo conducted by Fay was the quietest that I have heard our group, some people though did have trouble working out whether they had the right numbers.

Then in the same week we had the combined Probus Cluster lunch and games day. If you did not attend, you missed a fun day with other Probus groups in our district. Disappointingly only 5 of our members turned up to represent our club but we did have fun.

Then this week we travelled by train to the Hawkesbury River to have a lunch cruise on the 'Hawkesbury River Postman' which saw 11 of us enjoy a great cruise as well as an enjoyable lunch. There were 2 other Probus clubs on the boat so it was quite full. Though spotting rain it was still good and the commentary from the captain kept us all interested in the history of the river.

November sees some of our members take off on a Caravan and Cabin week near Cessnock in the Hunter Valley wine country. Look out for details in the newsletter, as you may like to join in for a day in some of the activities that are being planned.

Next meetings:

Tuesday 11 November

In The Wentworth Room

at the Doylo

10.00am for 10.15am

Doors open at 9.45am

Tuesday 9 December

CHRISTMAS PARTY

In The Wentworth Room

at the Doylo

10.00am for 10.15am

Doors open at 9.45am

Guest Speaker :

Jade McGregor

Jade will speak about all the changes in Aged Care that begin from 1 November. Also about the option to self manage your own plan and save on fees.

Think about any questions you may have for Jade following her address.

President's report (contd)

After all the hot days we have had it is good to see some rain to wet down the gardens.

November sees us again with a few activities and then we start gearing up for our Christmas season.

See you at the meeting

Bill Kuilder, your Prez.

Bill Kuilder

0419 277 928

Committee Members

2025/2026

PresidentBill Kuilder

Vice President..... Bill Irvine

SecretaryJenny Scrimes

TreasurerLurline Collins

Membership Officer.....Colin Walker

Attendance Officer Judith Wilson

Newsletter Editor.....Jenny Scrimes

Hospitality Officer.....Jenny Walker

Welfare OfficerColin Walker

Activities:

Picnis, Lunches, Holidays & Day Trips. Fay Kuilder

Entertainment Suzy Chalker

Guest Speaker Organiser..... Jacque Gillogly

Publicity OfficerJeff Boler

Welcome Officer Jan Gray

Web ManagerBill Irvine

Historian Ray Kench

Risk Mgr & First Aid CoordinatorJeff Boler

Club AmbassadorJeff Boler

Immediate Past President Ron Gillogly

Your Committee

2025 / 2026



***Committee meetings held on
1st Tuesday of each month***



November Birthdays

Sandra Dunk

Kennie Harley

Ann Hitchon



******Please send all apologies for meetings to only the following***:***

Membership Officer, Colin Walker 0407 269 355 or jandcwalker@bigpond.com

OR

Attendance Officer, Judith Wilson 0451 810 008 or judithw2443@gmail.com



Please remember to let Colin Walker know if you are aware of any member who is not well (Colin's number above)



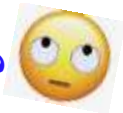
Upcoming Guest Speakers

There will be no Guest Speakers until February '26, as December is our Christmas Party and January is our "Fun Meeting".

Keep watching future Newsletters for information about our future Guest Speakers.

LIGHTEN UP.....IT AIN'T ALL THAT BAD!!!!!!



- I used to be able to do cartwheels. Now I tip over putting on my underwear.
- Hate it when I see an old person and then realize we went to high school together.
- I thought growing old would take longer. 
- I came, I saw, I forgot what I was doing. Retraced my steps, got lost on the way back, now I have no idea what's going on.
- Day 12 without chocolate. Now I've lost hearing in my left eye.
- A dog accepts you as the boss... a cat wants to see your resume.
- Oops.... did I just roll my eyes out loud? 
- Life is too short to waste time matching socks. 
- Camping: where you spend a small fortune to live like a homeless person.
- The world's best antidepressant has 4 legs, a wagging tail and comes with unconditional love. 
- Love is how excited your dog gets when you come home.
- I've reached the age where my train of thought often leaves the station without me.

OUTINGS / ACTIVITIES 2025

**** Please watch out for updates via email or text****

Picnics, Lunches, Holidays & Day Trips:

Coordinator - Fay Kuilder
0412 646 832



PICNICS AND LUNCHES 2025

NOVEMBER - TUESDAY 18th

PICNIC IN THE PARK + GAMES

AT: Peverill Street, Mannering Park (near boatramp)
BBQ's available, BYO everything.
Limited seating, so bring a chair and picnic table if possible.

TIME: 10.30am

DECEMBER - TUESDAY 9th December

PROBUS MEETING + CHRISTMAS PARTY

Cost to be advised in the next newsletter.



DECEMBER - Tuesday 16th December

LUNCH AT GWANDALAN BOWLING CLUB.

AT: Gamban Road, Gwandalan

TIME: 11.30am

DECEMBER: NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY .

WEDNESDAY 31st December after 5.00pm

Drop in for a drink and party food OR stay and see in the New Year.
Cold drinks provided- BYO Wine/Spirits.

AT: Bill & Fay's Place- 40 Westbrook Parade, Gorokan.

Stay for $\frac{1}{2}$ hour or as long as you like.

Bring a plate. (optional)





CHRISTMAS PARTY



TUESDAY 9th DECEMBER (following meeting at Doylo)
Meeting 10.15am- NO Guest Speaker today.

Main meal 3 meats served with seasonal vegies
pumpkin & potatoes
dinner rolls



Dessert Pavlova with cream and berry compote
Christmas pudding with custard
Served alternatively



**COST: \$25 per head to be paid into our Probus
account by Tuesday 11th November.**

**Please Note: NO REFUNDS POSSIBLE FOR
THIS EVENT**

As it has to be pre-paid.



**Please put your name on the board
at the next meeting.**

Any dietary concerns..please see Fay or Jenny W.

LUCKY DOOR PRIZES

**COME DRESSED IN YOUR XMAS T-SHIRTS,
earrings, antlers, xmas ties, etc**



TRAIN TRIP TO SOMEWHERE



- ** There will be no train trip in November, as we have our Caravan/Cabin getaway in November.
- ** There will be no train trip in December as we have the Christmas Party and we are all busy at this time of year.

Keep watching in future Newsletters for train trips in 2026.

Entertainment:

Coordinator - Suzanne Chalker
0423 851 738



***Keep watching in future Newsletters for our
2026 Entertainment Schedule***

Quotes from Mark Twain

- It is better to keep your mouth closed and let people think you are a fool than to open it and remove all doubt.
- If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.
- Age is an issue of mind over matter. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter.
- Never put off till tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow.
- The best way to cheer yourself up is cheer up someone else.



CABIN/CARAVAN 4 NIGHT GET-A-WAY
Monday 24th November- Friday 28th November.



Ingenia Holidays/ Hunter Valley-
137 Mountview Rd, Cessnock. Ph. 4990-2573
2 Bedroom Budget Cabin (QB+ 2 SB) is \$592-00 for the 4 nights.
When you ring up to book, tell them you are with Wyee Probus/Fay Kuilder as there are cabins kept for us, under my name.
You will need to pay one night's accommodation to reserve the cabin in your name. This will be a great 4 days away, as there are lots to do up in that area and I will organize some day trips and activities.

Powered Van Sites available- drive-thru sites.

\$44 per night Sun-Thurs.

\$63 per night Fri/Sat Book 7 nights get 7th night FREE Sun-Sat

\$346-00... This is with a 20% discount.



Pay \$25.00 each by our November meeting. This is to cover meals for all the nights we are away.

*****Monday 24th November 11-30- 12noon*****

**Meet at the Cafe next door to the
Information Centre for LUNCH at own expense.
455 Wine Country Drive, Pokolbin, NSW 2320..**



PHOTO GALLERY

Happy October Birthdays 🎂



Guest Speaker - Jon Lobendahn



BBQ & Bingo at McKenzie Reserve





Another great day -
thanks Fay for
organising the Bingo !!
What great fun.
Good food, good
friends, how can you
beat it ???!

Cluster 15 Probus Day Get Together



All those from the clubs in our Cluster 15 who came to our Fun & Games Probus get together enjoyed a great day. There were lots of different games to play, great company and lots of laughs. It was a great opportunity to get to know people from different clubs. Everyone had such a good time we will be celebrating Probus 50th Anniversary in Australia in 2026 with another combined day.



Train Trip to Brooklyn & Riverboat Postman



Useless Information:



- Plankton and seaweed produce over half the world's oxygen 
- Sharks were around before trees. 
- Your nose can detect a trillion smells. 
- A human's stomach acid is strong enough to dissolve razor blades. 
- Cleopatra lived closer to the time of the moon landing than to the building of the Great Pyramid of Giza. 
- There's no such thing as zero-calorie foods. Even low-calorie foods, such as celery and watercress, contain more energy than the body needs to process them. 
- Guinness once estimated that 93,000 litres of beer are lost in facial hair each year in the UK alone. 

PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR WYEE PROBUS CLUB

1. Pay online by Direct Debit into the bank account. (Making sure to include your surname and the activity in the description).

WYEE PROBUS CLUB –

NEWCASTLE PERMANENT BANK

BSB : 650-000 ACC NO. 528540603

Or

2. Deposit your money into our bank account at any **NEWCASTLE PERMANENT Branch**.
INCLUDE YOUR SURNAME and the activity IN THE BANK DESCRIPTION WHEN DEPOSITING YOUR FUNDS
3. If paying our treasurer in person at the next Probus Meeting, **PLEASE PLACE CORRECT MONEY IN AN ENVELOPE CLEARLY STATING YOUR NAME, the AMOUNT & THE ACTIVITY.**

To see photos of all our past outings take a look at Wyee Probus

Facebook page just hold your cursor over the following link and click

<https://www.facebook.com/wyeeprobus/>

or click below to check out Wyee Probus Webpage

<https://www.probusouthpacific.org/microsites/wyee>

If you would like copy of any of our photos, please just ask.



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