

Probus Club of Burnside Inc.



Newsletter ⁽⁵⁰⁷⁾

December 2025

Tuesday 16th December 2025

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PRESIDENT	David Frazer
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PAST PRESIDENT	Craig Hall
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NEWSLETTER	Leigh Hall

COORDINATORS - 2025/26

HOSPITALITY	Robert Fleetwood
MEMBERSHIP	Michael Heuzenroeder (0429 093 520)
GUEST SPEAKERS	Bruce Clark
WELFARE	Kevin Foreman
CARAVANS & CABINS	Vacant
WEBMASTER	Jon Harmer
SOCIAL GROUPS	John Farmer
TRIPS & TOURS	John Scali

Next Meeting

TUESDAY 20th January at **10 am**. Kensington Gardens Bowling & Tennis Club, East Terrace.

Wives and Partners are very welcome to attend the Christmas meeting.

Members Meeting Highlights-November

- Upcoming Guest Speakers:
 - 20/01/25
- Nominations for MANCOM 2026 are open, particularly Caravans and Cabins, and Trips and Tours
- PSPL have highlighted a few Standing Resolution matters that MANCOM with review in future meetings.
- Talkies and Tea- Wednesday 26th November 2025, "The Ballad of Wallis Island"
- Trips and Tours. Please advise John Scali if you wish to attend Carrick Hill in January 2026
- Hospitality roster for 2026 is being compiled and will be available at the December meeting.
- Question of merging with the Probus combined club has been raised again by the combined club, and our MANCOM will discuss this again and come back to the General meeting on this topic.
- Membership 42, non-active 6, present 29, guest 2, apologies 2 accountability 93%.
- Closing Balance of members funds on 31st October was \$3677.
- The Anniversary lunch successfully occurred at the Kensi Hotel on date 28/10/2025, with 46 attending. This included 3 widows and Sandy Williams and Heather Dibben from the Burnside mixed Probus Club
- Next Mancom meeting Tuesday 9th December at Kensi Hotel at 9.30am

Guest Speaker

Dr Bill Runciman was introduced by Bruce Clark, and he spoke on his Gyrocopter trips around Australia.

Bill was born in Africa. After university and conscription, he emigrated to Australia in 1973. He spent 20 years as Foundation Professor and Head Of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care at Adelaide University and the RAH, followed by research in SAHMRI.

His hobby of windsurfing turned into flying ultralight aircraft. His address opened with an explanation of the types of aircraft in this field, powered by both petrol and battery. He continued with the reason he chose to fly mainly coastlines and then described his 4-stage journey covering the coastline of Australia between 2016 and 2019. The first 3 stages covered a clockwise course to the Gulf of Carpentaria and the final stage anti clockwise to Broome in WA returning via William Creek and Kati Thanda (Lake Eyre)

Vote of thanks from Bruce Clark to Dr Bill Runciman



Member 10 Minute Spot

Kevin Foreman spoke of his life growing up in Unley and his relationship with the Sturt Football club. He went on to a career in Pharmacy. Kevin spoke of his father's career in SANFL and some of his escapades as a youngster.

Future planned 10-minute Spot.

December

No 10 minute spot at our Christmas meeting.

Diary Dates & Social Group Updates

Every Friday– Brisk Walking Group. (Leigh Hall 0417 016 135) Enjoyable 1 hour walk (2-4 Kilometres) followed by coffee at a suitable venue. Meet 9:30 at the start point nominated by Leigh Hall or delegate. There is a weekly SMS sent to all regular walkers (6-8) to advise of the starting point for each walk.

During November/October the group walked in the vicinity of the following areas: Campbelltown Par 3 golf, The Hub Glenunga, The Weir North Adelaide, Kensington Gardens Reserve.

Please contact Leigh to be added to the weekly SMS.

1st Monday of each month– Wine Appreciation Group – (Jon Harmer 0408 672 426)

Results from November meeting:

Wine\Name	Av	SD
Taylors The Aromantiques GSM Clare 2022	16.6	1.03
Pirramimma Stock Hill GSM McLaren Vale 2021	15.9	0.88
Wirra Wirra Church Block CSM Mc Laren Vale 2022	15.6	0.73
Killakanoon GSM Clare Valley 2023	15.4	0.97
M: Cat Among the Pigeons GSM Barossa Valley 2024	15.0	1.29
Barossa Valley Estate Barossa GSM 2023	14.0	0.83
AV	15.4	0.96

Taylors do craft some great wine so no surprise with the Aromantiques GSM with its unusual glass 'cork'. The Pirramimma was not far behind along with the Wirra Wirra which was a Cab Shiraz Merlot. The rest were fare but not outstanding.

However, the lesson, I believe, is that if you are stuck in choosing a red wine a GSM from SA will not let you down

Thanks to all for a lovely afternoon for upholding the Probus mantra "Friendship, Fellowship and Fun". Also, thanks to Ken and Rosiland for the warmth of their hospitality.

December meeting at my place for the Xmas BBQ. On December 1st at 12.30 pm

I have 4 bottles in the kitty and a very old magnum

SO just your charming selves with an appetite as the only necessity.

2nd Tuesday alternate even months at 9.30 – MANCOM – venue Kensi Hotel. Apologies/Reports to Jon Harmer.

2nd Wednesday each month 2:00pm – Book Group meets at "On Statenborough". (Trevor Dick.)

3rd Tuesday each month at 10.00am– General Meeting at the Kensington Bowling Club.

3rd Thursday each month Dinner at the Kensi at 6.30 pm. Booking required
Contact TBA at the monthly meeting. Looking for a new coordinator please?

At the Regal Theatre

When: Wednesday 26th November

Time: 9:45 am for 10:30am

Cost: \$9.50 includes tea/coffee and biscuits

If you intend attending Lunch after the movie, please contact John Farmer Mob. 0412 026 588 no later than Monday 24th November.

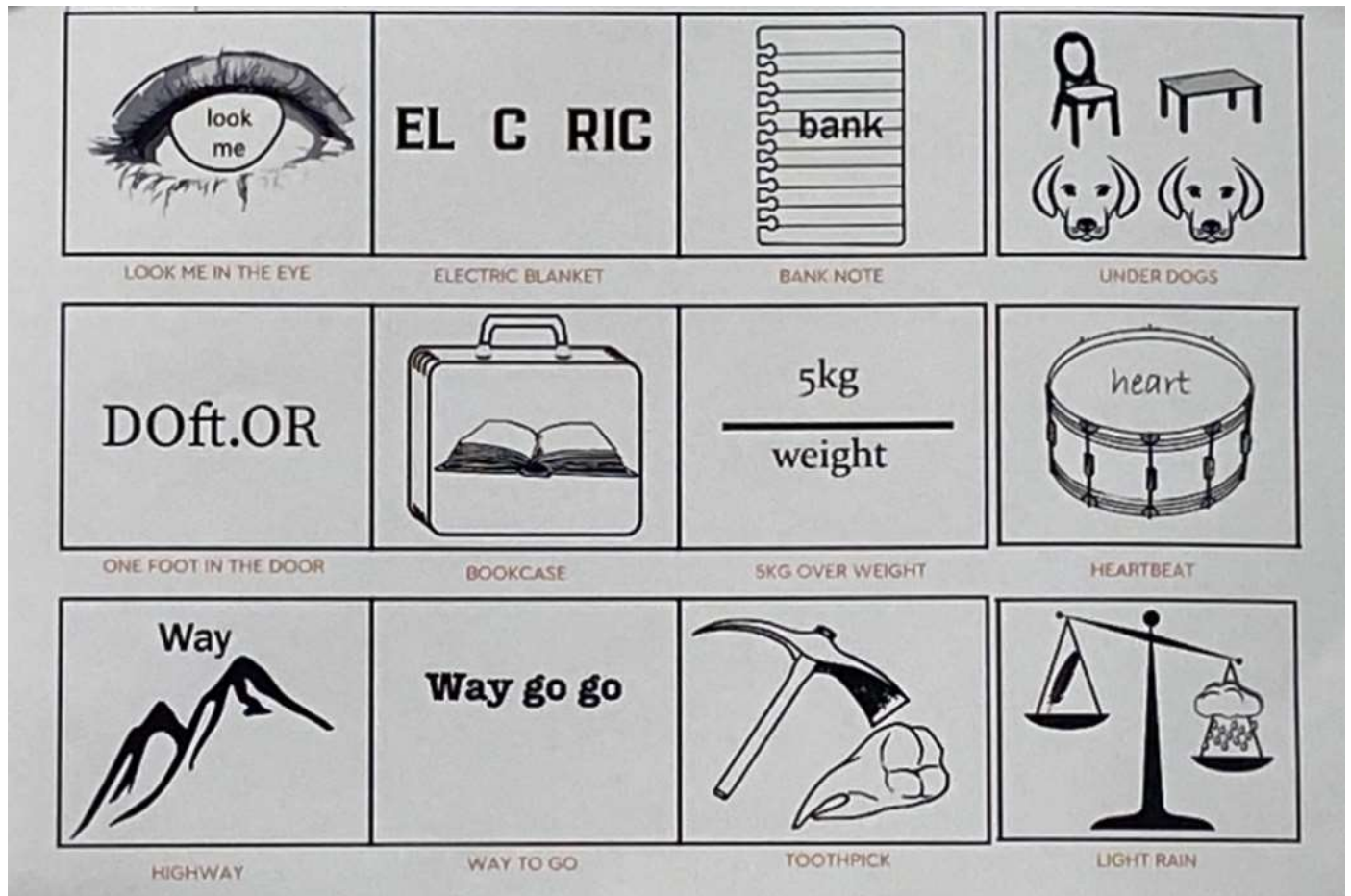


The cost is \$9.50 per ticket, and this includes tea/coffee and biscuits.

Doors will open at 9.45am to allow for guests to have their morning tea and mingle

26 November– **“The Ballad of Wallis Island”**

Please see below the answers to last month brain teasers.



JOKES

**My age doesn't
bother me...it's
the side effects.**

**Once you understand
why the pizza is made
round,
Packed in a square
box,
And eaten as a
triangle..
Then you will
understand women**

