



# **PROBUS CLUB OF STRATHFIELD INCORPORATED (c)**

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### **ACTIVITIES SUMMARY**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>COST/DUE</b>
Sunday 31 August Friday 5 September	Dorrigo Bus Trip	Paid by participants
Tuesday 2 September 10:00 am	Coffee club Croydon Park Club	Own cost
Tuesday 2 September 10:30 am	Club Meeting Croydon Park Club	N/A
Tuesday 16 September 10 for 10.30 am	Movie: Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale: Event Cinemas Burwood	Own cost
Tuesday 23 September 12.30 pm	A-Z Dining: Palace Hotel 62 Tennyson Rd, Mortlake	Own cost
Friday 26 September 10.30 am	Book Club: at Roz Miller's home	N/A



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#### MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE and HELPERS 2025 - 2026

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#### Club bank details: BSB number 032 069, account number 150935

The club's annual membership fee is \$70.00. The fee covers the capitation fee paid to Probus South Pacific, tea and coffee at the Croydon Park Club, incorporation fees and other incidental expenses.

If paying any funds to the club please pay, preferably, by EFT to the club's Westpac account. Otherwise, use the club's envelope if you are paying by cheque or cash.

#### Email addresses

If you would like a list of fellow member's email addresses, ask Ross Berghofer, Club Secretary, for that information. He will provide a list comprising only surname and given name, and the email address. In that way members' privacy can be respected. When emails are circulated to members the privacy (BCC) mode is used.

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE from Alison Bray

September will bring Spring and hopefully some sun! For many it will be a busy month, but meeting attendance will lower as many will be away in Dorrig. I too will be away enjoying some Mediterranean islands, and Elizabeth will be chairing the September meeting in my place.

Our September meeting will welcome new member Terry Robinson. He has visited us as a guest, and now he may settle in as a valued member of our club. He is Barry Robinson's brother.

The committee met and reviewed the proposed model PSPL Constitution and Standing Orders. Following discussion, the committee agreed to submit the documents to the October club meeting for approval. You will receive a copy via email soon.

We are coming to the end of an extraordinarily wet and cold August, keep well and enjoy September and I will see you in October.

**Alison**

**WELFARE OFFICER'S REPORT from Elizabeth Spillane**

Spring is in the air, we wish, and rain, rain go away!

Jenny Downey has a lesser caste for her knee which is still mending and a big dose of a cold, Helen tells me.

Ralph Miller had a sudden trip to Concord as his heartbeat became a concern, all care there over a few days and now he is home to recuperate. Be well Ralph.

Lionel Duckworth, I am told, is in Canterbury; do hope he is comfortable.

Funny how we all know Canterbury and Concord are hospitals, not pole dancing venues!

Bon voyage Alison, going OS cruising and touring, enjoy.

Y'all off to Dorriggo have the very best fun, see you when we see you, with a pic or three.

**Elizabeth**

**CHRISTMAS HAMPERS from Heather Dignam**

It's that time again to start and think about our hampers for Christmas.

Collections will begin from September through to November. Suggestions are Christmas cake, puddings, tinned fruit, jellies, wine, tea towels, hand towels, nuts, chocolates, condiments.

Please make sure the expiry date on foods is well into 2026. Cheers.

**Heather**

**GUEST SPEAKER with Mary Rudolph**

There will be no formal speaker at our September meeting as many members will be on the Dorriggo bus trip. Instead some of our members will reveal secrets from their past. It is a great thing to be addressed by our own members as it helps to get to know our members better. I wish all those going to Dorriggo a great trip. I shall pray that the rain holds off, but don't forget your umbrellas.

**Mary**

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS with Sandra Newport:**

To brighten up a day, the first leaves on my Japanese Maple bonsai are opening, Spring is on its way. Hooray! With Spring comes Probus September birthdays, five members will celebrate their special day, we wish them a very happy birthday.

A number of our members will be holidaying in and around the Dorrigo area, have a great trip, travel safe. There are three birthday gals who will be unable to attend the Probus meeting, best wishes from all.

Snippets of life!

Navigating life is like trying to fold a fitted sheet. No one really knows how, but we all pretend we do.

The advantage of having only one child is that you always know who did it!

**Sandra**

### **MOVIE TIME with Alison Bray**

I have planned two movies - one for September and one for October, both at Event Cinemas, Burwood. Meet at 10 am for the morning session.

Tuesday 16 September:

*Downton Abbey: The Grand Final*. The third and last in the series - no need to mention the wonderful cast, wardrobe and scenery. I will be away so please contact Roz Miller (0455 741 555) if you have any questions.

Tuesday 14 October:

*A Big Bold Beautiful Journey*. What if you could open a doorway and walk through it to relive a defining moment from your past? Sarah (Margo Robbie) and David (Colin Farrell) meet at a wedding and find themselves on a Big Bold Beautiful Journey reliving some moments of their past and how this might change their future.

**Alison**



On Friday 26 September at 10:30 am we are reading **"The Nurses War"** by Victoria Purman.

There is more than one way to fight a war. An extraordinary story of grit, love and loss, based on the true history and real experiences of Australian nurses in World War 1.

In 1915, as World War 1 rages in Europe and the numbers of dead and injured continue to increase, Australian nurse, Sister Cora Barker, leaves her home in Australia for England, determined to use her skills for King and country. When she arrives at Harefield House - donated to the Australian Army by its expatriate Australian owners - she helps transform it into a hospital that is also a little piece of home for recuperating Australian soldiers.

Please let me know if you are coming. It will be at Roz Miller's place 14/30 Phillips St, Cabarita.

**Roz Miller**

## STRATHFIELD MUSICAL SOCIETY

Let Roz Miller know if you are interested in attending this event. It would be on Saturday 25 October at the 2 pm session. Tickets \$45. Money collected at October meeting.



LYRICS BY: TIM RICE   MUSIC BY: ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER

**BOOKINGS FOR "JOSEPH AND THE TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT"  
WILL OPEN ON FRIDAY 8TH AUGUST 2025.**

Friday 24th October at 8:00 pm

Saturday 25th October at 2:00 pm

Sunday 26th October at 2:00 pm

Friday 31st October at 8:00 pm

Saturday 1st November at 2:00 pm and 8:00 pm

## A-Z DINING

Tuesday, 23 September

The next dining outing will be at the Palace Hotel, 62 Tennyson Rd, Mortlake at 12.30 pm. Put your name down at September meeting or advise Ralph Miller on 0472 777 550 or email [ralphmiller46@yahoo.com.au](mailto:ralphmiller46@yahoo.com.au)

