



## PROBUS CLUB of RAUMATI INC

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**Next Meeting: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> of July 2025**  
**MID-YEAR LUNCHEON AT ANZIL**

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**Apologies:** *Don't forget to send in your apology if you are unable to attend the meeting. There are still some members who fail to do this. You can ring or text Sonna-Ra on 021 0328360, or Diane Smith on 0272 648342. You can also send your apology with a friend you know is going to attend the meeting.*

*If your address or phone number changes, please let Sonna-Ra know so we can keep our records up to date.*

**Website:** *you can access our Probus website by entering "raumatiprobust" in your search engine. Lots of information there.*

**The MID-YEAR LUNCHEON will again be held at ANZIL in the Lindale Complex**

- **Arrive between 11.30am and 12 noon**
- **Welcome – 12 noon**
- **Lunch will begin to be served at 12.15pm**
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**If you have elected to go to the luncheon and haven't yet paid, please do so as soon as possible.**

**If you haven't put your name down yet and now wish to go, please let Geoff know and pay, again, as soon as possible.**

**Bank account: Probus Club of Raumati 11-7259-0183426-011. Don't forget to add your name.**

**You are invited to dress appropriately for the 1930s if you wish. This is optional.**

## **Notes from the President**

**Hello all Raumati Probus members**

**I hope you are keeping warm or have fled to warmer climes.**

**Firstly, let me congratulate all members who attended the June meeting. We had an unexpected crisis but, despite this, everyone was very respectful and caring for our very reliable committee member, Terry White. I can report that Terry is now home from hospital but still recovering. So, if you wish to ring him, late morning is a good time.**

**While on this subject, if you are in this circumstance and would like membership to keep a phone contact for your next of kin, please advise Sonna-Ra by email or write it down and give it to her at the August meeting. This is an optional request.**

**I am still having a great time getting around all the interest groups. I thoroughly enjoyed the Natural Heritage Group outing to Parkwood and appreciated the great knowledge of the members. Thanks, Margaret, and fellow walkers.**

**As I said, I love games, but got thrashed at Mexican Trains. It won't put me off going back when I am available. Four more groups to visit.**

**There is going to be a surprise for the October meeting. Those who aren't involved in any group will certainly get an opportunity to indulge. Say no more.**

**Hope to see as many of you as possible at the 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday and the Mid-Year Luncheon. Dressing up in the era of the 30's is optional but so much fun.**

**July theme – HAVE FUN.**

**Regards,**

**Mary-Anne – President.**

**Hugh O'Donnell and Mary-Anne.**

**Hugh holds an example of an overloaded multibox.**



Keith Williams was our Cameo Speaker, regaling us with tales of his mis-spent youth.



## **EVENTS AND INTEREST GROUPS**

<b><u>GROUP AND CONVENOR</u></b>	<b><u>REGULAR MEETING DAYS</u></b>	<b><u>DATE and VENUE for NEXT MEETING</u></b>
<b><u>ARTS GROUP:</u></b> Merlene Beard 902 4225	Last Tuesday of the month.	The next meeting will be on Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> of July.
<b><u>AWAY CAFÉ:</u></b> Kay Bell 027 603 5769. Dorothy Woods 021 296 3626	Second Wednesday of the month.	The next meeting of this group will be on Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> of August.
<b><u>LITERARY GROUP:</u></b> Trish 027 241 7910 or Hazel 904 7243.	Second Friday of the month.	The next Literary Group Meeting will be held on Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> of July at 10am. Venue is the Gregory's place – 21 San Priamo Place, Paraparaumu.
<b><u>GAMES GROUP:</u></b> Irene Bayly 04 299 2824 or 021 252 6492.	Third Friday of the month.	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> of July 2025, at 21 San Priamo Place, Paraparaumu.
<b><u>GARDEN GROUP:</u></b> Annie Johnston 021 187 4089	First Thursday of the month.	This month's meeting on Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> of July was to be a lunch at Relish Café in Waikanae. The lunch turned out to be morning tea but was enjoyed by those who attended.

<b><u>JIGSAW GROUP:</u></b> Delza Raynor 04 299 5388	Second Monday of the month.	The next meeting of this group will be on Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> of July, 10am, at 15 Telford Way, Raumati.
<b><u>SUNDAY WALKING GROUP:</u></b> Kay Bell 027 603 5769.	Every Sunday.	Phone Kay if you would like to join in as they meet at a different venue each Sunday, walk for about an hour and then have a cuppa at a café near to wherever they happen to be.
<b><u>KNITTING4CHARITY:</u></b> Heather Wakeling 04 902 2285 or 027 271 2290.	Last Monday of the month.	The next meeting will be at Heather's on Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> of July. <i>NOTE the address: 30 SevenOaks Court, Paraparaumu Beach.</i>
<b><u>MUSIC GROUP:</u></b> Lucy Faulknor 049051277	Second Monday of the month.	The next meeting will be on Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> of July, 1.30pm.
<b><u>TRIPS:</u></b> Mike Whooley 027 687 2010.	First Thursday of the month.	<b><u>Julia Lynch: A Dedicated Life</u></b> Meet at the Paraparaumu Railway Station on Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> of August to catch the 9.46am train to Wellington. Walk, taxi, or as you wish, to the National Portrait Gallery, Shed 11, Wellington Waterfront, to view the <u>Julia Lynch (Sister Lawrence) Portrait Exhibition</u> . Rumour has it that there is a youthful portrait of our President among the exhibits. Suggested lunch venue – Black Doris Café in the PWC building – a four-minute walk from the Portrait Gallery. <u>You don't need to inform anyone you are going – just turn up.</u> Don't forget your Gold Card. Details at end of newsletter.
<b><u>LUNCHEON GROUP:</u></b> Kay Bell 027 603 5769.	After each Probus Meeting.	No lunch this month as it is the Mid-year Luncheon at Anzil.
<b><u>WINE APPRECIATION GROUP:</u></b> Kevin Morris 905 0019.	Third Sunday of the month.	The next meeting will be on Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> of July.
<b><u>NATURAL HERITAGE GROUP:</u></b> Margaret Willard 027 363 2967	Third Monday of the month.	<b><u>Russell Bell on The Renaturalisation of Queen Elizabeth Park: Past, Present and Future.</u></b> Meeting on Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> of July at V85, Summerset, 65 Guildford Drive, Paraparaumu, for a short talk and show, then to QE2 Park to see changes and potential changes. Phone Margaret Willard on 027 363 2967.

**ALMONER:** Hazel Ollerenshaw 021 108 9513 or 04 904 7243. Whilst Hazel is no longer a member of the committee, she is still our Almoner. If you know of any member who is ill or needs help, please give her a call.

**NEWSLETTER:** Annie Johnston 021 187 4089. Hope everyone is successfully receiving their copy of the newsletter. If you think you are missing out, ring me or email me on [anniejohnston51@gmail.com](mailto:anniejohnston51@gmail.com)

Please send any contributions you wish to make to the newsletter to [raumatiprobust@gmail.com](mailto:raumatiprobust@gmail.com)

### **COMMITTEE 2025-2026 – Members and their responsibilities.**

<b>Office</b>	<b>Incumbent</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>President</b>	<b>Mary-Anne Kindell</b>	<b>021 251 5375</b>
<b>Immediate Past President</b>	<b>Gary McElhinney</b>	<b>04 299 3135</b>
<b>Vice-President</b>		
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Joy Heenan</b>	<b>027 327 9775</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Geoff Gregory</b>	<b>027 384 4126</b>
<b>Membership</b>	<b>Sonna-Ra Kavanagh</b>	<b>021 032 8360</b>
<b>Newsletter</b>	<b>Annie Johnston</b>	<b>021 187 4089</b>
<b>Guest Speakers</b>	<b>Trish Tennant</b>	<b>027 241 7910</b>
<b>Cameo Speakers</b>	<b>Mary-Anne Kindell</b>	<b>021 251 5375</b>
<b>Trips</b>	<b>Mike Whooley</b>	<b>027 687 2010</b>
<b>Facilities Co-ordinator</b>	<b>Terry White</b>	<b>299 3611</b>
<b>Seating Organisation</b>	<b>Mike Whooley</b>	<b>027 687 2010</b>
	<b>Cam Gerrard</b>	<b>029 4459 128</b>
<b>Sound System Technician and Assistant Seating Organisation</b>	<b>Jim McIntosh</b>	<b>299 9003</b>
<b>Marketing</b>	<b>Mike Whooley</b>	<b>027 687 2010</b>

The next meeting of this committee will be held on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> of August, 10am, at Mary-Anne's house, 60A Eatwell Avenue, Paraparaumu Beach.

The committee acknowledges the support of the following members:  
Barrie Woods for organising the projector for our speakers;

*Keith Williams, Webmaster, for keeping our website up to date;  
Isobel Whooley and Kay McIntosh for organising our morning tea and coffee;  
Diane Smith who will assist Sonna-Ra with membership duties on meeting mornings;  
Joan Truman for the lovely photographs that go in our newsletters.*

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**ANNUAL MID-YEAR LUNCHEON**

**SHOWS AND CONCERTS**

We will no longer be making bookings on behalf of members, but below is a list of what is on locally for you to enjoy.

You can check for more details of the shows by going to the websites:

Te Raukura	<a href="http://teraukura.nz/whats-on">teraukura.nz/whats-on</a>
Southwards	<a href="https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/whatson/events/southward-theatre-kapiti-coast">https://www .eventfinda.co.nz/whatson/events/southward-theatre-kapiti-coast</a>
Kapiti Playhouse	<a href="http://kapitiplayhouse.org.nz">kapitiplayhouse.org.nz</a>
Coasters Musical Theatre	<a href="http://coastersmusicaltheatre.com">coastersmusicaltheatre.com</a>

**SOUTHWARDS THEATRE**

**Operatunity – It's Raining Men,**

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July; Tickets \$39.**

*Doors open 10am for complimentary morning tea. Show starts 11am*



## KAPITI PLAYHOUSE

### The Full Monty



Desperate for money, Gaz and his friend Dave decide to create their own male strip-tease act that promises to go all the way!

Wednesday 23rd July – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July 3pm – 5pm

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July to Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Bookings are now open.

Tickets: Adults: \$35,  
Seniors/Students: \$32

## COASTERS MUSICAL THEATRE

### Legally Blonde, the Musical,

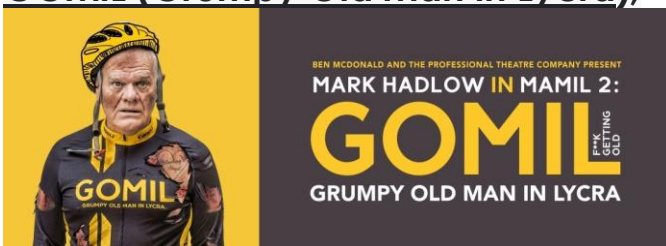
October 2025 at Southwards Theatre.

*Tickets available soon.*

Legally Blonde follows the story of sorority president Elle Woods as she crosses the country on a mission to find love at Harvard Law School. After discovering how the law can be used to help others, she uses her new-found skills to defend a work-out queen in a murder trial, defying the odds and proving that pink can save the day!

## TE RAUKURA

### GOMIL (Grumpy Old Man in Lycra);



The Lycra is back: GOMIL – the hilarious new sequel to MAMIL hits the road across New Zealand.

7:30 pm Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September.

Tickets: A Reserve \$85, B Reserve \$79.

## THE BALLAD OF MARIA MARTEN



10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> July, 7.30pm  
Sir Jon Trimmer Theatre.  
Tickets \$38. \$35 for group of 6.

Maven Theatre Company, in partnership with Te Raukura ki Kāpiti, proudly presents the New Zealand premiere of ***The Ballad of Maria Marten***, an innovative reimagining of the infamous 'Red Barn Murder' of 1827.

***Content Advisory:*** This play contains adult themes and some content that may disturb. ***Recommended for audiences 16+***

## JULY TRIP TO NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY



Image: Julia Lynch, Self-portrait,  
c.1924, private collection.

### Julia B. Lynch: A Dedicated Life

This exhibition will focus on three aspects of Lynch's artistic career: portraits painted for competitions (for instance she entered the famous Australian Archibald Portrait Prize four times), controversial portraits (her portrait of Mayor Percy Dowse, Lower Hutt was taken down at the Dowse but in 1984 the director was told to reinstate it against his dislike for it) and portraits of her students, of which there are many.