



WOY WOY EVERGLADES PROBUS CLUB INC.

NEWSLETTER – GENERAL MEETING – 3rd December 2025

Meeting No. 93-2025 Probud Club 55080

Meeting: First Wednesday of the Month

President: Warren Harkins 0437 746 659

Vice-President: Sharyn Ford 0407 009 697

Treasurer: Ken Martin 0414 607 211

Secretary: Di Greenhaw 0405 346 686

Venue: CLUB UMINA AUDITORIUM

Meeting Room Doors open at 9:20 a.m.

Meeting will commence at 9:45 a.m.

LIFE MEMBERS: Noel & Dawn McDonald

December Birthdays: Rod Hendy 5th; Sue Griffiths 8th; Christine Bowman 11th; Erika Jones 12th; George Kennedy 12th; Bobbie Martin 20th; Noel McDonald 24th; Ann Wilden 27th; Terry Glover 28th.

December Anniversaries: None

❖❖❖ **November 2025 Meeting:** 50 Present; 35 Apologies; 6 Unexplained; 2 Visitors. ❖❖❖



President's Report – Warren Harkins

Hello to all my fellow Probarians,

Well, the prodigal son has returned. I picked up my Scottish friend, Annie, at the airport the morning of our last General Meeting and have taken her to the Blue Mountains, the Hunter Valley, Canberra, and this week, to one of my favourite places that many of us went to as a Probud group, Fingal Bay/ Nelsons Bay. At this point I would like to thank Sharyn for stepping in for me as President in my absence. I heard from Grace that many of you enjoyed your coach trip to Orange last week. I look forward to some of the trips we intend to do in 2026.

May I remind many of our newer members to consider nominating for a position on our Club Committee – our AGM is coming up in March 2026 and a new Committee is to be elected. New faces on our Committee always welcome.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the last meeting for the year on 3rd December 2025, after which we head to the Woy Woy Hotel for our Christmas Lunch. Our next General Meeting is on Wednesday, February 4th 2026, there being no General Meeting in January.

In closing, I would like to thank all of you for another wonderful year that we have enjoyed together and a special thankyou to our dedicated Committee. Wishing everyone a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year with loved ones.

Till then.... Be safe, Be well, Be Happy – Cheers, Waz.

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### Premier's Gala Concerts

Live life in colour at the 2026 Premier's Gala Concerts!

When: 11 and 12 March 2026

Where: ICC Sydney Theatre, Darling Harbour

### A special note from Dianne Smith:

Our Club has been allotted **26 tickets** – Concert is Free!

**Our tickets are for Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2026 - 11am**

At ICC Sydney Theatre, Darling Harbour. Travel to city by train.

**Please see Dianne Smith at the December meeting.**



### Guest Speaker Officer – Jennifer Brown

No guest speaker for December.

Party-time!





## OUTINGS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Contact: **Dianne Smith – 0412 155 777**

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Please use Ref: Surname + Code – One activity per deposit  
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with name, function & amount. One function per envelope.  
NOTE: Treasurer is unable to give change.*



*Outings Table has Notice  
Boards for all trips &*

**No Charge for  
Xmas Morning Tea**



### **3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025 – Wednesday - General Meeting - Xmas Festivities.**

Your Social Committee has a fun day planned. Usual meeting time at Club Umina.

One activity will be a “Re-Gift Raffle”. As in the past, you bring a new, unused, **unwrapped** gift you don’t need. In return, you choose another gift. So, “if you bring one, you take one”.

Other activities will keep you entertained. 12:30 pm lunch at **Woy Woy Hotel, 33 The Boulevard, Woy Woy**, Serving roast dinner, with Xmas pudding, alternate drop ice-cream or custard.

**Please pay \$32 when you arrive @ hotel.**



### **5<sup>th</sup> December 2025 – Friday – Hunter Valley Lights Coach Trip**

**Coach departs @ 3pm** from Railway St, Woy Woy (opp. Station near Deep Water Plaza). Please be early.

### **12 December 2025 – Friday – Coffee Morning (2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month)**

Meet near The Big Tree on Woy Woy waterfront **from 9:30am**.

Bring your chair, maybe tea/coffee/cake, and enjoy a chat in the fresh air.



### **17 December 2025 – Wednesday – XMAS NIBBLIES AT WOY WOY WATERFRONT – from 4pm**

Instead of our usual lunch on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, we will have **Nibblies at the Waterfront** from 4pm.

**Venue Location:** Big Tree. almost opp. 101a Brick Wharf Rd Woy Woy. Bring your chair, small plate of either savoury/sweet to share, your choice of beverage. There will be a “Secret Santa” – gift, non-gender specific, wrapped, to value of \$10.00. Come and relax as we count down to Christmas Day. Our last event for the year.

### **No Walk in December– Email will be sent for end of January 2026 WALKING GROUP**

Last Friday of month is our usual date for the walking group.

**Watch for an EMAIL for location date & details for the end of January 2026 walk.**



### **14 January 2026 – Wednesday - Summer Bay Tour (Home & Away)**

Palmers Tours offers a “Summer Bay” coast day tour that visits the real-life filming location, Palm Beach, and includes guided commentary of spots like the Surf Club etc. The tour departs from Central Coast and includes a morning tea and lunch at Club Palm Beach (RSL). Full details at later date.

**\$110.00 -- Payment by Friday 19 December 2025 (or Dec Mtg if not paying online).**

### **Coach Trip – Discovering Canberra – Mon 16 to Fri 20 March, 2026**

**Please put into your diaries for next year.**



We are off to Canberra with Southern Cross Coaches for 5 days, 4 nights staying in the Novotel Canberra. Explore iconic landmarks like Parliament House, the National Gallery and the Australian War Memorial. How long is it since you’ve been to Canberra?

Is it time for another visit to catch up with what has changed, or what hasn’t?

**Narelle Mayes** is organising this trip. **Phone: 0410 303 703; Email: narelle.mayes@gmail.com.**

**Details: Cost \$1,490 twin share, \$1,850 single. \$200 secures your seat on this trip.**

**Deposit payment of \$200 pp to our Club bank by Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026.**

**Balance payable by Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2026**

**100% refund available prior to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026. No refunds after this date.**

**A Function Sheet will be out at the next meeting, or contact Narelle direct.**



## ***THEATRES – Yvonne Potts - 0412 698 717***

All bookings enquiries to Yvonne: Email [yapdon@outlook.com](mailto:yapdon@outlook.com)

Online Payment – each show separately - Surname and Ref code.

Cash in sealed envelope with name, show and number of tickets.



### **NOTICE FOR THEATRE BOOKINGS.**

Members who place their names on the theatre list are reminded to check the **specified payment due date**. Tickets will only be purchased once payment has been received. Failure to make payments by the due date will result in a ticket not being secured for that performance.



### **\*\*\* Laycock Street Theatre**

#### **Oliver – Gosford Musical Society – Saturday - 14 March 2026 - 1.30pm**

**Oliver!** follows **Oliver Twist**, a kind-hearted orphan in Victorian London. After escaping a harsh workhouse, Oliver is taken in by **Fagin**, who trains homeless boys to pick pockets. Oliver is arrested during his first outing, but the gentleman he attempted to steal from, **Mr Brownlow**, takes pity on him and offers him a home.

**\$49.00 Money to be paid into bank account by Feb 4th (Surname + Oliver)**

#### **Unforgettable – Legends of the 50s & 60s – Sunday – 12 April 2026 – 2pm**

Get ready to be taken back to the golden years of crooning, rock n roll and sweet soul music, with this UNFORGETTABLE musical journey celebrating the legends of the 50's and 60's with this Aria, Logie, Mo, Ace and Helpmann award winning entertainer and his 7 piece band featuring songs by Nat King Cole, Johnny Mathis, Frank Sinatra, Sammy Davis Jr, Dusty Springfield, Connie Francis, Bobby Darin, Elvis Presley, Tina Turner, Sam Cooke, Roy Orbison & More.

**\$54.90 Money to be paid into bank account by 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026. (Surname + 4GET)**

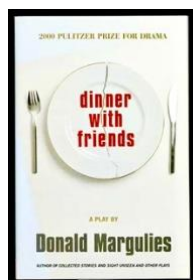
### **\*\*\* Morning Melodies at Laycock: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month 11am - Cost \$25pp**

#### **Classic Country - Wednesday – 11 March 2026 – 11am**

Celebrate the timeless charm of country music with Classic Country, a heartfelt tribute to songs that resonate deeply. Featuring four of Australia's finest—Ian Lees, Jack Evans, Mark Shelley and Narelle Evans—this stellar ensemble brings decades of experience, rich harmonies, and soulful grooves to the stage.

**\$25.00 - Money to be paid into bank account by 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026 (Surname + MM)**

### **\*\*\* Woy Woy Little Theatre**



#### **Dinner with Friends – Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026**

A rueful comedy about friendship in the age of divorce.

Dinner with Friends is an award-winning play about two married couples whose long-standing friendship is shaken when one couple's marriage dissolves. Through its four characters, the play explores the fragility of relationships, the shifting nature of intimacy, and the impact of change on long-term bonds.

**\$29.00 Money to be paid into bank account by 23 January 2026 (Surname + WWLT)**

**PLEASE NOTE, PAYMENT IS DUE BEFORE OUR NEXT MEETING**

**Raffle/Coffee  
\$5.00**



**Book Swap**  
**Bring your book(s)**  
**Swap for another.**  
**Take home if not swapped**





# Time for a Smile



On 22 October, a lunch in Manly, via train, ferry and a short walk, was organised. The weatherman was predicting a “heatwave” which didn’t deter 8 members who went to the Manly Deli in Sydney Road, Manly. First stop, City Extra for coffee while waiting for the Manly ferry. The fast ferry over was an exciting ride while passing “the heads”. Arriving at the deli, we found our table formally set, and the outdoor area was under trees, cooled by a light breeze. Lunch was very good and service from the owner delightful. If you find yourself in Manly, we would recommend this restaurant.



Peter was out-numbered today.



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12 members joined the Southern Aust Explorer Cruise - 24 Oct - 4 Nov 2025 on the Crown Princess.



**THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING – 1st Wednesday of Month – 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

**THERE IS NO JANUARY MEETING**

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Our website: in Google search field, type: “Woy Woy Everglades Probus Club”





A group photo taken at "The Dish", part of the Orange Coach Trip, 16-21 November 2025.

Below:  
Ken & Di Smith enjoying themselves at Forbes RSL

Lynne at Japanese Gardens



A late change of venue due to high wind at Woy Woy Waterfront. 7 members read the email and enjoyed Morning Tea at Diggers.



A reminder!  
Xmas just around the corner!