



## **PROBUS CLUB OF ALGESTER AND DISTRICT INC.**

### *Newsletter - September 2025*

**Meetings are currently held at the Algester Sports Club on the 1st Monday of each Month. Fellowship and Morning Tea from - 9.30 a.m.**

**Meetings commence at 10.30 a.m. **Apologies** to Judy Aitcheson on 0423 398 819**

#### *Future Meetings and Speakers:*

**Monday 1 September – Trevor Hamley a Glaciologist**

**Monday 4 October – Valerie Rence, Laughter Therapy**

**Monday 3 November – Dr James Lergessner – “Snippets from a Baby Boomers Diary**

#### **Committee Members: 2025-2026**

**President – Kevin Merrick – 0409 278 949**

**Vice President & Newsletter Editor – Paul Merrick – 0409 263 392**

**Secretary – Lorraine Jones – 0410 581 950. Email: [algesterprobussec@gmail.com](mailto:algesterprobussec@gmail.com)**

**Membership – Lorraine Jones – 0410 581 950**

**Treasurer – Gwen Taylor – 0405 563 929**

**Speakers – Kay Wilkinson – 3273 1829 / 0481 765 499**

**Attendance – Judy Aitcheson – 0423 398 819**

**Welfare – Laurel Munro – 3711 6604 / 0412 929 649**

**Outings – Liz Dutton – 0409 472 362**

**Outings Assistant – Cheryl Sheehan 0413 809 045**

**Wanders – Karen Lear – 0401 002 687**

**Dine Outs – June Shaw – 0435 069 813**

**Theatre – David Smith – 0418 873 413**

**Board Games – Penelope Pilsworth – 0403 067 684**

**PSPL/PAQ – Brian Gilmore – 0411 260 054**

**Newsletter Editor – Paul Merrick – 0409 263 392**

*A thank you to Councillor Emily Kim and the Calamvale Ward Office for the printing of this newsletter.*



**Sick List:** A number of members have been unwell with flu and colds. We wish them a speedy recovery. Kath Kelly is recovering well from her eye surgery.

**If you are aware of anyone who is sick or unwell** please let Laurel know. **Contact: Laurel Munro - 3711 6604**

### ***Birthdays for September:***

**6<sup>th</sup> Pauline Skerman**

**19<sup>th</sup> John Roger**

**13<sup>th</sup> Kathleen Dawson**

**22<sup>nd</sup> Delia Rogers**

**13<sup>th</sup> Patrick Wilson**

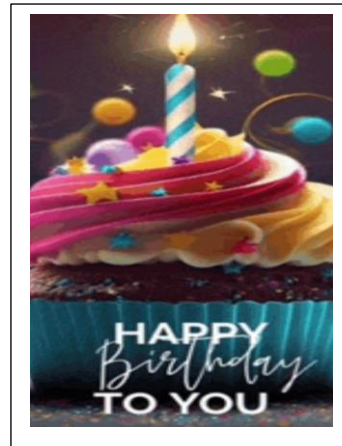
**25<sup>th</sup> Cathy Leo**

**14<sup>th</sup> Lorraine Jones**

**26<sup>th</sup> Lyn Cragg**

**16<sup>th</sup> David Turpin**

**19<sup>th</sup> Roger Jones**



### **New members inducted:**



### **Please welcome our newest members:**

**Pam Greenway, Robyn Jessen, Vikki Jenkin and Peter Jenkin**

*Evening Trivia at Algester Sports Club, every second Thursday. Dinner at 6.00 p.m. Trivia Starts at 7.00 p.m. For bookings Contact Paul Merrick on 0409 263 392.*

*Dates: 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> September*

**WANDERS- Contact Karen Lear – 0401 002 687**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September:** Japanese Gardens at Mt. Cootha Botanical Gardens. Carpooling

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October:** Jacaranda Time – City Cat to New Farm Park

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November:** Wynnum foreshore for a walk and then lunch of fish and chips. Carpool



**Coffee & Chat Mornings: Come & Join**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September at the Coffee Club Browns Plains  
Behind Bunnings at 10.00 a.m.

**Contact: Di Morgan – 0419 212 156**



**Board Games. Monday 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

Algester Sports Club commencing 9.30 a.m.

Everyone is welcome

**Contact: Penelope Pilsworth – 0403 067 684**



**Note:**

**Please pay by EFT or Direct Deposit if possible**

**Bus Trip to Hinze Dam, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025.** Bus departs Algester Sports Club at 8.30am. Morning tea at David Smith Park, Canungra. Then a leisurely drive to view the beautiful Hinze Dam. Lunch will be at the Hinze Dam Café at 12.00 noon. **(Note fully booked)**

**Picnic in Calamvale Park, Formby Street Algester, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025** 10.00am onwards. BBQ snags, onions and bread supplied. BYO – chairs, salads, drinks and hats.

### **Esk Bush Bashers, Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

Bus trip departs Algester Sports Club at 7.45am. Good old style country music, jokes and poems. Morning tea at Wivenhoe Dam, lunch at venue supplied by volunteers. Cost \$80.00pp.

### **Mooloolaba Christmas Lights, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

Bus trip departs Algester Sports Club at 2.30pm. Dinner at Fisheries on the Spit, Mooloolaba. Cruise the canal to see the lights. Arrives home at approx. 9.30pm. Cost \$90.00pp.

**23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026 - Tangalooma.** Includes return transfers, 2 nights accommodation, dolphin feeding and sightseeing. All information on the sign sheet. Cost \$677.00 twin/double. \$915.00 single. Deposits \$200.00 due 5<sup>th</sup> October. Final payment 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

**Contact: Liz Dutton 0409 472 362 or Cheryl Sheehan 0413 809 045** **Note: Payments for day Trips can now be paid by EFTPOS or direct deposit: Probus Club of Algester & Districts BSB 814 282 Account 30280965** **Please include your name and the event.**

### ***DINING OUT* - Contact June Shaw 0435 069 813**



Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September – The Lion, Pine Road, Richlands

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September – Forest Lake Tavern, 245 Forest Lake Blvd

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Dinner at Da Setti Soldi Restaurant, Calamvale Central (6.30pm)

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Pancake Manor, Brisbane City

### ***Bad Dad Jokes***

*If a child refuses to nap, are they guilty of resisting a rest?*

*My therapist told me I have a problem expressing my emotions.  
Can't say I'm surprised.*

*I had a date last night, it was fantastic. Tomorrow I'll have a fig.*

### *Sunnybank Theatre*

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September:** "Rumors" Tickets \$28.00pp. Tickets to be purchased in August and distributed at the September General Meeting.

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November:** "Red Riding Hood-Hood vs Hood. Tickets \$32.00pp. Tickets will be purchased in October.

### *Sunpac Theatre :*

**Wednesday 10.00am 10<sup>th</sup> September:** "The Australian Buddy Holly Show". Tickets \$16.00pp. Tickets to be purchased in August and distributed at the September General Meeting. It is proposed to stay at the Sunnybank Community Club after the show for lunch. Please indicate on the sign on sheet if you intend to stay for lunch.

**Thursday 10.00am 27<sup>th</sup> November:** "Australian Army Band". Tickets will be purchased in October. It is proposed to stay at the Sunnybank Community Club after the show for lunch. Please indicate on the sign on sheet if you intend to stay for lunch.

### *Logan Entertainment Centre:*

**Friday 11.00am 12<sup>th</sup> September:** "Dirty Flash Candles Club" Balcony Tickets \$20.00pp.

**Friday 10.00am 3<sup>rd</sup> October:** "Wonder". A show which is part of the Logan Loges Seniors Activities. Balcony Tickets \$10.00pp.

**Friday 12.00noon 5<sup>th</sup> December:** "The Best of Buble". Christmas Tribute experience. Balcony Tickets \$20.00pp. David is not able to attend but if you wish to attend could you please contact him.

### *Lord Mayors Christmas Senior Concert*

**Monday 9.00am 1<sup>st</sup> December:** Councillor Emily Kim has secured 40 free tickets for us which will be allocated on a first in first served basis. Sign on sheet has been prepared. It is proposed to go to the Criterion Hotel for lunch for those who are interested.

## *Coffee Catchup – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2025*



## *Townsville Rail Journey*

Where do I start? After many months of tireless organisation by Cheryl, the day had finally arrived.

30 Probians and a few guests set off on a great 5 day adventure to Townsville with Queensland Rail on the Spirit of Queensland.

Unfortunately, due to ill health we had 4 members who were unable to attend. They were sadly missed.

We set off from the Algester Sports Club and arrived at Roma Street well in time for a bit of lunch and light refreshments.

Can I say we were all impressed with the carriage layout and welcome by QR staff.

After a short time settling in, it wasn't long till many of us headed to the Refreshment Car for a beverage or two. It was lovely to interact with other passengers also.

The scenery was lovely along the way although much of the travel was overnight in the dark.

Dinner was taken in our seats and our beds were made up by around 9.00pm. That was perfectly fine as we all were pretty tired.

Sleep wasn't particularly easy but the travel beds were comfortable.

It was interesting pulling into Stations like Gladstone and Rockhampton in the wee hours of the morning.

Some Probian's headed to the Refreshment Car around 4.00am for coffee. Coffee awaits...

Our accommodation in Townsville at the Grand Chancellor was excellent. A great location, good rooms and fantastic breakfast on offer for our 4 mornings.

Our city tour of Townsville was informative and extensive.

On the Wednesday we headed over to Magnetic Island and it was a great day. Terry our local guide was exceptional. We saw so many points of interest.

The following day we did a trip out to Charters Towers. Again an informative guide and we enjoyed a delicious lunch at a country hotel. The staff were very attentive.

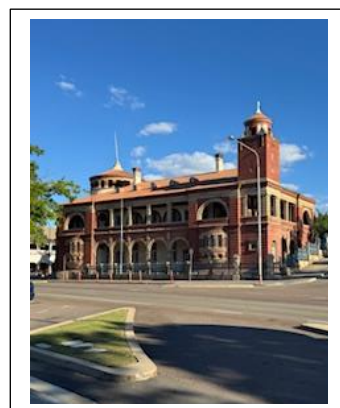
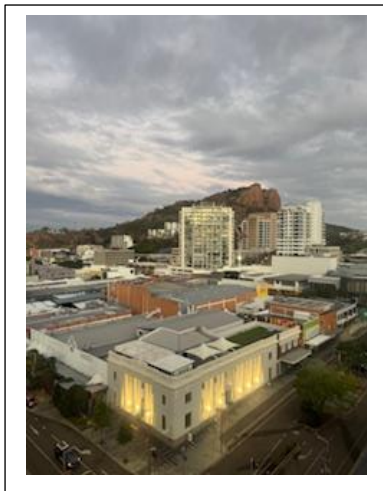
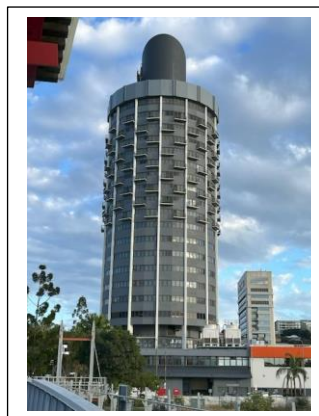
The last day after a leisurely morning we headed to the Townsville Railway Station for our journey home.

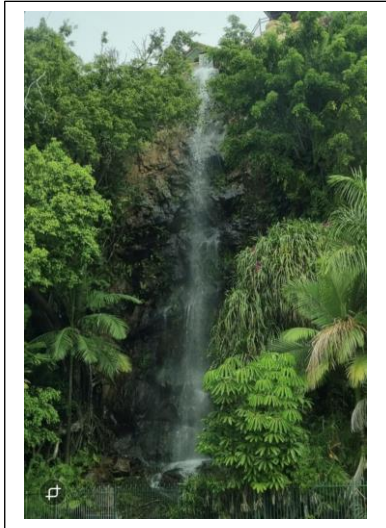
I think we all had a better sleep on the return journey after a busy 4 days away.

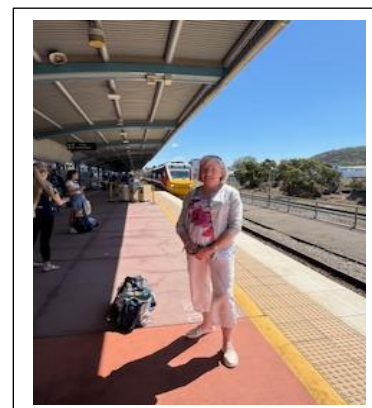
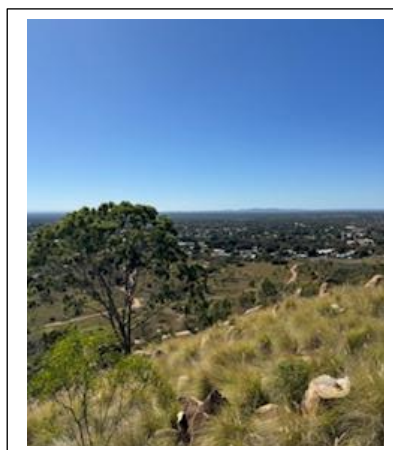
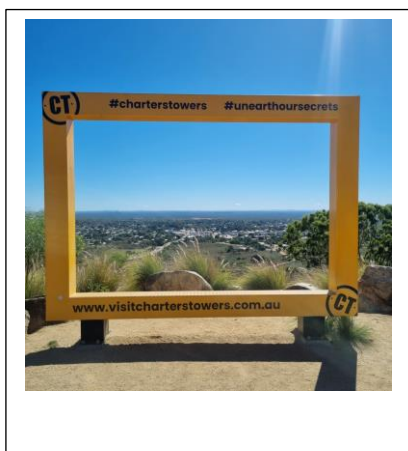
The trip was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

A big thank you to Cheryl for all her hard work organising and special shoutout to Amanda Harvey from Queensland Rail and the staff on board the train together with the staff from the Grand Chancellor.

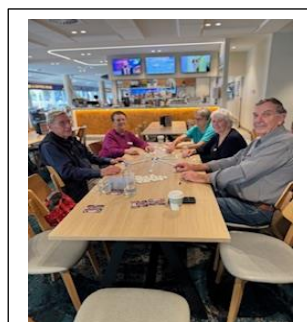
Where to next, Liz and Cheryl? No pressure lol. Watch this space.







## *Board Games – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2025*



## **ALGESTER PROBUS CLUB - COMING EVENTS**

### ***September 2025***

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September - General Meeting at Algester Sports Club

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September – Bus Trip to Hinze Dam

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September – Board Games

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September – lunch at The Lion, 133 Pine Road, Richlands

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September – Logan Entertainment Centre – “Dirty Flash Candles Club” at 11.00am

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September – Sunnybank Theatre – “Rumors”

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September – Coffee and Chat

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September- Committee Meeting

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September – Wander - Japanese Gardens, Mt Cootha

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September - Board Games

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September – lunch at Forest Lake Tavern

### ***October 2025***

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Show “Wonder” at Logan Entertainment Centre (10.00am)

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October - General Meeting at Algester Sports Club

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Board Games

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Committee Meeting

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Wander Jacaranda Time, City Cat to New Farm Park

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Picnic in Calamavale Park. 10.00am onwards

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Coffee and Chat

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Dinner at Da Setti Soldi Restaurant

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October - Board Games

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October – lunch at Pancake Manor, Brisbane City

### ***November 2025***

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - General Meeting at Algester Sports Club

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November – Morning Trivia at Algester Sports Club

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Coffee and Chat

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Committee Meeting

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Wander Wynnum Foreshore. Car Pool

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November – Board Games

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November – Esk Bush Bashers