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District 9685
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PROBUS CLUB OF PUTNEY TENNYSON INC

AUGUST 2025

Newsletter

www.probussouthpacific.org/microsites/putneytennysonc

YOUR COMMITTEE			MEETINGS	WELFARE & APOLOGIES
President	Helen Brownlee	0408 001 861	Third Thursday of each month, Club Ryde, 728 Victoria Road Ryde PO Box 3088 Putney 2112	Jan Corby
Vice President	Phillip Howes	0481 066 312		0408 559 305
Secretary	Janet Bailey	0416 257 529		
Treasurer	Roz Price	0407 011 033		

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a) The Secretary and I attended a **Probussouthpacific Cluster Meeting** on 31 July to share information and discuss matters of interest. It was decided to try to work together and support any initiatives proposed by the individual clubs where our respective members would be interested e.g. speakers, outings, overnight trips etc. Points of agreement were reached on the following:

- Establish a Cluster 7 WhatsApp group for speakers.
- Plan for a Cluster 7 Open Day to attract new members - include speakers & Morning Tea.
- Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Probussouthpacific Sth Pacific as a combined group in 2026.
- Seek grant funding for Cluster initiatives from Ryde Council.
- Share initiatives to attract new members

b) The new **Club Constitution** as proposed by Probussouthpacific Sth Pacific (reviewed by their external lawyers & accepted by Fair Trading) has been accepted by the Management Committee.

c) The Club's **Standing Resolutions** have also been completed and accepted by the Management Committee.

d) At the 18th September General Meeting the Management Committee will move both the **Constitution and Standing Resolutions for adoption** by the members. Copies of these documents are now available.

e) Save the Date! **Our Christmas Party** (Luncheon) will be held on Thursday 18th December at Club Ryde - 12noon for 12.20pm. Time to celebrate and enjoy good food and convivial company. A great opportunity for you to invite a prospective new member.

Helen Brownlee

AUGUST GUEST SPEAKER

Giselle Coella
Services NSW

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Manfred Raddatz, Geradine Rees, Betty West.

CHARITY SUPPORT

STAMPS AND COINS



(new and used)
LIONS CLUB COLLECTION

Betty Alfred

AUGUST SUMMARY OF

Upcoming Events

Provided by President Helen

AUGUST Tuesday 26th - COFFEE CLUB - 11am,
Club Ryde (Carol 0497 472 346)

SEPTEMBER

Thursday 4th - **WALKING GROUP**- Contact Janet
Bailey (0416 257 529)

Monday 8th - **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE** -
11.15am, Club Ryde

Saturday 13th - **HUNTERS HILL THEATRE**

- 2.00pm, "Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead"

Thursday 18th - **GENERAL MEETING** - 11am, Club
Ryde

Thursday 25th - **PICNIC IN THE PARK** - Brays Bay
Reserve, Rhodes - midday.

OCTOBER

Thursday 2nd - **WALKING GROUP**

Saturday 11th - 12 noon - **OCTOBERFEST**, Club
Ryde

DECEMBER

Thursday 18th - **CHRISTMAS LUNCH PARTY** - 12
noon, Club Ryde.

"My pain may be the reason
for somebody's laugh.
But my laugh must never
be the reason for
somebody's pain."

- Charlie Chaplin



PAYMENTS

MEMBERSHIP FEES AND EVENT PAYMENTS CAN BE PAID
DIRECTLY
TO OUR PROBUS BANK ACCOUNT – OR THE EVENT ORGANISER
**BANKING DETAILS – ACCOUNT TITLE – PUTNEY
TENNYSON PROBUS CLUB**

Bendigo Bank
- **BSB 633 000**

ACCOUNT NUMBER 130239973



HUNTERS HILL THEATRE RYDE CLUB

"DRINKING HABITS"

Saturday 29 th
November 2pm

Cost \$32

Wine women and hymns! Two nuns from the Sisters
of Perpetual Sewing, a somewhat penniless
order of naughty Nuns, have more than alterations
on their minds when they try to save the convent
from financial ruin by turning grape juice into
wine. Sound familiar? This crazy farce goes from cute
to

funny to hilarious to gut punching hysterical and a
brilliant way to laugh our way into Christmas.
Taking bookings today and payment required by our
October meeting

Marie McNamara 0410221553

LAST CALL

Thursday 30 October to Monday 3 November: 5-day, 4-night Jacaranda Festival

Tour **Booking Code 068**

The highlight of this tour is the spectacular Jacaranda Festival held in Grafton on their colourful Parade Day on the first Saturday of November. Other attractions visited are: Fort Scratchley in Newcastle, Fighter World in Williamtown, Slim Dusty Centre in Kempsey, Port Macquarie's Rainforest Park, as well as a Koala Hospital. Coach from/to Sydney, four nights' accommodation (Port Stephens/ Coffs Harbour/ Port Macquarie) and all meals (except lunch on Festival Day in Grafton) included.

Cost \$1575 ppts with \$394 single supplement. There are still places to be filled for this event (minimum of 30 required). Please consider supporting this event.

Final payment is due on 21st August to Nth Ryde Probus Club. Please note there is no refund for cancellations made within 7 days of the tour.



CLUB ARCHIVES

Vice-President, Phil Howes has offered to compile the Club archival material - to digital format.

Bring any historical documents you have to the next meeting



Meets on the first Tuesday after our general meeting at RydeEX at 11:00 am
All welcome

Carole Jones
0497472346

"DRINKING HABITS"

The Storyline of the Hunters Hill Play

The main storyline of the play "Drinking Habits," as presented at Hunters Hill Theatre, revolves around two nuns from the Sisters of Perpetual Sewing convent who have been secretly making wine to keep the convent's doors open. The plot thickens when Paul and Sally, reporters and former fiancés, go undercover as a nun and a priest trying to expose the wine-making secret. Their unexpected presence, along with the arrival of a new nun, triggers paranoia within the convent as the characters suspect that spies sent from Rome are coming to shut them down. The play is a traditional, laugh-out-loud farce filled with accusations, mistaken identities, and romantic entanglements, ultimately showing the chaos and humor in the sisters' efforts to preserve their convent and reconnect with lost loves.

The storyline blends comedy, farce, and light-hearted suspense centered on convent life and the nuns' secret wine operation as a means of survival and resistance to closure. It also highlights themes of deception, loyalty, and unexpected romance.....

Dennis Furini

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Twenty Five Probarians enjoying a french meal at the Little Snail, some even had snails



Trail 2 Walk the Ryde Heritage

Thursday 4 th September 2025

1. Meet at Top Ryde Shopping Centre entrance in Blaxland Road at 9.30am. Free parking is available down the hill in Parkes St, or in Argyle Ave, which is closer to the walk's end in Ryde Park.
2. Stopping first for a coffee in a nearby café. At about 10am we will walk over the footbridge across Devlin St to our first stop at the Masonic Temple built in 1908.
3. At the end of the walk, we will have lunch in the Café in Ryde Park.
4. This is an easy walk, mostly on paved surfaces.
5. Details of this walk are available in the new Ryde Heritage Trail, 2 nd edition booklet, compiled in 2023 – 2025. Copies available at local Ryde Libraries.
6. The list of Heritage sites we will see are -
 - Masonic Temple and School of Arts - 1908
 - Hatton's Cottage - c1884
 - Site of Smiths Folly - 1909
 - Ryde Public School - 1877
 - Site of Tuckers Inn & our First Town Hall
 - Former Post Office - 1903.
 - Tramway Monument - 1908
 - Ryde Park and Band Rotunda - 1908
 - Burrows Park
 - Queen Victoria Jubilee, Fountain - 1897
 - Ebenezer Chapel – 1892
 - Ryde Cenotaph - 2006

Janet Bailey 0416 257 529

Last Months Happy Walkers



Can anyone tell me who made the following remarks?

- "I refuse to join any club that would have me as a member."
- "Those are my principles, and if you don't like them... well, I have others."
- "I've had a perfectly wonderful evening, but this wasn't it."
- "The secret of life is honesty and fair dealing. If you can fake that, you've got it made."
- "I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book."
- "When you're in jail, a good friend will be trying to bail you out. A best friend will be in the cell next to you saying, 'Damn, that was fun.'"