



CREMORNE CONVERSATIONS

Newsletter of Cremorne Probus Club Inc.

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Diary Dates:

Coffee 'n' Chat	10.30am	Tuesday 14 October 2025	Le 76 Patisserie & Bakery, Upper Level, Theo's Arcade, Neutral Bay
Probus Celebration	10.00am – 2.00pm	Thursday 23 October 2025	Mosman Art Gallery, 1 Art Gallery Way, Mosman

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hullo Cremornians,

Cremorne is part of a 7 Probus Club experiment which I understand is a first for NSW Probus Clubs. By the time you are reading this Newsletter, we will have held an ambitious Probus Open Day on 1 October in Mosman Art Gallery to promote membership of the 7 participant Clubs. Alphabetically, they are Cremorne, Crows Nest, Mosman, Neutral Bay, North Sydney, Waverton and Wollstonecraft, part of the 10 Clubs in what Head Office calls Cluster 9; Lane Cove, Northbridge and Middle harbour Clubs chose not to participate for different reasons.

It was for non-Probus members, because we provided for 100+ people, plus 3 Club table representatives each and a sponsor's group of 6 people. Six of our Committee members have been busy delivering 2 flyers into Cremorne letter boxes, about 600 Lower North Shore Probus Day specific flyers and about 1550 Cremorne specific flyers drafted by our Vice President, Graham. All praise to our energetic distributors! We still have 350 specific flyers which can be distributed next year in streets which were not covered this time.

There was entertainment by a music historian, singing and dancing to recorded music. I am hoping for a membership boost of up to 20 from the Open Day.

On 23 October, our Activities and Speakers organisers, Nancy and Elaine have a great Probus Day program lined up for us. There will be food, games, singing and dancing, so roll up and don't miss out on the fun. It will be a reprise of the great Probus Day we had in 2023. Bring your dancing shoes! Entry is \$40 pp to cover the cost of catering and musician. We plan to have *fun, fun, fun!!*

David

RECYCLING



On October 1 Open Day we made our recycling initiative a point of difference to other Clubs, and we managed quite a collection. And indeed, two other Clubs are thinking of taking it up. A positive result for us and the Royal Botanic Gardens seedlings.

Di.

PAST EVENT

High Tea, Shangri-la Hotel.

** Oh! I have slipped the surly bonds of Earth
And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings;
Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling mirth
of sun-split clouds," in . . . Shangri-la.*

Up there high above the madding crowd, peaceful it was, isolated from the world as Tibetan myth would have it. Paradise? Despite our airy eyrie, perhaps not this time. Because as you know, searching for Paradise is what keeps us from finding it. But I digress.

In our Shangri-la the views are lovely. I kept waiting for the restaurant to revolve to make the most of stunning Sydney but had to be content with part thereof. Fourteen of us sat down to nicely laid tables to await our High Tea. "Tea!!! 17 choices of "tea". Whoever thought the word 'tea' would suffice to describe such a display. Words fail me. We tucked in.

Some time later, replete and laden with leftovers we departed our Sydney Shangri-la. Maybe it wasn't 'paradise' but who cares. Well done Nance!

Olivia.

**High Flight* - John Gillespie Magee Jr

FUTURE EVENTS/OUTINGS

Thursday 23 October 2025 Probus Celebration 10.00am – 2.00pm Mosman Art Gallery

No General Meeting this day. Celebrate fellowship, friendship and fun with music, singalong, trivia quiz, party games with your fellow Cremornians. Flyer distributed 19 September 2025.

Tuesday 4 November 2025 Melbourne Cup Lunch, Strangers Dining Room, Parliament House.

Flyer distributed Friday 3 October 2025.

PAST SPEAKER

Oral Historian, Trish Levido joined the Oral History Association 50 years ago and began recording the stories of the people of Mosman which are still available in Mosman Library under Local History – Mosman Voices. She spoke of the different ways family memories can be initiated and emphasized the value of recording these stories, using our iPhones, USB sticks etc., leaving a legacy for family, friends and future generations.

FUTURE GUEST SPEAKERS

Thursday 27 November 2025 – Sarah Pope, Transport for NSW, Program on Driver Safety.

We welcome back Sarah who spoke on Pedestrian Safety at our September General Meeting.

Leaving functions: If you need to leave a meeting or outing before its conclusion please advise a Committee Member. This is a requirement to meet insurance criteria.



BOOK EXCHANGE

Bring one, take one. If yours is still there at the end of the meeting, please take it home; try again next month. *No books to be left on the table please.*

YOUR MEMBERSHIP BADGE:



Please wear your badge to all Club functions.



OCTOBER 2025 BIRTHDAYS:
A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Margaret K
Phillip M

Looking out for each other: If you are aware that a fellow member is unwell or in need of support, please let us know at cremorneprobus1@gmail.com Attention Welfare Officer, so that we can contact them.

Our care can make a difference.

TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. Which part of a grape vine is used to make dolmades/
2. What is the largest species of fish?
3. What type of bird is a budgerigar?
4. What is a more common name for a groundnut?
5. Which drug occurs naturally in the bark of willow trees?
6. Which fairytale goblin spun straw into gold?
7. What nationality was Nobel Prize winning physicist Ernest Rutherford?
8. Which famous Australian landmark was officially opened in 1932?
9. Which continent is the driest?
10. What type of animal is a marron?
11. Who delivered the famous *I have a Dream* speech?
12. Most birds have how many toes?

ANSWERS

To read the answers on your iPhone or iPad: lay iPhone/iPad on a flat surface – turn it – and then you can read them! (E&OE)

1: The leaves; 2: Whale Shark; 3: Parrot; 4: Peanut; 5: Aspirin; 6: Rumpelstiltskin; 7: New Zealand; 8: Sydney Harbour Bridge; 9: Antarctica; 10: Crayfish; 11: Martin Luther King Jr; 12: Four.

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HIGH TEA AT SHANGRI-LA HOTEL



OCTOBER NEWSLETTER RIB-TICKLERS

