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J D Smith's Christmas Celebration Concert Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre

Tuesday 2 December

11.00am

Cost: \$25 (group of 8+) Payment by 1 November





Christmas Dinner
End of Year Celebration
Bella Char Restaurant
Mercure Gerringong

Friday 12 December 5.00pm Happy Hour 6.00pm dinner Live music

Cost: \$60pp (max 65 members, entire restaurant)
Payment by 30 November





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#### **Jamberoo Probus - Upcoming Events Calendar Snapshot**

When is It?	What is It?	Where is It?	What does it Cost?
Wednesday 10 September 10.30 am	Visit to Thirlmere Railway Museum and lunch at Welcome Inn	Thirlmere	\$9.00 concession Lunch at own expense
Friday 12 September 10.00 am	Combined Probus Croquet Tournament	Jamberoo Croquet Club	\$30.00
Thursday 18 September 8.00 am	Combined Probus Golf Day	Jamberoo Golf Club	\$34.00
Saturday 27 September 8.30 am	Tulip Top Gardens	Canberra Vicinity	\$51.00 includes bus and entry. Payable by 12 September
Monday 13 October 10.00 am	Minnamurra Headland Walk	Minnamurra Headland, then Minnamurra Cafe	Own cost at cafe
Tuesday October 24 Noon	Combined Probus Lunch	Kiama Leagues Club	\$40 payable by 31 August
27-31 October 2025	Tour	Cowra, Orange and Parkes	\$1051.00 Shared \$1493.00 Single
Tuesday 11 November 10.00 am	"Low Tea"	Vons Vintage Cafe, Pyree	\$20.00 for Low Tea payable by 31 October \$20.00 for bus TBC
Tuesday 2 December 10.00 for 11.00 am	JD Smith's Christmas Concert	Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre	\$25.00 payable by I November
Friday 12 December 5.00 pm	Christmas Dinner	Bella Char Restaurant Mercure Hotel, Gerringong	\$60.00 payable by 30 November

For the latest on our Upcoming Events, be sure to check our Facebook page



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#### What have Members been up to?

#### PLEASE SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS to:

Kim Oborn - koborn22@gmail.com or Shirley Johnston - sj100747@gmail.com

# **Viewing**

# Thanks to Kim Oborn for this Movie recommendation: Madame Cliquot

Prime Video

Based on the true story of Barbe-Nicole Ponsardin (1777–1866), known as "Grande Dame of Champagne," WIDOW CLICQUOT chronicles her life after becoming Madame Clicquot at age 20 through marriage to François, the heir of a winemaking family.

After being widowed at 27, she works to safeguard her family's vineyards and continue her husband's work in soil chemistry, vine management, and bottling methods. The story details the challenges she faces from competitors such as Monsieur Moët, unpredictable seasons, and legal restrictions like the Napoleonic Code of 1804 that prohibited women from running businesses. Spanning the years 1797 to 1807, director Thomas Napper presents her efforts to maintain her family's



legacy and develop her own sparkling wine, illustrating the historical context and obstacles facing women in business during that period.



# Thanks to Shirley Johnston for this Series recommendation:

Stream free on SBS

Although the ads for this mini series suggest it might be a brash American production, in essence, "Little Fires Everywhere" is a nuanced exploration of human relationships, societal pressures, and the enduring power of secrets and lies.

"Little Fires Everywhere" is a story about the intertwined lives of two families in the 1990s in the suburb of Shaker Heights, Ohio: the picture-perfect Richardson family and the enigmatic Warren family. The novel explores themes of motherhood, class, race, identity, and the consequences of following rules versus challenging them. The arrival of Mia

and Pearl Warren disrupts the seemingly flawless lives of the Richardsons, leading to a series of conflicts and revelations that ultimately culminate in a dramatic house fire.



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#### **Out and About**

**HARS Visit** 

Even on a very rainy day, Jamberoo Probus members turned out in numbers to enjoy the HARS visit and the fabulous Chinese banquet at the Golden Loy... plentiful food and chat!!

Thanks to Helen for organising.









# Check out some of the Fortune Cookie messages!

- Never look back
- You will shine like a star
- A positive mind is the key to happiness
- Smile five times a day to gain positive energy every day
- · Happiness will always follow you
- Luck is blowing your way



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# **Anniversary Lunch**

40 Members enjoyed an excellent lunch. Thanks to Helen for arranging the event. Also to David Hall for his 7th Anniversary speech reminding us of its beginnings and the foundation members who were responsible for getting the Jamberoo Probus Club up and running.







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### Cooking: Warm weather is just around the corner!!

Summer Chickpea Salad Ingredients

1 small red onion, peeled

1-2 fresh red chillies, deseeded

2 handfuls ripe red or yellow tomatoes

1 lemon

extra virgin olive oil, sea salt, ground black pepper 410 g tinned chickpeas, drained, or around 4 large handfuls of soaked and cooked chickpeas

1 handful fresh mint, chopped

1 handful fresh green or purple basil, finely ripped 100 g feta cheese

#### Method

First of all, finely slice your red onion. Once that's done, finely slice your chillies then roughly chop your tomatoes, mixing them in with the onion and chillies. Scrape all of this, and the juice, into a bowl and dress with the juice of half a lemon and 3 tablespoons of good extra virgin olive oil. Season to taste. Heat the chickpeas in a pan, then add 90 per cent of them to the bowl. Mush up the remaining chickpeas and add these as well – they will give a nice creamy consistency. Allow to marinate for a little while and serve at room temperature.

Just as you're ready to serve, give the salad a final dress with the fresh mint and basil. Taste one last time for seasoning – you may want to add the juice from your remaining lemon half at this point. Place on a nice serving dish and crumble over the feta cheese.

Carrot and Coriander Crunch Salad

#### Ingredients:

6 medium carrots, washed and peeled a large handful of fresh coriander, leaves picked

4 teaspoons sesame seeds, toasted, or poppy seeds

Dressing:

Zest and juice of 1 orange

2 lemons

Extra virgin olive oil

2 heaped tablespoons of sesame seeds, toasted

Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper. Method:

Cut or shred carrots into fine sticks/ribbons and put into a bowl with coriander, leaves and sesame or poppy seeds.

To make dressing: grate the orange zest, add orange and lemon juice and ground sesame seeds. Mix well and add to salad



Thanks to Jamie Oliver for these recipes



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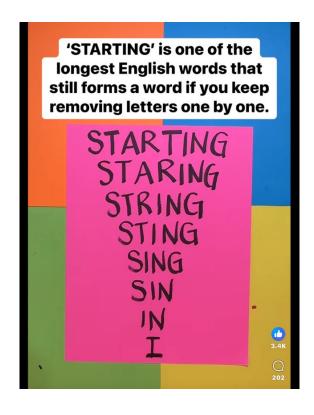
# Travelling with Kim and Luke Oborn

After our river cruise, we visited Bucharest, spent five days in Rome with a day trip to Sorrento and Pompeii, then enjoyed ten days in Malaga, mostly exploring but also visiting Ronda and Setenil de Las Bodegas. Our journey continued through Madrid, Barcelona, and Montpellier before reaching Messimy Sur Soane near Lyon, France.





## Food for thought







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### **PROBUS HUMOUR by Jim**

# Devices used to find water



My grandson made the mistake of telling me I was being overdramatic so I just changed the WiFi password. We'll see who's overdramatic in about 5 minutes.





My boss calls me "the computer".

Nothing to do with intelligence, I go to sleep if left unattended for 15 minutes.

Q: What do you Call an Overweight Psychic?
A: A four-chin teller



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# PROBUS MIND BENDERS by Jim

- 1. What is unusual about the following words: revive, banana, grammar, voodoo, assess, potato, dresser, uneven?
- 2. What rocks but does not roll?
- 3. An elevator is on the ground floor. There are five people in the elevator including me. When the lift reaches the first floor, one person gets out and two people get in. The lift goes up to the second floor; three people get out, and five people get in. It then goes up to the next floor; no one gets out, but 12 people get in. Halfway up to the next floor, the elevator cable snaps and crashes to the ground. Everyone else dies in the elevator except me. How did I survive?
- 4. What four-letter word can be written forward, backward or upside down but still be read from left to right?
- 5. An Arab sheik is old and must leave his fortune to one of his two sons. He makes a proposition: Both sons will ride their camels in a race, and whichever camel crosses the finish line last will win the fortune for its owner. During the race, the two brothers wander aimlessly for days, neither willing to cross the finish line. In desperation, they ask a wise man for advice. He tells them something; then the brothers leap onto the camels and charge toward the finish line. What did the wise man say?

Answers on next page



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#### **ANSWERS:**

- 1. To solve this <u>word puzzle</u>, take the first letter of each word and place it at the end. It will spell the same word backward.
- 2. Rocking Chair
- 3. I got off on the first floor.
- 4. NOON
- 5. The rules of the race were that the owner of the camel that crosses the finish line last wins the fortune. The wise man simply told them to switch camels.

#### Photo Showcase

Our Next Photo Showcase will be.... **PETS** 

Send photos of your, or someone else's favourite pets in jpeg to Ali and Graeme Relf at jamberooprobusinfo@gmail.c om by 13 September 2025

