



## Roseville Probus Club Inc

Newsletter: September 2025

### About our Club

We meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month from 10am to 12 m/d except on public holidays and in December. We meet at the Roseville Uniting Church hall, 7a Lord Street, Roseville.

Postal address: PO BOX 425, Roseville, NSW, 2069

Click here for [Roseville Probus Website](#)

Club number: 29004259

### President's message:



How are you all coping with this prolonged wet season? Fortunately we are now getting some warmth returning and the prospect of Probus activities without needing to take an umbrella.

Last month's speaker, Emma Addario from Roseville Cinema, was so invested in her family-owned business that I think she was quite overwhelmed with what to share with us. Thanks to the ingenuity of our Speaker organiser, Jill Lord, it turned into a most informative and sometimes quite intimate sharing experience with an interactive Q and A session with the audience. It was lovely to meet Emma taking the tickets at the movies session when we visited the following Friday to see 'Mr Burton' and to again thank her, which she really appreciated. At the General Meeting, I also asked for volunteers to act as "buddies" for any of our interest group or management position holders, and the Speakers role is one such position in need right now. Sharing is caring and everyone is expected to take some role, just once during our membership, in order to keep our organisation alive and thriving.

Until next time,  
Helen Jagger

### Diary reminders for September

**N.B.** Please email apologies for absences at meetings to the Membership Secretary at [rosevilleprobus.membership@gmail.com](mailto:rosevilleprobus.membership@gmail.com). It is the responsibility of the Membership Secretary to keep a record of attendance at meetings.

**Monthly meeting:** Monday 1 September

**Art Interest:** Monday 8 September, Mosman Art Prize

**Cycology:** Tuesday 9 September, Parramatta River bike paths

**\$2.50 Club:** Friday 12 September, Train/Bus to Paddington Reservoir Gardens

**Movies:** Saturday 13 September, 'Downton Abbey'

**Walks:** Monday 15 September, Mosman Bay to North Sydney

**Garden Group:** Tuesday 23-Wednesday 24 September, Southern Highlands

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**Club Outings:** Friday 26 September, Great Zig Zag Railway  
**Weekly events:** Monday - Coffee Club (except when there are other club wide activities;  
Tuesday - Bowls; Wed- Bridge and other games; Friday - Technology Help  
**Monthly events:** 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Book Club; 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday Book Club

## September General Meeting

### Monday 1 September

#### **GUEST SPEAKER: Ian Burnet**

Ian Burnet, an author and historian with a background in geology, has spent more than thirty years living, working and travelling in the Indonesian archipelago, and will talk to us about the Torres Strait and Torres Strait Islands.

#### **Attendance at General Meetings**

Please remember to bring your cup to assist the catering group.

The Club Constitution, Section 3.i states that 'Membership of this club shall be contingent upon regular attendance at meetings of not less than 50 per cent in any club year, subject to leave of absence in cases of sickness or on any other reasonable grounds'.

#### **Updates to contact details**

To ensure our database is as up to date as possible our Membership Officer, Julie Dunn, would like all members to notify her by email [rosevilleprobus.membership@gmail.com](mailto:rosevilleprobus.membership@gmail.com) with any updates to contact details (home addresses, email addresses, phone numbers) as any changes occur.



## Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following members who are celebrating in September:

Diana Austin, Maz Berry, Maureen Duthie, Helen Humphreys, Keith Inns, Trish Wilson, Julie Wyndham, Trish Yancey

## Club Outings

**Payment arrangements for outings, tours etc are located at the end of the Newsletter**

**Great Zig Zag Railway, Blue Mountains:** Friday 26 September



This club tour is fully subscribed. Thanks to those who have supported this outing. For those who are coming could you please notify me if you have any dietary requirements. Closer to departure I will send a reminder email confirming pick up points and times.

Convenor: Lynne Fairley

Support: Helen Humphreys

## Tours

## **Broken Hill Tour: 23 – 27 October**

Thanks to all our travellers who have now paid the remaining balance for our Broken Hill tour. The Club is now incurring more non-refundable expenses for this tour, and further cancellation penalties apply. Travel insurance is therefore recommended.

Ian Waters, Tours

Convenor

[Rosevilleprobus.tours@gmail.com](mailto:Rosevilleprobus.tours@gmail.com)

## **Interest Groups**

**If you wish to join in any activities, contact the convenor and ask to be added to the Interest Group mailing list. If your interest is not here, see anyone on the Committee about starting a new group.**

### **Art Interest Group**

The next Art Interest Group outing will be to the Mosman Art Prize, now in its 78th year, Australia's longest-running municipal art award. Following the success of last year's outing to the Mosman Art Prize, we have again arranged for a guide to lead us around the exhibition.

Date: Monday 8 September  
Time: 11am  
Venue: Mosman Art Gallery, 1 Art Gallery Way, Mosman  
Cost: Free  
Travel: Bus or private car

If you would like to come please add your name to the signup sheet at the next meeting or email me.

Convenors: Tricia Waters and Lyn McArthur

### **Book Clubs**

#### **The Tuesday Book Club**

We are meeting on Tuesday 26 August to discuss 'My Name is Emilia del Valle' by Isabel Allende. When Emilia comes of age in nineteenth century San Francisco as an independent and fiercely ambitious young woman, she pursues her life's passion for writing, even if it means publishing under a man's name. When she lands a position as a journalist for the Daily Examiner, Emilia soon sets sail for Chile, where she is tasked with

covering a brewing civil war. If you've enjoyed other books by Isabel Allende I think you'll enjoy this one.

### **The Thursday Book Club**

In September we will be discussing 'Gunnawah' by Ronni Salt - a captivating and compulsive crime thriller about guns, drugs and a young woman dead on the money, all happening in the Riverina in 1974. Last month's 'The Thursday Murder Club' scored 7.2

Tuesday Book Club Convenor: Lorraine Fitzgerald

Thursday Book Club Convenor: Simone Turner

## **Bowls**

We meet every Tuesday at 10am at Lindfield Rollers Bowling Club, Carlyle Rd, East Lindfield. Even if you are new to bowls, come along and try your hand at this wonderful sport and get to know some of your fellow Probians better. All equipment is provided and you will get some basic tuition to get you started. Please wear flat soled shoes and bring a hat. We play for about an hour and then adjourn to Duke's Green Cafe for a well-earned refreshment. No need to book in ... just turn up.

Convenors: Phil Lewis

Chic Strachan

## **Coffee Club**

We meet every Monday at 10am (except when there is a club wide activity scheduled) at Duke's Green Cafe, East Lindfield. Come along and join us solving the world's problems. This is a great way to start off your week. No need to book in ... just turn up.

Convenors: Phil Lewis John Cameron

## **Cycology Group**

Our September plan is a ride along the Parramatta River bike paths, meeting at 10am on Tuesday 9 September at the Meadowbank Ferry Wharf car park. If you would like to join us, please contact me:

Convenor: Michael Shepherd

## **Gardens**





The next outing for the Garden Group is a visit to the private garden Upper Woodlands near Mittagong, with an overnight stay at Dormie House in Moss Vale, followed by Tulip Top Garden in the Yass Valley, on 23-24 September.

Convenors: Gillian Stegmann Bruce Strachan

## Meet and Eat

A very jolly time was had by all at the Austrian Club, French's Forest, on Sunday 3 August, as you can see from the photos.

I had hoped to announce the next get together but at this stage all I can say is that a dinner on Wednesday 5 November is in the pipeline (a week after I return from a month away). Venue tba.

Convenors:  
Yvonne Bartels Colleen Harrison







## Movies



Our Movie Group visit for this month will take place on 13 September which is a **Saturday**, so please note this one-off day change.

We shall be viewing the third and final film of 'Downton Abbey', suitably titled 'The Grand Finale'. It is now 1930 and the Crawley family face the threat of social disgrace after Lady Mary finds herself at the centre of a public scandal and the family faces financial trouble. So there are changes ahead as the next generation leads Downton Abbey into the future. This film has been long awaited for those of you who have seen the previous two films as well as viewed all six series on television, (the last of which ended ten years

ago in 2015).

Convenor: Catherine Barker

## Social Games

We meet on Wednesdays 1pm-3pm during school terms. We regularly have four tables playing Bridge but would like to start up a table playing Mahjong. If you would like to join us playing Mahjong please let me know. We are a noncompetitive group who play 'just for the fun of it' and welcome any standard but it is beneficial to have had Bridge or Mahjong lessons. We bring our mugs and make a donation of \$2.00 to the church for afternoon tea and the use of facilities.

Convenor: Maz Berry

## Two Dollars Fifty Club (\$2.50)

Our next \$2.50 trip on Friday 12 September is a short one this time and is to visit Paddington Reservoir Gardens located in Paddington. Thanks to Di Austin and Fran Lowndes for doing the research for this event. The reservoir was a holding one which stored the water from Botany Swamps and contributed water to Sydney between 1859 and 1886. It ceased operation in 1899 when Centennial Park reservoir was constructed.

We will meet at the south end of Chatswood station at 10.30 and catch the Metro to Martin Place. From there, taking the Elizabeth Street exit, we will catch the 333 bus from Stand E in the direction of Bondi. We get off the bus opposite Paddington Town Hall at Ormond Street. The whole

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journey only takes around 30 minutes. Paddington Town Hall houses the Chauvel Cinema if anyone wants to see a film there. The garden is across the street from the Town Hall. There is a lift to go down into the gardens if required. On the north side of Oxford Street opposite the gardens, is Juniper Hall, a National Trust house, and also the Post Office which opened in 1885. Unfortunately neither the Town Hall nor Juniper Hall are open to the public.

There are lots of options for lunch on Oxford Street, including:

1. Imperial Hotel which serves fish and chips for \$15
2. Lil Garden Café in Perry Lane
3. Caness Tapas Bar which looks interesting and inexpensive

The bus stand to take us back to the city is in front of the gardens. Bus 333 runs very regularly.

If you would like to participate in this activity please place a tick alongside your name on the Expression of Interest form that will be on display at the Activities Desk at the September monthly meeting.

### **Trivia Night**

We are starting preparations for this year's Trivia Night which is scheduled for

Friday 21 November at the Lindfield Rollers Bowling Club in Carlyle Road, East Lindfield. Start organising your team of six now or alternatively wait until the night and just join up with others. Full details will be available closer to the time.

Convenors: Phil Lewis  
Barb Mottram

## **Technology Help**

Technology Help sessions for the next couple of months will be based on material from the government's 'Be Connected - Every Australian online' courses. This material is designed to build digital skills among older Australians and has been very well received. Sessions are at 10am in the Computer Pals Room at the rear of East Lindfield Community Hall. Contact John Cameron for more details or to be added to the mailing list.

Convenors: John Cameron  
Ian Waters

## **Theatre**

What a superb production of the 40th anniversary of 'Cats' our group enjoyed this week. The sheer energy of the music, dancing and acrobatics held us all entranced and spellbound. The costumes and makeup of the cats was spectacular and could be viewed in close up when some of the cats interacted with the audience by running up the aisles - a lovely surprise for some close by. The favourite song for some

of us was 'Memory' but most of us just loved all the songs. We all left feeling so happy after re-experiencing such a spectacular musical.

We have one more Theatre visit this year on 1 October. This time the music of Dolly Parton and her story - what a contrast that will be.

Convenor: Pat Nosworthy

## Walks

### **Mosman Bay to North Sydney: 15 September**



Our next walk, on Monday 15 September, is a highly scenic harbour foreshore walk providing magnificent views to the city and eastern suburbs, combined with a section of street walking.

It is being led by guest leader John Pick, for whom this is a local walk (thanks John).

We skirt Mosman Bay, Cremorne Point and Shell Cove, and later pass through former Submarine Base Platypus, now repurposed as a community recreation and work hub.

The walk is rated easy (but with steps, including some steep sections) along paved paths and of length 7km. Full details have been sent to Walking Group members and are also available in the flyer on the Activities Desk at our September Probus meeting.

Convenor: Ian Waters [rosevilleprobus.walks@gmail.com](mailto:rosevilleprobus.walks@gmail.com)

## COMING UP

<b>October</b>	<b>Theatre Group:</b> 1 Oct 'Here You Come Again', Theatre Royal
<b>October</b>	<b>Tours:</b> 23-27 October Broken Hill
<b>November</b>	<b>Meet &amp; Eat:</b> 5 November venue tba
<b>November</b>	<b>\$2.50 Club:</b> 14 November Train/Ferry Mosman Rowers Club
<b>November</b>	<b>Trivia Night :</b> 21 November

The Roseville Probus Calendar is another useful planning resource. To access the Calendar, simply google Roseville Probus Calendar. The Calendar is updated regularly.

## Reminders

### Probus "Active Retirees" magazine:

The Probus "Active Retirees" magazine is part of our membership benefits and is distributed in electronic form. If you wish to receive your complimentary subscription, please click on the following link.

[https://www.probusouthpacific.org/pages/about\\_active\\_retirees\\_digital\\_subscriptions](https://www.probusouthpacific.org/pages/about_active_retirees_digital_subscriptions)

### Probus Travel Insurance and new Travel Handbook:

Probus South Pacific Limited (PSPL) has produced a new Travel Handbook designed to assist Tour Officers with planning. A digital copy is available for

anyone interested at [https://issuu.com/monikap-probusouthpacific/docs/travel\\_handbook\\_march\\_2022\\_-\\_final](https://issuu.com/monikap-probusouthpacific/docs/travel_handbook_march_2022_-_final)

PSPL has also reminded clubs that it offers a range of travel insurance policies in partnership with Allianz Global Assistance. Details are available at the PSPL website <https://probusouthpacific.org>

### Registration at Meetings:

When you collect your badge at the front desk please make sure that your name has been marked off the roll. We need to keep accurate attendance figures for Probus insurance purposes.

### Other Reminders:

- Please remember to wear your Probus badge (the one you have at home) when attending activities e.g., Walks, Movies, Meet n Eat etc.
- If you know any sick or bereaved member who might appreciate contact, please let our **welfare officers** know. See next page under Support for contact details.

- Your **newsletter** is only as good as the contributions received. We welcome anything short and of general interest to our members. We do not accept commercial advertisements. Interest Group notices need to be short and to the point. Photos of Interest Groups or activities or tours, with a short description, are especially appreciated.  
**Newsletter deadline: 3rd Wednesday of the month to [rosevilleprobus.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:rosevilleprobus.newsletter@gmail.com)**
- To see our Club diary of events, go to our website [www.probussouthpacific.org/microsites/roseville](http://www.probussouthpacific.org/microsites/roseville) then press Control and click on **Calendar** on the right-hand side. You can also access our website by putting 'Roseville Probus' into Google or another search engine.
- Roseville Probus has a Facebook group that you might like to join. This is a private group restricted to members only. Contact John Cameron who can add you to the group.
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### **Management Committee**

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### **Activities**

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### **Support**

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#### **Reminder re paying for tours, activities or annual subscriptions**

**By Direct Deposit:** to the Roseville Probus Club Incorporated BSB 633 000 Account number 165123928.

Please ensure you identify yourself/yourselves and the event when paying (eg John Smith ZigZag).

**By cheque or cash:** Please put it in an envelope with your name on the front and what it's for. Cheques are to be made out to Roseville Probus Club Inc. When paying for a tour, activity or interest group event, please email the relevant convenor to say you have paid. Thank you! That will make it much easier to keep track of payments.