



# NEWSLETTER

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President: Sue May

Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at Katoomba RSL, 82-86 Lurline St, Katoomba, at 11.00am *sharp*. Members may gain entry to the RSL from 10.30am, but must proceed directly to the meeting room.

Secretary: Narelle Nolan  
Treasurer: Pamela Williams

## BANK DETAILS

You can now pay fees, etc. by Direct Deposit. Please be sure to add your name in the Reference section and email Pam Williams at [pgwilliams809@gmail.com](mailto:pgwilliams809@gmail.com) to advise her that a transfer has been made. The bank details are:

Ladies Probus Club UBM, BSB 633 000, Account No: 194825220

Note that the Excursions have a different account number, which is BSB 633 108 Account 194825253.

## BUSINESS AND SOCIAL NEWS

### ***\*President's Message:***

Hello Ladies,

Welcome back everyone. This year is the 50th anniversary of Probus in Australia. If anyone has ideas to help celebrate this milestone please let myself or a committee member know. Look forward to seeing you all on the 18th February.

Cheers

Sue

### ***Other Matters:***

A reminder that your yearly subs are due, to be paid by the end of March. This year, to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Probus, they are only \$25, including the PPSL capitation fee.

This year, all bus trips will be only \$10.

Today's speakers	Birthday Greetings
Maureen McDermott with Verna Van Ryswyk: <i>Artificial Intelligence</i>  <b><u>Five Minuter:</u></b> Kerry Jordan: <i>The Birthday Cake</i>	 <b><i>Happy Birthday</i></b> to our members who are celebrating their special day this month: Sandra McDonald, Merril Minett, Annette Pankhurst, Ruth Perrott, Wilma Thomson, Marion Wellington and Beryl Riley <b><i>And not forgetting our January birthdays:</i></b> Wendy Fragar, Marcia Guilford, Shirley Jones, Victoria Liddicoat, Anthea Mitchell, Millie Robinson, Diana Tonner and Verna Van Ryswyk

## Welfare News

A sympathy card was sent to Gerard Wolthers and family on the death of one of our founding members, Pat Wolthers, in November.

*If you know of any member who needs a cheery note or maybe a note to celebrate a happy event, for the next month please contact: **Chris Horsfield**,*

## Books, Magazines and CD Sales

***Bring and buy at our monthly sales: Organised by the Quilts & Coffee Group. Funds go towards quilting supplies for their charity quilts.***

Magazines - \$1, Soft covers - \$2, Hardcovers - \$3 (Please, only books etc. in good condition); CD's - \$3 Great bargains!

**Thanks to everyone for your support and donations**

**Donations Welcome**

<b>Between the Covers Book Club</b>	<b>Book Buzz</b>
<p><b>Between the Covers</b> are meeting on 3 March at The Village Cafe, North Katoomba to discuss what we have been reading.</p> <p>We would WELCOME a few new members. Best to SMS me as I am in a black spot for mobiles.</p> <p><b>Robyn Artup</b></p>	Unfortunatley Book Buzz has been disbanded.
<b>Canasta Card Group</b>	<b>Knitting Group</b>
<p>Card Group meets every Monday at the Katoomba RSL 12.50pm for 1.00pm start. On the first Monday of every month we meet at noon to have lunch at the RSL restaurant. Knowledge of cards is unnecessary as we'll help beginners. So, all welcome!</p> <p><i>Contact: Chris Rhind</i></p>	<p>Knitting is at the RSL on the first Wednesday at 11am.</p> <p><i>Please contact:</i></p>
<b>Sewcial Piecemakers Group</b>	<b>Quilts and Coffee Group</b>
<p>Formerly known as the Patchwork and Quilting Group will next meet on the second Wednesday, at a member's house at 10.00 am.</p> <p><i>Please contact: Charmian Corbett</i></p> 	<p>Meets on the last Monday of every month at 10am at a member's home. The next meeting is Monday 23 February 2026.</p> <p>Projects, skills and ideas are exchanged over a delicious morning tea. New quilters always welcome.</p> <p><i>Contact Mary-Ann Miles</i></p> 
<b>Discussion Group</b>	<b>Sunday Lunch</b>
<p>Discussion Group meets on 2nd Monday of each month at Katoomba RSL at 11am..</p> <p>Lunch to follow if so desired.</p> <p><i>Please contact: Annette Thomas,</i></p>	<p>No lunch this month, but the Leopard (old Leura Garage) next month.</p> <p><i>Contact Ann Gale</i></p> 
<b>Weekly Morning Tea</b>	<b>Dog Training</b>
<p>We meet every Thursday at the Fairmont coffee shop at 10am. No need to book, just turn up!</p> <p><i>Convenor: Erika Bensch</i></p> 	<p>Dog Training is on again every Friday at 11.00 am (weather permitting) at Fairways. <i>Note new time.</i></p> <p><i>Please contact: Ann Norman</i></p> 
<b>'Ramblers' Bush Walking Group</b>	<b>Knitted Rugs</b>
<p>Meets every Tuesday in Grose St Leura (between Megalong &amp; Craigend Sts) at 9.00 am. Walks are mainly in the Blue Mountains area and are usually graded between easy and medium (involves some steps). Come and join us for our walks and fellowship and a coffee after the walk.</p> <p><i>Please contact : Anne-Marie Newman</i></p>	<p>We provide acrylic yarn to be knitted into squares to make knitted rugs for various charities. See Mary-Ann to collect yarn and instructions (if necessary).</p> <p><i>Please contact: Mary-Ann Miles</i></p>
<b>'Amblers' Walking Group</b>	<b>Scrabble Group</b>
<p>As the name implies, provides easier walks with no steps. Meets at the same time and place as the Ramblers.</p> <p><i>Please contact: Ann Norman</i></p>	<p>Scrabble group meets 4th Wednesday of every month -11.00 am at the RSL. Social games, chat &amp; coffee.</p> <p><i>Please contact: Miriam Ranson</i></p>
<b>Excursions</b>	
<i>Pam Williams, Sandra McDonald</i>	
<p><b><u>Please note that tickets purchased by the Tours Committee, i.e. shows, exhibitions and excursions are non-refundable.</u></b> If you cannot attend and have paid for the ticket, please arrange to sell or pass your ticket onto someone else. For all tours/shows please check the noticeboard or pick up a flyer.</p> <p><b><u>Excursions:</u></b></p> <p><b>Wednesday April 22:</b> Bowral, depart 9am, return 3pm, cost \$10. To be confirmed.</p>	