



PAPAKURA MEN'S PROBUS CLUB

Est: April 1989

Newsletter October 2025. Update on my lawn folks; I've repaired the small areas of lawn which feature weeds and unwanted grass species and now await to see the green shoots that should appear with these spring temperatures and showers. Please see below the dates for upcoming events on our calendar.

Friday the 31st of October is our next club meeting at the Papakura club. Greeter will be Barrie Hellyer and the Raffle sold by Noel Kreegher. Our speaker is Dave Smith who will talk on his experiences on spending time in Antarctica. Should be interesting.

Friday the 7th of November at Park Green Café and Bar is our next Romeo lunch. The address is 180 Park Estate Road, Park Green Papakura.

Wednesday November 19th at the Papakura Club is our **Xmas Lunch**. John P will greet everyone with arrival time commencing around 11:30 am. Please see further details below in this newsletter. (Again please note these dates on digital devices or the calendar on the wall.)

The outings sub-committee have arranged venues for the remainder of 2025 and into March of 2026. Details to follow in the fullness of time as they say.

Our last Romeo lunch at the Conifer Gardens Café was noisy as it often is with three conversations on the go in a confined space. It depends on which one you were involved with as to what you heard said. (That's if you can remember the conversation.) Below are photos from both ends of the table, ably provided by the club photographer RK.



Our **Xmas Lunch** is on **Wednesday 19th November** at the Papakura Club, Croskery Rd, Papakura. Members \$22.50 Partners/Non Members \$32.50.

Programme: Arrive from 11.30 on. On arrival each member will receive one raffle ticket. The bar will be open for drinks. Lunch is from 12.00 noon. This is a buffet lunch including desserts and tea and coffee. Drawing of the raffle prizes will follow lunch. **Payment** can be made by bank transfer to 12-3031-0713680-00. Please write lunch in the details section and your surname in the Reference Section. Alternatively payment can be made by cash at our next meeting this Friday 31st October. This is our last Romeo and Juliet event for the year so we look forward to seeing you there. As per

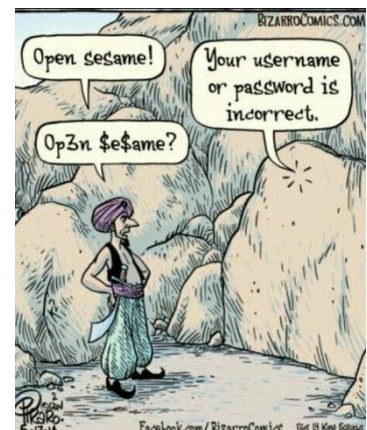
the emailed flyer, please confirm your attendance at ustwojs@yahoo.co.nz

Social clubs are under financial pressures due in part to new gambling restrictions affecting the income from 'pokie' machines and the reduced consumption of alcohol. Bob notes that clearly it is in our own best interests for us to support the Papakura club.

Our president is having a replacement hip operation this week so our meeting will be conducted by Ron our Vice President. Birthdays this month are for Owen Shaw, John Barnes, Vince O'Loughlin, Max Wilson and Bob Rumball. We will be inducting yet another new member mentioned in the birthday list, Owen Shaw. Our membership also is slowly increasing due to word-of-mouth which remains our most productive means of recruitment. A Senior's Expo is to be held this Wednesday the 30th in the local library; it will feature our club along with the Ladies Papakura Probus. And now for the part you have all been waiting for. (With thanks to all contributors. "Keep those cards and letters coming in...



Did you hear about the guy Johnny who was in a bar about as drunk as it's possible to get ?
A group of guys notice his condition and decide to be good Samaritans and take him home. First they stand him up to get to his wallet so they can find out where he lives, but he kept falling down.
He fell down eight more times on the way to the car, each time with a real thud.
After they get to his house, he falls down another four times getting him to the door. His wife comes to the door, and one guy says, "We brought your husband home."
The wife asks, "Where's his wheelchair?..."



President & outings	John Partridge	021 583 100	Newsletter	John Barnes	021 832 980
Vice President	Ron Kaagman	021 182 9360	Entertainment & outings	Bob Rumball	027 213 5990
Secretary	John Barnes	021 832 980	Romeo	Bob Rumball	027 213 5990
Treasurer & President (elect)	Dave Connell	027 427 9166	Club Services	Bill Wilson	021 258 1209
Membership & outings	Pip Batty	021 159 5533	Club Services	Neil Andrews	09 299 7775
Speakers & outings	Ross McLachlan	021 182 0904	Publicity	Ron Kaagman	021 182 9360
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For those members with welfare issues and being unwell, we wish you a speedy recovery. To members who have recently lost someone near and dear to them, we send our sincere condolences"