



THIRROUL PROBUS CLUB September 2025 Newsletter

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President's Message:

Hi everyone,

Well, the months are slipping away very quickly and before you know it we will be sunning ourselves, sipping our chosen beverage and nibbles in beautiful Merimbula. To date we have 44 members going to Merimbula and 31 to Fingal Bay..... A great time will be had by all.

Just a reminder to those going on these trips, if you care to do a little research and put forward suggestions/activities to do, both Rodd and I are happy to consider trying to fit them into the 5 day parties.

A BIG THANKYOU to Cheryl and Paul for another very successful outing, this time to Parliament House. I hear the High Tea was very nice.....I hope the pinkies were out.

We have been lucky to date with members not having accidents on our activities. Unfortunately, due to the rain and an uneven surface lovely Kerry Hickey had a nasty fall hurting her shoulder, on the Parliament House trip. Firstly, a special thank you, from Kerry, for all the members who helped and cared for her. Kerry was very touched.

Secondly, I am mentioning this incident to remind everyone that we do have limited insurance coverage on our approved trips and that is why it is important to notify the committee, so that a report can be submitted to Probud International in case problems occur down the track.

Finally make sure you are reading your Newsletters so you can get involved in all the great activities on offer.

So, stay happy, healthy & safe

Mark Bryce
President

Management Committee 2025

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE

MARK BRYCE President 0433014526	BRENDAN CRONIN Vice President 0420612336
DENISE MARTIN Secretary 0412363863	PAT HOWARD Treasurer 0425215767

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE IMPORTANT CONTACT OFFICERS 2025

Membership Officer	ROS McCAUGHTRIE 0408438066
Welfare Officer	GAIL BRENNAN 0409819740

NEW MEMBERS IN AUGUST

Our new member presented with a certificate
was Siggy Sichtar



THIRROUL PROBUS CLUB BANKING DETAILS:

BSB: 802-124

Account Number: 100093251

Add reference for payment e.g. TAFE, Opera House etc

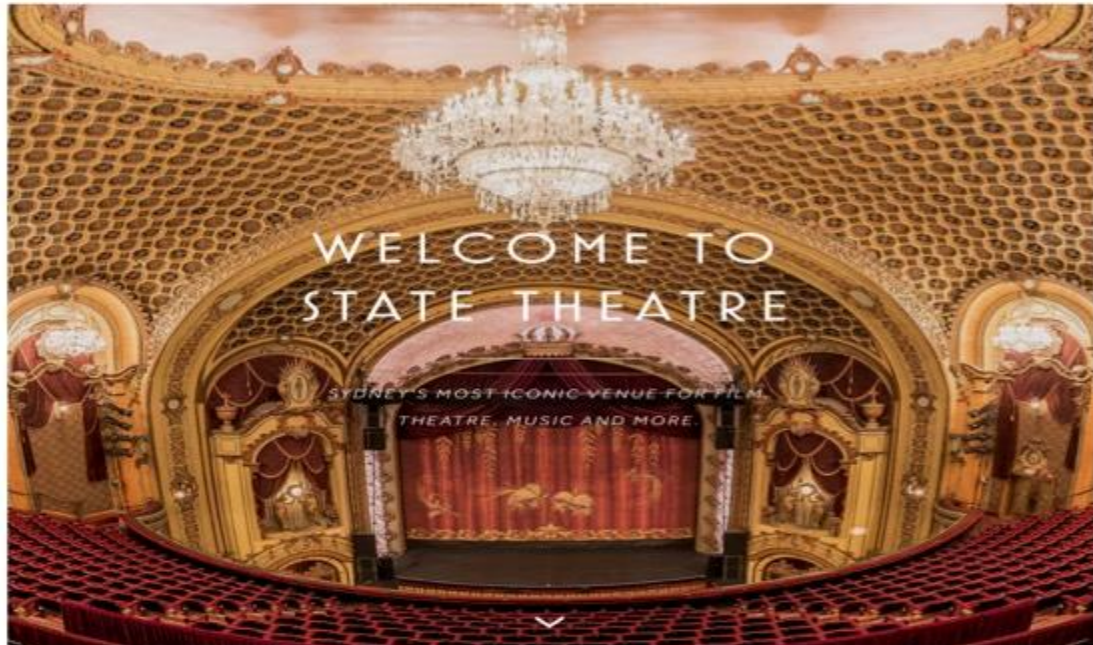
Postal Address: 21 WALLBANK WAY, BULLI, NSW, 2516
Meeting day/time: 2nd Monday of each month, 10:00am
Meeting venue: Club Thirroul, 2B Station Street, Thirroul, NSW, 2515
Email Address: thirroulprobus@gmail.com

**Click the link below to access Probud Website and
more photos:**
[Probud Thirroul Website](http://thirroulprobus.com.au)

STATE THEATRE TOUR

September Probus Outing

Monday 22nd September 2025



Thirroul Probus outing for September is a guided tour of the State Theatre in Sydney - called the Palace of Dreams. This will be a behind the scenes look at a majestic building that first opened in 1929 and fully renovated in the 80's. It is an icon of Sydney entertainment and night life.

The tour starts at 10:00am and the cost per person (for groups over 10) is \$17 concession. Travel will be by train, leaving Thirroul Station at 8:08am. Following the guided tour will be the opportunity to lunch nearby (optional and at your cost) before travelling home.

This tour must be booked and paid in advance, so please contact either Cheryl or myself to advise your attendance as soon as possible.

Cheryl - 0403 500 601

Paul - 0438 853 995

*****This tour is now fully booked**

STATE PARLIAMENT VISIT



AUGUST SPEAKER REVIEW

In August Felicity Skoberne from the Wollongong Botanic Garden shared stories and pictures of the many beautiful native plants she found growing in tough conditions on her recent holiday in the outback. She also spoke about the work of the Botanic Garden team, including outreach work with local schools.

Did you know that you can pick up native plants cheaply from the Botanic Garden, and also get free advice from their horticulturists on what to plant in your garden? To learn more go to [Greenplan Plant Sales | Wollongong Botanic Garden](#).

Our speaker at the **September meeting** will be **Michael Giles from Hansen and Cole funeral directors**. Michael will talk about how we can take some pressure off our loved ones and ensure we get the send-off we want by planning our funerals ahead of time.

Michael is bringing treats for morning tea so look out for something nice to have with your cuppa before the meeting starts.



Trivia

The next Trivia night will be **Wednesday 10th September**. It's always a fun night. Why not join us for a chance to get to know some of your fellow Probus members as well as giving those grey cells a bit of a workout. Please call or text Anne Haine on 0409 067 722 if you would like to join the team.

You may also like to have a look at <https://www.facebook.com/InnQUIZitiveTrivia/> in the week of 10 September for some clues to that week's questions.

Please text or call Anne Haine on 0409 067 722 if you plan to join us.

THEATRE



We have a group booking for seats in the Dress Circle to see the Pretty Woman Musical at the Theatre Royal. We are going on December 10th to the 1pm matinee. If you would like to join us please go to the Theatre Royal Website and purchase your own tickets, then let John know - Message him on 0419230787



AUGUST GOLF RESULTS:

There were 12 players for golf at Boomerang Golf Course on Monday 19 August. The results were as follows:

Winners:

Derrick Blackmore & David Wallace 30 pts.

Runner up:

Kieren Quail 28 pts.

Some didn't finish due to rain .

SEPTEMBER GOLF

Russell Vale Golf Course is booked for **Monday 15 September**.

Tee off 8 am.

Lunch will be at Woonona Bulli RSL.

Let **Kev Costelloe** know if you can play.
0407920883.



YACHT ROCK REVIVAL

On Saturday, 18th October we have 2 tables booked at Centro CBD for the Yacht Rock Revival show. They are a great band and the main dish is always good. It's a fun night for all at around \$80 a head dinner and show. 4 more people are needed to join the second table booked. Message John to join 0419230787.



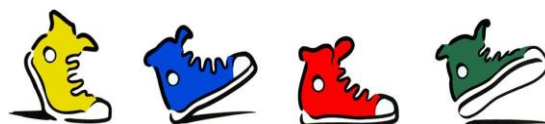
WALKING GROUP

The next walk with Teresa will be on **FRIDAY 26th September**.

Meet at the new Shellcove Marina and enjoy sort walk along the breakwater path, then Shellharbour South Beach to the Village for coffee and return.

Please register with Teresa on 0405 034 296.

Please ring Teresa to register on 0405 034 2096.



BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting will be on **Monday 1 September 2025 at 10.00 am at Club Thirroul**



Both Wendy and Mary Ellen will be away this month, but we will all still meet at Club Thirroul. All Members are welcome to our Book Club, where we meet in a relaxed setting to talk about what we have been reading over a cuppa.

Contact: **Lynne Harris 0425307771**

CYCLING GROUP

The Cycling Group usually meets once a **fortnight/month** for rides within the Illawarra region. Rides generally start at 9.00 am and back home before lunch time.

All rides will be announced a few days in advance and is dependent on weather. All styles of bikes (road/mtb/ebike etc) are acceptable.

If any members are interested in cycling, please **contact Rodd Smith on 0468 637 232** and he will add them to his email group.



All Members are Welcome to Attend

COFFEE CLUB

The next Coffee Club get together will be on **Monday 29 September at 10.00 am at Thirroul Beach Pavilion**.

if you would like some friendly conversation and coffee/tea at a great location, join us!

All are welcome!



Contact: Diane: 0421 040 757



DINING OUT IN SEPTEMBER

Buzzer Lunch

The next Buzzer Lunch is at **the Bally Hotel** on **September 18** in Balgownie at 12 pm. They have some terrific weekday lunch specials at \$16 each, but, if you want to order a la Carte, and you are an NRMA Member with the App on your phone, then you can save 25% off the Total Bill (up to \$40) To register your commitment, please message Glenn @ 0419 260 770 (Glenn will return from Japan on 8 September) with their virtual voucher!



Small Group Dining

In September, Glenn and Mary Ellen will be hosting a Small Group dinner at Duck In Heaven, Thirroul on Wednesday, September 24 from 6.15pm. Asian fusion & exotic cocktails ... a place for delicious Peking duck, BBQ pork & home-made dumplings.

We have a full table booked for this date. If you would like to host another dinner for 6 or 8 in the following week, please message Glenn after Sept 8 when he's back in Thirroul.



DINING REVIEW – AUGUST

Buzzer lunch at Coledale RSL

Drinking, eating and chatting are amongst our favourite things to do in the Thirroul Probus Club! 36 of us attended the Buzzer Lunch at the Coledale RSL in August and enjoyed a terrific meal there. As you can see, I couldn't fit everyone into this picture. Some are too busy drinking, eating and chatting. If you haven't been to the Coledale RSL since Rosie's Fish & Chips took over the kitchen then, do yourself a favour, and go there soon!



BAREFOOT BOWLS

The next barefoot bowls session will be on **29 September at 4.00 pm at Club Thirroul.**

Please contact the coordinator, Henry Urbanski, on **0439 928 001**, to register your attendance, for August's game.



All Members are Welcome to Attend.

SAVE THE DATE !!!!

The committee has approved Tuesday the 2nd of December 2025 for the annual Thirroul Probus Christmas Party.

To be held at Club Thirroul, more details will be sent out closer to time - but expect a start time around 5:30pm.

We have negotiated with the club for all members to be able to attend, so there is no limit on numbers this year.

Please join us for the last big event of the year.



September 2025 Activities Calendar

Monday 1 September	Book Club	Club Thirroul	10.00 am	Contact numbers: Lynne Harris 0425307771
Monday 1 September	Management Committee Meeting	Club Thirroul	4.30 pm	
Monday 8 September	General Probuss Meeting	Club Thirroul	10 am	
Wednesday 10 September	Trivia	Club Thirroul	7.00 pm start; 6.00 pm dinner	Send an email through to Anne Haine Annehaine10@gmail.com or SMS 0409 067 722
Monday 15 September	Golf	Russell Vale Golf Course	7.30 am for 8.00 am tee off	Contact Kevin Costelloe on 0407 920883
Thursday 18 September	Buzzer Lunch	Bally Hotel, Balgownie	12 pm	Contact Glenn Durrance 0419 260 770
Monday 22 September	State Theatre Tour	State Theatre	Meet at Thirroul Station	Contact: Cheryl Seagrove 0403 500 601 or Paul Seagrove 0438 853 995
Wednesday 24 September	Small Group Dining	Duck in Heaven restaurant	6.15 pm	Contact Glenn Durrance 0419 260 770
Friday 26 September	Walking Group	Shell Cove Marina		Contact Teresa Urbanski for details & times 0405 034 296
Monday 29 September	Coffee Club	Thirroul Beach Cafe	10.00 am	Contact coordinator Diane Brown 0421 040 757
Monday 29 September	Barefoot Bowls	Club Thirroul	4.00 pm	Contact coordinator Henry Urbanski 0439 928 001

For further information or other activities please refer to the Thirroul Probuss website at <https://www.probussouthpacific.org/microsites/thirroul> or contact the group coordinator concerned.



FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	ACTIVITY	CONTACT
Monday 3/11/25 – Friday 7/11	Merimbula Camping Trip	Rodd Smith 0468637232
Monday 23/3/26 – Friday 27/3	Fingal Bay Camping Trip	Rodd Smith 0468637232
18 October 2025	Yacht Rock Revival	John Penhallow 0419230787
2 December 2025	Thirroul Probuss Xmas Party	Paul & Cheryl Seagrove 0403 500 601
Friday 22 May 2026	Kangaroo Island Trip	John Penhallow 0419230787
10 December	Pretty Woman theatre trip	John Penhallow 0419230787