



TOOWOOMBA RANGE PROBUS



Newsletter

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Birthday Greetings

July

Bob Dodman	1
Ken Stephenson	11
Bruce Hinchliffe	21
Helen Fulbohm	22
Col Wockner	24
Bob Peirce	25

Next General Meeting: 10a.m.Tuesday, 24 June, 2025 at the Ballymore Room, Gold Park, 341 Hume Street, Toowoomba
Guest Speaker: Craig Magnusson from the Moreton and Darling Downs Rabbit Board. **His subject:** RABBITS - not the fluffy, cuddly kind . . . but about one of Australia's most serious agricultural and environmental threats . . .

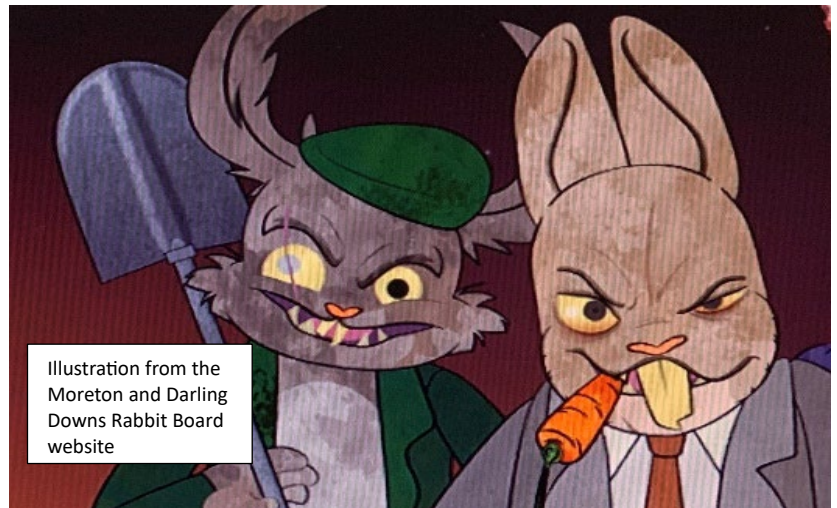
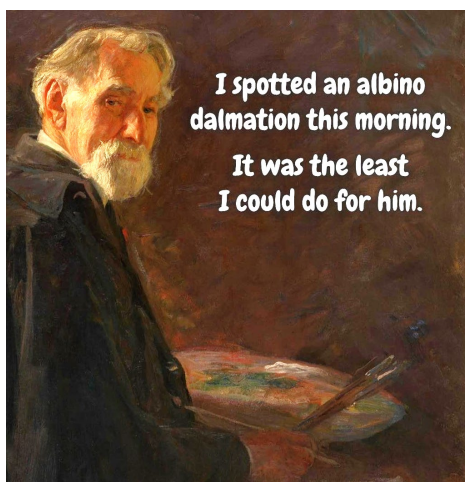


Illustration from the
Moreton and Darling
Downs Rabbit Board
website

Next Outing is the Norfolk Island Trip in July for 27 members and wives/partners. Floyd is communicating departure times and other details directly with participants.



Rembrandt was a great artist, but not much at spelling. Anyone spot the misspelling?

August Outing is to the Empire Theatre for *The Play that Goes Wrong*. Paul has reserved 40 tickets for the 6.30 p.m. performance on 12 August. Cost is \$89.90 per person. Numbers attending will be called at the July General Meeting.

Some future outings:

9 September: "Mystery Lunch"

13 February 2026: Bus to Suncorp Stadium for the Edinburgh Military Tattoo; 22 tickets have been bought.

14 April 2026: Bus trip to Esk for a concert by the Esk Bush Bashers Band.



VALE Bruce Manning

Highly respected member Bruce Manning passed away on Tuesday, 3 June, 2025.

Bruce had been a member of Range Probus Club since October 2016.

Before his retirement in 1995, he was General Manager and Managing Director of Toowoomba Newspapers Pty Ltd for 22 years. Bruce died peacefully in Toowoomba Hospice after a 12-year battle with cancer, the battle intensifying over the past two years. He was 89.

Bruce Manning is survived by his wife Jean and four children – Leanne, Greg, Margot, and Phil.

A memorial service will be held at HumeRidge Church of Christ, 461 Hume Street, Toowoomba, on Monday, June 23, at 2p.m.

A private graveside service at the Garden of Remembrance will precede the memorial service.,

A detailed family account of Bruce's life is provided on line by clicking on this link:

https://www.probussouthpacific.org/microsites/toowoombarange/Miscellaneous_Files
and then click on Obituary of Bruce Manning



VALE David Henderson

David Henderson was a member of Toowoomba Range Probus for almost 25 years. He died in Royal Brisbane Hospital on Tuesday, 10 June.

A memorial service commemorating David's life will be held at Gips Restaurant on Thursday 26 June at noon.

A family account of David's life ends with this tribute:

David leaves behind Helen, his three children and eight grandchildren. Rest in peace to a much loved man who understood that volunteering, service, community and family are the key to happiness.

The detailed account of David's life may be viewed on Range Probus's mini-website by clicking on this link:

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VALE Earle Obst

Member Earle Obst was 97 years of age when he died on Thursday 12 June. His funeral service will be at Burstows at noon on 26 June.

Earle had been a much respected member of Toowoomba Probus for 16 years, together with his devoted wife Netta.

Before his retirement, he was a prominent member of the legal fraternity in Toowoomba, serving as President of the Downs and South Western Law Association. Among other community service involvements, he was inaugural President of the P and C committee for Centenary Heights High School formed in 1968.



Range Probus Swing-along at Rink 46!

Toowoomba Range Probus's first Musical Lunch was a real *Swing-along* at Rink 46 on Tuesday, 10 June 2025 . . . And a *Sing-along*!

Toes were soon a-tapping and vocal cords primed when Kathy and Chris March swung into action with musical favourites from the 50s and 60s.

For good measure they threw in a couple of iconic advertising jingles -

We're Happy Little Vegemites . . .and

I Like Aeroplane Jelly . . . Superb!

We're sure to want to come back for more!



Another stellar performance from Singing Secretary Tony Mullen - belting out musical hall favourites such as *Maybe It's Because I'm a Londoner* and *Watching All the Girls Go By*. Don't pretend you haven't had stage experience, Tony!



Plenty of jive-style from John and Glenys Clift!



Ray Fuhlbohm, Errol and Shirley Thompson, and Helen Fuhlbohm were Happy Little Vegemites, singing along to the songs of "our era"!



Don and Barb Stevens, Trish and Tim Sullivan. Col and Gail Wockner joined in the singalong – and backing up at the read are Paul Barrett Ken Stephenson and Jeanette Potts.



LEFT: Ken and Claudia Stephenson trip the light fantastic . . . And at RIGHT: It's Toowoomba Range Probus's version of a mosh pit! Part of an appreciative audience that saw the show right through to the end

