

## MAROUBRA COMBINED PROBUS CLUB INC.

# MEETS AT JUNIORS MAROUBRA 4<sup>TH</sup> THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT 10.15 am

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## SEPTEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

#### **FACEBOOK – OUR CLUB PAGE**

We have 16 members on the club page and would like lots more with your contributions please!!

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### WHAT'S HAPPENED RECENTLY?

Thursday 21st August: Walk Birchgrove Balmain



A great walk on a beautiful day by the harbour with some magnificent views. Everyone managed the 2.5 hour walk including the last big hill! **Colin** 

## Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August: Harbord Diggers

The Friday that we were at this Club was the end of the week that gave us persistent heavy rain. The Club is a modern attractive venue, set close to the ocean with a large variety of meal selections. The food in both the general bistro area and the Asian restaurant was reasonably priced and very good quality. They have a wonderful outdoor area, however with the rain, we were unable to take advantage of the area. A very enjoyable day was had by the 15 members who attended. **David G** 

## **BIRTHDAYS IN SEPTEMBER**

4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Denise</b>	O'Connor
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12<sup>th</sup> Jan Hastings, William Tsang

17<sup>th</sup> David Gordon

18<sup>th</sup> Dot Traino

19<sup>th</sup> Trish Mackey, Christine Saint

27<sup>th</sup> Eric Hampson 29<sup>th</sup> Peter Frost

	SEPTEMBER
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Riverboat Postman
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly General meeting
Tue 30 <sup>th</sup>	Opal trip to Bowral
	OCTOBER
Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lake Macquarie
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee, Billy's, Junction
	Thu 25 <sup>th</sup> Tue 30 <sup>th</sup> Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup>

SEE CALENDAR FOR DETAILS OF ACTIVITIES

Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Coffee, Billy's, Junction
Thu 9<sup>th</sup> Opal trip Como to Oatley
Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Merrylands RSL, Bus and Opal

Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> General Meeting

Tue 28<sup>th</sup> Social lunch: *The Little Snail*Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Mt Annan Gardens, C'town RSL

## Sunday 24th August: Book of Mormon

A group of lucky members attended the Book of Mormon at the Capitol Theatre. Happily no problems with transport as it coincided with several demonstrations in the city. We had great seats for what was a really funny show with lots of tongue in cheek jokes at the expense of our American friends. Thanks David for organising. **Lorraine** 

# Thursday 28th August: Monthly meeting



Vice-President Rex
was presented with a
"Special
Commendation" in
the 2025 Randwick
Volunteer
Recognition Awards
by Cr Noel D'Souza.
Recognising 20 years
of service to the
community.
Well done Rex!

Our newest member, Sharon Tan was inducted by President David.

The author Tracey Friday gave us an insight on how she

created the characters for her novels. It was interesting to hear of her childhood in the UK and how she drew on

her many memories to incorporate these story lines. This was Tracey's first time in speaking to a group and she was very nervous but the members listened to her intently. Quite a few people bought books. **Margaret** 

Many thanks to those who took the time to fill out the suggestion forms. There were many suggestions for outings, coffee mornings and other ideas for extra activities. All of these will be taken into consideration and we will endeavour to act on these for next year. All in all, there was a positive response to how the Club is running at the moment. The Committee thanks you for your contribution. **Margaret** 

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September: Seniors Big Day Out



A beautiful sunny day was had by 36 members for the Big Day Out Cruise on Sydney Harbour. We boarded the very spacious boat and had morning tea waiting for us. Before lunch was served we had a game of trivia. Our tables did quite well and had lots of laughs but no prize! Our lunch was a lovely buffet of pasta, chicken and salad, plenty of food for all.

After lunch we played bingo which was lots of fun. Afternoon tea was cake and fresh fruit. After cruising around the harbour, taking in the wonderful sights, we disembarked at 2.30pm. There were many lucky prizes and one lady from our group won 3 teddy bears Thanks to Rex for organising everything. **Margaret** 

## Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September: Cabra Vale Diggers

15 members had a lovely day out at the Cabra Vale Diggers Club. It is a beautiful and well presented club with several lavish dining areas with great food and pricing. Another club that members said they would like to attend again sometime. **Rex** 

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September: Coffee, Coogee** 8 members braved the rain for an enjoyable coffee.

# **COMMITTEE MEETING 8<sup>th</sup> September** Finance

We ended August with \$11624 in the bank having income of \$2682 and expenditure of \$5253. Around half of the balance is money that members have paid for future activities. **Lee** 

## Membership report

Colin Morgan's application was approved after noting the death of one of our newer members, Beresford Thomson.

We have one person currently on the wait-list. Bob

### Welfare report

We have several members on the sick or recovering list. Gillian Higgins finally had her hip replacement. She is rehabilitating at home with physio 3 times per week. Barry Gow is scheduled for cardiac stents prior to heart valve replacement. Cheery as always.

Pammie Towning is back in hospital for help with regaining weight after radiation.

Marguerite Dicalfas has recently had cataract surgery. We wish you all good luck with your recovery. **Lorraine** 

### **PROBUS DAY**

In October every year, Probus Day is celebrated at every Probus venue throughout Australia. The objective of Probus Day for our community is to have a focal point in our calendar to celebrate Probus.

Our celebration will take place at our October general meeting. We will be having an extended morning tea, with lots of mouth-watering cakes plus a selection of gourmet sandwiches. This will be followed by fun activities which will include Trivia, lucky door prizes, head and tails, also a prize for the most appropriately dressed female and male. Lots of prizes on the day. **David G** 

## **CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

Our annual Christmas lunch at the Club will be held on Thursday 11th December. At the time of writing we have not got an exact price per member, however we envisage it will be similar to last year. In order to give the catering staff an idea of numbers, we will start a Xmas listing at the September meeting for those members who wish to attend our annual year end event. **David G** 

## **COMMITTEE and CLUB INFORMATION**

President: David G VP, IPP, Newsletter: Colin

VP, Outings and Tours, Publicity: Rex

Secretary: David

Treasurer: Lee, Trish assistant

Membership: Bob Welfare: Lorraine

Speakers: Margaret, Maria asst

General: Gerry

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