



BEAUMONT HILLS PROBUS CLUB INC.

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NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2025

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi Members,

On Monday 21st July twenty of our Probus members boarded the Outback Explorer train at 6am and set off from Central station for our thirteen hour trip to Broken Hill, having stayed at the Rydges World Square Hotel the night before. We were to share the next nine days with seven other travellers and we quickly made new friends who later expressed their appreciation for the warmth and camaraderie that was shared by all. We were delayed getting into Broken Hill as a result of some cattle attempting an unsuccessful dare devil crossing of the train track.

Tuesday was a city sights tour of Australia's oldest mining town which included the Line of Load Miners Memorial and a visit out to the Sunset Sculptures. The living sculptures consist of 12 sandstone sculptures and the sanctuary offers a 360-degree panoramic view of the Barrier Ranges and the surrounding country. There was also an opportunity to take a magical photo of the setting sun through the hole of one of the sculptures, with our congratulations going to Geoff Woodley on his success.

Over the next few days we;

- cruised Menindee Lake in the Kinchega National Park, located on the Darling River,
- visited Silverton Ghost Town famous for its silver mining and its contribution to the silver screen,
- toured the Royal Flying Doctor Service,
- checked out various museums, art galleries, clubs and pubs.

Sunday saw us up early and looking forward to the three hour drive to White Cliffs, where we toured a working mine and kicked the odd stone hoping to unearth an opal. We dined and slept the night in an underground motel, which was a wonderful experience.

Back to Broken Hill on Monday for free time and to ready ourselves for the train trip back on Tuesday. No more incidents with cattle but I think a few goats met their fate.

Kerry Sims recently took a group to the Titanic – The Human Story exhibition which was different to the normal theatre shows but was much appreciated by all. The exhibition brings to life the stories of the Titanic's passengers and crew through audio guides and artefacts. A worthwhile visit if you missed Kerry's outing.

A big thank you to Lynne Westbury, Kerry Sims and all our activity leaders for organising so many wonderful experiences and to all who attend and for the fun and fellowship we all share.

Dennis Hall

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER REPORT

Dear Members,

Margaret is currently on holidays and will provide a report next month.

Margaret Harrison

September External speaker;

TBA

Internal speaker;

Peter Burgdorf



Notice of Meeting

OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE IN JSEPTEMBER

Date	Friday 5th September 2025
Venue	The Greenway Room (use the far car park – Mercure Hotel end of complex) The registration desk will be just inside the Greenway entrance foyer. The Fiddler Corner Windsor & Commercial Rd. Rouse Hill Entrance via Commercial Rd.
Time	10.00am (arrive from 9.15am) until 12.00 noon.
Cost & Payment Details	Meeting charge is \$12.50 charge pp. This covers tea / coffee, morning tea and room hire charges. All Attendees & Apologies received after the 18th of the month prior to the meeting are required to pay Payment Details: Direct Deposit to Beaumont Hills Probus Club: BSB 032-179 Account No. 30-5002 Please quote your Surname, first name/s and the code M when paying Cheque or Cash: Payments must be in an envelope mark with Name (s), Meeting Date and Amount (envelopes are available at Treasurer's Table) Receipts for payments are available on request.
Lunch (Optional)	12.00 – 2.00 on the Verandah <i>Menu – 2 for 1 deal (or 25% off) on Mains, Burgers, Steak, Leafy & Light, Pizzas</i>
RSVP All members must respond	<u>No later than the 18th of the Month prior to the meeting</u> Please reply to Margaret Harrison (Membership Officer) Email: thisismargaret3@gmail.com Information Required: Yes/No – I will be attending Meeting Yes/No – I will be staying for lunch

PROPOSED 2025 MEETING DATES

Friday 3rd of October
Friday 7th of November
Friday 5th of December



The above dates are indicative and will be confirmed progressively throughout the year.

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES - RECENT EVENTS

Exhibition Event Report Titanic The Human Story

A group of 14 members visited the exhibition, **Titanic -The Human Story** at Walsh Bay on Thursday 7th August. It was the first of the proposed Exhibition Events.

Although we already know much about the disaster of the 'Unsinkable' Titanic sinking after striking an iceberg on 15th April 2012 at 2:40 am there was much to learn and observe at the display. A story begins by describing the world setting in 1912. It was a time of great change in the world. Thousands were flocking to America to begin a new life in a place with plenty of promises for all classes.

We have always been fascinated by the story and horrified by the loss of life in the disaster. The Titanic on its maiden voyage, carried lifeboats for less than half of those onboard and I learned that 40% of seats on the lifeboats were empty!

The names of all those who died and survived were displayed and well as the country of origin. There are replicas of the cabins of each class of passenger and the dinnerware used in each dining room. A few garments worn by passengers and photographs of some of the survivors and those who perished. Even an Iceberg which visitors could touch to verify the temperature in the freezing Atlantic waters.

Those members who attended were touched by the display and agreed that it was an excellent exhibition.

Afterwards we lunch at Zupano, a Greek Restaurant on the Bay, where we experienced great food and hospitality from Antonia, Bill and Leon and well as lots of laughter.



Lunch at "The Vicar "



TOURS AND ACTIVITIES - RECENT EVENTS

Western Sydney Airport outing

Trip to Western Sydney International Airport: A beautiful day weatherwise. Our trip began with a sunny morning tea at Tench Reserve on the banks of the Nepean River. We then visited Sweeties, a confectionary outlet and although most of us thought we wouldn't need that we seemed to exit with a lot of bags of stuff we really shouldn't have... maybe they were for the grandchildren?

We had lunch at Penrith RSL, the star buffet proved popular and a lot of us had "seconds" and "thirds"

We were due at the "WSI" at 2pm for a talk about the current state of construction of the Aerotropolis and explanatory videos and artists impression. We also had an up to date view of the completed Departure and Arrivals halls, very impressive. It is an ongoing project and the first stage will be open next year BUT overall the completion of three terminals with appropriate support buildings and operations will be well beyond our use by dates!!

An informative day and the weather made it a good day.



TOURS AND ACTIVITIES - RECENT EVENTS

Broken Hill trip

This was a great trip, we saw all there was to see at the Hill and learnt a lot about its people, history and geology/ geography. Thanks to all who came for your support and great company!
Lynne



Lyn Woodley has sent more photos of the Broken Hill Trip, and you may like to click the link below which will take you straight to the album to view them.

<https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjCqg45>

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES - RECENT EVENTS

Broken Hill trip—cont



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TOURS AND ACTIVITIES - RECENT EVENTS

**Each month we try to include as many recent event photos as possible for your enjoyment.
To enhance this experience, we remind you there is also the club's photo gallery**

In this regard, on the 15th & 18th of July a number of photos were added to the above gallery.


To access these:

Open the clubs web page (https://www.probussouthpacific.org/microsites/beaumont_hills)







Or use Google search for "Beaumont Hills Probuss Club"

Click **Gallery** in the left side menu

Click the **Flickr** picture/button – this opens the Flickr photo web page.

In the top left click  **Back to albums list** which will take you to the albums page and the new photos will be accessible by click on the album pictures.

Summary of Albums / Photos added

 Social_Aniversary_Lunch_Jun-2025 25 photos	Uploaded 25 photos	 TIZZANA WINERY Cellar Door (02) 4579 1150	Uploaded 26 photos Outings_2025 Mystery Car Trial
 Outings_2025 48 photos	Uploaded 48 photos Outings_2025 Nepean Belle	 Carvan&Cabin_2025 45 photos	Uploaded 45 photos
 DDT_2025 21 photos • 2 views	Uploaded 17 photos Added to exist- ing album	 Social_Xmas_Herita- ge_House_Dec-2024 25 photos	Uploaded 25 photos These are from Dec 2024

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES - UPCOMING EVENTS

HAWKESBURY RACE DAY

16 October at Clarendon Raceway.

We have booked and will confirm numbers at the next couple of meetings. If you haven't expressed an interest there are still places available. See table at our next meeting.

The cost of \$70 per head is due now, code is HR.

The cost will include buffet lunch, race book, betting facilities & access to Grandstand.

Gates will open at 11.am.

THURSDAY 30 OCTOBER - 3 NOVEMBER



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST SOUGHT FOR

Coach trip includes 4 nights and 5 days of touring the Central Coast with Saturday 1 November spent at Grafton amongst the festival including markets, a parade and celebrating everything Jacaranda.

TOUR COST \$1,575 (GST INCL.) PER PERSON
\$394 single supplement



Accommodation will be at Salamander Bay 1 night, Port Macquarie x 1 night, Coffs Harbour x 2 nights.

There are till spaces available.

SUNDAY 23 NOV

ROBERTSON BROTHERS

TICKETS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND WILL BE DISTRIBUTED A MONTH BEFOREHAND.

LET LYNNE KNOW IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND AS THERE ARE OTHERS WANTING TO JOIN US.



DRIVE YOURSELF PICNIC—in November / early December?

Thinking about this- maybe bring your own lunch, thermos and a chair?

Feed back welcome, talk to Lynne.

WEDNESDAY 3 DEC

PUT IT IN YOUR DIARIES FOR OUR CHRISTMAS LUNCH.



CARAVAN & CABINS

Upcoming events



Holiday Haven Huskisson Beach, September 2025

17A Beach St, Huskisson NSW 2540

Phone 4406 2040

3 NIGHTS. Monday 15th to 17th Sept 2025

Leave Thursday 18th Sept

I know it's a long time to go but we have to book early. Looking forward to it.

Cheers

Bob and Chris

DECADENT DAY TRIPPERS



Our last DDT was on Thursday 24th July to Rose Bay

We met at Circular Quay. It was a cool day but under blue skies with the Harbour sparkling. It was a 15 minute ferry ride to the wharf at Rose Bay. There was lots to see even on a short ferry trip. From the Rose Bay wharf we had a 15 minute picturesque walk passed the Flying Boat Terminal, Catalina Restaurant (*too "rich" for us*), passing the Rose Bay beach and along New South Head road to the Rose Bay Hotel. The hotel prepared a special menu list for us with a great selection. All the food was terrific. A number of members could not resist the Rhubarb Crumble and Ice Cream dessert – Yummy! The Hotel had a great pub atmosphere. I ran a quick Rose Bay trivia contest that was won by Desley Burgdorf.

Our next DDT will be on Thursday 25th September to Cabramatta

We will meet at Blacktown Railway station at 10.20 for a direct train to Cabramatta. Once at Cabramatta we will have a stroll up the main street taking in the sights, sounds and smells that Cabramatta has to offer. It is also very interesting just to go people watching. After our stroll we will just about take over the Thanh Binh Vietnamese Restaurant for a Banquet lunch. A great selection of dishes, just relax and enjoy. Guaranteed to be very tasty and yummy!

Our next Walk will be on Thursday August 21st - Cronulla

Nothing better than a 7km walk (3 ½ km each way). We are meeting at Central then the train to Cronulla. Once at Cronulla we take the Coastal Walk, passing beaches and headlands. We get to Port Hacking with great views from the Bass and Flinders lookout. Then back to the Cronulla RSL for lunch. It will be approx. 1 ½ hours walking, we are not in a hurry.

THEATRE INTEREST GROUP
THEATRE UPDATE FOR AUGUST 2025

DATE	SHOW	COST	PAYMENT	CODE
24th Sep 2025 Wednesday 2pm	Here You Come Again Theatre Royal	\$100	July Meeting	THYCA

DATE	SHOW	COST	PAYMENT	CODE
5th October 2025 Sunday 4pm	I'LL BE BACK BEFORE MIDNIGHT Pavilion Theatre	\$23	August Meeting	TBBM

DATE	SHOW	COST	PAYMENT	CODE
23rd November 2025 Sunday 3pm	ROBERTSON BROTHERS Castle Hill RSL	See Lynne Westbury		RBS

DATE	SHOW	COST	PAYMENT	CODE
TBC April 2026 Wednesday 7:30pm	Phantom of the Opera on the Harbour	Expressions of Interest Minumun numbers 20		

Pay by cash or cheque on the meeting day or Direct Debit by the Tuesday before the meeting.

Direct credit: Beaumont Hills Probus Club Inc.
BSB; 032 179
Account No; 305002

on the transaction description, state your name, Initial and the Code for the show.

You can cancel before the payment date. NO REFUNDS after the payment date.

You can call Lee Thomas 0400 527 330 or Kerrie Sims 0403 792 528



WELLBEING / MEDITATION GROUP

Regular sessions are planned for the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10.30am.

The next Meditation Group is scheduled for Tuesday 19th August..

Thanks Kath



STITCH & CHAT

The Stitch and Chat group plan to meet the first Tuesday of each month and of course bring along your work.

Stitch and chat will not be on in September and we will give you a further update regarding the October meeting in due course.

Cheers Anthea



CARDS & MAHJONG

Mahjong is planned for the third Friday of the month .

We will meet again on the 19th September

Contact; Jenny Eames



GARDENING GROUP

On Friday 22 August The Hills Shire Garden Club will be taking a self drive tour of Plant-life Galston which has just undergone a complete makeover, the Green E Roses nursery and then at a nearby new cafe. Anyone is welcome to join us.

An email will be sent out shortly to Garden Group usuals but if anyone else interested give me call for details

Contact Lynne for further information



BOOK EXCHANGE

Books are on display at the general meetings. Feel free to browse and borrow one or more to be returned at the next meeting. Books may be donated to the exchange but please paperbacks only & in small quantities at a time. No CD/ DVDs.

Contact: Kerry & Bob Jess



CHEESE & WINE

Next function to be advised in due course

Contact Bev & Barry Potter



LUNCH CLUB

The next lunch club will be on Wednesday 27th August, 2025 at 12pm.

Vanilla Cream Cafe, Amaroo Park. 233 Annangrove Road, Annangrove

Order and pay for your own meals. Gluten free Available.

Contact Pam McAdam



MOVIE OUTINGS



As usual, the movie outings are planned to be held at Reading Rouse Hill or Events at Castle Hill once a month – depending on movies available. Days of the week will vary to avoid conflicts with other outings or groups and to allow members with set weekly commitments the opportunity to attend.

Members who signed on to the interest sheet will be contacted by email with more information as soon as the movie schedule is available, usually a week in advance.

Contact; Kris Pannah

GOLF GROUP

Our next game will be at Windsor on the 18th—subject to weather and conditions

Watch this space next month for the game report next month

Regards Tom Melican



TENNIS

Our last Tennis morning in July was sunny (Hooray!). A coolish day but it is Winter after all. Great tennis with the usual coffee and chat afterwards at the XS Café.

Next Tennis is Friday 15th August.

Contact Ian Bowden



MENS DISCUSSION GROUP

The Men's Discussion Group has been a great success!

A dozen or more highly intelligent gentlemen have been meeting every month to discuss a broad range of issues. The purpose of the group is to give people the opportunity to discuss matters that interest them and to listen! I feel we have been able to make individuals feel that they are worth listening to and that they have a supportive group of men. A lively environment, good coffee and delicious bacon and egg rolls make this even more appealing!

Men's Group is growing and the level of discussion is mind blowing. With such great depth of knowledge and wisdom we should be running the country!!

That's all we can divulge as it's secret men's business!!

Ther Next meeting is Friday the 29th August !!

Contact Tom Melican



September Birthdays

Janice Westriem

Lee Thomas

Danni Woods

Jimmy Leishman

Christine Bowden

Linda Webster

John Thomas

Lyn Woodley



Lucky door prize winners



WEBSITE

If you have any questions regarding the clubs activities, please visit the club's webpage which has up-to-date information on;



Notice Board / Activities & Groups / Calendar of events/ Gallery / Newsletters / Contact Us / About contact; Theo Pronk—Webmaster

<https://www.probussouthpacific.org/microsites/beaumont hills>

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