



## **PORT KEMBLA PROBUS CLUB INC.** **October to December 2025 Newsletter**

### **Port Kembla Probus No. 5 Newsletter**

Committee's Message: Hello and a very warm welcome to all members & to our guests, we hope you will join us in this exciting new venture. Our club has been active for ten months, bringing together semi-retired and retired locals for social enjoyment, engaging experiences, and strong community connections. While we remain a small group, we're steadily growing and learning.

Looking forward to making Port Kembla Probus Club a highlight in our local community. It is our club, for our social enjoyment, and we have plenty in store for our members. Each monthly meeting has featured inspiring guest speakers, with more wonderful presentations & events.

Behind the scenes, we're actively researching activities for all interests—including social groups, short day trips, overnight getaways. It's a thrilling time to be part of a new Probus Club in Port Kembla. Rest assured there is no fundraising and no politics!!

**Come along, share a cuppa, and be part of something special. It's your club, your community—let's build it together.**

(See below for address on page 2).

**Meetings in 2025/2026:** Meeting Fee: \$5 (cash) for all members and guests. Meeting starts at 10am. Meetings 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month.

Meeting Tuesday 28 October 2025 @ 9.45 for a 10am start to 12pm

Meeting Tuesday 25 November 2025 @ 9.45 for a 10am start to 12pm

Meeting Tuesday 24 February 2026 @ 9.45 for a 10am start to 12pm

**Outings coming up in 2025:** Once numbers confirmed (FB page) we will book venues. Outings below are on the 2<sup>ND</sup> Tuesday of the month.

**Get Togethers for Coffee and Walks:** Meet at the designated place at 9:15am if walking if interested.

Coffee: Tuesday 14 October 10am @ Kiama; walk and Lunch. Meet at the Information Centre 9 Bong Bong Street, Kiama NSW

Lunch: Tuesday 4 November 12:30-4:30pm @ Berkeley Sports and Social Club. RSVP 26 September + payment and menu choice. Probus account: BSB:641800-201045716. Add name for proof of payment and email: probpknews@gmail.com.

Christmas Lunch: Tuesday 9 December 12pm @ [Market Menu — Harbourfront Restaurant](#). Deposit required if you can put \$20 into the Probus account: BSB:641800-201045716, RSVP 14 November 2025. Add name for proof of payment and email: probpknews@gmail.com.

Last event for 2025: see you 24 February 2026.

### **NEXT MEETINGS:**

28 October 2025@9.45am

25 November 2025 @9.45am

9 December 2025 Xmas Lunch

24 February 2026 @9.45am

### **Executive Committee**

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### **Other Committee Vacancies**

Assistant Secretary

Assistant Treasurer

Outings/ Travel Officer

Members Officer

Speakers Officer

Website Officer

(Many more positions)

**We're all part of the  
Probus Community  
Now let's have fun with  
some exciting activities.**



**Suggestions for outings for the group:** All outing subject to numbers (numbers check at next meeting).

Contact Brenda to register your interest for outings..

1. Ross Wilson @ CBD Central 23 October 2025. [Ross Wilson Wollongong Tickets, Centro CBD Oct 23, 2025 | Bandsintown](#)
2. Melbourne Cup Function (4 November) @ Berkeley Sports and Social Club Berkley, lunch cost \$55 pp. Address: 5 Wilkinson St. Berkeley. See outings page 1.
3. Xmas Gift Fair – 13-15 November - Lindesay House \$5 entry, Darling point, train to Edgecliff and then free shuttle, [Lindesay Christmas Gift Fair 2025 – National Trust](#). Hosted at Lindesay, an elegant 1834 harbourside villa that is a favourite for weddings and film locations, the Lindesay Christmas Gift Fair is a must-do festive day out that offers a wide range of special Christmas gifts and wares in a delightfully historic setting.
4. Xmas Market - Good Food and Wine Show, 21-23 November @ ICC Sydney \$15 entry online to avoid queues or at event. [Christmas Sydney Home - CHRISTMAS MARKET - SYDNEY](#). Find the perfect Christmas gifts that go beyond the ordinary, exploring gourmet ideas and sparking inspiration for thoughtful presents that are sure to impress your loved ones. The Good Food & Wine Show Christmas Market is your one-stop-shop for all things delicious during the holiday season.

**Guest Speakers for our monthly meetings:** October/ November 2025 &Feb/ March 2026, all speakers 15+attendees.

**Speaker: Peter Moran – (28 October 2025)**

Subject: Local Historians presentation on the history of shell harbour, Port Kembla and surrounding areas.

Port Kembla's history is intricately tied to its role as a major industrial hub, particularly for steel production and as a critical port. The area, originally inhabited by the Dharawal Indigenous Australians, transformed dramatically after European settlement. The establishment of the steelworks and the port transformed Port Kembla into the industrial heart of the Illawarra region.

**Speaker: Amelia Murray from Trade Travel – (25 November 2025)**

Subject: National Travel Group for over 50s market.

National Travel Group brings together leading travel brands for over-50s, each tailored to meet your unique holiday needs. Whether you're seeking independent adventures, specialised tours, or group trips, we've got you covered with experiences crafted just for you. Whether you are seeking a premium travel experience, specialised senior travel, or escorted group tours, we invite you to embark on a remarkable journey with National Travel Group.

**Speaker: Wollongong City Council - Free waste talks for groups (24 February 2026)**

Subject: Waste Education for community - Council is launching a new suite of waste-wise workshops designed to empower our community with practical, hands-on learning. These workshops offer engaging activities focused on waste avoidance, reuse, recycling. Learn how to make eco-friendly beeswax and furoshiki wraps while exploring fun, sustainable crafting alternatives to single-use plastics. (follow this link: [Waste Education | City of Wollongong](#) ) and discuss with your group.

**Speaker: Michael Giles: Funerals (pre-paid) by Hansen & Cole– (24 March 2026)**

Subject: Dispelling the Myths, Question and Answer sessions.

Obviously about Funerals for our loved ones, presentation.

**Illawarra upcoming events or Things to do:** Suggestions only for 2025 only.

**Museums:**

[Shellharbour City Museum - The Fold Illawarra:](#) [Bulli Black Diamond Museum Heritage Centre - The Fold Illawarra](#)

**Arts and Culture:**

[Project Contemporary Artspace | Art Gallery - Wollongong](#), showcasing events, workshops etc.

**Markets: Coming up**

Many local food and Makers markets: Coledale Markets 28 September: The Waterfront Markets, Shell Cove 28 September and 26 October. New market Lake Illawarra Foreshore (Warilla side) 2pm every Tuesday.

**Meeting venue: Warrawong Library, 1/67-71 King Street, Warrawong New South Wales 2502**

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