

Miami Combined Probus Club Inc.

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Cheers Probarians,

Spring has sprung, I hope you've been able to enjoy the wattle, flowers and blossoms that are blooming now. One of the biggest social issues of our time is Loneliness.

However, this is one of the areas where PROBUS steps in. By building friendship groups, offering outings, and places where we can get together to chat. It's wonderful to bring up photos from our website and see all the happy smiling faces, at some of our past activities.

How nice is it to be thought of and recognised, during times of sickness or when it's your birthday, not to mention, the thrill of winning our Lucky Door prize. Margaret (as hospitality member) and Robyn (as welfare member) excel in these committee positions. I thank them sincerely on your behalf.

Speaking of websites www.gcandnrprobusassoc.com is a very easy to navigate site for Gold Coast and Northern Rivers Probus Association. You can choose even more outing and activities that they provide, but don't forget to pay through our bank account though.

I would also like to thank Debbie for standing in for me at our August meeting. I'm sure she did a great job.

Now let us proceed with a jocund meeting.

June

Theatre Group

SPOTLIGHT THEATRE

The next SPOTLIGHT offering is ABIGAIL'S PARTY on 23rd NOVEMBER @ 2pm. Please save the date if you are interested.

GOLD COAST LITTLE THEATRE

Again, save the date for OKLAHOMA! on 16th November 2025. I understand it's very popular.

Barrie Middleton 0412 391 089 barriemiddleton@yahoo.com

Optional Lunch after the meeting.

Optional lunch (at own expense) is to be at Burleigh Heads Mowbray Park Surf Club. Tables have been booked.

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Happy Birthday

August

Happy Milestone Birthday to –

John Gallant (14th);

Happy Birthday to –

Arthur Lewis (9th); Lesley Layton (12th);

Gloria Gergely (14th); Shirley Murray (21st);

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance as at 25th July 2025

Opening Balance (23/06/2025)	5,293.33
Add Income	983.65
Less Payments	517.15
Gross Bank Statement	5,759.83
Less Committed Expenses	1,362.00
Add Petty Cash	250.00
Net Total funds at (25/08/2025)	\$4,647.83

GUEST SPEAKERS 2025:

September – Susie Thomas is with the Stroke Foundation and will talk about all aspects and the effects of strokes on us.

October – Tracey Chase from Crime Stoppers, will speak to us in regards to personal safety, scams etc

May Event Report–

Breakfast & Whale Watching Q1 by Phil Warren

After a cold, early start 24 brave Probarians arrived on time at 7:30am at the Skypoint entrance to register our car's number plates for 2 hours free parking in the underground car park. The digital, self registration process was quite slow and a bit difficult for the less computer savvy and it was looking as if it would take the first hour of parking for us all to be registered! Fortunately a staff member came to our rescue and manually recorded our rego numbers. Then it was into the lift for a quick and exhilarating ride to the 77th floor restaurant. The 360o views of the coast and hinterland are absolutely amazing, albeit a little foggy to start and the whales must have been playing elsewhere 🐳. The buffet breakfast was excellent, with plenty of choices for carnivores to the more health conscious. I think we all had plenty of exercise returning again & again to to sample most of the offerings. The two hours passed very quickly and I'm sure all would agree that it's hats off to Lesley for organising such an excellent event.

Joke for the Month

What do you call a lazy Kangaroo?

A pouch potato!

My wife and I laugh about how competitive we are,
But I laugh more!

I stayed up all night and tried to figure out where the sun was,
Then it dawned on me!

Gold Coast & Northern Rivers Future Activities:

Preliminary Program for 2025 include, Mystery Tour, Mt Warning, Uki, Boonah area {Naughty little kids (goat farm)} as well as dinners and lunches.
Brodie



What's On



What's on in 2025

Event for September: Wednesday 17th September, An Enchanted Night Walk amongst the Stars at The Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary.

All meet at 5.45pm in the Welcome Area - we will enter the park together. Tour time is 1hr 30 mins - self paced. Cost is \$35.00 for Seniors.

(Plenty of car parking. It is also on the 700-bus route)

Bookings to be made with Lesley Layton 0417 728 454 or lesleyblayton@gmail.com

Payment to be made using the code word "Wildlife" in your internet payment. No refunds after 10th September.

September, Friday 19th September, Walk around Swell Festival

4.00pm start and dinner at the Viking Currumbin SLSC afterwards at 6.00pm. Contact Carol Straughan to reserve your seat for dinner.

Ph 0417 424 745 or email brodieandcarol@gmail.com

Themed Lunch for September, Tuesday 30th September; Emerald lakes Golf Club. 12.30pm. 3 Alabaster Dr, Carrara.

Lunch and drinks at your own expense. Must book to reserve our tables by contacting Jill 0410 576 353/jclovet@hotmail.com

Date Claimers

- October 21st An Event with details to follow.
- November 4th Melbourne Cup lunch, Burleigh Heads Bowls Club (after our November's general meeting)

More details to follow for both the above events

Remember –

- The first Tuesday of the month is normally set aside for the Monthly Members Meeting held at the Burleigh Heads Surf Club starting at 10.00am – please arrive before 9:50am.
- The third Tuesday of the month is normally set aside for most functions and events.
- The Last Tuesday of the month is normally set aside for the Themed Dinner Nights or Themed Lunches.
- Don't forget to wear your name badge to meetings and outings.
- Please Note: It would be appreciated if you could pay the \$8 per person meeting fee by direct debit a few days prior to the meeting, if possible. Cash on the day is still an acceptable method of payment.

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