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PROBUS NEWS

The Probus Club of Burnie



Find a Way ... Make a Way

A Word from the President

Update of Community Developments

Teeny again inspired us with her vision for Burnie and the municipality. We were shown a video she compiled indicating the various projects and works which are being constructed at this time.

Some of these were;

- (a) The South Burnie Boat Ramp
- (b) Redevelopment of the Burnie Arts Centre & Plaza
- (c) Burnie Coastal Pathway
- (d) The Marinus Link-which will create many Jobs
- (e) A Bio Company, South of Burnie
- (f) Focusing on reinvigorating the Burnie CBD

It was a very inspiring presentation and she talked further in turning Burnie around for a brighter future. Teeny has a plan for Burnie and addressed it with a lot of passion to achieve this. She spoke with such enthusiasm which I found infectious and wish her well in her endeavours !



Characters of Cooee

Bruce spoke of his time whilst operating a Hardware Store there for 65 years (with his brother) and the many other businesses and the characters who ran them.

The name Cooee came about perhaps because its location, just outside of Burnie, is a Cooee or a shout away.

In its heyday it was always referred to as The Golden Mile with no fewer than 5 Service Stations and many Used and New Car Yards.

It also had its own Post Office which was opened in 1906.

Bruce came into contact with many characters and businesses some of which were Cooee Brickworks, and Lloyd Bonney who operated a Service Station, a quarry, raised horses and owned a number of farms. At his peak he employed some 148 people.

Other Businesses were a Cordial Factory, an Abattoir and Sale yards, Collins Bakery, Bass Bakery, TAS Sea roads, two Milk Bars and many more.

Bruce's family was involved in the building industry and had a strong association with the council. He was instrumental in the creating the Les Clark Oval which still caters for many community events to this day.

Thank you Bruce for sharing your memories of Cooee or the Golden Mile. I am sure many of our members can relate to the many characters you mentioned.

Gradus.

September Meeting

The Club's new banner was accorded a warm welcome and strong approval.



Immediate Past President Sam Samec presented the banner to President Gradus. Sam designed and executed production of the banner at his own expense, with the help of Von Wright of One Agency who provided the drone photograph of Burnie. Von's contribution and Sam's generosity are sincerely appreciated! The Club will exhibit the banner at public events, luncheon outings and at general meetings. Its value as the background for Club photos is immediately evident.



Club Speaker Bruce Clark

Images: John Lamb

Guest Speaker: City of Burnie Mayor, Teeny Brumby



Teeny's vision for the Burnie of tomorrow is energising and inspirational. Her presentation and address were received with thanks and much enthusiasm.

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Coffee at Delish



Quizmaster Mark in action



Answers were not always forthcoming



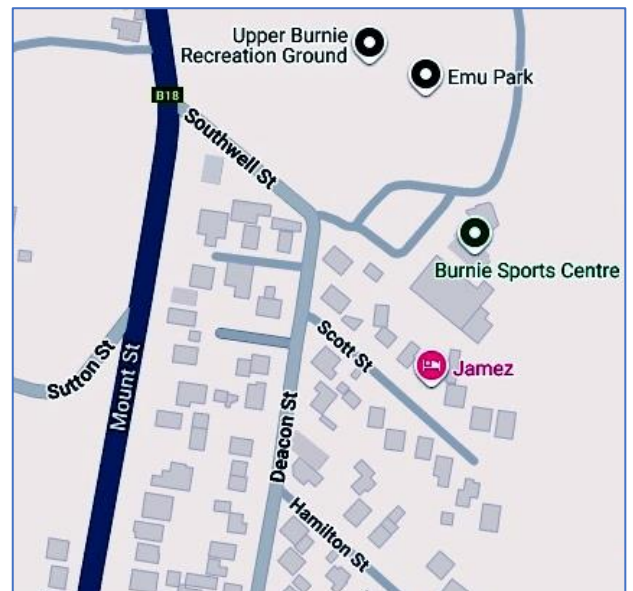


Next Coffee Morning: Thursday October 10th at 10:00am.

Images: John Lamb

Where are we meeting???

Renovations have begun at McKenna Park



In October and November, we will be meeting in the **Burnie Sports Club** Room which is on the lower corner of the big **Upper Burnie Sports Centre**.

You may go via Southwell Street or Deacon Street. There is plenty of parking.

Our usual morning tea will be served.

Making a payment to the Club.

If you wish to pay by direct transfer, the codes are: BSB 633-000 Account 112668025.

The State of Western Society

"If there's any Western government that isn't struggling now, I've yet to hear of it. Public debt, inflation, housing shortages, lawlessness, uncontrolled immigration, ruinous environmental regulations, and progressive ideological nonsense worry or infuriate most people. Rather than looking for solutions, governing elites condescend, berate their critics, and even resort to speech codes and censorship. The real problem, as elites see it, is not their own ill-conceived ideas but ordinary people's failure to accept them.

Instead of crushing the dissidents, wouldn't it be easier for the government to dissolve the people and elect a new one?"

Michael Bonner, *City Journal* 26.07.2024



David says ...As you get older, three things happen. First, your memory goes, and I can't remember the other two.

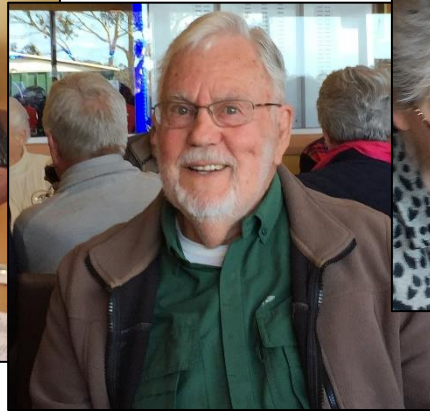
*Did **you** remember Daylight Saving??
I went round and changed all my clocks!*



Lunch at Top of the Town

As always, our luncheon outing was well supported with twenty-five diners attending.





All who attended enjoyed a good meal.

Images: gradus Groenveld and Sam Samec

For Your Diary:

Thursday October 10th: Coffee at Delish at 10:00 am.

Monday October 21st: October Meeting at Burnie Sports Centre at 10:00 am.

Club Speaker: Ian Broad **Guest Speaker:** Grant Youd, retired train driver.

Thursday October 31st: Luncheon outing : Details at next meeting.

Monday December 9th: Christmas Luncheon at South Burnie bowls Club.

(There will not be a General Meeting in December.

A Day Out

You will have seen the invitation from Devonport Men's Probus to join them for a Train Ride on The Don Railway, a tour of the Museum, a Sausage Sizzle and a chance to see some vintage cars.

It is on **October 23rd**, at 9:30 for 10:00 am. All for \$20. Our Club will organise a car-pool for those who are interested.

Let us know at our October meeting.

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Men's Probus Day Wednesday 23rd October



Men at Work – at Committee meeting



Christmas 2024

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Life in the modern world



"OK, one more time: Go home and log on to our website from your computer, create an account and purchase your ticket with your credit or debit card, download the ticket to a smartphone, then come back at the allocated time... Just what part of 'easier and more convenient' don't you get?"