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PROBUS NEWS

The Probus Club of Burnie



Fun, Fellowship, Friendship

A Word from the President

Dear Members,

It is hard to believe Easter has come and gone, as has ANZAC Day, all in the bask of an Indian summer. Thank you to Kevin for accompanying me to the ANZAC Day Service and it was good to see other members also in attendance.

I would like to thank everyone for their input as we strive to make our Club stronger, sustainable, and more enjoyable. Your on-going ideas and contribution are both welcome and important as we move forward.

All of us have a role in talking to other retired gents about Probus, and inviting them as a guest to a meeting. Loneliness is recognized as a major issue for Seniors and Probus may just be one option to provide social interaction that focuses on friendship, fun and fellowship without being too demanding.

We are always looking at ways to promote the Club to our members and the broader community, with this in mind we are exploring the development of a Club Website not only as a promotional tool, but a member resource and one stop archive.

Our May meeting will see a presentation by David and Damian Bissett, I believe it to be the first by a father and son member combination. Good luck guys and enjoy the experience.

We look forward to inducting David Dean into the Club and making him feel very welcome as new member.

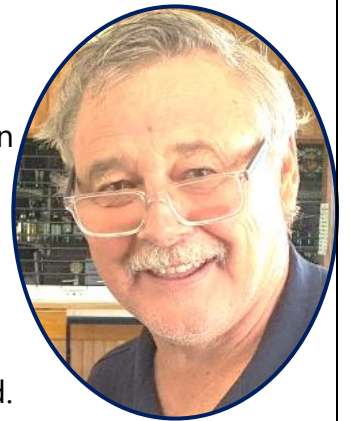
Please keep your ears to the ground for milestones and accolades relating to members and/or their families. In keeping with our emphasis on fun I hope we have a few jokes in the pipeline for our Meeting on the 19th.

The luncheon at Indian Corner was well attended and the generous servings of food seemed to meet with approval. Thank you, Sam and Tony.

If you intend having a flu injection now is the time if you have not done so yet.

I look forward to your company at our May Meeting.

"The best antiques in your home are old friends."



Annual Subscriptions are due now. Please check with Treasurer Tim to see if you have paid.

Anzac Day

As always, Burnie Probus was represented at the Cenotaph.

President David and Membership Chairman Kevin laid our beautiful wreath.



Coffee in April



A record-breaking 18 members crowded into Delish for coffee



David marshalled the troops and an extra seating spot was needed



April Meeting

Twenty-six members attended. Following the formalities, David entertained the meeting with his Joke of the Month. Members' achievements were then applauded.

Milestone: Aileen and Ian Lancaster have celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

Accolades: Rod Jordan for his receipt of the Melvin Jones Award for exemplary service to Lions, and for his organisation of Lions Youth of the Year.

Peter Ansell for his management of the club's technology.

John Lamb for representing the club at Rotary.



President David reported on last month's group discussion. He summarised the suggestions for the club's future activities which had been made, and highlighted those which will introduce variety and bring in new members.

Guest Speaker

Peter Ansell gave a superb presentation on Common Sense. We all believe we have it, according to our own set of opinions, yet one person's common sense does not accord with another's. The crux of Peter's thesis is that what is needed is reasonableness, which might encourage people to see things from another's point of view. Avoiding letting idealism triumph over realism, Peter argues, is crucial, but, he points out, achieving rational analysis is the hard part. His message is that we must not sweep the hard questions under the carpet.



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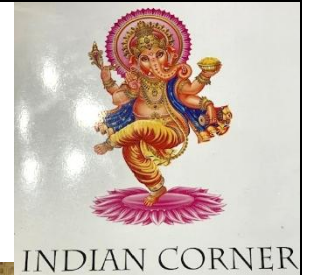
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"Everyone is entitled to his own opinion, but not to his own facts." Daniel Moynihan

Blister Packs

Some local pharmacies are taking for recycling, the blister packs of medicines which they have sold. It might be worth checking with your own pharmacist.

Lunch at the Indian Corner



18 diners enjoyed an excellent cuisine



Rod deemed the cellar to be adequate and Tim agreed.



Images:
Tony Hite





"The past is another country. They do things differently there"
L.P. Hartley

For Your Diary

Thursday May 8th: **Coffee** at Delish at 10:00 am.



Monday May 19th: **Monthly Meeting** at McKenna Park at 10:00 am.

Club Speakers: David and Damian Bissett.

Guest Speaker: Anthony Hanaveer, *Advocate* Editor.

Thursday May 29th: **Luncheon** at Pedro's, Ulverstone at 12:00 for 12:30.

Tony will discuss car-pooling at our May meeting.

Friday June 6th: **Committee Meeting** at McKenna park at 10:00 am.

Monday December 8th: **Christmas Luncheon** at South Burnie Bowls.

Making a payment to the Club.

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

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