



November Newsletter

A monthly publication of the Probus Club of Seaforth

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Next Meeting:

Tuesday, November 23, 2021
Seaforth Bowling Club

Meeting Agenda

9.30 Registration, morning tea and fellowship.

10.00 Guest Speaker: Martin Thomas AM — *Nuclear Energy*.

10.50 Business.

If not attending, please inform: *John*

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Following meeting: Tuesday, January 25, 2022

President's Message

November 2021

It was disappointing to learn that our Christmas function wouldn't be going ahead as planned. Thank you for embracing the idea of a "Welcome Back" lunch scheduled for 14 February, Valentines Day.

The members of the management committee are always open to ideas for new activities to be brought to their attention. The committee members contact details are on the front page of every newsletter. Whether you have an idea for a one off event or for a new monthly activity we welcome your input.

Joining in activities is the best way to get to know more members. There is certainly room on our monthly walks and the weekly bowls roll up for more members to attend to exercise and chat to friends.

Consider joining in.

As this is the last message for 2021 best wishes to everyone for the festive season and we all look forward to a happy and fulfilling new year.

Judith Carpenter

Coming Events, Registrations and Payments 2022

Feb 14 (Mon) – Valentine Day's Luncheon (deferred Xmas Luncheon) Wakehurst Golf Club

March 9 (Wed) – Sydney Tram Museum – Lunch Bundeena RSL, ferry to Cronulla – Cost \$85. Register now, payment due Jan and Feb meetings.

March 27 (Sun) 5 pm – Wharf Revue, Glen St Theatre – Cost \$75 payable Nov meeting.

April 7-10 (Thurs-Sun) – Young, Temora Air Show – Full price \$960, single supplement \$220, deposit of \$200 required with final payment 6 weeks prior to departure.

Cheque payable to the Probus Club of Seaforth Inc

TREASURERS REPORT

Our corrected bank balance at 31 October 2021 is \$8282.50. Some cheques to be presented and some direct credits to be confirmed. Nearly all refunds from Yuletide lunch and Griffith trip have been processed.

Our members funds at the end of October 2021 are \$7987.50 so we are in a sound position. We will spend most of our surplus at the delayed Xmas function.

Stuart Sercombe, 9451 2369

After-meeting Lunch

Seaforth Ladies are again able to offer Probus members lunch after the November meeting.

Menu: Quiche and salad or lasagne and salad.

Cost \$10 per head.

Orders: Margaret Greig, phone 9486 3140
or email m_mgreig@bigpond.com by Friday, Nov 19 please.

Current Membership 97

Meet and Greet

Sandra and Ross Buckton

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Ann Fuller, Nov 1; John Higson, Nov 2; Gary Swan, Nov 4; Gary Deacon, Margaret Ledbury, John Grant, Roslyn Lambert, Nov 13; Tony Gosling, Nov 14; Margaret Greig, Nov 21; Jeanette Killworth, Nov 23; Richard Whipp, Nov 24; Colleen Avis, Nov 25; Pam Jordan, Nov 26; Ian Smith, Nov 28; Andrea Bergman, Nov 29; Brenda Traves, Nov 30.

Guest Speaker

Martin Thomas AM — Nuclear Energy

Martin read Engineering at Cambridge University and after early years in the UK migrated to Australia to join Mertz Australia, managing isolated power projects for mining companies. He then moved to Sydney in 1976 to manage the firm's Sydney office.



He has had multiple roles in energy related committees and councils. He has held directorships in several listed and unlisted energy technology companies.

He has served his profession as President of Engineers Australia; President of the Australian Institute of Energy and other Energy Forums.

Activities

Bowls Report

Well we have had 5 "rollups" since 24/7 (a long 5 weeks), but we are back on track with great numbers for the past 4 weeks.

Last week it was great to have Max Cooper back on the rink, welcome Max.

He is a member of the Order of Australia for services to energy and engineering.

In 2006 he served on Prime Minister Howard's Uranium Mining, Processing and Nuclear Energy Review. He will talk on Nuclear Energy.

Welfare Report

Fellow Probians, Lilli Koch has slipped over, injuring her rotator cuff, has started exercising, is hoping to get to the next meeting. If you know of any Probians who are not feeling well, please let me know.

See you all at the next meeting.

Judith Doig

Valentines Day (deferred Xmas) Luncheon

We are excited to be able to announce that we will be having a luncheon at Wakehurst Golf Club on Monday, February 14 which happens to be Valentines Day so we have a romantic theme!

Cost will be \$50 per head including beverages. Expressions of interest and/or payments will be welcome at November meeting. Final payments at January meeting.

I would like to have an idea of numbers at November meeting to enable early booking of tables
Cheers,

Margaret Greig

Seaforth Bowling Club Social Membership

Social Membership fees for Seaforth Bowling Club are now due.

Our original membership payment of \$11 was for a period of one year which expired in June 2021. Payment now due is \$20 for a period of nine years.

Thank you to those who have already paid. A club member will be available at the next meeting to collect from those who haven't yet paid.

My handicapping can't be too bad, 'cos we have "Fearless Flying Foster" in the lead on 7 points, closely chased by Jan and Warren on 6 1/2, Judy and Don on 6 and Hazel on 5 1/2. Good 5 weeks to come. BONZA!

That's it from *Lee Murrell, Organiser and Handicapper.*

Walking Group

Manly to Queenscliff

Monday, December 6

Walk Details — We meet at 9:15 for 9:30 at the seaside end of the Manly Corso. We will walk along the path above North Steyne Beach to Cameron Ave Queenscliff and then inland through Lagoon Park, retracing our steps back to The Corso where we will enjoy our traditional coffee.

Walk time — Just under one hour.

Grade — Easy, mostly on flat ground with the path being paved all the way.

Facilities — There are facilities and a many seats with sea views along the way.

Parking — 2 hours free parking is available to the public at stations in Manly.

Enquiries — Michael Draper 0417 239 293

Luncheon Group

Manly Leagues Club

Wed, Dec 8, 12.30 pm

Hooray — the Luncheon Group is back in action again after an enforced break of many months.

Our December lunch will be in the Brasserie at Manly Leagues Club on Wednesday, December 8 at 12.30 pm. Manly Leagues is at 563 Pittwater Rd, just up from Brookie Oval. Main entrance is in Federal Ave and there's plenty of car parking in their undercover park opposite the entrance.

Coming Events

Sydney Tramway Museum

Wednesday, March 9

Coach day trip to the Sydney Tramway Museum, morning tea on arrival, ride in the tram, then drive through the Royal National Park to Bundeena RSL for a two-course lunch.



You can order what you like from their extensive menu (just Google-up Manly Leagues and take a look at the Brasserie menu — you'll be amazed at the variety and the low prices. Of course we'll be having our famous trivia quiz with worthwhile prizes for the best scores. I'll be sending everyone a reminder e-mail early December with a request that you let me know if you're coming — so I can let the club know how many to cater for. In the meantime reserve that date — **Wednesday, December 8.**

David Foster, Luncheon Group Co-ordinator

Tech Group

The next Tech Group Zoom meeting will be on Tuesday, December 14 at 10.30 am. The meeting will last 40 minutes and if you would like to see what Zoom is all about, email Gavin at ghmkerr@icloud.com or phone 0404 073 760

But there's more — board the ferry at Bundeena and cross the Port Hacking River to Cronulla where the coach will rendezvous and return us back to Seaforth.

All the details are in the flyer attached at the end of the newsletter.

All of this for just \$85, what a deal; too good to miss.

I will be taking bookings and payments from the November meeting. The booking slip for payment is attached.

Colin Carpenter

Young and Temora Airshow

Thurs-Sun, Apr 7-10

Seaforth Probus Club is joining with On Course Tours for a four day get away from Thursday, April 7 to Sunday, April 10, based in Young, visiting surrounding areas and the Temora Airshow.

This is not solely for our club, it is being advertised by On Course, their brochure, copy attached, is now advertised to the public. So popular that they have three scheduled tours throughout next year.

Should you wish to join with your fellow Probian members you need to advise On Course on 9986 2400 to reserve a seat on the coach.

This is a change from the past; you are dealing directly with On Course for bookings and payment.

It will fill fast once the public are aware of this popular excursion. To date On Course have 30 names from Probus members and the public.

Once you have advised On Course let Colin Carpenter know on 0400 018 187 or by email to cjcarp_2000@bigpond.com of your booking so that a members list can be updated.



Full price \$960, single supplement an additional \$220. A deposit of \$200 will be required in due course and final payment 6 weeks prior to departure.

Should you wish to discuss the trip, feel free to speak with Colin.

Entertainment

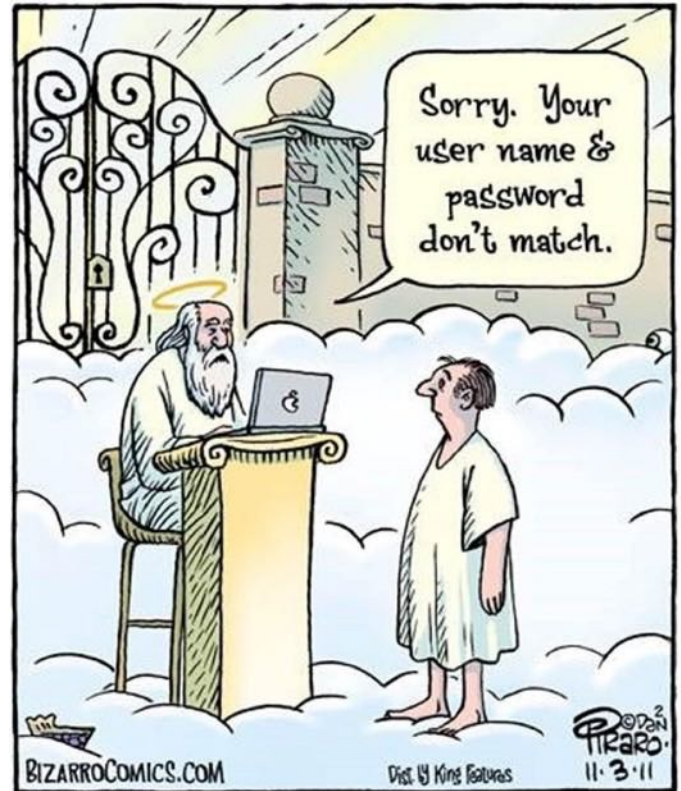
THEATRE MARCH 2022

I am arranging a group, for Sunday, 5 pm, March 27. This will have to be prepaid (\$75) at the November Probus meeting and I will distribute the tickets at the next meeting. This will enable you to be sure to get tickets before it is open to the general public. I have been assured that the cost will be refunded if they are closed down again. If paying by cheque please make it out to Glen Street Theatre.

Pamela Reese



“Well you see, Norm, it's like this ... a herd of buffalo can only move as fast as the slowest buffalo. And when the herd is hunted, it is the slowest and weakest ones at the back that are killed first. This natural selection is good for the herd as a whole, because the general speed and health of the whole group keeps improving by the regular killing of the weakest members. In much the same way, the human brain can only operate as fast as the slowest brain cells. Now, as we know, excessive intake of alcohol kills brain cells. But naturally, it attacks the slowest and weakest brain cells first. In this way, regular consumption of beer eliminates the weaker brain cells, making the brain a faster and more efficient machine. And that, Norm, is why you always feel smarter after a few beers.” \$75



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Sydney Tramway Museum and Royal National Park

Wednesday, 9th March, 2022

This Museum at Loftus on the Southern Edge of Sydney provides a nostalgic and educational insight into the lifestyle of Sydneysiders during the 100 year period of tramway operation from 1861 to 1961 and it shows the important role played by trams in the development of Sydney in the early decades of the 20th century. We will have morning tea on arrival at the Museum, prior to our guided tour.

The Museums fleet includes not just trams from Sydney but also from around the country and around the globe. We'll be able to contrast the legendary Bondi tram with those from San Francisco and Nagasaki. The Museum boasts several kilometres of track which will take us into the Royal National Park, terminating at the Old Railway Station near picturesque Audley. Our journey will actually commence from the Old Railway Square waiting shed. This historic building which stood in the middle of Railway Square from 1907 to 1973 has been painstakingly re-erected at the Museum.

After our tour we will travel through the vast expanse of Royal National Park and to the re-opened Bundeena RSL Club. In February 2015 the Club was destroyed by a major fire. It re-opened again in March 2018. 'Drink in the views' while enjoying a 2 course lunch with reserved seating. Following lunch we board the Bundeena Ferry, for a short voyage across the stunningly beautiful Port Hacking before disembarking at Gunnamatta Bay where we will board the coach and return home.

Cost per person is \$85 including morning tea, 2 course lunch with tea and coffee, admission to the Museum, tram ride, admission to the Royal National Park and ferry ride. Departs at 9 am and returns at approximately 5 pm.

**Probus Club of Seaforth
Member Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, October 26th, 2021, Seaforth Bowling Club

President Judith Carpenter opened the meeting at 10.03am, welcoming members and visitors.

GUEST SPEAKER: Club member David Foster gave an informative talk on his model P-47D fighter/bomber aeroplane and gave a demonstration using his two metre long model and transmitter.

PRESENT: 69, Apologies 6, Visitors 3. No lunch today but members enjoyed drinks and chat at the bar afterwards.

VISITORS: Margaret Ledbury, John Warren and Judy Campbell.

MEMBERS INDUCTED: Margaret Ledbury and John Warren.

MINUTES for June meeting moved by Peta Cass and seconded by Robyn Ogborne. There were no matters arising.

VICE PRESIDENT: Margaret Greig said Wakehurst Golf Club had cancelled our Christmas Luncheon booking in December, due to staffing problems. Members voted unanimously to have a "welcome back" luncheon in February instead — date to be advised.

BIRTHDAYS: *JULY* — Pam Fizelle, Barbara Mackney, Dene Bergman, Helen Deacon, Meg Stevenson, Gerry Setright, Colin Carpenter. *AUGUST* — Pat Cooper. *SEPTEMBER* — Janice Chalkley, Stuart Sercombe, Pam Ockerby, Pax Lambert, Michael Draper, Susan Goldberg. *OCTOBER* — Gail Gosling, Elaine Daly, Susan Stead, Don Elliot, Ruth Calloway, Warren Ogborne, Ella Doutreband, Jackie Rodwell, Max Cooper, Janette Stenstrom, Ian Stevenson.

TREASURER: Stuart Sercombe said bank balance as at 30/9/21 is \$9,159.80. Some refunds for Yuletide Lunch and Griffiths Tour cancellations were made today.

Probus South Pacific Ltd has now re-activated its travel insurance.

TOURS/DAY TOURS: Colin Carpenter urged anybody wanting to do the Temora Air Show tour from 7-10th April, 2022, to book now with OnCourse Tours so they didn't miss out and to notify Colin they have booked. Names will be taken in January for the Sydney Tram Museum trip on Wednesday, 9th March 2022.

TECHNOLOGY: Gavin Kerr said the next zoom meeting will be on Tuesday, 9th November at 10.30am to learn how to get into Zoom quickly.

THEATRE: Pam Reese said a new program would be available in November.

SEAFORTH BOWLING CLUB: Pat Garouse said the proposed fee for social members will be \$20 for 9 years. A Christmas raffle — 1st prize a quilt. A Melbourne Cup Day on Tuesday, 2nd November, 2021 — a 3-course meal \$45. A Learn to Bowl Day on Sunday, 28th November 2021 at 3pm — drinks and BBQ.

BOWLS: Lee Murrell said the greens are beaut, the new keeper is beaut, and the club is beaut so come along by 9.15am Thursday mornings and help us be beaut.

WALK: Monday, November 1, 2021, North Head walk. Meet 10am behind Bella Vista Cafe, North Fort.

MONTHLY LUNCHEON: December or February are possibilities.

BALGOWLAH BUSINESS BOWLS: Michael Calloway said two unregistered bowlers were wanted for the four Friday evenings competition in November.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, November 23, 2021.

WINE DRAW: Pauline Hayes, Val Lewin.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.07am.

PRESIDENTSECRETARY

DATE.....



The Probud Club of Seaforth
Sydney Tramway Museum

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

\$85 pp

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EFTPOS: Probud Club of Seaforth Inc, bank Westpac, BSB 032294, account number 690735”

Once you have made the EFTPOS payment advise Colin Carpenter on

cjcarp_2000@bigpond.com or 0400018187

Member's name:

Number of persons: 1 2 3 or more

Cheque/cash amount enclosed: \$

Date:.....

Receipt –

Sydney Tramway Museum

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

Member's name:

Number of persons: 1 2 3 or more

Amount received: \$

Signature of organiser

Date:.....