



November Newsletter

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President's Message

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COVID

The number of Covid infections is presently increasing at a rapid rate. This is of particular concern to our members as we are in an age group that is particularly vulnerable.

Please remember to avoid close contact with persons exhibiting flu like symptoms and if you yourself feel unwell and have symptoms, get a test kit or go to one of the many clinics in our area and get tested.

I think this month, so close to Christmas, something a bit lighter is required instead of my usual ramblings.

Following are some true, and some false, statements of past and present laws in various jurisdictions in Australia. Can you pick the false ones? In fact, are there any false ones?

1. It is illegal to wear hot pink pants after midday on a Sunday.
2. It's an offence to possess 50kg of potatoes in Western Australia.
3. Taxi cabs are required to carry a bale of hay in Queensland.
4. Bars are required to stable, water and feed the horses of their patrons.
5. You must have a neck to knee swimsuit at Brighton Beach, (Melbourne).
6. The summary Offences Act of 1966 deems it illegal to be heard by someone singing an obscene song.
7. It is illegal to roam the streets wearing black clothes, felt shoes and black shoe polish on your face as these items are the tools of cat burglars.
8. It is illegal to dress up as Batman and Robin.
9. Only licensed electricians may change a light bulb.
10. It is illegal to be drunk in a pub.
11. It is illegal to read someone's tarot or give them a physic reading as these are forms of witchcraft.
12. Having an article of disguise without a lawful excuse is illegal
13. In the Gold Coast, it is illegal for women to wear a bikini whose material does not exceed six square inches.
14. It is illegal to leave your car keys in an unattended vehicle.
15. If advertising for a lost or stolen item you must include a caption "no questions will be asked".
16. Life sentences cannot exceed 25 years.
17. If a urinal is not readily available, it is legal for a male to urinate on the rear left tyre of his vehicle.
18. In Melbourne it is against the law to vacuum between 10pm and 7am during weekdays and 10pm and 9am during weekends.
19. Children are not allowed to purchase cigarettes, but there is no law specifically stating that they cannot smoke them.
20. You can be jailed for cleaning up seabird or bat poo in Western Australia without a licence.

Next Meeting
Tuesday, November 22,
Seaforth Bowling Club

Meeting Agenda

9.30 Registration, morning tea and fellowship.

10.00 Guest Speaker: Michelle Richmond — *The History of the Northern Beaches.*

10.50 Business.

If not attending, please inform: *John Higson* 0416 142 768
jhig1062@bigpond.net.au.

Following meeting: Tuesday, January 23, 2023

21. If you have a pet goat it is illegal to harness it to your vehicle and drive it through a public place.

Hopefully, we all will enjoy each other's company at our Christmas party to be held at the Wakehurst Golf Club. I have seen the menu and it is scrumptious. Last chance to reserve a seat is at our next meeting, don't miss out !

We again will be entertained by your favourite Probian and I trust our joint rendition of *The Twelve Days of Christmas* is tone perfect and without too many errors.

I wish you all a healthy and safe Christmas break and look forward to meeting again next year.

Grahame Goldberg, President

Current Membership 99

Coming Events, Registrations and Payments 2022

Dec 12 (Mon) – Annual Christmas Lunch – Wakehurst Golf Club – Cost \$55 pp due now.

2023

Mar 6 (Mon) – Annual Picnic – Clontarf Reserve – Cost \$5, nil if you have already paid.

Mar 16-24 (9 days, Thurs-Fri) – Fly/Drive Tour Tasmanian East Coast – Cost \$3450 pp, single supplement \$680, deposit \$600 pp, balance Jan meeting.

Cheque payable to the Probus Club of Seaforth Inc

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: Michelle Richmond

The History of the Northern Beaches

Our guest speaker on 22 November will be Michelle Richmond who will be speaking on the History of the Northern Beaches. She has been a professional historian for the past 25 years and has been the historian at Northern Beaches Council for the past seven years, specialising in major research for government contracts, heritage consultancy and oral history.

Susan Stead

Tuesday Lunch

The menu available for our after-meeting lunch next Tuesday is:

Baked salmon and salad \$15; or

Lasagne and salad \$10.

Drinks will be available at the bar.

Please advise Sue Goldberg by text or phone on 0417 776 797 with your choice no later than 5pm next Sunday.

PROBUS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

A special date for your diary

Probus Christmas Lunch to be held on Monday ,
December 12, 2022, 11.30 am for noon lunch
Wakehurst Golf Club.

\$55 – 3-course Banquet

Payment can be made before or at the
November meeting or
direct debit Westpac BSB 032294
a/c no: 690735.

Welfare Report

Unfortunately Covid is still around, a couple of members are doing the right thing and isolating at home, we still need to be vigilant regarding our health and to look after each other, family and neighbours. On the bright side, we have nearly completed another year and our Christmas Lunch is fast approaching. Our newsletter editor had a fall at home — hands are ok for compiling this issue (no fall, but feet problem — Ed). John Higson is still in Arcadia, hope to see you back at Probus soon.

Judith Doig



October speaker Ray Rees from the Sydney Heritage Fleet organisation.

Activities

Bowls Report

The BIG news this month is that our President Grahame Goldberg has won the Ric Clapp 10 week competition. Grahame had a good win over our second place getter, Ross Buckton, with one of our lady Pro bowlers, Pamela Reese coming third. Congratulations all.

Come and have a Roll Up with us every Thursday. We roll up by 9.15, for bowls starting at 9.30 till about 10.45. Then off to the clubhouse for coffee and a chat. Our Attendances have been very steady at about 15-17 — good but a few more would be Great. The Greens are in good condition, and always well presented.

Lee Murrell, Organiser and Handicapper.



Tech Group

The next Tech Group meeting is to be at the Totem Club at 11 am, Tuesday, February 14.

Interested members coming along may need to enrol to join the Totem Club, if you haven't already done so, for a nominal fee.

Any member wishing to join, contact Gavin at ghmkerr@icloud.com or phone 0404 073 760.



ABOVE: Our new winner, Grahame Goldberg being presented with the Ric Clapp Trophy by previous winner Don Elliott.

TOP RIGHT: John Grant being harassed by a local resident.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Our intrepid walkers at Dobroyd Head.

Walking Group

Dee Why Beach to Fisher Road Nth

Monday, Dec 5

Walk Details: We will meet at 9:45 for 10 at Dee Why Surf Club car park at Dee Why Beach. This is a lovely leisure walk past many parks and playing fields and will be followed by a social time over coffee at Dee Why. Distance 5 km.

Walk time: Approximately 60 minutes return.

Grade: Easy.

Facilities: Toilets and bubblers at Dee Why Beach.

Enquiries: Ray Isaacs, 0412 578 104; Hazel Sellin, 0422 524 021.

Coming Events

Tasmania East Coast
9 Day Fly/Drive Tour
March 16-24 2023

This year our extended tour will be with OnCourse Tours.

A 2023 flyer is attached and lists the tour highlights. The full itinerary will be available shortly. I understand it is the same as the 2022 itinerary with an accommodation change at Bicheno.

OnCourse offers home pickup for our travellers who reside in the Northern Beaches pickup zone.

I consider the standout highlights of this tour are:

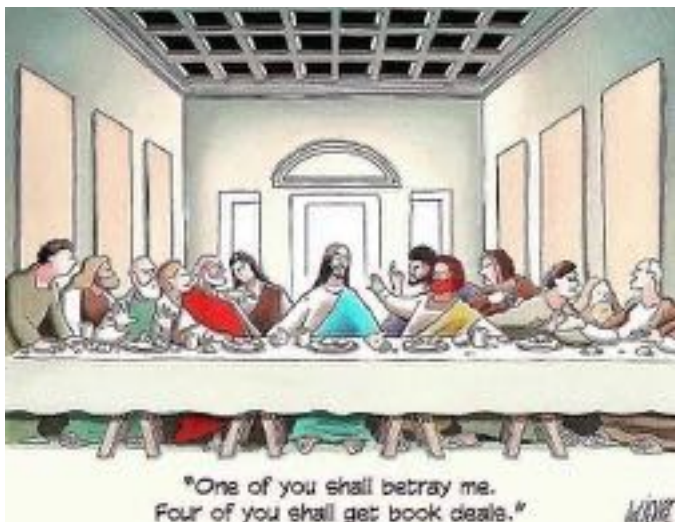
- Mona Gallery Museum in Hobart. *Modern art, see it and you be the judge.*
- Bruny Island and a coastal cruise. *Amazing cruise and foodies stops.*
- Salamanca markets in Hobart. *Foodies forget breakfast.*
- Freycinet and Wine Glass Bay. *Simply beautiful.*
- Tamar Valley and the wineries. *Follow the river and the many wineries.*

Cost per person twin share is \$3450 inclusive of air fare to Hobart return. Single supplement \$680. Deposit \$600 per person. Balance six weeks prior to the tour.

The tour numbers are almost full. Register your interest with Clive Sergent, email sergentcr@tpg.com.au.

Answers to President Grahame's quiz

1. FICTION.
2. CORRECT — \$2K FIRST OFFENCE AND \$5K SECOND OFFENCE.
3. FICTION.



Hard working Sue Goldberg.

4. CORRECT — VERY OLD AUSSIE LAW.
5. FICTION.
6. CORRECT.
7. CORRECT.
8. CORRECT — IT IS ILLEGAL TO WEAR A DISGUISE WITHOUT CAUSE.
9. CORRECT — IN A PUBLIC BUILDING ONLY AN ELECTRICIAN CAN REPAIR LIGHTING.
10. CORRECT.
11. CORRECT — THE LEGISLATION WAS DRAFTED UPON THE ASSUMPTION THAT FORTUNE TELLING IS A PRETENCE.
12. CORRECT — UNDER SUMMARY OFFENCES ACT.
13. IT SEEMS THE OPPOSITE IS TRUE, ie A BIKINI WITH MORE THAN 6 SQUARE INCHES OF MATERIAL IS ILLEGAL!
14. CORRECT.
15. FICTION.
16. FICTION — A LIFE SENTENCE MEANS A LIFE SENTENCE.
17. FICTION.
18. CORRECT — IF A NOISY VACUUM CLEANER.
19. CORRECT.
20. CORRECT.
21. CORRECT.
22. CORRECT.

**That's the last time I say
surprise me to my barber!**

