



PROBUS CLUB OF KILLARNEY HEIGHTS

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No 401

THE SEPTEMBER MEETING IS FOR MEMBERS and PARTNERS

Commencing at 10:00 am Thursday 19TH September 2024

PRESIDENTS REPORT

It's marvellous what a change of weather can do, and Spring has already brought the start of what we all hope will continue to be warmer days and nights. So far, so good. At last month's meeting we inducted three new members, who have each put their names down to join us on this month's day outing to the Children's Medical Research Institute on Thursday 26th September. We have around 30 members, partners and some of their friends who have already indicated that they'll be attending this outing, but if you are wanting to go on the outing, you'll need to contact Gerard de Jong quickly; bookings must close on Tuesday 17th September. If you have booked to attend, but haven't yet paid, please do so asap, preferably by an electronic transfer of funds - \$75 per person - to our bank account, the details of which are in this newsletter (please remember to send an email to both Brian Skingsley and Gerard, advising them of your payment).

A number of our members participated in this week's Walk, organised and lead by Keith Penfold, which consisted of bus travel to Chatswood, the new Metro train to Martin Place, a walk from Martin Place to Barangaroo (with a morning tea break on the way), and then the Metro back to Chatswood for most of the group, for lunch at Victoria Avenue's Thursday food-markets. I know that the new Metro line has only been operating for a couple of weeks, but as one who hadn't tried the new service, or seen any of the new Metro stations, it was certainly an eye-opener!

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the Guest Speaker (Paul Dipuglia of Neutrog) whom we had arranged for this month's meeting, has had to defer his presentation. He will now be the Guest Speaker at our October meeting. At late notice, and after a few unsuccessful attempts to secure a replacement, Glenys Love has been able to arrange for John Oakey - a former long-term Killarney Heights resident, now acting as a highly regarded volunteer in the Blue Mountains, who has been actively involved in both our local area and the Blue Mountains in dealing with graffiti "artists" and their rehabilitation - to be our Guest Speaker this month. It should be very interesting to hear of John's experiences.

I must admit that I was highly impressed by Barbara Pearce, in her "Top to Bottom (Arctic to Antarctic)" presentation, at last month's meeting. For a person of "advanced years", she spoke fluently and with minimal need to refer to her notes. Her first-hand knowledge of the Arctic, the Northern Territory and Western Australia outback, and the Antarctic, and her ability to recall place names and geographical areas, gave us an instructive and thoroughly engaging 40-45 minutes.

And if you're aware of any members who are unable to make our meetings, because of health or mobility issues, and are able to provide transport, I'm certain that they would greatly appreciate the offer.

Your Committee looks forward to seeing as many members and their partners as can make it to our meeting this month.

Rob Beaton - President 99757515 robjbeaton@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP

As of 12th September we have 72 active members and 7 non-active a total of 79 members

SPEAKERS FOR 2024

September 19 th Members & Partners Speaker John Oakey a volunteer in the Blue Mountains on Graffiti Battles	October 17 th Members only Speaker Paul Dipuglia Neutrog - an idea to naturally repair & assist plant growth
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DAY OUTINGS

The Children's Medical Research Institute Thursday 26th September

A visit to one of their Discovery days, tour the labs, meet the scientists and learn what they do. This will be followed by a heritage tour of Parramatta district.

Cost is \$75 per persons including morning tea, lunch and guided tour. Bookings close 17th September

For bookings please contact Gerard de Jong Mob 0404-049-297

XMAS LUNCHEON – FRIDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 2024

Our Christmas Luncheon moves to a new Venue this year. After a most successful Christmas in July our function moves to Monash Country Club, 256 Powder Works Road, Ingleside. An official invitation will appear in the October Newsletter.

Please lock in the date in your diaries for another memorable Lunch and catch up with all your Probus friends. Ken Fletcher – FUNCTIONS M: 0473 229 002 T: 9982 809

WINE APPRECIATION

Next meeting is on Thursday 31st October at the Glenaeon Community centre 2.00 for 2.30 start
Keith Penfold



CYCLING



We are riding every Wednesday, generally starting at 9.00 am. at Dee Why and riding, on cycle paths, to Narrabeen where we join non riders for coffee at Tramshed Café on Pittwater Road (adjacent to Ambulance Station), to have a chat.

Bryan Power 9452-3916 powerbryan@hotmail.com or Tom Keating and Keith Penfold



Thanks John Redding for this contribution

Wish some of us didn't understand the following so well!

To commemorate her 79 birthday, actress/vocalist, Julie Andrews made a special appearance at Manhattan's Radio City Music Hall. One of the musical numbers she performed was 'My Favorite Things' from the legendary movie 'Sound Of Music'. Here are the lyrics she used - If you sing it, it's especially funny!!!

Botox and nose drops and needles for knitting,
Walkers and handrails and new dental fittings,
Bundles of magazines tied up in string,
These are a few of my favourite things.

Hot tea and crumpets and corn pads for bunions,
No spicy hot food or food cooked with onions,
Bathrobes and heating pads and hot meals they bring,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Cadillacs and cataracts, hearing aids and glasses,
Polident and Fixodent and false teeth in glasses,
Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Back pain, confused brains and no need for sinnin',
Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinnin',
And we won't mention our short shrunken frames,
When we remember our favorite things.

When the pipes leak, When the bones creak,
When the knees go bad,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don't feel so bad.

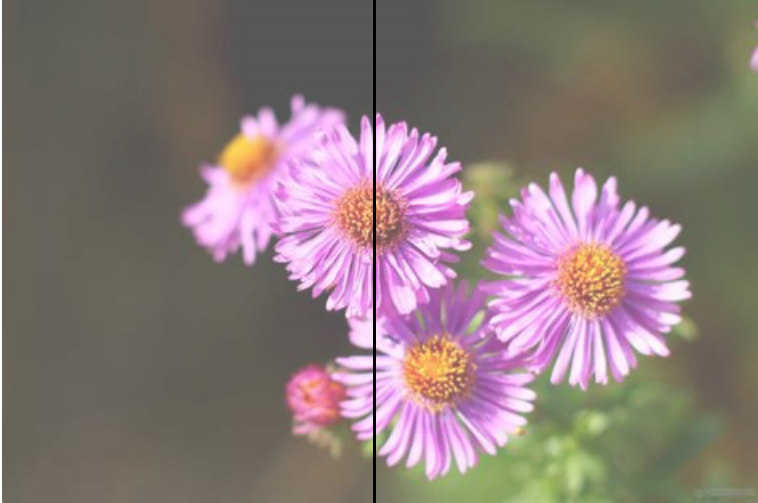

When the joints ache, When the hips break,
When the eyes grow dim,
Then I remember the great life I've had,
And then I don't feel so bad.

(Ms. Andrews received a standing ovation from the crowd that lasted over four minutes and repeated encores.)

WALKS

Our monthly walk this month to view the new Great Metro systems at Barangaroo was attended by 17 members who had a great day out.



Birthdays to 17 th October		Financial Summary August 2024
<p>September</p> <p>24 David Ward 26 Col Coupland 28 Dennis Fairclough 28 Cindy Ventris</p> <p>29 Sheila Flaherty 29 Elizabeth Schauwecker 30 Margaret Bulman</p>	<p>October</p> <p>3 Richard Scott 10 Martin Bulfield</p> <p>3 Pam Boyle 11 Joan Andrews</p>	<p>Opening Balance . . \$6,549.48 Add income \$792.95 Less expenses \$214.24 Closing balance . . . \$7,128.29 Less for payment . . . \$0.00 Money in reserve. \$7,128.29</p>
		 <p>Quite a little handful</p>
<p>If paying by EFT the banking details are BSB 062-295 10519860 Probus Club of Killarney Heights. Please make sure your name and event is given so that it can be properly applied. You should also advise the Treasurer and organiser, emails below</p>		

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<i>When</i>	<i>Where</i>	<i>What</i>
Thursday 22 nd August	Forestville RSL	Mid day Lunch
Thursday 26 th September	Children's Medical Research Institute	Day Outings
10-16th November	Sydney to Tasmania Cruise	Princess Cruises-Royal Princess
Friday 13 th December	Monash Country Club	Annual Christmas luncheon