A word from our President

Hello Northmead & District Probus members,

We are still in Covid land, but everyone seems to be adapting & managing the longer it goes on

It was my absolute pleasure on Monday 19th October to induct 14 new members into the club. They were inducted under Covid safe rules in two separate inductions a half an hour apart, with another group of five to be inducted on the 16th November. Please introduce yourselves & make them feel welcome when we eventually get to have another Probus meeting, or you meet them at outings.

That's the good news. The disturbing news is that we will no longer be able to have our meetings in the foreseeable future at NBC. They have turned our meeting room into more restaurant area and informed us we will not be able to return until Covid is over.

The committee have been investigating alternate venues able to cope with our numbers & also meeting Covid requirements. We think we have an alternative venue & hopefully we will be able to commence our usual meetings in January 2021. Members will be notified as soon as we have an answer. However, bizarrely NBC under NSW Health rules will allow us to have our AGM at the club.

The committee has announced the AGM to be held on 15th February 2021, where, as President I am obliged to step down under Probus protocol & a new President elected by the members, who I will induct on the day. All committee positions are to be spilled and nominations for all positions are to be in by 1st December.

Before I close, many thanks for the kind wishes sent to me regarding my serious illness & period in intensive care at Norwest Hospital, many thanks. I am on the mend slowly & now on the specialist merry go round.

Keep well
Barbara Towart
**Coming Events**

**Twilight Picnic/BBQ:** BYO everything.

Thursday 19th November 5:00pm – Caber Park Clackmannan Road Winston Hills

Wednesday 16th December 5:00pm – Third Settlement Reserve Cnr Oakes Rd and Edison Prde Winston Hills

**WE WALK CLUB**

Meet-up: 3rd November Winston Hills Lions Park 9am

17th November NBC 9am

We will have our last walk of the year on 15th December and recommence on 6th January.

**WE WALK CLUB**

There is nothing like a walk with a friend, except a walk with a group of friends. We catch-up, connect, de-stress and get the exercise we need. Our walking group has explored the history of the area, certainly checked out the horticulture and botany of our suburbs, made friends with most of the canines and chatted on all the subjects life has to offer. We walk for about 1 hour currently at 9:00am.

**Luncheon 25th November 2020 “Vanilla Cream” CANCELLED**

**Membership Report**

Since my last report in March we have had 7 resignations.

After our recent induction of 14 new members we now have 102 members with 5 more to be inducted in November.

Our new members are:-


Welcome to Probus.

Ken Sinclair Membership Officer

A message for all the keen gardeners in the club. The NSW Govt is giving away 3 FREE established native tree to our postcodes.

Put in your browser - free tree giveaway & follow the prompts, you pick them up at Bunnings.

I get my bottlebrushes next week. Barbara

14 Northmead & District Probus members gathered at the Lions Park in Winston Hills for the 4th November picnic. What great weather we had for our postponed meetup. All enjoyed the time to chat, eat and of course drink wine/beer in the warm afternoon air. Thanks to Robyn for organising. Let's see more at our next picnic/BBQ.
We Will Rock You

Feb 13 2021 @ 2pm
Pay $44 by December 12.

Pay to St George Account
BSB 112 879 Account 4708890
Reference Event 210 & Surname

Need more details? Contact Robyn 0419 463 783

Fellow Northmead Probarians it has been a while since the Walkie Talkies have
got together because of the weather having an impact and causing cancellations of our
Knightsbridge circuit walk several times. The group abides by the Covid guidelines for groups
including ensuring acceptable size of walking groups and social distancing. I will be planning the walk
one more time. If once again it gets impacted by the weather again, I will have got the message and
choose another location. So, watch out shortly for one of Ken’s updates.
If you have any questions about the group or have not been on one of our walks before and would
like to be notified of future planned walks please feel free to contact me.

Pat Vallely 0403 161 515
To all members who have had a COVID birthday in the past few months, we would normally acknowledge your special day at our monthly meetings but as we haven’t had one since March we take this opportunity to do so now.

**Happy Birthday!**

![Cake Image]

**March** :- Lyn Curby, Norman Curby, Robert Dwyer, Scott Hale, Bandana Huq, Josie Murrin, Geoff Newland, Marilyn Osmotherly, Lyndsay Peters, Debra Sheath, Erika Silk

**April** :- Carol Bailey, Arlene Bartlett, Marguerite Fitzgerald, Wendy Hilton, Faye McMillan, Beverley Roberts, Ken Sinclair, Patrick Vallely

**May** :- Bruce Bartlett, Rodney Garrett, Maureen Hayes, Sherel Jakes, Robyn Nalletamby, Miriam Schmidt, Gregory Sheath, Laraine Stewart

**June** :- Kris Baker, Ree Bartley, Marilyn Bouquet, Marie Gibson, Kim Hayes, Robyn McAlister, Robyn Newland, Pat Northey, Liz Ryan, Barbara Towart

**July** :- Leonie Hale, David Milton, Moya Saville, Margaret Stewart, Pauline Waddell

**August** :- Sandy Clarke, Althea Crickmay, Lawrence Fitzgerald, Linda Gibson-Languageford, Jane Quinn, Sue Towle, Jean Western, Dawn Whiteoak

**September** :- Dianna Anderson, Jenny Dwyer, Lyndall Garrett, Jan Hayward, Pauline Henry, Marian Milton, Sue Osborne, Fiona Richards, Jim Schmidt, Lynda Smale, Janet Swinnerton

**October** :- Ian Gibson, Ene Hageri, Diane Hart, Carole Harwood, Dilys Kindleysides, Stasia O'Malley, Tony Quinn, Lois Ranger, Barbara Van Roy

**November** :- Margaret Barrett, Bernard Cruz, Tricia Curtin, John Hilton, Sandra Joy, Lyn McCarthy, Diana O'Reilly, Kent Pidgeon, Harry Saville

For all those who have birthdays coming up we hope you enjoy your special day.

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Merry Christmas from Northmead & District Probus Committee

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