



GENERAL MEETINGS

Will be held on the 2nd Tuesday monthly

Our General Meetings are held at KAWANA SURF CLUB commencing at 10am.

APOLOGIES

For non-attendance. All Members should Notify:

Registrar Jan Rowe by email

cats4ever7@bigpond.com Phone: 54919287

By Friday **AM** before the day of the meeting to assist with catering.

Visitors contact: Nurturing Coordinator Trev Watkins 07 5477 5659

Members Newsletter April 2022

"Welcome to a new year of Friendship, Fellowship, Fun"

CLUB ACTIVITIES - PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS

The AGM—Your new Management Committee

2022-2023



Graeme Rowe Registrar, Brian Knight, Treasure, Jan Rowe, Registrar, Bronwyn Miller, Secretary, President Leigh Baker, Sen Vice President Peter Huthnance



Your Club Officers for 2022-2023



Induction of New Member Maggie Marsden

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OUTGOING PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Maureen Dunn)

The multi-tasking skills of many of our members has positively assisted in the Club serving a difficult two years. A special thank you is extended to all those who are stepping down, those who stepped up and those who took on multiple roles. Despite the disruptions caused by the COVID pandemic and a venue change, we have ensured that our members had activities to attend. Members' welfare has been at the centre of our ethos. I extend my appreciation to members for being given the opportunity to lead a vibrant club. Best wishes to the incoming management groups and our new President. (The full text of Maureen's speech is included in the minutes of the 33rd AGM).





NEW PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS (Leigh Baker)

Hopefully the challenges of the past 2 years are behind us. Looking forward, two themes stand out: Stability and member satisfaction. Little needs to change, but there is always room for improvement. The achievement of member satisfaction comes from a well-run Club offering a wide range of opportunities for members to enjoy Friendship, Fellowship and Fun, combined with active participation by you the members

Special thanks must go to outgoing President Maureen and Mike Matthews - their exceptional efforts certainly helped us to survive those difficult times.

(The full text of Leigh's speech is included in the minutes of the 33rd AGM).

INVOLVEMENT OF FEMALE MEMBERS

Our 33 Annual General Meeting coincided with International Woman's Day. It is interesting that in our 33 years we have had only five female Presidents of 32

Presidents. They are:-

Denise Goode 2001 - 2002

Pam Fletcher 2006 - 2007;

Jenny Baker 2014 – 2015;

Barbara Cugley 2017 - 2018;

Maureen Dunn 2020 - 2022.

This is despite many female members having the capability to more than adequately perform the role. Whilst many females take on roles within the club such as secretary, registrar and interest group coordinators, it is time for some to consider taking on more senior management roles within the club.

We have:-

five life members – 3 of whom are females; a ratio of approximately 5 female to 2 male members Please consider what you could add to the club.

Maureen Dunn, Past President

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Club Web site: https://www.probuskawanawaters.com For password to access Members only section contact Web Officer Gerhard at email: GK@kronberger.com.au

From the President's Desk



Firstly, a big welcome to our new Probus year – let's hope all the disruptions are behind us (although we still need to prove vaccination status to enter the Surf Club).

The handover to our incoming leadership group seems to have gone smoothly – welcome to the members who have stepped up to Management Committee, Club Officer and Convenor roles and many thanks to those who have continued on.

However, we still have several vacant positions to be filled and Immediate priority is being given to the role of Assistant Secretary. Hands up, please – new members are welcome.

As I indicated at the AGM, the focus for this year is on stability and member satisfaction.

While we continue to lose a small number of members due to age or ill-health, it is heartening to see how many potential members are in our visitor cycle and we look forward to welcoming more new members as the year progresses.

With 14 interest groups this year, we have plenty to satisfy members, but new suggestions are always welcome.

My quote of the month:

"Getting to know new people and gaining new friends is one of life's greatest pleasures."

Membership Fees

Members are reminder that Membership Fees for 2022-2023 are due for payment by the 1st April 2022. The fee has been maintained at \$35. Please arrange payment with Treasurer Brian Knight. If paying via the Internet, please include your name and "Fees." See Internet banking details below

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EMERGENCY CONTACTS REMINDER

If you have not yet done so, please complete the Club's contact details form and return it to Registrar Jan ASAP in person or by email to: cats4ever7@bigpond.com. This information will help us to help you in an emergency.

Welfare & Support

Sue Goodman—5493 7976 0402 850 691

Any members who are ailing or needing support please ensure that **Sue** knows about it so that the Club is able to provide whatever assistance it can.

Treasurer's Report for March

Opening Balance 1st March \$6887.84
Receipts March \$1866.00
Expenses March \$1505.03
Closing Balance 31st March \$7248.81

April Birthdays

Lorraine LINTOTT 7
Jenny BAKER L.M. 15
Maureen DUNN 21
Gerhard KRONBERGER 25
Brian KNIGHT 30

Wishing you all a very Happy Birthday From your fellow Probians.

Suggestion Box

Don't forget to put suggestions in the box or email Leigh Baker with any

item you wish to bring to the attention of the Management Committee:

Email: leighbaker88@gmail.com



SUGGESTIONS

DIRECTORY		
MANAGEME	Phone Contact	
President:	Leigh Baker	0423 988 504
Secretary:	Bronwyn Miller	0402 566 226
Treasurer:	Brian Knight	5452 6558 0414 538 560
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Jn Vice-Presider	nt:	
CLUB		
Assist. Registrar	: Lyn Peck	
Assist. Secretary		
Assist. Treasure		
Facilities:		
Guest Speaker:	Kay Cooper	
Media Officer:		
Meet & Greet:	Diana Armstrong	
Assist Meet & G		
Ruth McDonald		
Sue Ellis		
Trish Meaney		
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Nurturing coordinator Trev Watkins		
Safety Officer:	Graeme Rowe	
Verifier:	Gerhard Kronberger	
Welfare:	Sue Goodman	
Website:	Gerhard Kronberger	

THE NEXT BUS TRIP!! - THURSDAY, 5 MAY 2022

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The cost: \$50pp
Pickup: 08:30 from 2 Longwood Street, Minyama.

Visiting QCamel with a tour set for 10:00. We will have morning tea with This Photo Coffee, damper, fruit platter, cheese and biscuits plus tastings of their products. Gluten free is available.

Q Camel manufacture many items at the farm which are available to purchase..... you are warned.

Lunch will be up at Montville Café, Bar and Grill where they will serve:

LUNCH IS AT YOUR OWN COST WITH A SENIOR'S SELECTION of
Fish and Chips, Chicken Parmigiana, a Wagyu Beef Burger and a vegetarian option for \$20 each.

(Or their full menu)

Please pay on line or at the General Meeting on Tuesday, 12 April.

Anna Firmin—0427611174

THE LUCKY GALAH TRACY SORENSEN

BOOK CLUB

The Lucky Galah setting is 1960's a remote coastal town in Western Australia, poised to play a pivotal part in the moon landing.

The characters were a mix of colourful small country town folk who earned their living fishing and those who came to work in preparation for the moon land-

ing.

A nostalgic look at the way of life in 60's & 70's, invoking childhood memories where children played in the street and spent time in other family houses. A history of human nature, love and society of the times, especially in a remote small town, with a bit of gossip and scandal. All told by a galah called Lucky.

INTEREST GROUPS					
Members & Guests Activities					
Armchair Travel: Kronberger	Anna Firmin & Gaby				
Away Trips:	Mike Matthews				
Book Club:	Lorraine Samin				
Bus Trips:	Anna Firmin				
Cinema: Coral Horton	Mike Matthews				
Coffee Mornings:	Pat Blakeman;				
Craft:	Lynne Rowell				
Dining:	Mike Matthews				
Grumpy Old Men: Brian Knight					
Local Theatre:	Lyn Peck				
Mahjong:	Pat Blakeman				
Memoirs:	Paul Cockshaw				
Picnics:	Kay Cooper				
Walking:	Brian Knight				



THEATRE

Two theatre shows you might be interested in Please book independently





Guest speaker for April

Peter Huthnance

Coastal Caring Clowns Inc is the only organisation in Queensland that trains volunteers in the art of hospital clowning. The training is based on Clown Ethics

Kay



Computing Support contact:

Leigh Baker - Windows PCs and laptops, Android phones and tablets

John Roberts - IOS PCs and laptops Apple phones.

PAQ Web Site: enter the web site at www.paqnetwork.com.au Secretary: mail@paqnetwork.com.au President: president@paqnetwork.com.au

CONVENORS REPORTS

APRIL CRAFT MEETING

Lynne Rowell

there!

The craft meeting is on 19th April and will be held at La Balsa Park at usual time of 10 o'clock. It is only for this month that it will be held there. If it is wet, I will advise where we will go instead. If anyone has any questions, they are welcome to ring me.

ARMCHAIR TRAVEL—TRAVELLING OUTBACK

Gaby and Gerhardt Kronberger

No matter what you think of as the Outback in Australia, we got a wonderful presentation at Armchair Travel from Gaby based on their trip around Oz in 2012.

Apart from some major cities like Broken Hill, Adelaide and Perth, etc., we got a selection of scenes showing miles and miles of nothing but differing vegetation and colours. Even the photos of the WA coastline was included as "outback" – there was nothing else

So many complimentary comments have come in from members who attended. Thank you Gaby.







MAROOCHY BOTANIC GARDENS GUIDED TOUR

Join a guided walk in The Maroochy Bushland Botanic Garden on Wednesday 20TH April 8.00am – 9.30am. Leigh and Jenny Baker will be in charge of organisation on the day as Brian will be away. Elaine Davidson will be your guide. Put your name down at the April Probus meeting. We will explore the Display Gardens which includes The Sculpture Garden, Mossy Log, Fern Glade and Friendship Colonnade. It is easy walking on established paths. Wear a hat, comfortable shoes, and bring water. There is a Café onsite run by Compass if you would like to relax with a coffee after the walk. Take a look at the website: botanic-garden.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

MOVIE REVIEWS - Coral Horton

In Recent weeks we have seen several really good movies and some not so! My outstanding highlight was 'Belfast'" by the way, young 11 year old, Jude Hill, is an actor to watch he was superb".. Shot in black and white to lend some aged atmosphere, it is the tale of life in Belfast streets in the time of trouble in 1969. What few people realise is that this is based on director, Kenneth Branagh's own story.

Other movies we have seen are, 'Death on the Nile', a remake of the Agatha Christie novel. Wonderfully acted with Kenneth Branagh directing and also acting in this one. Amazing scenery and lighting on the Nile and around Abu Simbal.

'Cyrano', the famous story of Cyrano de Bergerac, and his true love. 'Ruby's Choice', a tale of dementia and the decisions the family faced up to. 'Book of Love', a light hearted romp through Mexico on a book launch. 'Uncharted', a fun Indiana Jones type movie and most recently 'Dog'. We go for a lunch usually afterwards which can be variously, Pub Mooloolaba, Hotel Maroochydore, The Bridge or The Good Place.

CONVENORS REPORTS

UPDATE ON DONATED PLASTIC BOTTLE TOPS

Lyn Peck



Thanks to members for your continuing donation of plastic bottle caps. Below is your latest haul that has been delivered to a collection place, Go for Zero, in Kunda Park. This is a great recycling place that has amazing and varied goods made from recycled products for sale so for those interested check out www.goforzero.com.au. There is also an outlet, White Pepper, Bulcock St. Caloundra.

The donated caps then go to Ocean Crusaders, Brisbane to be processed into useful items for schools etc - FYI details on www.oceancrusaders.org/recycling.

For the information of new members, the caps collected at our general meetings are the flat, firm plastic ones such as from milk bottles, juice containers, washed of course and preferably not left in plastic bags.

For further information please chat with me at meetings or contact on mob. 0427067505. Many thanks.

WALKING GROUP

Brian Knight

On 16th March we explored the North Shore area near Mudjimba. We attempted to walk along the beach, but were chased up onto the dunes by the high tide lapping the storm-damaged dunes. The tide also prevented us from reaching the rocky outcrop at the southern end. Making our own way through the tea-trees, we finished off with coffee and snacks near the carpark. We walk very 1st and 3rd Wednesday and hope you can join us as we continue to explore both our neighbourhood and surrounding areas.







THE MYSTERY BUS TRIP—MARCH 17th.

Anna Firmin

Andrew Fallon did a great job of driving from Longwood St., Minyama to Wildlife HQ via the old Gympie Highway and the Cobb & Co. route north from Brisbane. He gave us many historic pointers as we passed through the thriving small towns in the lower hinterland.

A few members guessed the destination but quite a number had not visited the Wildlife HQ before. We were blessed with beautiful weather for strolling through this stunning environment. Many of us started the visit with a coffee at the Café. Because there was a light breeze the animals were very active which made this visit very special. From here we went to Woombye for lunch at the Pub.









CLUB ACTIVITIES Check Calendar for times and Locations













NEW INTEREST GROUPS

Memoir

Our already extensive range of interest groups has been expanded by the addition of 2 new groups – Away Trips and Memoirs. Their establishment was approved by the Management Committee recently and interested members are encouraged to contact the convenors for more information

Away Trips – Mike Matthews

Memoirs – Paul Cockshaw

Armchair Travel Calendar

APRIL 8 Coral Horton Sri Lanka
MAY 13 Trevor Watkins Hawaii
JUNE 10 Mike Matthews PNG
JULY 8 Jenny & Leigh Baker Hungry to Istanbul
AUGUST 12 Peter Ellis USA National Parks

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SEPTEMBER 9 Trevor Watkins Nepal, India and Sri Lanka

OCTOBER 14 Mike Matthews To Be Advised

NOVEMBER 11 Group Discussions DECEMBER CHRISTMAS PARTY



"Trips Away 5 Star"

Tasmania Complete - Hobart Return - 12 days from \$5795
Departure 21st February 2023.
Contact Mike Matthews for FURTHER DETAILS
OR

Contact Marleen Nolan APT Caloundra FOR BOOKINGS. 0419393206



Day		April 2022	Time	Coordinators
Saturday	2	Cinema: Venue TBA	ТВА	Mike Matthews
Monday	4	Mahjong: Kawana Bowls Club	10.00am.	Pat Blakeman
Wednesday	6	Walking: Tibrogargan Circuit 1	7.30am	Brian Knight
Wednesday	6	Dine Out: Buderim Tavern	12—Noon	Mike Matthews
Friday	8	Armchair Travel Group :	9.30am	Anna Firmin
Saturday	9	Cinema: Venue TBA	ТВА	Mike Matthews
Saturday	9	Theatre: CCTC POSTPONED		Lyn Peck
Tuesday	12	GENERAL MEETING Kawana Surf Club	10am- 12noon	Jan Rowe
Thursday	14	Coffee Morning: Emjays Capital Pl Birtinya	10.00	Pat Blakeman
Saturday	16	Cinema: Venue TBA	ТВА	Mike Matthews
Monday	18	Mahjong: Kawana Bowls Club	10.00am.	Pat Blakeman
Tuesday	19	Craft: Will be held at La Balsa Park	10am 12.00 noon	Lynne Rowell
Wednesday	20	Walking: Maroochy Botanic Garden, Tanawha [See report]	8.00am	Brian Knight
Wednesday	20	Memoirs: Kawana Surf Club	2.00pm	Paul Cockshaw
Saturday	23	Cinema: Venue TBA	ТВА	Mike Matthews
Monday	25	Book Club: Venue TBA	9.30am	Lorraine Samin
Tuesday	26	Picnic: Ben Bennett Botanical Gardens Queen St Caloundra.	12 noon	Kay Cooper
Wednesday	27	Grumpy Old Men: Mini Golf Bli Bli	10.00am	Brian Knight
Thursday	28	Management Committee Meeting	9.30am	Leigh Baker
Friday	29	Deadline for submission of Material for Newsletter		Mike Matthews
Saturday	30	Cinema: Venue TBA	10am	Mike Matthews

Day		May 2022	Time	Coordinators
Monday	2	Mahjong: Club Kawana	10.00	Pat Blakeman
Wednesday	4	Walking: Kawana Forest Walkway, Woodlands	7.30am	Brian Knight
Wednesday	4	Dine Out: Wildflower at Mercure Hotel at Birtinya	12 Noon	Mike Matthews
Saturday	7	Cinema: Venue TBA	TBA	Mike Matthews
Tuesday	10	GENERAL MEETING: KAWANA SURF CLUB	10am 12 Noon	Jan Rowe
Thursday	12	Coffee Morning: Miss May at Sippy Downs	10am	Pat Blakeman
Friday	13	Armchair Travel Group : Kawana Surf Club	9.30am	Anna Firmin Gaby Kronberger
Saturday	14	Cinema: Venue TBA	TBA	Mike Matthews
Monday	16	Mahjong: Club Kawana	9.30am.	Pat Blakeman
Tuesday	17	Craft: At Kawana Surf Club	10am-12.00	Lynne Rowell
Wednesday	18	Walking: Research Street Reserve, Coolum	7.30am	Brian Knight
Wednesday	18	Memoirs: Kawana Surf Club	2.00 pm	Paul Cockshaw
Saturday	21	Cinema: Venue TBA	TBA	Mike Matthews
Monday	23	Book Club: Venue TBA	9.30am	Lorraine Samin
Tuesday	24	Picnic: Moffat Beach Elanor Shipley Park, Bryce St. Moffat Beach	12 noon	Kay Cooper
Wednesday	25	Grumpy Old Men : Ipswich Train Museum	10.00am	Brian Knight
Thursday	26	Management Committee Meeting	9.30am	Leigh Baker
Friday	27	Deadline for submission of Material for Newsletter		Mike Matthews
Saturday	28	Cinema: Venue TBA	ТВА	Mike Matthews