



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



Hi everyone.

This will be my last message for 2023. It has been a busy year and we still have our Christmas Picnic in the Botanic Gardens to look forward to, on Thursday December 21st.

Our first meeting for 2024 is on Tuesday, January 23rd. We don't have a guest speaker in January as that's the month we plan our activities for the year ahead.

Lyn and I will be looking for your input regarding holiday destinations, new restaurants to try, places of interest for us to visit and special places you would like to revisit. We really want both the bus outings to be sponsored by the Bendigo Bank, Tewantin, to be memorable occasions.

All ideas and suggestions will be gratefully received. Please email your suggestions to Lyn Fowler fourhats@bigpond.com or phone or text Lyn on 0409 006 769.

Some of the excellent suggestions we have already received include: -

- Sealife Aquarium at Mooloolaba
- The Camel Farm at Bell's Creek
- The Maleny Botanic Gardens and Bird World
- The Australia Zoo
- Maroochy River Golf Club and Mini Golf Range
- Dingo Creek Winery
- A Day out on the Rattler
- Another visit to The Spirit House, Yandina
- A Paint and Sip Experience
- An overnight trip to Brisbane
- A trip to Tasmania
- A cruise down the Murray River
- A few days in Melbourne to visit The Lume

It is up to you to keep the suggestions coming to ensure we have an exciting programme of events for 2024.

In case, I don't see you before Christmas, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all members a wonderful holiday season and a happy, healthy, safe New Year.

Joan Page

REGULAR PROBUS HAPPENINGS

Probus General Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month except December. We meet in the Tewanin RSL. \$6.00 is payable to cover the cost of morning tea, room and equipment hire, wages, insurance etc. The exact change is appreciated.

Morning tea is available from 10.00 a.m. The meetings start at 10.30 promptly, usually with an interesting guest speaker or some other appropriate entertainment. Following the meeting, if time permits, we have a game of Trivia and the majority of members stay and have lunch in the RSL Bistro.

Committee Meetings are held at 10.00 a.m. on the Tuesday following the General Meeting. Currently, they are held at the home of the President, 8 Tallgrass Avenue, Tewanin. The meetings are open to all members. Transport is available if required.

Walks by the Noosa River every Tuesday and Thursday Morning, weather permitting. **There is a change . They now meet at 8.00 am near the Yacht Club every Tuesday and Thursday morning.** . Walk at your own pace. Coffee afterwards (optional). Non walkers welcome to join for coffee only, about 10.00 a.m. Text Rhoda or Pam for location. Rhoda Denissen 0429 997 651 or Pam Makepeace 5449 0018 or 0400 798 730.

Mah-Jong, Rummikub and/or Scrabble on Wednesday Afternoons from 1.00 to 3.30 at 8 Tallgrass Ave Tewanin. Beginners Welcome. Free private lessons available at time and place to suit you. Need transport? **Last games for 2023 on December 13th. Resuming Wednesday January 10th** Phone Joan Page 0419 670 771.

Book Club has been suspended for the remainder of 2023. For further information, please phone Chris Hartley 5442 7397.

Movie Mornings are on the **second** Tuesday of each month except during school holidays. Movie/s and Time/s are advised one week prior. Members then decide which movie they would like to see.

June Hayes 0413 002 647 or Brenda Robinson 0406 639 274. **Resuming Tuesday February 13th**

Following the Movies, members usually meet for coffee or lunch.

The Foodies have an opportunity to enjoy different cuisines each week. Our lunches are nearly always on a Sunday commencing at 12.30. There is usually one fine dining experience each month as well as visits to Asian and Mediterranean Restaurants and local pubs and clubs. Numbers attending vary from eight to twenty plus. Friends and visitors are welcome but bookings are necessary by the Wednesday

prior to the event. **No Lunches in December or January**

Most of the fine dining restaurants require a credit card to secure bookings. Cancellations are accepted up to 24 hours prior to the booking. No shows are charged to the credit card. This is why it is essential you advise Joan Page 0419 670 771 if your circumstances change and you can no longer attend a function.

New Ideas for 2024

Lyn and Joan are always happy to consider new ideas or revisit some old ideas. Would anyone like to give golf a go? Bowls? Croquet? Singing? Dancing? Phone Lyn on 0409 006 769.

PROBUS HAPPENINGS FOR DECEMBER

THURSDAY 7TH

12.30

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12.30

CHRISTMAS LUNCH PARTY at Habitat Noosa at Elanda Point. \$40 p.p. includes two course lunch and a beverage on arrival. No BYO.

A BYO EVERYTHING PICNIC LUNCH at at the Noosa Botanic Gardens
No Charge

OR

For those who prefer a catered lunch, \$20 p.p. for salad and a beverage nominated by you. Gluten free and vegetarian meals provided on request.

“NO MEETING AS 4TH TUESDAY IS BOXING DAY”

PROBUS HAPPENINGS FOR 2024

JANUARY 2024

TUESDAY 23RD

10.00am for 10.30start

PROBUS GENERAL MEETING AT THE RSL

followed by Trivia, time permitting and lunch in the Bistro

BOTH OPTIONAL THERE WILL BE NO SPEAKER AS JANUARY IS WHEN WE PLAN OUR ACTIVITIES FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR

FEBRUARY 15th

12.30

CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

at the Noosa Bowls Club. Order and pay on the day

Seniors meals available from \$14.00.

GUEST SPEAKERS: Our speaker at the November meeting was Ralph Devliin AM KC who was excellent. He has indicated that he could speak to us again at a later date on a different subject. He is on the list.

PTSD dogs is the proposed talk for our FEBRUARY meeting. We are awaiting confirmation.

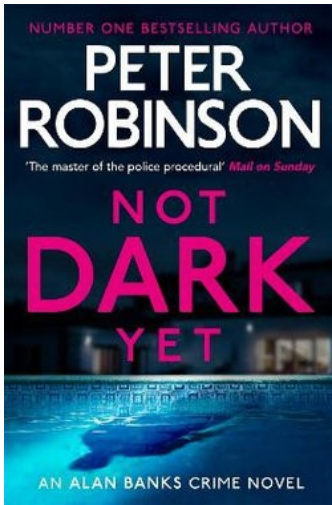
MARCH is of course our AGM so no guest speaker.

Frank Wilkie is the speaker for the APRIL meeting.

There are a number of possibilities for later in the year. Sally Henderson (author) is one,



The sad news has been received that ex club member Tom Connop has died.



Murder is only the beginning for Banks and his team . . . The gruesome double murder at an Eastvale property developer's luxury home should be an open and shut case for Superintendent Banks and his team of detectives.

There's a clear link to the notoriously vicious Albanian mafia, men who left the country suspiciously soon after the death.

Then they find a cache of spy-cam videos hidden in the house - and Annie and Gerry's investigation pivots to the rape of a young girl that could cast the murders in an entirely different light.

Banks's friend Zelda, increasingly uncertain of her future in Britain's hostile environment, thinks she will be safer in Moldova hunting the men who abducted, raped and enslaved her than she is Yorkshire or London.

Her search takes her back to the orphanage where it all began - but by stirring up the murky waters of the past, Zelda is putting herself in greater danger than any she's seen before.

And as the threat escalates, so does the danger for Banks and those who love Zelda

RECIPE *of the* MONTH

PARMESAN TWISTS

- 1 sheet puff pastry, thawed
- 1 egg, beaten
- Grated Parmesan cheese

Preheat oven to 200c and line a baking tray with non-stick paper.
 Brush pastry with beaten egg.
 Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese.
 Cut pastry in half then each half into 1cm wide strips, pick up the strips and twist them into spirals.
 Sprinkle with poppy and sesame seeds if required.
 Bake for 10 mins. and cool on a wire rack.

Recipe courtesy of Taste.com



President Joans little helpers delivering Probus flyers

MELBOURNE CUP AT THE ROYAL MAIL HOTEL



DINERS AT THE SPIRIT HOUSE



THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

Still trying to get my head around the fact that “Take Out” can mean food, dating, or murder
Threw out my back sleeping and tweaked my neck sneezing, so I’m probably just one strong fart
away from complete paralysis.*

Dear paranoid people who check behind their shower curtains for murderers, “If you do find one,
what’s your plan?”*

The older I get, the more I understand why roosters scream to start their day.*

Being popular on Facebook is like sitting at the “cool table” in the cafeteria of a mental hospital

You know you’re over 50 when you have “upstairs Ibuprofen”**and “downstairs Ibuprofen”.

CHRISTMAS AT HABITAT

