



# BELLA VISTA PROBUS CLUB

## AUGUST NEWSLETTER

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### **A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT -August 2012**



Well another month has slipped by in the blink of an eye and it was another busy one for Bella Vista Probus. We celebrated Christmas In July in style, with our first full day bus trip to Berry. After morning tea at Sublime Point, we arrived at the Treat Factory and our members were really like kids in a lolly shop. Everyone got into festive mood at Gabbys, where we enjoyed some great food, company and entertainment. A few had a contented siesta on the way home!

Don't forget we've got two more day trips coming up, with the Tulips in the Southern Highlands in September and the Hunter Valley Garden's Christmas Lights in November.

We seem to be an historical lot (or perhaps it's hysterical) with always good attendances at historical activities. This month our visit to the Justice and Police Museum was very well attended and enjoyed by all – another example of some interesting venues we have in Sydney. There was also a visit to the State Records Office in Kingswood, which saw our intrepid historians and genealogists going behind the scenes for a day. Thanks to Bernard for not only arranging the day, but also providing some great tips and information prior to the day.

August has a number of activities on offer including our Novelty Card Night on Friday 10 August. The social card group met at our home a couple of weeks ago and from the howls of laughter I think we are in for a great night and it's one to sign up for. Also in August we have thirty three members attending The 39 Steps, which also promises to be a great night.

The show of hands at the June General Meeting didn't warrant us putting on our own outlets shopping trip, but Sue has found another way to go shopping (no surprise there) and details are in the newsletter.

Thanks for letting us know your preferences for Ten-Pin Bowling and dates have now been fixed for August, October and December.

Our committee met with the new Beaumont Hills Probus Club committee members, to provide a few tips and ideas which were greatly appreciated. It looks like Beaumont Hills are off to a flying start in their recruitment drive and we wish them every success.

I'll finish with a couple of paraproverbs:

- If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong
- Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with

Have a great month and best regards, Les

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## **AUGUST EVENTS**

### **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August**

### **General Meeting**

The **August** General Meeting will be held at **9.30 am** for **9.45 am** start in the Rex Money Room (above Vinegar Hill Memorial Library), Civic Way, Rouse Hill Town Centre.



Our guest speaker this month is **Trevor King**, the founder of Westside Mission.

Sue has made a booking for lunch after our meeting at the **Lusso Italian Restaurant**. Please join us.

### **Payments due at August meeting**

If you have nominated for any of the following outings or events, payments are due on 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2012

Novelty Card Night at Rouse Hill Community Centre	\$ 5.00 per person
Tulips in Corbett Gardens, Bowral	\$65.00 per person

### **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August**

### **Walking Group**



Where: **Cumberland State Forest**

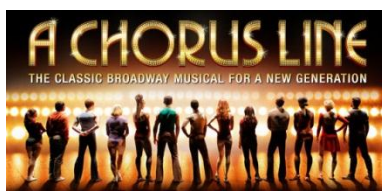
Meet at: **Saligna Café** (adjacent to the main car park) for coffee at **9:30 am**

The walk will commence at **10:30 am** and will cover the available walking trails in the forest.

Following the walk we will have a **sausage sizzle lunch** at the bbq area adjacent to the main car park. The cost for lunch will be **\$5.00** per person.

A Notice of Activity form will again be available during the August general meeting. Please add your name to this sheet if you will attend this walk. Don't forget: hat, sunblock, water and good walking shoes. Contact Denis (Mobile 0411 550 864) for any further information.

### **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August**



at **the Capitol Theatre**, 13 Campbell St, Haymarket  
The show starts at **1:00 pm**

### **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August**

### **NOVELTY CARD NIGHT – JUST FOR FUN ABSOLUTELY NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY**



Where: **Rouse Hill Community Centre**  
Clower Avenue, Rouse Hill (car park entrance is opposite  
Aberdour Avenue)

Time: **7.00 pm** for **7.30 pm** start

Cost: **\$5.00** per person (**Payment is required by 1<sup>st</sup> August 2012**)

We will be using Activity Rooms 1 & 2 at the Community Centre. Refreshments will be provided.

A Notice of Activity form **and a car pooling sheet** will again be available during the August general meeting. Please add your name to this sheet if you will attend this event. Contact Keith Gorman (Mobile 0403 185 949) for any further information.

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August



Castle Hill Players

Where: **The Pavillion Theatre**  
Castle Hill Showground, Doran Drive, Castle Hill

Time: The show starts at **8:15 pm**  
**We will have supper following the show**

### SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September

**General Meeting**

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September

**Walking Group**



Where: **Bobbin Head Bush Walk**

Details of time and location to meet for coffee, the walk start time and arrangements for lunch will be provided in the September newsletter.

A Notice of Activity form will be available during the August and September general meetings. Please add your name to this sheet if you will attend this walk.

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September



*great food... great entertainment*

Cnr Commercial & Windsor Rd, Rouse Hill Ph. 9629 4811 [www.meanfiddler.com.au](http://www.meanfiddler.com.au)

Lunch: Traditional Irish Roast Lamb with vegetables and a bread roll OR  
Irish Stew with Damper

followed by: Rhubarb and Treacle Tart with cream

and Tea or Coffee

### **PLUS**

Irish style entertainment by **Patrick Brady**, formerly of the **Irish Drovers**

Where: **The Irish Bar at the Mean Fiddler**

Time: **12:00 noon**

Cost: **\$32.00** per person (**based on minimum of 30 persons**)

**Payment is required by 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2012**

A Notice of Activity form will be available during the August and September general meetings. Please add your name to this sheet if you will attend this lunch. Contact Sue (Mobile 0402 848 334) for any further information.

## Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September

## Shopping Bus Trip



There was insufficient interest to justify arranging a Shopping Bus Trip on our own BUT all you shopaholics can still get your fill of shopping opportunities by joining a fundraising shopping bus trip,

departing from the **Kings Langley Shopping Centre car park** on **the corner of James Cook Drive and Ravenhill Street** at **7.00 am** on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**.

Cost: **\$35.00 per shopper (Payment is required by 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2012)**

**Please note: This is NOT an official Probus' event. Probus general insurance cover will NOT apply.**

A Notice of Activity form will be available during the August and September general meetings. Please add your name to this sheet if you wish to attend this shopping trip. Contact Sue (Mobile 0402 848 334) for any further information.

## Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September

## Tulips in Corbett Gardens, Bowral



Our Hopkinsons air-conditioned coach for the trip to **CORBETT GARDENS** will be waiting at the western end of the **Kellyville Plaza car park** (on the corner of Wrights Road and York Road). **Parking without a time limit is available at the eastern end of the car park.** Boarding at **8:15 am** for **8:30 am** departure.

Our morning Devonshire Tea stop will be at Mayfairs of Mittagong. We will then continue on to Bowral to Corbett Gardens, the showpiece of the Bowral Tulip Time Festival, where you will be free to explore the displays of 100,000 tulips and 25,000 annuals.

We will then enjoy a 2 course lunch at Mittagong RSL. After lunch we will visit Greenbrier Park Garden & Vineyard, an English style garden and Australian native shrubs set in 3 hectares. Our final stop will be Moirdart in Bowral, a classic garden arguably the best in the Southern Highlands.

We will then head for home, arriving at the **Kellyville Plaza car park** around **5:00 pm**.

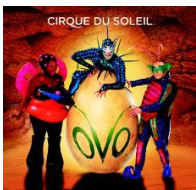
Cost: **\$65.00 per person (based on a minimum of 40 passengers)**  
**\$68.00 per person (based on a minimum of 35 passengers)**  
**\$72.00 per person (based on a minimum of 30 passengers)**

**Payment can be made at either the August or September general meetings**

A Notice of Activity form will be available during the August and September general meetings. Please add your name to this sheet if you will attend this outing. Contact Sue (Mobile 0402 848 334) for any further information.

## FUTURE EVENTS

### Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October



### Cirque Du Soleil - Ovo

at The Showring at the Entertainment Quarter  
122 Lang Road, Moore Park

The show starts at **4.00 pm**

**3 tickets for this show are still available**

**If you are interested, please see Les (and pay \$76.00 pp) at the August meeting**

## Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October

## Mystery Evening



John Daley is organising a **Mystery Evening** for **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October**. Can't tell you much about it, but it most likely will involve a number of venues somewhere or other.

Transport by hired coach will be provided to/from and between venues. Departure information will be advised in the September newsletter.

John has made a booking for 50 for which we are committed and we need that number of participants to keep the transport cost per member at a reasonable level.

The cost for transport and entry to the booked venue will be **\$25.00** per person. **Payment of this amount will be required by 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2012.**

We will have dinner during the evening. John's not saying where but he did let slip that the prices will be reasonable.

A Notice of Activity form will be available during the August, September and October general meetings. Please add your name to this sheet if you will attend this outing.

## Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November to Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November - Sun Seekers Caravan & Cabin Club



### Kendalls on the Beach Holiday Park, Bonaira Street, Kiama

### Reminder

For members who have booked **cabins** for this Sun Seekers event, a further **payment of \$250.00** is due at our **September meeting**.

### ACTIVITY GROUPS:

The following list shows our Club's established activities or groups.

ACTIVITY GROUPS	RESPONSIBLE CONTACT	VENUE	WHEN
Book Exchange - books for loan	Judy Toohey	Rex Money Room	At general meetings
Genealogy	Bernard Toohey (0419 218 751)	Various	1.30 pm on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month
La Bella Vita dinners & lunches	Sue Meredith (0402 848 334)		
Lawn Bowls	Cath Robertson (0402 245 243)	TBA	TBA
Mah-jong	Nola Love (0412 665 086)	Garden room below Castle Hill Library	12.30 pm on 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday of each month
Secret Men's Business	Barry Pareezer (0409 916 380)	McKells Café, Bella Vista	10.00 am on 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month
Secret Women's Business	Sandra Daley (0415 222 334)	Rave Café, Bella Vista	2.00 pm on 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday of each month
Social Card Group	Wayne Kedward (0412 465 021)	Various	1.30 pm on 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month
Sun Seekers Caravan & Cabin Club	David (0412 258 586) & Doreen (0417 266 802) Saggars		
Ten Pin Bowling	Sue Meredith (0402 848 334)	AMF Bowling Centre Hudson Avenue, Castle Hill	10.00 am on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday of every even numbered month
Touring	Barry Pareezer (0409 916 380)		
Walking Group	Barry Pareezer (0409 916 380)	Various	Friday after each general meeting



## NEW ACTIVITY GROUP



Following the **Ten Pin Bowling** event in June, quite a few members indicated that they would be interested in playing on a regular basis. The "vote" on preferred frequency of activity was split between monthly and quarterly so a compromise of "every other month" is proposed.

Sue has negotiated "a deal" to establish a mini-league booking of 4 lanes at the **AMF Bowling Centre, Hudson Avenue, Castle Hill** at **10.00 am** on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Friday** of **every even numbered month**.

The cost is \$20.00 per player and includes 2 games (including shoe hire), a Quarter Pound Cheeseburger or Quarter Pound Burger with lettuce, tomato and beetroot and with your choice of a standard beer, glass of wine, bottled soft drink or tea/coffee.

The first event for this new mini-league is at **10.00 am** on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2012**. An expression of interest sheet will be placed on the information table at the August general meeting. Please add your name, email address and contact phone number to this sheet if you are interested.

## Activity Groups this month



The "**Secret Women's Business**" group will meet at **2.00 pm** on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> August** at **Rave Café** in the Sky City Building, 20 Lexington Drive, Bella Vista.



The **Mah-jong Group** will meet at **12.30pm** on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August** in the meeting room below **Castle Hill Library**, corner of Castle & Pennant Streets, Castle Hill.



The "**Secret Men's Business**" Group will meet at **10:00 am** on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August** at **Cafe McKel's**, Shop 14 at the Circa Shopping Centre on Circa Blvd, Bella Vista.



The **Social Card Group** will meet at **1.30 pm** on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August**. The location will be announced at the August meeting.



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The **Genealogy Group** will meet at **1.30 pm** on **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> August**. The location will be announced at the August meeting.



The **Mah-jong Group** will meet at **12.30pm** on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August** in the meeting room below **Castle Hill Library**, corner of Castle & Pennant Streets, Castle Hill.



The **Social Card Group** will meet at **1.30 pm** on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August**. The location will be announced at the August meeting.

**YOUR COMMITTEE 2012 – 2013:**

President	Les Clayton	0412 678 581	president@bvpc.org.au
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Newsletter	Denis Meredith	0411 550 864	newsletter@bvpc.org.au

**TREASURER'S REPORT      July 2012**

Bank	July 2012	Comments
Opening balance	\$7,010.70	
+ Credits	\$3,096.95	Members payment for events and venues and cash transfer from Petty Cash
- Debits	\$5,004.74	Payments to Hills Shire Council, Awards & More, Hopkinsons Coaches, Castle Hill Players, Historic House Trust & Mystery Night Venue
Closing balance	\$5,102.91	
<b>Petty Cash</b>		
Opening balance	\$107.95	
+ Receipts	\$143.95	Members morning tea contributions
- Payments	\$151.35	Reimbursement for refreshments & transfer to bank
Closing balance	\$100.55	

Further information for any transaction is available on request from the Treasurer.

**BIRTHDAYS**

To our members celebrating a birthday in August

**Jack Bylsma, Philip Iacono, Maureen Love  
Barbara Misso, Cedric Misso, Wentworth Wood**



Your birthday is a special time to celebrate the gift of 'you' to the world



**MEMBERSHIP & GENERAL MEETINGS:**

**Meeting register**



Please sign in on the meeting register when you arrive for each general meeting. This is needed for insurance cover and for attendance records. Please advise our Membership Officer, Cecile Iacono ([membership@bvpc.org.au](mailto:membership@bvpc.org.au) or Phone: 0412 687 880) if you are unable to attend any particular General Meeting. If you require a 'Leave of Absence' for two or more consecutive General Meetings, please send a brief note to the Membership Officer by email or by post to PO Box 7592 Baulkham Hills BC, NSW 2153.

### Roster for meeting set up



We have a roster system for setting up and putting away tables & chairs for meetings. If you can help, please add your name(s) to the roster sheet at the information table at our next meeting.

Month	Chairs & Tables Roster
August	John & Val Langford
September	Keith & Helen Leeson
October	Keith Drake
November	
December	
January	

### Roster for assisting with refreshments



A roster system has been established to assist Lorraine with serving refreshments at meetings. If you can help, please add your name(s) to the roster sheet at the information table at our next meeting.



Month	Refreshments Roster
August	Nola Love, Rae Bylsma
September	Kay Dickinson, Lorraine Palmer
October	Doreen Sagggers, Leone Bryant
November	Kay Robertson, Eleanor Fraser
December	Narelle Pareezer, Lyn Gorman
January	Carol Clayton

### Roster for greeting visitors



A roster system has been established to assist the Membership Officer and Committee Members in ensuring that visitors to our meetings are welcomed and made to feel comfortable. If you can help, please add your name(s) to the roster sheet at the information table at our next meeting.

Month	Visitor Greeting Roster
August	Noel & Sue Casey
September	John & Val Langford
October	Trevor & Josephine Batten
November	Judy Hammond
December	
January	