



# BELLA VISTA PROBUS CLUB NEWSLETTER - August 2013

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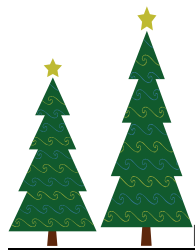
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## *President's Message:*



**GREAT NEWS** The Hills Shire Council is providing our club with a \$1,000 grant for the purchase of a projector and a screen.



**DECEMBER 18 – 7.00 pm!**

It's a Wednesday! Circle the date on your calendar or in your diary, as this will be a very special night. Join in the fun, fellowship and friendship at the Christmas Buffet Dinner in the Grand Ballroom at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Norwest.

The cost of the Christmas Buffet Dinner, including drinks is \$72.00 each. BUT wait, there's more!!! You pay \$50 and \$22 will be paid on your behalf from club funds.

The management committee and their partners look forward to welcoming you on arrival at 7.00pm for a pre-dinner drink, prior to the Christmas Buffet Dinner commencing at 7.30 pm.

**COINS** If you can possibly bring \$1 or \$2 coins for your morning tea contribution it would be a great help in speeding up the signing-in process.

### **AT THE AUGUST 7 GENERAL MEETING:**

- Denis Meredith will be outlining the procedure for payment by Direct Credit Transfer which is to be made available to members. Narelle Pareezer and Denis have set up the procedures and have carried out a very successful mini-trial.
- I will outline the proposed management committee review of the membership and membership waiting list. Eleven people are currently on the BVPC Membership Waiting List. This review will be based on information provided by all our members.
- **You will need a pen for the activity.**

Best wishes to those members who are unwell, in hospital or recovering after a stay in hospital.  
Safe travelling to the many members enjoying holidays during the coming weeks.

*Regards, Cecile*

## AUGUST GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> August

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.



The speaker for this meeting will be **Sharon Foord**, Manager - Governance Projects for The Hills Shire Council. She will address us on the background to the Council's forthcoming move from its current Showground Road, Castle Hill site to its new location near the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

It is also possible that Stephen Cullen, Manager, Special Projects for the Hills Shire will also be in attendance. As many members are Hills Shire residents, their presentation will serve to clarify a lot of queries members may have.

A lunch booking has been made at **The Grand Lotus** for lunch. This is a banquet meal and not a-la-carte. Please join us.

### Lunch Menu

Entrée: Steam Dim Sim  
Prawn Dumpling  
Chicken Spring Roll  
Mains: Garlic King Prawns  
Honey Chicken  
Mongolian Lamb  
Stir Fried Mixed Vegies  
Fried Rice  
Complimentary Chinese Tea

**\$25 Per Person**

### Payments due at August meeting

If you have nominated for any of the following outings or events, payments are due on **7<sup>th</sup> August, 2013**

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| • Novelty Card Night ( <b>if you have not already paid</b> ) | \$10.00 pp   |
| • The Rocks Pub Walk   | \$44.00 pp   |
| • BVPC Polo Shirts (if you have ordered one)                 | \$37.50 each |

## AUGUST EVENTS

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August

Walking Group



Harbour Sculpture, Woolwich



Meet at: **9.00 – 9.15 am** for coffee at **City Extra**, Circular Quay.

Catch the Woolwich/Balmain ferry from wharf 5 at **10.10 am** (arriving at Woolwich at 10.34)

Walk from Woolwich Wharf to Clarkes Point Reserve and spend 1½ - 2 hours wandering around the exhibition and around the reserve.

At **12.45 pm** wander up to the **Woolwich Pier Hotel** for lunch.

After lunch, walk back to Woolwich Wharf and catch the ferry back to Circular Quay.

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

Don't forget your good walking shoes **and your BVPC polo shirt**. Contact Barry (Mobile 0409 916 380) for any further information.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August**

**Lunch**



at: **Geranium Cottage**  
**828 Old Northern Road, Middle Dural**

Time: **11.30 am for 12.00 midday**

Choose 2 courses from a special menu, \$25.00 pp, pay on the day.

A Notice of Activity form will be available during the August general meetings. Please add your name to this sheet if you will attend this event. Contact Carol (Mobile 0413 366 568) for any further information.

**Friday 23<sup>rd</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**

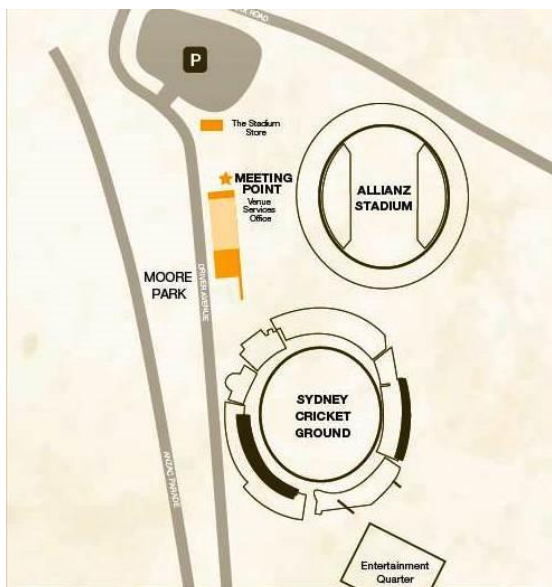
Cost: **\$10.00 per person**

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

A Notice of Activity form will still be available during the August general meeting. Last chance to add your name to this sheet if you want to attend. Contact Keith Gorman (Mobile 0403 185 949) for any further information.

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August**

**SCG & Allianz Stadium Tour and lunch in the Members Lawn Café**



Experience the ambience of the Ladies Stand, Members Pavilion and the Long Bar; experience the SCG Museum's holographic light show and sporting exhibitions; see which 47 sporting heroes are honoured in the Walk of Honour; visit the players' rooms and the SCG field of play; and run (! or perhaps walk) down the Allianz Stadium tunnel.

Meet at: **10.45 am** outside the Venue Services Office off  
Driver Avenue

Tour starts: **11.00 am** and takes around 1½ hours. The  
tour includes a small amount of walking.

After the tour, there is the option of a leisurely outdoor lunch at the Members Lawn Café. Contact Denis (Mobile 0411 550 864) for any further information.

## SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> to Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September - Sun Seekers Caravan & Cabin Club



# Lennox Head



Contact David (0412 258 586) or Doreen (0417 266 802) for any further information.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September

Walking Group



## The Rocks Pub Walk

Meet at: **5.30 pm** next to **The Rocks Visitors Centre** (corner of Argyle & Playfair Streets, The Rocks).

Tread in the footsteps of the convicts, larrikin gangs & locals of the past as you share a drink in 3 of Sydney's oldest pubs. Between watering holes, your guide will take you through the alleys & cobbled streets of The Rocks as they share the gossip, shouts and stories of Australia's first European settlement.

**\$44.00 per person**

Includes a guided 2 hour walking tour, a choice of a beer, wine or soft drink (285ml or 10oz) at each pub, a discount dining card for a meal at one of The Rocks' participating pubs.

After the tour, you can use your discount dining card to enjoy a tasty discounted meal (own cost).

**Payment is required by 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2013**

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

Don't forget: your good walking shoes **and your BVPC polo shirt**. Contact Denis (Mobile 0411 550 864) or Barry (Mobile 0409 916 380) for any further information.

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

**Newington Armory Tour and lunch at the Armory Wharf Café**



Meet at: **10.45 am** in front of the main entrance to the Newington Armory  
In Jamieson Street (off Holker Street), Newington

Tour starts: **11.00 am** and takes around 2 hours. The tour includes a small amount of walking.

Reflect upon the past as you explore Newington Armory and listen to the stories of the depot working life during its years, operating as a Naval Armament Depot. Tour highlights include:

- Tour commentary aboard the heritage train;
- A guided exploration of the original 1897 precinct and wharf;
- A torch lit walk through the lantern passageways of the original gunpowder magazine;
- Access to the former explosives storehouse and laboratory;
- Interpretive working life display and armament display.



After the tour, we will enjoy a Lieutenant's Lunch Package at the Armory Wharf Café including a glass of fruit soda and your choice from:

- Armory Toasted Ciabatta Rolls (grilled scotch fillet or vegetarian) served with chips;
- Small Tempura Flathead and chips.
- Choice of tea, coffee or hot chocolate.

**Tour only \$15.00 per person      Tour + Lunch \$38 per person**  
**Payment is required by 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2013**

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 tour and lunch. Contact Denis (Mobile 0411 550 864) or Lesley Kedward (Mobile 0412 387 728) for any further information.

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September**

**Lunch**



at: **Trevi Restaurant**  
**Lakeside, Baulkham Hills**

Time: **12.00 noon**

Cost: **\$25.00 per person** (includes main course and a drink)

**Payment is required by 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2013**

A Notice of Activity form will be available at the August and September general meetings. Please add your name to this sheet if you will attend this lunch. Contact Carol; (Mobile: 0413 366 568)

## **FUTURE EVENTS**

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October**

### **Mystery Evening**



As usual, can't tell you much about this, it's a mystery! Only John Daley knows.

Transport by hired coach will be provided. Our coach will be waiting at the western end of the **Kellyville Plaza car park** (on the corner of Wrights Road and York Road).

Boarding will be at **4.45 pm** for **5.00 pm** departure. Please don't be late as you won't know where to go if the bus has already departed.

There will be a stop for dinner somewhere (own cost). BUT, when deciding what to have for dinner, you might want to keep in mind that a supper will be served later in the evening.

You will be returned to Kellyville Plaza when the evening's fun is over.

Cost: **\$50.00** per person (for transport, venue & supper)

**Payment is required by 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2013**

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. Don't bother contacting anyone for any further details, you will have to wait and see!

## **BIRTHDAYS**

To our members celebrating a birthday in August



**Cedric Misso, Philip Iacono, Barbara Misso,  
Wentworth Wood and Jack Bylsma**

However good or bad a situation is, it will change



## **ACTIVITY GROUPS:**

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

<b>ACTIVITY GROUPS</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE CONTACT</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>WHEN</b>
Book Exchange - books for loan	Judy Toohey	Rex Money Room	At general meetings
Craft	Elaine Barnes (0417 297 000)	Various	10.00 am on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month
Genealogy	Bernard Toohey (0419 218 751)	Various	1.30 pm on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month
La Bella Vita dinners and lunches	Carol Clayton (0413 366 568)		
Lawn Bowls	Cath Robertson (0402 245 243)	TBA	TBA
Mah-jong	Nola Love (0412 665 086)	Various	1.00 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)	"Coffee Corner" at the Bella Vista Hotel	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

ACTIVITY GROUPS	RESPONSIBLE CONTACT	VENUE	WHEN
Sun Seekers Caravan and Cabin Club	David (0412 258 586) & Doreen (0417 266 802) Sagers		
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 odd numbered month
Touring	Barry Pareezer (0409 916 380)		
Walking Group	Barry Pareezer (0409 916 380)	Various	Friday after each general meeting

## Activity Groups this month



The "Secret Women's Business" group will meet at **2.00 pm** on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August** in the **coffee corner** of the **Bella Vista Hotel** on the **corner of Lexington Drive and Woolworths Way, Bella Vista.**



The **Mah-jong Group** will meet at **1.00pm** on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup>** and **23<sup>rd</sup> August.** The location will be announced at the next general meeting.



The **Craft Group** will meet at **10.00 am** on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August** at **21 Yaringa Road, Castle Hill.**



The "Secret Men's Business" Group will meet at **10:00 am** on **Tuesday 13<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 13<sup>th</sup>** and **27<sup>th</sup> August.** The location will be announced at the next general meeting.



The **Genealogy Group** has currently gone into hibernation and will continue in the warmer months at which time an action and location will be announced.



The **Ten Pin Bowling Group** will **not meet** this month



Future dates for the **Sun Seekers Caravan and Camping Club** activities are:

Port Macquarie – 14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> November

For further details contact Doreen or David

**YOUR COMMITTEE 2013 – 2014:**

President	Cecile Iacono	0412 687 880	president@bvpc.org.au
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Day Events Coordinator	Denis Meredith	0411 550 864	events@bvpc.org.au
Dining Coordinator	Carol Clayton	0413 366 568	hospitality@bvpc.org.au
Tours Coordinator	Barry Pareezer	0409 916 380	tours@bvpc.org.au
Communications Officer	Noel Casey	0422 390 073	newsletter@bvpc.org.au

**TREASURER'S REPORT      As at 17<sup>th</sup> July 2013**



Bank	July 2013	Comments
Opening balance	\$7,846.50	
+ Credits	\$1,324.50	Members payments for Aitkens Panorama, C'mas in July, SCG/ANZ Stadium Tour, Rocks Pub Walk, PC Polo shirts
- Debits	\$3,223.48	Payments to Aitkens Panorama, 20% Dep Crowne Plaza C'mas December booking, Mean Fiddler C'mas in July
Closing balance	\$5,947.52	
<b>Petty Cash</b>		
Opening balance	\$104.95	
+ Receipts	\$162.00	Members morning tea contributions 3/7/2013
- Payments		
Closing balance	\$266.95	

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

**MEMBERSHIP & GENERAL INFORMATON:**

**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, Sandra Nobbs ([welfare@bvpc.org.au](mailto:welfare@bvpc.org.au) or Phone: 0419 985 244) 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.

**NOTE: TWO MEN TO PUT UP AND DOWN TABLES AT ALL TIMES**

Month	Chairs & Tables Roster
August	John and Val Langford
September	
October	Barry and Anne Taylor
November	
December	

## 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	Eleanor Fraser, Lyn Gorman
September	Helen Leeson, Val Langford
October	Carol Ashton, Elaine Barnes
November	Leone Bryant and Marilyn Courts
December	

## 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	Kay Robertson, Julie Moffit
September	
October	Les and Carol Clayton
November	Noel and Sue Casey
December	

## OUR WEBSITE:



Bella Vista Probus Club Inc.

For access to our website, go to [www.bvpc.org.au](http://www.bvpc.org.au).

If you have any information you would like included in our website, please send details to **Bernard Toohy** ([webmaster@bvpc.org.au](mailto:webmaster@bvpc.org.au)).

## NEWSLETTERS:

Please send any information for inclusion in the **Newsletter** to **Noel Casey** ([newsletter@bvpc.org.au](mailto:newsletter@bvpc.org.au) or phone, 0422 390 073).