



BELLA VISTA PROBUS CLUB

NEWSLETTER - September 2013

ISSUE DATE: 29th August 2013

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Website: www.bvpc.org.au

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President's Message:



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to all our fathers and grandfathers. Enjoy your special Sunday.

THE HILLS SHIRE COUNCIL \$1,000 GRANT

The projector and screen have not been purchased to date as the management committee have been advised that The Hills Shire Council intends to install a permanent projector and screen in the Rex Money Room. Once this equipment is installed, we will seek approval from The Hills Shire Council to use the grant for the alternative purchase of a new sound system for our meetings.

MEMBERSHIP & WAITING LIST REVIEW

At the August general meeting members were asked to advise Sandra Nobbs if their partners would be interested in joining Bella Vista Probus Club should membership vacancies become available. Your response will provide the management committee with the correct information on which to base the review. This request does not imply that membership vacancies will be available.

If you have not already done so, please email Sandra Nobbs, Membership and Welfare, by September 4 if your wife, husband, partner would be interested in future membership.

15 DAY AMSTERDAM TO BUDAPEST RIVER CRUISE – DEPARTS 10 SEPTEMBER, 2014

The Coonara-Cherrybrook Probus Club has invited members of Bella Vista Probus Club to join them on this wonderful cruise. There are 10 cabins available.

Impulse Travel, Dural, is organising this trip which includes airfares, cruise, tours and meals. Impulse Travel has provided all the tour information and costs.

Barry Pareezer will provide further information at the September general meeting and the website to view all the cruise information and costs.

JANUARY 2014 GENERAL MEETING

As the first Wednesday of the month is New Year's Day the January, 2014 general meeting will be held on Wednesday 8 January.

SEPTEMBER 4 MEETINGS

The majority of the management committee will be enjoying holidays so there will not be a September 4 Management Committee Meeting.

John Langford will chair the September 4 general meeting while I am in Perth next week.

The general meeting times are now 9.15 am arrival for a 9.30 am meeting start.

Safe travelling to the Sunseekers as they enjoy the sunshine in Lennox Head next week.

Regards, Cecile

SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 4th September

The **September** 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 guest speaker at this meeting will be **Judy Horton**, editor of the Yates Garden Guide. Judy also compiles the regular Yates newsletters and gardening calendar and has written two gardening books and many articles for gardening magazines as well as appearing as a regular on TV and 2UE with Don Burke and Tim Webster.

A booking has been made for lunch after our meeting at **Lusso Restaurant**.

Payments due at the September meeting

If you have nominated for any of the following outings or events, payments are due on **4th September, 2013**

la bella vita lunch at Trevi Lakeside (TREVI)	\$25.00 pp
Mystery evening (MYST)	\$50.00 pp

Payments by Direct Credit transfer

These payments **MUST be available** in the Club's bank account by **Friday 30th August**

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Thursday 5th to Monday 9th September - Sun Seekers Caravan & Cabin Club



Lennox Head



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

Thursday 12th 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.

Included is 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).

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

Wednesday 18th September

Newington Armory Tour and lunch at the Armory Wharf Café

This tour and lunch have been cancelled

Friday 27th September

Lunch



at: **Trevi Restaurant
Lakeside, Baulkham Hills**
Time: **12.30 pm**
Cost: **\$25.00 per person** (includes main course and a drink)

Payment is required by 4th 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) for any further information.

EXTRA ORDINARY SEPTEMBER WALKING GROUP



The extraordinary lengths some Bella Vista Probus Club members will go to, to meet up for "special walking events". While venturing into the amazing and dangerous Fjords of the Viking World (Norway) the tribes of Casey, Clayton, Kedward and Conn met on friendly terms to discuss the routes of the lands they next expected to conquer, although some of the tribe members were unsure about the "pillage and plunder" section of the conquest.

As in centuries past the modern day yelling of "*giddy, how ya going*" is still recognisable!!!!!!

OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 2nd October

The **October** 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 **Johnny Pace**

A booking has been made at **Coco Cubano** for lunch after our meeting. Please join us.

OCTOBER EVENTS

Friday 4th October

Walking Group



Royal Botanical Gardens, Sydney



This is a repeat of the very first walking group outing in December 2010 and at which the attendance was 7.

Meet at: **10.30 am** for coffee at **City Extra**, Circular Quay.

The walk will commence at **11.00 am**. We plan to walk around the foreshore, past the Opera House and around Lady Macquarie's Chair, entering the gardens via Lions Gate. We will then make our way down to the restaurant/café where we can have lunch. There is plenty of seating if you wish to bring your own lunch.

At **1.00 pm** we will join an organised tour of the gardens which lasts for about an hour before returning to Circular Quay for the trip home.

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

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

Sunday 13th October

12.30 pm until 4.00 pm

Jazz at The Pines



Roughley House, 656 Old Northern Road, Dural

Gates open at **11.30 am**

We have booked 4 tables (of 8) for this performance by the **Bridge City Jazz Band** (but we have been told that we can fit up to 40 at our tables)

\$10.00 per person (payable at the gate)

Entry includes a tour of historic Roughly House.

Bring your own picnic lunch and drinks OR
You can purchase a home-made afternoon tea from the volunteers in the visitors centre.

A Notice of Activity form will be available during the September and October general meetings. Please add your name to this sheet if you will attend this event. Contact Lesley Kedward (Mobile 0412 387 728) for any further information.

Wednesday 16th October

12.00 noon

Picnic lunch at Fagan Park



Arcadia Road, Galston

\$10.00 per person (payment required by 2nd October 2013)

Picnic lunch of chicken, quiche, salad, bread rolls, fruit, tea/coffee provided.
BYO drinks and chairs.

A Notice of Activity form will be available during the September and October 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.

Tuesday 22nd October at 6.30 pm

Dinner



The Hills College Training Restaurant 21fiftythree



146-160 Old Northern Road, Baulkham Hills

\$30 per person (payable at the October general meeting)

The Hills College Training Restaurant 21fiftythree again won the NSW Tourism Award for excellence in Training and Education in 2012. This is third year in a row that the college has won this particular award. Those who have been fortunate to dine there will know why.

The capacity of Restaurant 21fiftythree is limited and there is frenzied competition for dinner bookings when they become available (twice each year). On this occasion, we have been able to make a booking for 20. That's the best we've ever done.

If you have had the good fortune to dine at Restaurant 21fiftythree on previous occasions, please give those who have not been so fortunate an opportunity to do so

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

Saturday 26th 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 4th September, 2013

A Notice of Activity form will be available during the 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!

FUTURE EVENTS

Tuesday 5th November

Melbourne Cup Luncheon



Venue: **Rosehill Bowling Club**
Corner James Ruse Drive & Hassall Street, Rosehill

Time: **11.30 am** for lunch at **12.00 noon**

Cost: **\$17.00** per person (same price as last year)

Includes: Champagne/juice on arrival;
Lunch from the all-you-can-eat buffet;
Lucky door prize;
A raffle & tipping competition;

and by special arrangement,
A big screen for the trackside fashions, the race and the cup presentation.

Payment is required by 2nd October, 2013

A Notice of Activity form will be available at the September and October general meetings. Please add your name to this sheet if you will be attending this function. Contact Carol (Mobile 0413 366 568) or Denis (Mobile 0411 550 864) for any further information.

Saturday 23rd November



THE MUSEUM THAT GOES TO SEA!

SYDNEY HARBOUR SECRETS CRUISE

Discover the secrets of Sydney Harbour aboard the **1902 steam tug Waratah**. The cruise will pass important and interesting sites around the harbour including Goat Island, Garden Island, Mort's Dock, Woolwich Dock, Spectacle, Snapper and Cockatoo Islands. An experienced Tour Guide will tell you about their historical significance to Sydney Harbour and the people of Sydney.

Where: The cruise departs the Sydney Heritage Fleet's base in **James Craig Road, Rozelle (Gate 4)**

At: **12.00 noon sharp** and finishes at: **3.15 pm**.

Transport options

441 or 442 bus from QVB (near Town Hall), alight Victoria Rd near Lilyfield Rd + short 5 min walk to James Craig Road (off The Crescent)

[Light Rail](#) from Central Station, alight at Rozelle Bay + short 5 minute walk to James Craig Road

Self-drive - some parking may be available in areas off James Craig Road, a short walk from the shipyard.

Bring along your own picnic lunch and drinks. An afternoon tea of coffee and cake is included in the ticket price.

\$32.00 per person (payment is required by 2nd October, 2013)

A Notice of Activity form will be available during the September and October general meetings. Please add your name to this sheet if you will attend this cruise. Contact Lesley Kedward (Mobile 0412 387 728) for any further information.

AND ANOTHER IMPORTANT DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:



Good news! We have been successful in getting 40 tickets for

Strictly Ballroom, the Musical



at **The Lyric Theatre** at **1.00 pm** on **Wednesday 28th May 2014**

Full details will be provided in the February and March newsletters next year.

BIRTHDAYS

To our members celebrating a birthday in September



Sue Mathur, Lorraine Palmer, Julie Moffitt, Ivy Joel, Bruce Wright, John Langford, Nalini MacIntyre, Judy Hammond, Danny Parmeter, Denis Meredith, Val Langford and Ernest MacIntyre



Don't audit life. Show up and make the most of it now.

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
Craft	Elaine Barnes (0417 297 000)	Various	10.00 am on the 2 nd Friday of each month
Genealogy	Bernard Toohey (0419 218 751)	Various	1.30 pm on the 3 rd 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 nd & 4 th Friday of each month
Secret Men's Business	Barry Pareezer (0409 916 380)	Mckells Café, Bella Vista	10.00 am on 2 nd Tuesday of each month

ACTIVITY GROUPS	RESPONSIBLE CONTACT	VENUE	WHEN
Secret Women's Business	Sandra Daley (0415 222 334)	"Coffee Corner" at the Bella Vista Hotel	2.00 pm on 1 st Monday of each month
Social Card Group	Wayne Kedward (0412 465 021)	Various	1.30 pm on 2 nd & 4 th Tuesday of each month
Sun Seekers Caravan and 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 rd 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 2nd September** 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 13th and 27th September**. The location will be announced at the next general meeting.



The **Craft Group** will meet at **10.00 am** on **Friday 13th September** at **21 Yaringa Road, Castle Hill**.



The "**Secret Men's Business**" Group will meet at **10:00 am** on **Tuesday 10th September** 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 10th and 24th September**. 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 meet this month at **10.00 am** on **Friday 20th September** at the AMF Bowling Centre in **Hudson Avenue, Caste Hill**.



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

Port Macquarie – 14th to 19th 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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Communications Officer	Noel Casey	0422 390 073	communications@bvpc.org.au

TREASURER'S REPORT As at 28th August 2013



Bank	August 2013	Comments
Opening balance	\$5,947.52	Members payments for Card Night, Rocks Walk, Newington Armory, Mystery Night, Trevi Lunch, PC Polo shirts SCG Tour & cash transfer from Petty cash. Refunds x 8 Re cancellation Newington Tour, Deposit December Booking Castle Hill Players, Rocks Pub Walk
+ Credits	\$2,904.50	
- Debits	\$2,685.52	
Closing balance	\$6,166.50	
Petty Cash		
Opening balance	\$266.95	Members morning tea contributions 7/8/2013
+ Receipts	\$132.00	Float (\$100) for change for event payments, Cash transferr to bank (\$125)
- Payments	\$225.00	
Closing balance	\$173.95	



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 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.

TWO MEN AT ALL TIMES IN PUTTING UP AND DOWN TABLES

Month	Chairs & Tables Roster
September	Danny Parmeter, Gordon Conn
October	Barry and Anne Taylor
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
September	Helen Leeson, Val Langford
October	Carol Ashton, Elaine Barnes
November	Leone Bryant
December	Gaye Parmeter, Julie Moffitt, Lorraine Palmer
January	Marilyn Courts
February	Malini Arumugam, Roslyn Kaye

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
September	Thirua and Malini Arumugam
October	Les and Carol Clayton
November	Noel and Sue Casey
December	
January	

OUR WEBSITE:



Bella Vista Probus Club Inc.

For access to our website, go to 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).

NEWSLETTERS:

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