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# NEWSLETTER

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**NEXT CLUB MEETING: 10.00 am. Thursday 11th November, 2021**

**If unable to attend please phone your apology to Helen Faulkner (0416 261 386) before the meeting**

**SDA Youth Hall, 121 Barbaralla Drive, Springwood**

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2021-2022

**President: Jeff Beach 0418 783 300**

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**Past President: Raghbir Kalsi 0412 210 249**

## President's Message



November is a month in Springwood Club's history which has special significance, as it was on 29th November 2001 when the club was founded and this month we are celebrating the 20th anniversary. Within the club we have four Foundation members who signed up for the first meeting. They are Diane Mason, Val Broady, Bev King and Des King.

To mark this occasion, at our monthly meeting we will celebrate with a special birthday cake and a presentation to our four members. On Wednesday night 17th November a special anniversary dinner has been arranged by our dineouts co-ordinator Alicia Cook at the Whitehouse restaurant, Waterford. We are expecting a good turnout for this function with over 50 members paid up to attend, so let's make it an enjoyable evening.

Last month I mentioned nominations for Management Committee positions for 2022 will be open. This is an opportunity to be a member of an active and progressive team. If you are interested, please talk to one of our current committee members to see what might suit your talents.

After a hectic month let's relax and enjoy the time running up to Christmas with no monthly meeting in December being replaced by a Christmas Party at Fitzy's Hotel, Loganholme.

Jeff Beach

**Our October speaker at short notice was Associate Professor Caroline Heim**



Caroline had been scheduled to give a short address and issue invitations to couples who had been married for 40 years or more to be interviewed for a book that she and her husband have been commissioned to write on *"Building Resilient Relationships."* In the absence of the scheduled speaker Caroline gave us a very entertaining address and a performance relating to the world of Shakespeare, along with busting some of the myths about Shakespeare

This started with some deep breathing exercises for the members at our meeting.

Much of the work of Shakespeare was about entertainment for the ordinary people, most of whom could not read or write. A lot of it about love and truth. He had to mask his political views for fear of losing his head. *"To be or not to be"*.



The language used is early modern English, and was quite guttural - much like pirate talk, of which Caroline gave a good example.

There were no females in his plays, all female roles were played by men.

Because of the themes and content of his plays Shakespeare is no longer allowed to be taught in several Universities in USA.

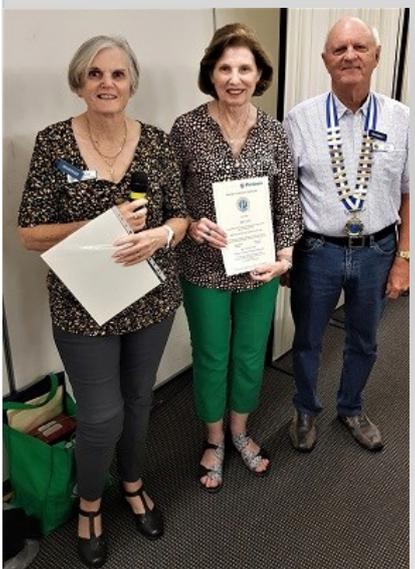
**Our Guest Speaker for November:**

**Colin Williams from Toastmasters International      Subject - Now that I have your attention.\**

**January:** Keir Tierney, Community Ambassador NBN talking about Scams.

**February:** Professor Roly Sussex (haven't received what subject he is talking on as yet)

Induction of Lyn Finn, our new member inducted by Anne Santangeli at our October meeting.



**Some of our "Friday Nighters" enjoying Friendship, Fellowship, Fun & FOOD!**



## OUR MEETING IS BEING HELD ON REMEMBRANCE DAY

I recently read the story below which I feel is worth sharing.

*“Today I saw a man distributing poppies, stop a lady and ask if he could reposition her poppy.*

*While doing so he told the lady she should wear the poppy on her left side (over her heart); the red represents the blood of all those who gave their lives, the black represents the mourning of those who didn't have their loved ones return home, and the green leaf represents the grass and crops growing and future prosperity after the war destroyed so much.*

*The leaf should be positioned at 11 o'clock to represent the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, the time that World War One formally ended.*

*He was worried that younger generations wouldn't understand this and that his generation wouldn't be around much longer to teach them.”*

I do wonder myself how many of our grandchildren understand the significance of Remembrance Day – and why we pause for a moment's silence at 11.00am on the 11<sup>th</sup> November each year.

The Ode:

*“They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;*

*Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.*

*At the going down of the sun and in the morning*

*We will remember them.”*

**LEST WE FORGET**

Mrs. Churchill was obviously just as witty as he was!!



One day, the Churchill couple walked through a posh neighborhood in London.

People greeted and exchanged words with Prime Minister Winston Churchill

A street sweeper, on the other hand, greeted Mrs. Churchill in particular, and the two stayed aside for a while in a familiar conversation. Churchill then asked his wife what she had to discuss with a street sweeper for so long.

"Ah... he was in love with me a long time ago," she said.

Churchill smiled and said, "You see, if you had married him, you would be the wife of a street sweeper today."

Mrs. Churchill looked at her husband in amazement and said the legendary words:

"But no, my Darling, if I had married him, he would be Prime Minister today."





**Birthday Greetings for November**

07 Peter Sampson 07 Yvonne Whale

08 Jeff Horne

12 Dawn Andersen-Stubbs

21 Merv Richens 28 Myrtle Peters

**29th November is the 20th Anniversary of the Foundation of our Springwood Probus Club**

**Your Club Calendar Outings and Activities**

Date	Activity	Venue	Time
Tue 2nd Nov	Coffee and Chat	Springwood Park, Cinderella Drive.	10.00 am
Tue 9th Nov	Craft Group	Joan Bamforth (0416 076 276)	9.30 am
Thu 11th Nov	Our Club Meeting	SDA Youth Hall	10.00 am
Sun 14th Nov	Rotary Movie Night	Hyperdome Cinemas	6.00pm
Wed 17th Nov	Club Birthday Dinner	The Whitehouse of Waterford	6.00 pm
Tue 23rd Nov	Ten Pin Bowling	Logan City Tenpin, 17 Wembley Rd.	10.00 am
Tue 23rd to 26th	Midweek Merriment Trip	Stanthorpe Top of the Town Village	9.30 am
Every Wed	Walking Group	Daisy Hill Forest Carpark 3	8.45 am
Every Wed	Trivia	Chatswood Hills Tavern	6.45 pm
Every Fri	Social Meal Gathering	Various Venues as below	5.30 pm

**November & Early December Friday Night Dine Out Dates:**

**Fri 5th Nov** Chatswood Tavern

**Fri 12th Nov** Woka Woka Eight Mile Plains

**Fri 19th Nov** Gateway of India

**Fri 26th Nov** Café 63, Springwood

**Fri 3rd Dec** Limon Restaurant, Underwood

**Fri 10th Dec** Yum Cha & Co 261 Warrigal Road

**All online payments now to BENDIGO BANK BSB: 633 000 Account number : 178 031 910**

**Account Name: Probus Club of Springwood**

**Please provide your surname and a reference to help Allan identify what you are paying for!**

**SAVE THE DATE**

***SPRINGWOOD CHRISTMAS LUNCH***



**THURSDAY 9 DECEMBER 2021**

**BUFFET CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

**11.30am for 12.15am**

**SHELDON ROOM  
FITZY'S LOGANHOLME  
BRYANTS ROAD  
LOGANHOLME**

**\$40.00 per member and \$45.00 non member/ guest**

**As this is a pre-paid function payment shall be required no later than Friday 25 November.**

**COMPLIMENTARY DRINK, LUCKY DOOR PRIZES AND ENTERTAINMENT BY STRIKE A CHORD**

**SO COME ALONG AND ENJOY A WONDERFUL DAY**

## UPCOMING DINEOUTS

**Wednesday 17th November:      20th BIRTHDAY DINNER      6.00 pm**

**Venue: The Whitehouse Restaurant 9-11 Nerang Street, Waterford**

**Pre Paid Function \$55.00      2 Course Dinner - Alternate Drop**

**Final payment required by 8 November, thank you.**

**Thursday 9th December:      CHRISTMAS LUNCH      11.30 am -12.00 pm**

**Fitzy's Tavern, Sheldon Room, Bryants Road, Loganholme.**

**Pre Paid Function \$40.00 members - \$43.00 Guests**

**Thursday 27th January, 2022:      AUSTRALIA DAY BBQ      11.00 am - 11.30 am**

**Tygum Park, Corner of Tygum and Park Roads, Waterford.**

**Pre Paid Function \$15.00 per person.**

**Thursday 17th February, 2022:      BREAKFAST      8.30 am - 9.00 am**

**Café 63, Cinderella Drive, Springwood**



**October Coffee and Chat - some of our male members who attended.**

**Sue Douglas arrived on her new bicycle.**



**COFFEE AND CHAT: Co-ordinated by Rose Johnson.**

***COFFEE AND CHAT IS HELD ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE POPULAR LOCATION IN SPRINGWOOD PARK, CINDERELLA DRIVE, SPRINGWOOD . 10.00 am***

**BYO: Chair, morning tea (If you wish)**



## 'It's in The Bag' Collection

If any of you ladies have any handbags, that are still in good condition and can be still used, 'It's in The Bag' would be very happy to receive them.

'It's In The Bag' donations is mainly for women, girls and those who are unable to buy themselves some of the necessary personal hygiene items, because of the financial circumstances that they are in and who are living in local shelters. The bags donated, are then filled with basic essentials, sanitary products, and special gifts for people in need at Christmas time.

Each bag will be filled with the **below-listed essentials**, so if people don't have any bags to donate, they might like to just contribute one or two of the following items. Every little bit helps those in need.

Sanitary items – in sealed bags or boxes only.

Shampoo Conditioner Toothbrush & Toothpaste Soap

Roll On Deodorant – not spray deodorant

**Please do not donate any items such as razors, scissors, food or pharmaceutical items.**

**I will collect the bags and donated items at our 11<sup>th</sup> November Probus meetings only.**

**The bags and or items can also be dropped off at any Bunnings store between 19<sup>th</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup> November, if people are wanting to drop off any donations themselves. The link to the organisation is below and there are two clips that can be viewed to explain it a little further:-**

<https://www.sharethedignity.org.au/itsinthebag>

A work colleague of mine has done this collection for the past few years and I try to assist her each time, to get as many donations as possible. We will be very appreciative of any small items and/or bag/s that can be donated and if you wish, you may place a personal message, Christmas card or small gift inside the bag as well, which will be really appreciated by the woman in need.

Kind regards, Adele Steenland



A crafty group of ladies gathered at Joan's home watched over by some men down the back having a chat at their September gathering.



October gathering of the Craft Group with "Brains Trust" at the back Rob, Len and Dave and "Supervisor" in the front Joan and Dave's new family addition.

Many thanks to our Probus members who have donated 8 ply wool for us to continue knitting our squares for Mission Possible.

## OUTINGS

**SUNDAY, 14<sup>th</sup> November** - Rotary Movie at Loganholme Event Cinemas - 6pm. Latest James Bond Movie: "No Time To Die" \$25 per ticket (includes raffle tickets). All proceeds to "END POLIO NOW" and The Rotary Foundation. Payment ASAP into Springwood Probus Bank Account and tickets will be given out on the night. Dinner before or after the movie is as yet to be decided. More information at our next meeting.

**Tuesday, 23rd November**      **Midweek Merriment trip to Stanthorpe, 23-26 November.**  
Suggested Activities – Lunch at Rudd's Pub and visit to Sister Kenny Museum on way to Stanthorpe, Visit to Granite Belt Christmas Farm for morning tea and shopping, Stanthorpe Museum, Cheese Tasting at Stanthorpe Cheese & Jersey Girls Café. Wine Tasting at Castle Glen Winery, Dinner at Anna's Restaurant, Happy Hour each afternoon. .

**Phone the Top of Town Holiday Village and make a booking ASAP so you don't miss out.**

**Full payment for accommodation is due 16th November.**

**No Outings for December.**

**JANUARY 2022** will be a combined Dine-Out/Outing for Australia Day. Details to follow.

**Please remember - If you have indicated that you are attending an outing where transport and catering are involved, and which has been pre-paid, no refund will be given**

**If you are paying by bank transfer for any outing, would you please ensure you put your surname and outing date against the payment so it can be easily identified.**

### **Tamborine Mountain Outing:**

Some photos from the "Tree Walk: and also the Coffee Plantation.



## MOUNT TAMBORINE

As usual, we Probian's are always on time so our departure from Springwood was at 8.30am as planned. The weather was perfect, a beautiful Spring day. After picking up Marie and Lorraine M at Logan Village, our happy bus load of 34 was complete and off we went.

Our first stop was the Tamborine Rainforest Skywalk. It certainly was a beautiful morning to be walking amongst the rainforest canopy. The bridge wobbled and swayed as we wandered along, which convinced a couple of people to return and take in the views from the verandah. All those who continued enjoyed the beautiful outlook and serenity. Even though we were high in the air, we were dwarfed by the height of some of the rainforest trees around us. A little way along the bridge we came to a plaque where we read that Jack Brabham's ashes had been scattered at this site at his request. A short walk later, we arrived at Cedar Creek Lookout. I could imagine sitting there pondering the beauty of life and serenity which surrounds you. Jeff, Graham and Lorraine M were busy taking some photos of us Probian's enjoying the walk. From the cantilever, the view was spectacular from all angles but once again, we all had the wobbles as we walked along. In no time, we were back at the bus and on our way to our second stop of the day, Mt Tamborine Coffee Plantation. We certainly all felt we had earned our coffee and muffins which were waiting for us.



Sam and his staff welcomed us and the smell of fresh coffee....ahhh! The muffins and coffee were delicious! We were then off on our tour and met our guide Tony, in the garden, where he told us about the labour intensive work involved in making the coffee that we all enjoy. He gave us a coffee "cherry" and told us the different processes involved in harvesting, dehusking and drying the beans before they are



taken for roasting. Coffee originated in Ethiopia and many other countries have since taken plants back to grow successfully in their own environments. Tony's plantation is only about 2 acres which is not enough to make the process viable so they import some coffee from overseas countries which they blend with their own to make their award winning coffee. They have won the Golden Bean Award four years in a row as judged as Australia's best coffee roasting business. We were taken into the Roastery (we all felt quite roasted by the end), where we were invited to compare the aromas of four different processes - honey, natural and washed processes and the husked green coffee. All quite distinctly different aromas. Tony then gave us some of his brewed coffee to taste. Quite strong - those who sampled it didn't fall asleep on the way home! A very interesting and different experience which everyone enjoyed.



The Scarecrow Festival is being held on the Mountain this weekend and there were plenty of scarecrows on display as we drove around. It was only a hop, step and a jump (or short bus ride) up to the Birchgrove Nursery and Garden Centre which was our lunch stop. The scarecrow which met us at the entrance to the Nursery was very colourful indeed. The nursery advertises they have 1000s of roses on display. Jeff was tempted and selected a new rose for his garden. There were also many other beautiful plants and the maples were absolutely amazing. The one I liked was only \$550 but Barry said we wouldn't be able to fit it on the bus!! Lunch was in various parts of the nursery, the food was delicious and the atmosphere very relaxing.



Time to once again board our bus for the trip home. Graeme, our bus driver, did a wonderful job negotiating the winding roads and tight corners during the day and delivered us back to Springwood safe and sound at around 3.45pm. Thank you everyone for making the day so successful. We are truly lucky to be part of such a friendly Club where the Probus Motto of Fun, Friendship and Fellowship is alive and very well.

Carolyn

### **Recycled Member Profile from one of our Foundation Members: Val Broady**

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> & bombs galore welcomed undersize twins Valerie & Anthony Broady into the world of war - thrown into a basket with dirty linen in hospital cellars, not expected to survive the night. A ship carrying 500 children to safety across the Atlantic left Liverpool that day but never made it. This ended the safety evacuation scheme of children to USA & Canada.

Early childhood was in Cheshire, where we were bullied at school because Dad was at home & on Home Guard duty for his work as an ICI chemist, but happy with life despite rationing. Still trying to lose my liking for sweet foods since parents thought sugar gives children energy. No expensive toys. Just a ball, stones for "jacks", canal swimming (banned!) & rides on old bikes with a "jam buttie" to eat, cadging sweets off "Yankies" waiting for the Transporter across the Mersey. Only raced home when it was dark or the factory hooter signalled Dad leaving work. No tv to make us want more things. Free grammar school & university, then research as industrial physicist & marriage at 21 against parents wishes. Gap time via 2year PNG job looked interesting in 1960s.



Jon was very ill there so we moved to Shepparton to house sit for our church minister and both soon had job offers. Jon started at the Ardmona cannery, then with the new Campbells Soups plant while I joined the public service plus voluntary probation liaison. This found us providing a weekend emergency home for 12 year old. This extended to 6 years fostering, when our "ineducable" daughter went to Monash university.

I loved the aussie casual lifestyle but Jon did not, so we returned to UK. Strange nowadays to remember that a 6 week Oriana cruise was cheaper than the airfare! Immediately offered great work in London but rush hour there was a horrible shock. Weeks passed before job offers in Worcester had us dreaming of renovating an old rural property. Unfortunately banks disagreed on minimum deposit so we moved to a new build house in Crowle, a lovely typical Worcestershire village where our son & daughter were born. Remember 18% mortgage and 32% credit card interest rates in the 1970s?

## **Recycled Member Profile from one of our Foundation Members: Val Broady (Cont.)**

Marriage was not going well for a while so I took a semester lecturing break in Qld, where my son was healthy for the first time in his life, thanks to the climate. Ultimatum to return to Australia! So with immediate work offers on the table as Regional Adviser for me and Personnel Manager with Comalco for Jon and two houses, we lived in Rockhampton during the week and Tannum Sands at weekends. Thanks Qld. I made a promise to grandparents to visit “home” every year – hadn’t expected to have to honour this with children & then a grandchild until Dad died at 95. Daren’t add up money spent on decades of airfares.

My travel system has been to take cheapest ticket, pulling kids out of school for this, then wherever in the world the plane lands, get off for several days to take a cheap holiday in a new country. Mum died not realising it doesn’t have to take 2 weeks to fly from Australia to UK.

Attitude to many things changed at 50, after a serious car crash. Tried learning to waterski, sailing, diving, flying lessons, classic car club with a 1960s Mark X Jaguar.....Last few years have been a new life since closing my business & TAFE contracts. Springwood Probus chartered & I became foundation Vice President, then newsletter editor (before helpful software, digital photographs & fancy printing). Also 2 years as speaker coordinator. Twelve Springwood Probians became foundation members for the Cornubia club, where I still hold dual membership.

Lately I have enjoyed more community commitments with volunteer work. Like my involvement with Toastmasters, Lions, college board, church missions & community speaking roles, Probus is another worldwide organisation which encourages visits overseas, meeting great people anywhere in the world during breaks on my annual trips to family (for next generation since my daughter now works internationally from a base near Heathrow). Travelling alone since being widowed is not fun. Several times I have enjoyed time as a volunteer “working” or attending conferences and hosted breaks in Asia, Africa, America, Middle East & Europe.

Despite a few joint replacements. Slowly I am recovering physically and psychologically from smashed thigh, 3 hips, 2 knees & wrist damage after leaving our meeting and falling on a grid in Coles carpark. However thanks to Probus insurance regardless of age or problems, lots of future travel is planned. My almost 5yr old & 8yr old grandsons need their crazy NanaVal mobile, though it was fun for them riding in my wheelchair for a while. Life is pretty good!

Val Broady



Left: Merv Richens (as convener) congratulating Ed Nylander (our first President on the Foundation of the club in November 2001).



Right: Presenting Charter to President Ed and Secretary Peter Downs.

**Remaining Foundation Members:** Des & Bev King, Diane Mason, Val Broady.



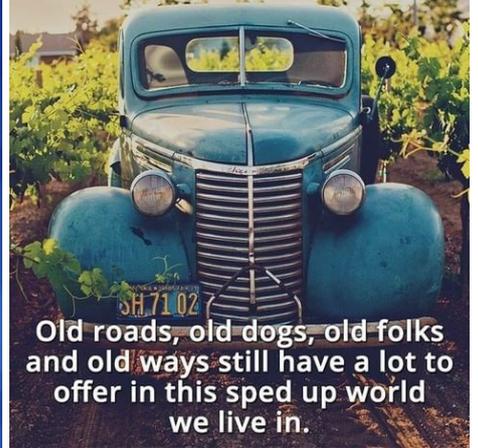
# HOW TO WALK A HUMAN A Dogs Guide

Humans need exercise. If they don't get it they become "chubby". It's up to you to save them.

1. Allow your human to tether themselves to you. This keeps them from wondering off or running away.
2. Your human will probably need breaks. Be considerate and stop and sniff often.
3. Bark frequently. Humans have short attention spans.
4. When you go to the bathroom, walk away. If you have trained your human correctly, they will pick it up. Good aerobics.
5. Periodically drag your human as fast as you can. This is called interval training.
6. Do not allow your human to shorten the walk. They are being lazy. Sit in protest if you must.
7. Once you return home, allow your human to remove their tether, then lick their face many times. This is positive reinforcement for a job well done.



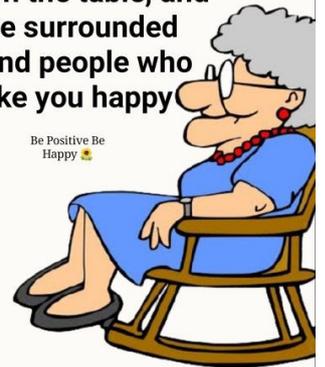
Sometimes you don't realize how good the good old days were until they're gone.



Old roads, old dogs, old folks and old ways still have a lot to offer in this sped up world we live in.

The older you get the more you realize You have no desire for drama, conflict or stress. You just want a cozy home, food on the table, and to be surrounded by kind people who make you happy

Be Positive Be Happy 🌻



## WHEN VISITING MY HOUSE PLEASE REMEMBER

IF YOU DON'T LIKE DOG HAIR STAY OFF THE SOFA

I LIVE HERE YOU ARE THE GUEST

YOU WILL BE SNIFFED & POSSIBLY LICKED DEAL WITH IT



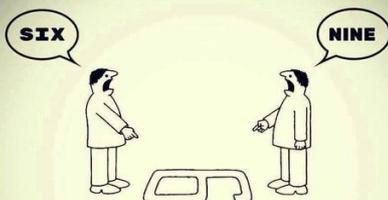
TO YOU I AM THE DOG, BUT HERE, I AM THE BABY

THEY LIKE ME MORE THAN THEY LIKE MOST HUMANS

THEY LOVE ME, THEY'RE ONLY FRIENDS WITH YOU



If your child can use a smartphone, they can easily operate any of the above!



Just because you are right, does not mean, I am wrong. You just haven't seen life from my side.



"An excellent plumber is infinitely more admirable than an incompetent philosopher. The society which scorns excellence in plumbing because plumbing is a humble activity and tolerates shoddiness in philosophy because it is an exalted activity will have neither good plumbing nor good philosophy. Neither its pipes nor its theories will hold water."

John W. Gardner