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NEWSLETTER

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NEXT CLUB MEETING: 10.00 am. Thursday 13th October, 2022

SDA Youth Hall, 121 Barbaralla Drive, Springwood

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

President's Message

Thank you to our member David Snape and his assistant Marcie for bringing to our attention the importance of learning CPR, and showing us the basics if we are unfortunately faced with a medical emergency.

In the last week Spring certainly has sprung. Although we grumble about the rain, it does energize the garden.

How many of us at the Carnival of Flowers trip said, "Oh I wish I had a garden like that". I know I did. What an amazing array of colour. My favourite display was Laurel Bank Park.

During the last year we have all enjoyed the various activities that have been on offer, with many more on the Probus calendar still to participate in. The Probus motto of Fun, Friendship and Fellowship has always been widely enjoyed by our Springwood Club, and in November the Club will be celebrating 21 years. Over this time the success of the Club is a credit to the dependable work performance by all previous committee members.

Although our AGM isn't until March 2023, it is important for the Club to start a succession plan to form the next committee. What can you offer? By joining and becoming involved on the Springwood committee you not only meet great people, but it gives you the chance to meet many more wonderful Springwood Probus members. Your help and assistance with considering a committee position is your opportunity to keep our Club thriving and strong for more successful years ahead.

Alicia



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

Account Name: Probus Club of Springwood
Please provide a reference to help Allan identify what you are paying for!

Guest Speakers: Our Guest Speaker for September was David Snape and Marcie

David Snape and Marcie from the Local Ambulance Committee gave a talk on CPR, how to use a Defibrillator, the difference between using CPR on an adult and a child.

They explained the signs of a stroke and a heart attack and how important immediate action is for the patient.

It was a very informative talk and we were better informed after the talk.

Current First Aid Manual were available for us to take home with the latest advice.



Another great speaker organised by Lorraine and more to follow:

October: No Guest Speaker: The Great Bake Off Competition

November: Graeme Nicholson: Canungra Railway

January: Sharon Hansen: President of Rotary Club of Loganholme



NEW MEMBERS

Di Walker inducted our new members, Dianne and Wayne Thomas. The President, Alicia Cook, handed over their name badges.





Birthday Greetings for October

02 Anne Santangeli 03 Peter Liosatis
 14 Pauline Neal 31 Joan Cook

Your Club Calendar Outings and Activities

Date	Activity	Venue	Time
Tue 4 th Oct	Coffee and Chat	Springwood Park, Cinderella Drive.	10:00 am
Fri 7 th Oct	Logan Loves Seniors - Probus Promotions Stand	Logan Entertainment Centre	
Tue 11 th Oct	Craft Group	Joan Bamforth (0416 076 276)	9:30 am
Thur 13 th Oct	Our Club Meeting	SDA Youth Hall	10:00 am
Thur 13 th Oct	Great Bake Off Competition	General Meeting	
Wed 19 th Oct	Juliet's High Tea	Devon Pixies Kingston Butter Factory	11:00 am
Thur 20 th Oct	Romeo's Outing - Coomera Gold Coast Motor Museum	Lunch - Coomera Tavern	10:30 am
Fri 21 st Oct	Ella, Etta, Eartha	Logan Entertainment Centre	11:00 am
Tue 25 th Oct	Ten Pin Bowling Coordinator	Logan City Tenpin, 17 Wembley Rd. Bob Pareezer Phone: 0499 559 281.	9:30 am to 12:00pm
Tue to Fri 25 th - 28 th Oct	Getaway to Maroochydore	Big 4 Caravan Park (fully booked)	
Tue 1 st Nov	Coffee and Chat	Springwood Park, Cinderella Drive,	10:00 am
Every Wed	Walking Group	Daisy Hill Forest	8:30 am
Every Fri	Social Meal Gathering	Various Venues listed in the newsletter	5:30 pm



SPRINGWOOD CHRISTMAS LUNCH



THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER 2022

BUFFET CHRISTMAS LUNCH

11:30am for 12:15pm

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

COMPLIMENTARY DRINK VOUCHER- LUCKY DOOR PRIZES

\$50.00 per member and \$55.00 non member/ guest

**As this is a pre-paid function payment shall be required no later than
Friday 24 November.**

PLEASE ADVISE OF ANY SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS.

COFFEE & CHAT - SPRINGWOOD PARK CINDERELLA DRIVE SPRINGWOOD

What a wonderful gathering of 22 Probians in Springwood Park all enjoying Coffee and Chat in the fresh-air and sunshine.

It was great to see members exchanging stories, books, cd's.... Sue brought along Eva to celebrate her 10th birthday with us

Debby, it was lovely to meet your mother June and we hope she can join us again sometime.

OCTOBER 4th :

We will meet in the park as usual (if it rains I will book a table at Café 63 so we do not miss this outing)

NOVEMBER 1st:

Coffee and Chat – Melbourne Cup Day – Dress code: “ Hat “

I have booked a table at Café 63 for morning tea at 10am –
Kevin has volunteered to run the Melbourne Cup Sweep (thank you Kevin)

Please let me know if you are coming to this outing.

Rose Johnson 0417 606 234

FRIDAY NIGHTERS

In September we had four Friday Nights starting with Gateway of India, the HQ Hotel, Woka Woka at Warrigal and Chatsworth Tavern. There is another one at Café 63 which is on 30th of September and will appear next month. At Chatsworth Tavern we had our largest number attending a Friday Night so come along and join this happy group.



October roster is as follows:-

7th October
14th October
21st October
28th October
4th November

Gateway of India
Woka Woka – at Warrigal Centre
Thai Daisy Hill at Daisy Hill
Chatsworth Tavern
Café 63

Once again, all are welcome, just let me know on 0403 046 200 or email grahamjl@optusnet.com.au by Tuesday of each week so I can book the restaurant.

Graham Liddle

TEN PIN BOWLING REPORT:

Ten members enjoyed another great morning of ten pin bowling at Logan Tenpin. The centre was packed being school holidays and it was a great atmosphere with plenty of seniors as well. Bowler of the month was Sybil with a great score of 128, blitzing her previous best. New bowler Wayne Thomas did very well in his first game with a good score of 115. The rest of us had a good sprinkling of strikes and spares, and of course the occasional dreaded gutter ball.

New players wishing to join in the fun are most welcome. Cost is \$14.30 for 2 games including shoe hire. Next bowling day is Tuesday 25th September starting at 10am. Bob



FUTURE DINEOUTS:

NOVEMBER 17th **Italian Dinner at Da Sette Soldi**

168 Algester Rd, Calamvale
Time 6.30pm Own cost
Maxi Cabs if required.

DECEMBER 8th **Christmas Lunch**

Sheldon Room, Fitzzy's Loganholme
Time: 11.30am for 12.00pm
Cost: \$50 per Member, \$55 per guest
Direct Deposit please.

JANUARY 19th **Australia Day BBQ**

Tygum Park, Waterford
Time 11.00am
Cost: BYO

OUTINGS

THURSDAY 13TH OCTOBER

**GENERAL MEETING
GREAT BAKE OFF COMPETITION**

WEDNESDAY 19TH OCTOBER

**JULIET'S HIGH TEA - 11:00am - \$38.50
DEVON PIXIES – Kingston Butter Factory
Jacaranda Avenue, Kingston**

THURSDAY 20TH OCTOBER

**ROMEO'S OUTING - 10:30am - \$15.00 SENIORS
(pay on entry to Motor Museum)
GOLD COAST MOTOR MUSEUM – COOMERA
LUNCH at COOMERA TAVERN**

FRIDAY 21ST OCTOBER

**ELLA, ETTA, EARTHA - 11:00am
LOGAN ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE
(fully booked)
Group booking of 8 - \$22.00 ea with morning tea**

TUESDAY – FRIDAY 25TH -28TH

**GETAWAY TO MAROOCHYDORE
BIG 4 CARAVAN PARK (fully booked)**
The mid-week getaway at Big 4 Caravan Park Maroochy River is now fully booked. Members can expect four days of fun, friendship, fellowship (and food).

SATURDAY 29TH OCTOBER

**EVERY CROOK AND GRANNY - \$25.00
Directed by GAIL HARVEY
VILLAGE GREEN THEATRE GROUP**

NOVEMBER 24th

**BEENLEIGH ARTISAN RUM DISTILLERY FOR TOUR
& TASTING**
142 Distillery Rd, Eagleby.
Tour: 10:30am - 11:30am
Cost: \$20pp for Tour & Tasting
Direct Payment by Friday, 18th November
Bendigo Bank: Account Name: Probus Club Of Springwood Inc
BSB: 633 000 Account No: 178 031 910
Payment Reference: RUM along with your name

Lunch at BEENLEIGH TAVERN
114 Distillery Rd (nearby) (at own cost)

OUTING TO TOOWOOMBA FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS

A wonderful day was enjoyed by all 36 members on our day in Toowoomba at the Festival of Flowers. We departed Springwood in light rain however as we travelled west the weather improved much to everyone's delight. We had our lovely driver Henry entertaining us with trivia and local knowledge along the way.

Our first stop was at Picnic Point for morning tea and with mist clearing we were fortunate to see the view of the valley below. We next stopped at

Queens Park, in the centre of town, a beautiful oasis to stroll around amongst beautiful old trees and gardens ablaze with colour. Then onto the City Golf Club where we all enjoyed a delicious buffet lunch with wines, drinks, tea and coffee and generally chatting about our day. Here we had the opportunity to chat with our four visitors Ian, Margaret, Dawn and Marion from Parkridge Probus who are welcome to join us again on an outing.



Our final stop was to Laurel Bank Park (a favourite of mine) and the beautiful display of gardens and colour. One area of the park has gardens of tulips in many colours alongside a Dutch Windmill. There is an arbour of beautiful flowering wisteria to wander through into other areas of the park. A very colourful butterfly garden when seen from the viewing platform, you appreciate the overall beauty and designs of the gardens below in the park.

Henry entertained us on our return journey and stopped at Plainlands for ice creams. We returned to Springwood weary after a wonderful day of fun, food and fellowship which is what Probus is all about.



ROSE

Some of your life's best days haven't even happened yet.

You have not seen it all.
You have not felt it all.

There are more people (and dogs) for you to meet, places to see and "firsts" to experience.

Just wanted you to know I have entered the snapdragon part of my life. Part of me has snapped, and the rest of me is draggin...

Asked my dad for a cordless drill and this is what I got.



A Carnival of Flowers.

The poet, William Wordsworth, waxed lyrical in his poem about wandering through a “host of golden daffodils.”

Well after a yummy morning tea our green fingered Probi-ans also did a lot of wandering through some amazing floral displays - no daffodils though.

Two regional councils vied with each other over who could come up with the best display. Picnic point always sets the scene beautifully making us want to see more. And we did.

In Kings Park, pansies were the main theme, large velvet ones and smaller striped ones. Clivias, hollyhocks, sweet peas and more were interspersed in the beautifully tended garden beds.



Under the shade of old world trees, beds of tulips majestically showed off their varieties and perfume.

Talking about trees, the Japanese Maple was a total stand out for me with its almost purple foliage.



Rose and co ventured up in the Ferris wheel for a premium view, whilst I climbed some stairs to a viewing platform (wrong move - had to get down again of course). Cameras were working overtime.

The second park got my vote. It was a themed garden of creatures such butterflies and bees depicted in flowers - hedges shaped as numerous small animals - a very bushy Thomas the Tank - a band playing - (can't help myself, I did dance about a bit) lots of nooks and crannies for kids and adults to discover. Aah heaven!

A big thumbs up to the very many gardeners who worked their butts off for our enjoyment (not their butts of course - well maybe...)

Lunch was a delicious buffet. Yes we all ate too much, but why not? No prep and no cleaning. PULLEASE don't tell me you're not going to eat

dinner - it's still half a day away! I enjoyed crackers/cheese with a cuppa - so there!!



The bus driver kept us entertained with his knowledgeable stories — till we heard the punchline. Really he's wasted as a bus driver.

It was a very long day but a wonderfully enjoyable one. Thank you Rose and Graham

PS Graham's prayers must have done the trick because Toowoomba was bathed in glorious sunshine unlike Brisby. Mmm I think I'll have to move there. Carla.

Between visiting the two parks on our Toowoomba outing, we stopped at the City Golf Club, Toowoomba for a rather delicious lunch buffet. We were treated to roast pork and roast chicken, an assortment of vegetables with roast potatoes and some yummy dessert squares. Everybody had their full or should have as there was plenty for seconds. All in all it was a great lunch and a nice break from all the walking around the wonderful flower displays. Graham



PROFILE -SUE ABBOTT

Suzanne (Sue) Abbott was born 1943 in the beautiful Adelaide Hills town Clarendon, in a barn converted to a hospital and even now it is still there as a shop. I adore going back there as it is so peaceful and serene and brings back fantastic memories. Also my Mum, Dad, Auntie, Uncle and grandparents are at rest close by.

I am the oldest and only girl of 6 children. My Dad started his working life sweeping floors at Coca-Cola in Adelaide and finished up General Manager after having stints in Broken Hills, Adelaide and Geelong. Finally back in Adelaide and I had married and stayed in Geelong. He had 38 years at Coca-Cola.

I had 5 brothers but unfortunately only 3 now. Myself, then Barry 75, Dean 73, both passed, Greg 70, Pete 68 and Mark 56 – yes you read correctly. Only 6 months older than my eldest – Mum thought she had a fibroid.

I always loved sport and started playing aged 7, tennis and netball, then add softball and obtained a high standard in all. I obtained an “A” badge in umpiring baseball. I played competition tennis until well into my 60’s when I had to have double knee replacements. I coached and played with my eldest daughter in netball and tennis.

My Dad was the first president of the AFL’s Geelong Football Club businessmen association. I with 5 other schoolmates became the first cheer squad and would line up at 8am on Saturdays outside the ground to get “one prized seats”. In those days there were 3 games per day, Under 19, Reserves and League. We would go out to play netball during the day.



My best friend’s neighbour coached the under 19’s and I wanted to meet a player so we rode out bikes to a training session. Next week at the local dance Barry came to me and said he had seen me at the footy training. He was 18 and I was 16½. Here we are 57½ years married. We married in Geelong in 1965. Mum made my dress, train and going away outfit.

We have had 14 shifts in our life and lived in Brisbane almost 38 years.

We have 4 gorgeous and special daughters, Debbie 55, Julie 52½, Nicole 50½ and Simone 45½. We did lose a son at birth and he was second in line. Oh! A gorgeous granddaughter Kalani 5½ yrs old.

I am considered a mad Brisbane Lions supporter and I make no apologies. I have supported them since inception in 1987. I sponsor players, a member of the coaches’ club, so I get to meet them all – the historical society and women of the pride and a member.

Two of our daughters have played netball for Qld and one has coached State teams. I actually played a season with Debbie and we won the goal throwing – 393 goals! I think I managed only a few. We also played in the same tennis team.

I became a primary trained teacher but taught swimming in the summer. I then had a placement at a Technical Secondary school in Geelong.

We lived in Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, Naracoorte (Sth Aust) and Geelong. He would travel from Geelong to Toowoomba and back in a day. Wow!! He bought a coffee lounge at Capalaba Park and we arrived in Jan 1985. Later we finished up with a few bakeries in North Brisbane.

I loved being manager of netball teams. I volunteered 28 years for Blue Care and 29 years for neighbourhood watch, also on boards of netball associations.

Debbie and I travelled overseas many times, in particular to America as she managed to conceive Kalani after in-vitro at San Diego. Nicole lived overseas for over 4 years so I visited her in London. We did a tour of England and Scotland and in Ireland where Julie lives and I did a tour of Ireland. Julie and I visited a friend in northern Italy and I loved Innsbruck. My favourite memories – climbing Great Wall of China, Niagara Falls, Key West (America), San Francisco, Edinburgh Scotland, Innsbruck Austria, San Diego and the best of all Yellowstone Park. Magic!!! Thermal and snow. A trip to Alaska – wonderful – landing on glacier in a helicopter and dog sledding, Hawaii 11 times – helicopter ride over volcano – not long before last big eruption.

I love gardening when I have the time, reading, meeting friends and crossword puzzles. I used to make all my daughters clothes and knit too.





PIG AND WHISTLE DINNER

It was a cold and rainy night and the City Hall was in red not in the blue as we expected.

This did not deter our group of diners who ventured into the big smoke to celebrate Probus Day at the Pig and Whistle. We had an enjoyable night but unfortunately the Pig & Whistle kitchen closed by 7.45pm, and six of us headed across the road to Gold Finch café and had our dessert and coffee where we sat and chatted for a further 2 hours.

The Mt Gravatt Probus club were also there, and their President drew the lucky door prize out for us. Gail Harvey was a very excited winner.

Rose was very keen to keep exploring the city but at 10.00pm we called it a night and found our way back to the bus station for our trip home.

Alicia



NOVEMBER 17th DINEOUT

Dinner at -

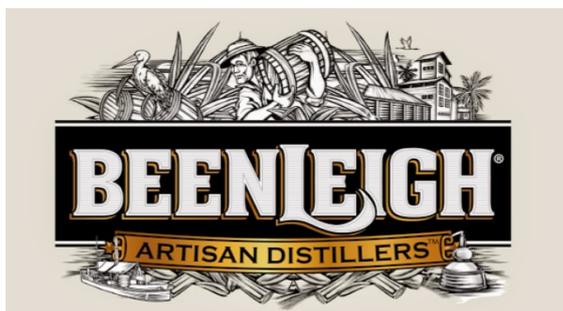
Da Sette Soldi
(The Seven Coins)
Italian Restaurant

168 Algester Rd, Calamvale

Time: 6.30pm

Cost: Own cost.

Transport: Maxi Cabs if required



THURSDAY 24th NOVEMBER – OUTING **BEENLEIGH ARTISAN RUM DISTILLERY**

142 DISTILLERY ROAD, EAGLEBY

TOUR: 10.30AM – 11.30AM

COST: \$20.00pp for Tour & Tasting

Direct Payment by Friday, 18th November

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BSB: 633 000 Account No: 178 031 910

Payment Reference: RUM along with your name



MOBILITY: - Moderate – some walking

Beenleigh Rum is Australia's original rum and has been produced on this site for over 130 years and is still operating from the original building along the banks of the Albert River.

LUNCH

BEENLEIGH TAVERN
114 Distillery Road, (nearby)
COST: At own expense



Share the Dignity – ‘It’s in The Bag’ - 2022

This year again, I’m collecting **good, clean, used handbags** for the ‘Share the Dignity – It’s in The Bag’ campaign. Share the Dignity is now in its 7th year and its main aim is to ensure that any woman or girl, who is in a domestic violence shelter over Christmas, receives the basic hygiene essentials such as sanitary items, soaps, toothpaste, shampoo etc. The handbags are then filled with the much-appreciated donated items. Last year’s drive accumulated over 100,000 bags donated to this worthy cause.

Each bag donated 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, depending on their personal circumstances. Every little bit helps those in need.

1. Sanitary items – in sealed bags or boxes only.
2. Shampoo
3. Conditioner
4. Toothpaste
5. Toothbrush - in packaging - no loose ones
6. Soap - in original wrapping - no loose soaps
7. Body wash
8. Roll On Deodorants - no aerosols



We ask that if people wish to, they can add some luxury item/s to make someone in need, feel special at Christmas time. Items such as a water bottle, scrunchies, hairbrush, skin care, or makeup, small bottle of perfume - the choice is yours. They may even add a personal Christmas card if you wish.

We only request that you don’t include any razor blades, sharp items e.g. scissors, pharmaceutical items, spray deodorants or food.

Please bring any donations to the Probus Meetings - 13th October and 10th November 2022.

The bags and or items can also be dropped off at a Bunnings store between 19th to 28th November, if people are wanting to drop it off themselves.

Further information :- <https://www.sharethedignity.org.au/itsinthebag>

Thanking you in advance for any donations, Adele Steenland



Wednesday Walkers

The Wednesday Walkers will be meeting at 8:30am from next Wednesday. They will start from the carpark area just to the right side of the entry gate to the Daisy Hill State Forest.

Come along and enjoy a walk.



When best laid plans go wrong.

This is a brief saga of how a planned 5 days to attend an international biannual missions conference, in Budapest, Hungary, three years postponed, thanks to covid, stranded me for 4 months. After years of attending them as a volunteer writer in every continent except Eastern Europe, this was not a pleasant experience.

Who to blame? Start with Ukraine war. Long time relationship with Hungary caused flood of refugees accepted as fast as possible. Without a history lesson, Hungary at one time had Buda and Pest either side of the river. Border immediately opened for Ukrainian refugees. Problem then was no confirmed flights from UK into Hungary, because of airlines and staffing problems after years of covid problems.

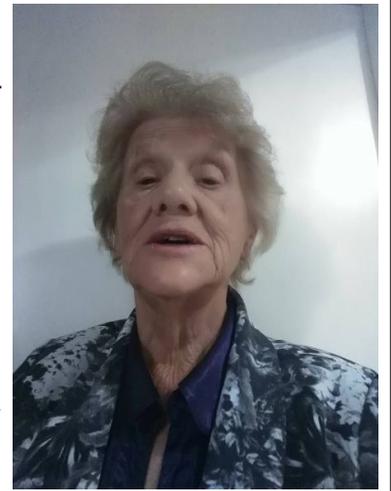
Few wonderful days catching up with my family in UK after 3 years of no annual trips and based in Ascot. I could take village bus into Windsor via Royal Park for Jubilee celebrations. Then it was time to return to Australia – yes? NO! Australia wasn't letting in any flights from anywhere.

Eventually there was first flight into Australia. Paperwork, awful inflight meals service, then impossible transfers in Perth, won't name airline that "calls Australia home" but many missed domestic connections or their luggage for Brisbane and Melbourne.

Not total disaster of course. I saw many friends and extended family. No illness despite being collected by positive covid tested driver at airport. Great no travel constraints to European holiday destinations. Had a wonderful time catching up, though everyone seemed so much older until looked in a mirror! However, being stranded so long without driving, then returning to road works and new routes everywhere here has been disconcerting. Is this how a refugee or a prisoner feels? Now pray that family plans for Christmas together making up for missed anniversary celebrations, birthdays, new grandchild, German markets, Northern snow trips, will all happen.

Good to be home, with hugs from grandsons suddenly looking taller, even though repair work has halted in my home with tradesmen on bigger jobs now. Time is for renewing our wonderful Probus friendships and activities.

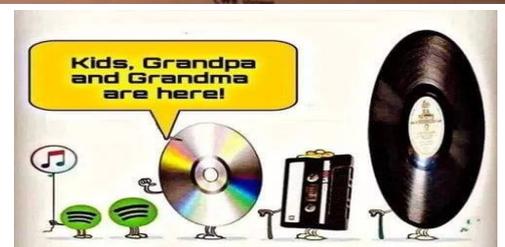
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An annual Pun competition is held by the "New York Times".

This year's submissions:

- ◆ I got some batteries that were given out - free of charge!
- ◆ A will is a dead giveaway.
- ◆ When she saw her first strands of grey hair she thought she'd dye.
- ◆ Acupuncture is a jab well done. That's the point of it/
- ◆ When I told my contractor I didn't want carpeted steps, he gave me a blank stair.
- ◆ Prison is just one word to you, but for some people, it's a whole sentence.
- ◆ I'm trying to organize a hide and seek tournament, but good players are really hard to find.





BRIGHT AUTUMN FESTIVAL TOUR

26TH APRIL – 1ST MAY 2023

The Bright Autumn Festival Tour is to be one of Springwood Probus' trips away for the 2023 year.

Please note to secure your booking a deposit of \$200.00 should be paid by end November. Payment is to be made direct to Trade Travel along with your booking form. Their account details are shown on the form.

After November, available spaces will be open to other Probus Clubs to ensure we achieve our minimum number of travelers to maintain the price quoted.

Any single members wishing to room share please see me and I shall pass on the names of other members wishing to share.

Final payment is required by Friday 24th February 2023.

Our Trade Travel consultant Ally McGlashan will monitor and manage all our bookings.

Alicia Cook

FOR INTERESTED MEMBERS

ROTARY CLUB LOGANHOLME

IS ORGANISING A

“SUNSET CHRISTMAS CRUISE”

**SUNDAY 18TH DECEMBER -
5.00PM – 8.30PM ON THE BRISBANE RIVER**

CRUISE AND BUFFET DINNER - \$62.00