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# NEWSLETTER.®

**No. 215 DECEMBER 2025**



Dear members,

Westleigh Probus celebrates Christmas in several ways.

The Annual Christmas lunch at Springfield House is on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December. The Organising Team have some fun and games planned to accompany the great food and even better company.

The Songsters and the WCP (Westleigh Combined Probus) Orchestra will be at Westleigh shops at 11 am Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December, bringing the joy of Christmas music to all.

And the Upstagers will be at our 8<sup>th</sup> December meeting. This is a good reason for **all** available members to make the effort to come to our last meeting for the year.

One of the last activities for the year will be 'Wine and Cheese' at The Wynns on Friday the 19<sup>th</sup>.

Their traditional special menu, rivalling Bunnings and leaving Nigella Lawson for dead, is worth your attendance.

2025 has seen both highs and lows for many of our members. The spirit of Fun, Fellowship and Friendship is all about establishing and enjoying those connections we make through Probus. Our meetings are the necessary evil to provide that connection and support.

This version of Someday at Christmas written by Stevie Wonder might inspire you to clap along as you read the rest of our newsletter:  
<https://youtu.be/nv7NowZquVk?si=tISWH1iglfpXgPbK>

On behalf of your Management Committee I wish you a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

*Leo Murphy*

## PRIVACY NOTICE

We understand how important it is to protect your personal information. We only print personal information where it is reasonably necessary for, or directly related to, our functions and activities.

## ACCIDENTS, INJURIES, INCIDENTS

These must be recorded on the Sign on sheet by the Activity Leader soon after they occur. Activity Leader to report these to the Club Secretary the day they occur.

## UPCOMING EVENTS – MARK IN YOUR DIARIES!

### Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

- Don't forget!

## MONTHLY CALENDAR

1 Dec	Walking	7 Jan	Fun with Words (tbc)
3 Dec	Fun with Words	7 Jan	Canasta (Day)
3 Dec	Canasta (Day)	9 Jan	Golf
4 Dec	Cycling	9 Jan	Tennis (tbc)
5 Dec	Golf	12 Jan	GENERAL MEETING
8 Dec	GENERAL MEETING	12 Jan	Book Club
8 Dec	Book Club	14 Jan	Canasta (Night)
9 Dec	Craft and Chat	15 Jan	Table Tennis
10 Dec	CHRISTMAS LUNCH	16 Jan	Tennis (tbc)
10 Dec	Canasta (Night)	16 Jan	Wine & Cheese
11 Dec	Upstagers (tbc)	19 Jan	Songsters (tbc)
12 Dec	Tennis	21 Jan	Cinema (tbc)
17 Dec	Cinema	21 Jan	Afternoon Tea
17 Dec	Afternoon Tea		
18 Dec	Table Tennis		
19 Dec	Lawn Bowls (tbc)		
19 Dec	Wine and Cheese		



## IT'S BIRTHDAY TIME!

**Geoff Adams, Barbara Crossman, Geoff Dunsford, Diana Ell, Michael Ell, Barry Gill  
John Gorman, Alison Haglund, Bob Husband, Geoff Lean, John Mulders  
Diana Parris, Marion Pengelly, Diane Rowe, Tricia Spencer, Kay Taylor  
Robyn Young**

Congratulations and warmest **December** Birthday wishes to these Combined Probus Club of Westleigh members. We all hope you enjoy your birthdays and connect with family and friends to celebrate.

### GENERAL MONTHLY PROGRAM

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Walking		Fun with Words	Cycling	Golf
			Canasta (Day)		
			Dinner Group		
2	GENERAL MEETING	Craft and Chat	Lunch Group	Upstagers	Tennis
	Book Club		Canasta (Night)		
3	Songsters		Cinema		Lawn Bowls
			Afternoon Tea	Table Tennis	Wine and Cheese
4	Outings (date flexible)		Garden group		Bridge
					Tennis
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## MORNING TEA

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The Roster from December to February 2026 is as follows:

December	Diana & Norman Parris
January	Donna Rees & Lyn Sealie
February	Rosemary & Kevin Stevens

If you are rostered and unavailable on that date, please contact **Vreni Schwotzer**:  
(M) 0402 271 004



## WELFARE

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As our members age, we send our best wishes to anyone who is not as well as usual.

To members who are in hospital or who have had time in hospital, but who would prefer not to be "mentioned in dispatches", we send our best wishes.

Please phone or email either of us (see below) if you are aware of any member who is unwell so I can send our best wishes. This is especially necessary in the case of our newer members.

Contact: **Heather Barber** (M) 0419 488 340 (Email): [heatherbarber@optusnet.com.au](mailto:heatherbarber@optusnet.com.au)  
or **Karen Murphy** (M) 0402 904 913 (Email): [leokarenm74@gmail.com](mailto:leokarenm74@gmail.com)



## SPEAKERS

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There will be no speaker as such for our December meeting.

Instead we are going to be entertained by our Upstagers group.

On good authority I have it that the material is first rate and that everyone will be rolling in the aisles!

Convenor: **Bridget Robertson** (M) 0402 422 791 – (Email) [westleighspeakers01@gmail.com](mailto:westleighspeakers01@gmail.com)



### AFTERNOON TEA GROUP

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Numbers were slightly down this time around. Nonetheless everyone delighted in yet another lovely time of chat and afternoon tea.

Details for December are:

- When – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December
- From – 2:30pm
- Where – Pennant Hills Heritage Café, Hillcrest Rd, Pennant Hills

This time together provides a wonderful opportunity to get to know other members in a very relaxed, informal setting. All are most welcome.

Contact: **Chris Jose** (M) 0402 275 199 (Email) [chrisjose106@gmail.com](mailto:chrisjose106@gmail.com)  
or **Barry Jose** (M) 0411 482 255 (Email) [barry.jose@bigpond.com](mailto:barry.jose@bigpond.com)



### BRIDGE

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Today, it was lovely to welcome Wendy and John Bowring to our final Bridge meeting for the year.

The 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in January happens to fall on the Australia Day long weekend, so as a number of our players will be away, it was decided not to meet in January. Therefore, our next meeting will be on Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

We will be playing Party Bridge having a different partner for every game. Each player will be responsible for keeping their own score card. The winner at the end of the morning will receive an extra "bickie!"

Merry Christmas to you all and a huge thank you to James for the use of his home and all the wonderful help and encouragement offered.

Have a truly wonderful festive season.

Contact: **Kay Taylor** (M) 0420 257 603 Email: [kaytay42@hotmail.com](mailto:kaytay42@hotmail.com)



## BOOK CLUB

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The meeting of the Probus Book club was held after the General Meeting at the PHBC on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November with 13 members attending the meeting.

The book discussed was "The Glass Room" by Simon Mawser. Most people enjoyed the book which told the story of a family that had a house built by a modernist architect Ramer von Abe. The house was built in Czech pre-war, and the story goes from the 1920s to post-World War II.

The home slips from Czech to Nazi then to Soviet possession and finally back to the Czechoslovak state.

During this time the family must leave the house when war is declared and flee to Switzerland as the husband is Jewish. There is also a love story within this novel.

The next book for our discussion will be "Edenglassie" by Melissa Lucashenko. It is a story about two indigenous families set 5 generations apart. The story is set in Queensland. Two centuries later the people in 2024 are dealing with the legacies of the past which was the colonial settlement of Queensland.

An interesting book which will no doubt create some discussion at the next meeting.

Members are always welcome to join our club. We meet after the general Probus meeting at the bowling club at 1.30 pm.

Co-ordinator: **Christine Norman** (M) 0438 616 780 (Email) chris1944anne@gmail.com  
Second contact is: **Lyn Mealey** (M) 0419 162 177 (Email) lmealey@bigpond.com



## CINEMA

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For November the Cinema group saw the movie "Now You See Me Now You Don't".

It is a movie built on illusion. It was very enjoyable and intriguing. It starred Isla Fisher and Morgan Freeman.

An email with the movie details for December will be sent out when details of the movie to be seen are known.

Contact: **Roslyn Krempin** (M) 0411 961 300 {Email) roslynkrempin@hotmail.com



### **Day Canasta – 5<sup>th</sup> November**

This month's Day canasta had a really good support with 17 players making 2 tables of 4 players and 3 of 3 players. Chris Murray was able to change her babysitting day and come along while we had Ann Wilson visiting again.

- Table 1 - Rob and Chris Murray defeated Kay and Tricia
- Table 2 – Karen and David were just too strong for Meg and Barry
- Table 3 – Judy defeated Helen and Michael by the narrowest of margins
- Table 4 - Jo defeated Wendy and Sylvia
- Table 5 - Lesley defeated Chris J and Ann

Next month's game will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December at Cherrybrook.

### **Night Canasta – 12<sup>th</sup> November**

Tonight we had the perfect number of 12 players, which meant 3 tables of 4 players.

- Table 1 – In a very tight contest Sue and Barry came from behind in the final hand to just edge out Brian and Colin
- Table 2 – Graham and Bridget proved too strong for Kate and Peter
- Table 3 – In an extremely noisy game, at the close of play Barbara and Lyn were just ahead of Rob and Chris

Well done everyone!

### **Details for December**

- Day Canasta will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December at Cherrybrook starting at 1pm
- Night Canasta will be held on the 10<sup>th</sup> December at Pennant Hills starting at 7pm

Contact me or Chris/Barry (if I'm away) if you want your name on the list for either Day or Night canasta.

New players are always welcome.

If you want to learn the game, please message or email.

Contact: **Lesley Bowrey** (M) 0414 454 180 Email: lesleyjbowrey@gmail.com



## CYCLING

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During November several of our cyclists were away on holidays (including me) and others couldn't ride for various reasons, so unfortunately, the ride was cancelled.

As you know, Cycling was re-instated as a Probus activity this year. The activity was accepted by the committee in April, proposed at the May Probus meeting, and our first ride was in June.

Cyclists seem to take a lot of holidays, so for that first ride in June we managed just 3 riders. In July the weather was atrocious so we met in a café – this was our best attended 'ride' to date. For each of the other 3 rides we have had about 6 riders.

Of the 4 actual rides so far, 3 have been around the Parramatta River/Bicentennial Park area and one was Bella Vista/Rouse Hill. Next year we're planning to be a bit more adventurous – more about that in January.

Our final ride for this year, on 4<sup>th</sup> December, will be the Bay Run (Canada Bay). Hopefully a fine day and not too hot.

There will not be a ride in January.

If you would like to join us for this activity, please send me an email and I will provide you with further details.

Norman.

Contact: **Norman Parris** (M) 0418 727 744 (Email) [nparris8855@gmail.com](mailto:nparris8855@gmail.com)





## CRAFT AND CHAT

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Numbers were down a little but for those able to make it, our time together proved to be yet another enjoyable afternoon of craft and chat for everyone. And the afternoon tea was, as always, absolutely to die for.

Details for December:

- Date: Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> December
- Time: from 1:30pm
- Where: 106 Bellamy St, Pennant Hills

New members are most welcome.

Please note that there will be no meeting in January.

Contact: **Chris Jose:**

- Mobile – 0402-275-199
- Email – [chrisjose106@gmail.com](mailto:chrisjose106@gmail.com)



## DINNER/LUNCH CLUB

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After a stint of nine years I would like to take this opportunity to announce my resignation from the position of Lunch/Dinner Co-ordinator.

I would like to thank all those hosts who arranged dinners/lunches over those nine years and all those who attended those events, ensuring that dinners/lunches remained a viable Club activity.

I would also like to thank the Treasurers and Secretaries who served during the period of my tenure for their co-operation and patience.

I would like also to apologise to all members for having to suffer my dulcet tones at meetings as I tried to solicit hosts.

I will of course supply the new incumbent with all appropriate historical material, records and templates.

Similarly I will do all I can to provide a smooth transition for that person by way of advice and direction.

There are no dinners/lunches in November, December, and January.

We have a host for a dinner in February and a lunch in September, but we will be looking for hosts for the remainder of next year.

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Really the task of hosting is not very onerous and there are only 9 dinners/lunches per year. I can provide you with a list of restaurants we have used in the past.

Co-ordinator :- **David Conway** Tel: 0414582664 Email: [davraycon@bigpond.com](mailto:davraycon@bigpond.com)

The information below explains what is required in hosting a dinner/lunch.

**Westleigh Probus - Checklist for Dinners/Lunches**

Decide whether to organise a **dinner** or a **lunch**. (**Dinners** must be on the **first Wednesday** of the month, **lunches** on the **second Wednesday** to avoid clashing with other Probus activities.)

**Select restaurant** - consider travel requirements of guests.

Phone or visit restaurant to :-

- Assess capacity (**minimum of 30**)
- Decide on a **date**. (See restrictions above.)
- Strike a **deal on a menu**. (Most people are happy with **\$40-45 for a dinner, \$35-40 for a lunch**.)
- Get the **details of the menu**. (Courses? Are tea and coffee included?)
- Find out whether **Licensed** or **BYO**. (If BYO, find out any **corkage cost**.)
- Payment can be made via your or Co-ordinator's **credit card** and reimbursement sought from the Treasurer. (**Find out if there is a fee for using a credit card**.)
- Assess **parking** facilities or **public transport** arrangements.

Provide the Dinner Co-ordinator with **all the above information**.

Co-ordinator will handle all Newsletter publicity.

Co-ordinator and Treasurer will handle member's payments.

Co-ordinator will provide you with a **final list of attendees and the final payment amount**.

Co-ordinator :- **David Conway** Tel: 0414582664 Email: [davraycon@bigpond.com](mailto:davraycon@bigpond.com)



## FUN WITH WORDS

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For last month's meeting our task was:

- What are your proudest achievements in life?
- If you had your time over again, what would you do?

A concern was the ability to carry out this task with a degree of modesty. However, we all provided insights into our earlier lives with some very personal matters disclosed.

Most were proud of their families: spouse, children and grandkids. Then there were the educational achievements although one member wished he'd listened to the teacher and tried harder.

All were proud that they worked hard including two members who ran their own businesses for several years.

Also mentioned were leisure activities such as music, learning other languages, craft and sports.

Generally, members were happy with their lives and careers and did not wish for major changes if they had their time over. More travel, taking action earlier, trying harder and not having a lousy sense of humour were high on the list.

One member would definitely **NOT** have wanted to be an astronaut!

New members are always welcome. We meet on the first Wednesday of the month at our home in Westleigh from 10am until 12noon.

Contact: **Diane Rowe** (M) 0419 486 218 (Email) [diane.rowe134@gmail.com](mailto:diane.rowe134@gmail.com)



## GARDENING

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### November outing

On Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> November the Gardening Group made their way to Dural to visit the garden of Costa Plenty.

Margaret and Serje Pelleri have developed this beautiful garden on three acres in Carters Road, Dural over the past 50 years. It is full of beautiful mature trees. There are many jacarandas that were in beautiful bloom. The garden is full of exotic plants from Iceberg roses, azaleas, hydrangeas, gardenias, camellias, irises, crepe myrtles and many others.

There were gentle lawns flowing throughout.

The property was once part of a parcel of ten acres and divided into a seven acre and three acre lots. Margaret and Serje purchased the three acres and farmed the orchard of plum trees for three years before converting the garden to their own design.

From originally knowing nothing about gardens, 50 years later they have this beautiful haven of tranquillity.

The property is managed by Margaret, her daughter and son in law without outside help. They are constantly redesigning and upgrading. The new green house is a beautiful bespoke addition designed and built by Margaret's son in law, Greg.

Thank you to Mariee Jones who helped facilitate the visit to Costa Plenty.

We enjoyed morning tea at Cafe Verde at the now closed Swanes nursery while after the visit to the Garden a few of us stayed on for lunch at Galston Club. Margaret Pelleri kindly joined us and we were very pleased to continue our chat with her.

The Garden group now goes into recess until the end of February. Thank you for all the support throughout the year. I hope you have enjoyed the more varied program for 2025.

Happy gardening and plenty of watering ahead of us all.

Margaret

Contact: **Margaret Besley** (M) 0418 229 194 (Email) [margaret.besley@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.besley@gmail.com)



## GENEALOGY

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### How to start your own family history research

Do you need help with your own family history research?

I can provide information about software that can be bought for you to record your family history details and documents, on your own computer. You will be able to print out your ancestor and descendent trees.

I can provide information about the tools available for researching BDMs (births, deaths and marriages), immigrants and convicts, as well as UK censuses from 1841 to 1911 and UK parish and civil registrations of BDMs from early 1700s to the 20th century. You don't need to leave Australia to do it. And your research can be done on your home computer, much of it for free. But you will need to visit libraries, use the internet and send letters and emails. I've got details of the right websites and the right indexes where you can research the information you need.

Members should not hesitate to contact me if they have any questions about family history research they may be doing, or have hit a roadblock with their research, or they get to the stage of asking themselves "What do I do next?" Just send me an email, or letter, or phone me and I'll see what help and suggestions I can make. No charge.

Contact: **Ron Matthews** (Tel) 9871 2017 (Email) [rmatthew@bigpond.net.au](mailto:rmatthew@bigpond.net.au)



## GOLF

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Hi everyone,

Our last game was played in November at the North Turrumurra course by 7 players.

Prize winners were:

Player of the Day & Score:	Brad Sichter
Longest Drive:	Graham Lawson
Nearest the Pin (5th):	Brad Sichter
Putting:	Graham Rowe
Putting Kit:	Michael Wolfe

NEXT GAME: GORDON Course on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Venue: Gordon Public Golf Course, 6 Lynne Ridge Ave, Gordon.

Play: 10 Holes with 3 groups, ie a maximum of 12 players

NOTE: Our competition will be played over first 9 holes only.

Sign on: 09.10 - 9.45am - Outside Pro Shop

Hit-off: 10.00, 10.10, 10.20, 10.30am

Cost:

1. Senior \$23.00 for 10 holes
2. Carts \$37.00 - two carts have been ordered, please contact me to reserve a seat on a first-come basis (2 per cart) otherwise phone the Pro shop directly on 9498 1277.

Lunch: For those interested we will have lunch and/or refreshments in the Club dining room.

Availability: Please advise me of your intention to play by noon Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

If it is raining on the day phone me at 8am to find out if we will be playing.

Contact **Graham Rowe** (M) 0414 774 334 (E) [grahamrowe55@gmail.com](mailto:grahamrowe55@gmail.com) for further details.



## LAWN BOWLS

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Unfortunately, we had to cancel our game of bowls on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November.

When we arrived at the club the greens were quite wet, and it continued to rain. It was a pity because that was to be our last game for the year, we won't be playing bowls in December, or January.

We will be returning to start the new year of bowls in February 2026.

Thank you to everyone who joined us in the games this year, and I hope to see you at Probus bowls next year to play in our monthly games with Thornleigh and Normanhurst Probus Clubs.

Contact: **Julie Ortlepp** (M) 0414 662 864 (Email) jortlepp@hotmail.com



## MEMBER PHOTOS

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As mentioned at previous meetings, the Committee has decided that it might be helpful for members if we had some sort of Members' Gallery set up in the secure section of the Club's website.

Such a gallery was created shortly after the club was first set up, and it was thought that having something like this today would benefit all members.

Having your photo / name on the website is voluntary – it is NOT mandatory. It's entirely up to you. So if you'd like to be part of this Gallery of Members, there are three ways you can go about it:

1. Send your photo to either John Walker (walker888hq@gmail.com) or John Immelman (john.immelman@bigpond.com), or
2. See either John at a meeting or activity and he can take your picture then and there, or
3. Email either John to make an arrangement to meet

Contact: **John Immelman** (M) 0447 044 704 (Email) john.immelman@bigpond.com OR  
**John Walker** (M) 0401 587 250 (Email) walker888hq@gmail.com



## OUTINGS

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### November Outing – Mini golf

A morning of active fun and intense competition was held on Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> November with 17 members competing for the highly sought after prizes.

For the men, the top prize went to Graham Rowe with Danny Eves and John Havercroft not all that far behind.

The ladies' contest was also hotly contested with far closer with Diana finishing just ahead of Ruth and Janet.

A fun day for all with lots of banter and good humour.

Contact: **Chris Jose** (M) 0402-275-199 (Email) [chrisjose106@gmail.com](mailto:chrisjose106@gmail.com)



## SONGSTERS

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It's not long now until our annual Christmas presentation at Westleigh Shops.

Details are:

- Date: 13<sup>th</sup> December
- Time: 11am
- Where: Westleigh Village Shops

Do come along and help support our great team of singers and musicians. It's a great morning.

New members are most welcome.

Contact: **Pam Legge** Tel: 9489 2299 Email: [pammypod@bigpond.com](mailto:pammypod@bigpond.com)





## TABLE TENNIS

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We played Table Tennis on 20<sup>th</sup> November at the usual venue, the Brickpit stadium.

The number of players was down to 9 but there was some spirited competition at times and plenty of laughter.

Maybe others were out at the "Black Friday" sales and doing early Christmas shopping!

We won't be taking a break over the silly season and intend to play on 18<sup>th</sup> Dec and 15<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026 - all being well.

Should the Brickpit not be available on those dates we will notify you.

Next playdate

- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December
- Brickpit Stadium Thornleigh
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month - 2-4pm

Contact: **Marion Pengelly** (M) 0438 129 145 (Email) [gladdie4@bigpond.com](mailto:gladdie4@bigpond.com)  
**Alan Coombes** (M) 0431 823 967 (Email) [alancoombes@bigpond.com](mailto:alancoombes@bigpond.com)



## TENNIS

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Given the low attendance in recent months as well as the fact that the Activity is now without a co-ordinator, last Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> November a meeting of players was held to discuss a way forward.

It was agreed that:

Tennis would go ahead on the 12<sup>th</sup> December (the last for the year)

The activity would go into recess until at least the date of the February General meeting when another meeting of the tennis activity would be convened then to decide upon if / how the activity would proceed.



## UPSTAGERS

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Well, the final countdown to show time is on.

We hope our audience will enjoy what we have to offer.

We meet at 2.00 pm on the second Thursday of the month. If you think you would like to join our fun group, please feel free to contact me. We would certainly like to welcome some new members.

David.

Contact: **David Conway** Mob : 0414 582 664 Email : [davraycon@bigpond.com](mailto:davraycon@bigpond.com)



## WALKING

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### November walk

Our November walk saw 14 walkers take a stroll down the hill from Bondi Junction to Bondi where we took in the last day of the Sculpture by the Sea exhibition. 7 of us continued on to Bronte Beach where we had a pleasant lunch at a local restaurant before returning to Bondi Junction by bus.

### December walk

The December walk will be Summer Hill to Balmain. This walk is structured such that the first half is all flat and gentle with two possible exit spots, whilst the second half consists of more stairs and ups and downs. Compensation for the effort is a promise of a pub lunch at the Royal Oak Hotel prior to catch a ferry home.

### January walk

No walk in January due to the holiday period.

### February walk

Watch out for the February walk which will be along the Cooks River and Wolli Creek, with options to exit after the easy, flat, first half or continue on with an urban bushwalk which becomes more challenging before ending up with a pub lunch for your effort.

Contact: **Don Murray** (M) 0410 539 285 (Email) [don.m.murray@gmail.com](mailto:don.m.murray@gmail.com)



## WINE AND CHEESE

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Many thanks to our November hosts Christine and Peter Norman and their helpers Alison and Sheena.

Our Christmas function will be:

- When: Friday 19th December at 6pm
- Where: Home of Martin and Pauline Wynne. 18 Elliott Place, Cherrybrook
- What to wear: Theme is Christmas. Prizes for the best dressed
- How: Not before 1<sup>st</sup> December. Register with Ross and Sheena Brown at [brown.cb@bigpond.net.au](mailto:brown.cb@bigpond.net.au) or SMS 0414250562. Then pay Westleigh Treasurer \$7.50 per person ([westleightreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:westleightreasurer@gmail.com))

Contact: **Ross and Sheena Brown**

[brown.cb@bigpond.net.au](mailto:brown.cb@bigpond.net.au) or 0414 250 562 (Sheena)



## NOVEMBER MEETING – GUEST SPEAKER



Paul Kearney

- A History of Rock and Roll – the place was really jumping!

THE BACK PAGE – VISIT TO THE COSTA PLENTY GARDEN





## OFFICERS AND ELECTED COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2025 TO 31 MARCH 2026

<b>Elected Positions</b>			
<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>E-mail</b>	<b>Telephone</b>
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## ACTIVITY PAYMENTS

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### **Guidelines for making direct payments through your bank for Club activities.**

1. Ensure when making direct transfers through your bank, that your name, activity and date are included in the description. Keep your description as succinct as possible as some banks limit the description space to as few as 15 characters. Example: "Manlik FiddlerX2" being for the theatre tickets to Fiddler on the Roof for 2 members of the Manlik family.
2. It is preferable that each direct payment be for one activity as it simplifies the Treasurer's reconciliation of the Club's bank statements.
3. Ensure that you **e-mail the Treasurer** ([westleightreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:westleightreasurer@gmail.com)) when you do a direct payment and send a copy (.cc) to the appropriate activity leader. This will ensure that the leader is aware of your intention to participate and thus avoid disappointment of potentially missing out on the activity.

### **Payment of Membership and Activity fees by Bank transfer**

Using Internet banking and the bank's online form, the club's bank details are:

- **Bank:** Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA)
- **BSB:** 062-225
- **Account No:** 10233879
- **Account Name:** Combined Probus Club of Westleigh

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