



NEWSLETTER February 2024

Probus Club of Ballarat South Inc.

President's Report

What a celebratory time we had with Christmas and the year 2023 turning over so quickly.

Our Christmas function at the Ballarat Golf Club was a time of fun and laughter. It was so good to see you enjoying yourselves. May this continue through the month in getting together with your loved ones.

The year has turned over rapidly, with our gathering at Kirks Reservoir Park, well attended and the weather was perfect.

Our next meeting will be held at:

North Ballarat Sports Club
725 Creswick Road, Wendouree.

Date: February 8th 2024.

Arrival time: 9:15am . Meeting to start 9:30am

Looking forward to seeing you there

Regards

Robyn

Reminders

Health: - attendance at club functions: Please consider your fellow Probians when attending club meetings or activities. If you have a cough, cold or flu, consider whether you should attend the activity or, if you decide to go, consider wearing a mask. We want our members to **feel** safe as well as **be** safe.

Leave of Absence: If you intend to be absent from two or more **consecutive** meetings, please put in a Leave of Absence Form (available on website) to the Membership Coordinator. If you are absent for one meeting at a time, please put in an apology to the membership coordinator. (See Standing Resolutions on the Website)

Probus Club of Ballarat South Inc. Inc. No. A0053491L

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** Separate payments are required for **Each Person** and **Each Activity or fee due**, thank you. **

Banking details: Account Name: Probus Club of Ballarat South Inc.

BSB: 063870 Account No: 10239604

Xmas lunch—14th December
A fun day by all



Lunch after the meeting—12 md, Thursday 8th February 2024. Cattle Yard Inn, 1015 Latrobe St., Good variety of menus, quite big senior's plate ☑

**Members are now required to self-sign in on the appropriate form upon arrival.
A limit of 50 is in place.**







RUM TRUFFLES

Ingredients:

Mixed fruit, minced, 1 Cup
Wine biscuits, crushed, 12
Butter 4oz (112g)
Icing Sugar 4oz (112g)
Desiccated Coconut 3 Tbsp
Cocoa 1Tbsp
Dark Rum 1 Tbsp or rum essence to taste
1 block caramello chocolate – or your favourite.

Method:

In a food processor, cream butter and icing sugar.
Add rest of ingredients except for caramello chocolate.

Place a teaspoonful of mixture in clean hand and flatten mixture. Put 1 square of chocolate on top and roll into a ball. Add more mixture to cover chocolate, if necessary.

Roll ball in coconut.

Store in refrigerator.

NB: If mixture is too soft, refrigerate until able to roll.

Can make plain without square of chocolate.

Kirk's reservoir—a lovely sunny day where the rum Truffles were sampled by many . Hence the recipe.



November 30th—itinerant spirit, Bluestone Sheds, Ballarat Railway Station

Tastings of gin, vodka and whiskey plus platters as well as a tour of the distillery.



Xmas Walk—bushwalking group—at Queenscliff



MEETINGS

February Committee meeting

Monday 5th 9.30am at York Street Church of Christ.

February club meeting

Thursday 8th 9.15 for 9.30am start. Ballarat North Sports Club.

OUTINGS

Caravan, Camping and Caravan—Monday April 15 to Friday April 19

Caravan, Camping and Cabins: Ian and Robyn C.
Boort caravan park.

Ensure you have booked and that you have contacted Ian and Robyn.

THEATRE

“Annie” – Lyric Theatre performance at the Civic Hall

Sunday 3 March @ 2.00pm

Cost: \$54—paid by 15 January to the treasurer

Enquiries Bev W

BALLARAT OUTING

Contact Chris G for more information.

Thursday 1 February. Meet at 10.00am for a tasting at Salt-bush (indigenous food) at 110 Urquhart Street.

*All locations are in Ballarat

Followed by

-Crafty Squirrel, Cnr Urquhart and Errard St

-Backyard beekeeping street stall, Errard Street

Lunch: 1200 at Royal Oak Hotel, 402 South Street

Explore after lunch at your leisure

-Cornerstone Cafe, 206 South Street

-Hattie & Wolfe, 202 South Street

-Ballarat Florist Jars, 218a Skipton Street

-Vintage 216, 216 Skipton Street (if open)

Cost : Pay for your own lunch and shopping

DAYLESFORD TRIP

contact Jan B for information

Thursday 29th February 2024

Convent Gallery for Guided Tour - To meet at The Gallery at 10.15am

Cost \$10 per person

A walk through Wombat Hills Gardens

Lunch at The Royal Hotel at 12.30pm - At Member's own cost

Leisure time in Daylesford

BUWALKING

WE DON'T WALK ON DAYS OF TOTAL FIRE BAN

Bushwalk - Tuesday Feb 13

Contact Ross and Marg W.

An easy shorter, warm weather walk along the Wombat trail around the old Trentham racecourse area. Please bring morning tea and appropriate clothing.

We meet at Reid Street car park Brown Hill for departure at 8:30am sharp.

Coffee and or lunch after the walk in Trentham.

2 - hour Bushwalk – Tuesday Feb 27

Contact Hank and Lynne P.

This lovely undulating bush walk incorporates the newly constructed Cherry Ballarat walk with extra loops in the area.

We meet at Sparrow Park Oval, Spencer Street, Ballarat for a 9am start.

Coffee at Azzuri, Main Road, Ballarat after the walk.

DAYLIGHT SAVING WALK: *Contact Fran H*

Every Monday evening at 7pm.

BIRTHDAYS

Those celebrating birthdays in **February** are invited to coffee at Azzuri on **Monday 5th February at 2pm.** **RSVP to Robyn F by Thursday 1st** so a table can be booked. Partners and friends are also welcome to come along.

Happy Birthday in February Ziggy A, Graeme B, Fran H, Denyce McP, Jill R, Bev S, Trish W, John vR

CYCLING GROUP

Contact Peter N

9.15am for 9.30am on Wednesdays (weather dependent)

Cycling is back to the usual meeting place in Windmill Drive.

CARDS

Contact Barry W

Next cards will be held on **Wednesday the 7th of February**

Commencing at 1.00pm at the home of Bernadette and Kevin N.

Please contact our hosts to reserve your seat prior to the day of the event. Come along for fun, fellowship and friendship with great prizes and coffee.

NEW DAYTIME BOOK CLUB.....

We are forming another daytime book club, and will have a meeting at my place on **Monday January 22nd** to discuss venues, dates, books etc to get “things” going.

We already have 5 interested members and would welcome anyone else who would like to join us.

Please contact Ruth F if you are interested at all

COFFEE GROUP

Contact Deanne H

Tuesday 6th February at 10.30

Provincial Café
222 Sturt Street
Upstairs above Provincial Living
(Lift Available)

Thursday 15th February at 2pm

Olive Grove
1303 Sturt Street

CRAFT GROUP

Contact Heather D

Friday February 16th

We will be at Ruth's place.

GOLF—Feb and March

Contact Kelvin J

Golf on **Friday February 2** will be at Maryborough golf club,
lunch at the club. 9.30 start, all welcome.

Presidents day will be at Buninyong Golf club on **Friday
March 1**, followed by lunch at the bakery. 9.30 start, all welcome.

CANASTA

Contact Denyce M

Next meeting will be on **Thursday 22nd February**
At York Street Church of Christ, 410 York Street, Ballarat.
Time: 1.30 – 4.00pm. Everyone is welcome (including
learners). Please notify Denyce if you are attending this
event.

Cost: \$5 per person to cover venue hire and refreshments

STROLLERS

Contact Alan E

Half hour stroller walks start at
10.00am on Fridays. If it's wet
we will still meet for coffee and a
chat.

HOURLY WALKS

Contact Lynne & Hank P

9.30am start. Please note coffee
venues may change according to
numbers and availability.
If the weather is inclement, we will
still go to coffee at 9.30.



BOOKCLUB (Evening Group)

Meets 4th Thursday.

Contact Margaret W. Library Contact: Ann D

Date: **Thursday 22nd February**

Time: 7.30 pm

Book: "The Midnight Library" by Matt Haig

Venue: tba

BOOKCLUB (Daytime Group)

Meets 4th Monday. 1.30pm

Contact Kathy P

Date: **Monday 26th February**

Time: 1.30 pm

Book: The Thursday Murder Club

Venue: House of Libby

TRAVELLERS TALES

Topic: Your Favourite Summer Holiday Destination

Monday 19th February at 1.30pm

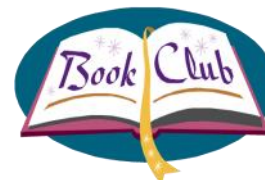
Judy F's House

GARDEN DAY

Garden day on **Thursday March 7** at 10.30. (Location announced
at next meeting).

Are you having garden problems, need ideas, need help, need
plants, plant selection, bring any plants or garden products to
swap, worm tea available. Tea and Coffee available.

Contact Kelvin if more information required.



<i>Date</i>	<i>Meet at</i>	<i>Coffee</i>
Feb 2	North Star Hotel	North Star Hotel
Feb 9	Sebastopol Bowling club	SBC
Feb 16	Lake Esmond	Mercure
Feb 23	Olive Grove	Olive Grove

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meet at</i>	<i>Coffee</i>
Feb 2	Recreation Rd, Mt Clear opp. oval	Byo coffee and chair
Feb 9	MacDonalds, Bakery Hill	Mac Donalds
Feb 16	Gong Reservoir, Daylesford Rd	Lily's café
Feb 23	Opposite Beechworth Bakery	Beechworth Bakery



From the Editor

Thankyou to contributors.

Please make sure photos get to both Sally and Betty by using the webmaster@probusballaratsouth.org.au email address. Betty will continue to update the slideshow photos as we know everyone enjoys looking back over the years. Sally

A reminder to members to please use the generic emails to make contact with Club officers, they are as follows:

To contact the President,

Email: president@probusballaratsouth.org.au

To contact the Treasurer,

email: treasurer@probusballaratsouth.org.au

To contact the Newsletter Editor,

email: newsletter@probusballaratsouth.org.au

To register your apologies or leave of absence,

email: membership@probusballaratsouth.org.au

To notify the committee of planned activities,

email: activities@probusballaratsouth.org.au

To add photos to the website or activities to the calendar,

email: webmaster@probusballaratsouth.org.au

Cycling is on every Wednesday at 9.30am. Details page 8 ** AND ** Daylight Savings walks—every Monday—details page 8

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