



Message from the President

Hi Probians,

Best wishes to all Members for a happy, healthy 2024. Crabs, crabs everywhere and not a crab to eat!

There were certainly more crabs on Christmas Island than people when I was there recently.

The weather was fair, the seawater was warm and the visit was rather relaxed. It is a high, heavily wooded island consisting of phosphate and a slim level of top soil which was being mined non-stop during my stay. Just the place for a new, well built detention centre with no inmates (residents)!

However on the Cocos Keeling Islands there were coconuts, coconuts everywhere and I certainly had one of them to eat. Easy for the Clunies-Ross family. All they had to do was pick up the dropped coconuts, process them and enjoy life. Protected by a reef surrounding the atolls, it was just one step down from land to the clearest seawater I have ever seen. Plenty of places for a dip, and a game on the golf course along the runways of the aerodrome. I was marooned for 1 extra day until a special flight arrived to take us "chickens" off the island ahead of an expected wild weather event.

It's great to be home safe. Cheers,

Terry Moroney

President



Tony Wellington

Exploring Noosa's Wildlife Diversity to create The Nature of Noosa

Tony Wellington is a local writer and photographer. His most recent book is *The Nature of Noosa*, a photographic essay on Noosa's wildlife. Over the last four years he has also released *Freak Out: How a Musical Revolution Rocked the World in the Sixties* and *Vinyl Dreams: How the 1970s Changed Music* (both published by Monash University Publishing) plus *Wild About Noosa*. For many years Tony worked in the film and television industry as a scriptwriter, director and editor, and he lectured in media studies and film. He has also worked as a professional artist and illustrator. He was a councillor on the Sunshine Coast and Noosa Councils and mayor of Noosa Shire.

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Online Diary

Don't forget the Website has pages you can print or bookmark to remind you of everything that is on this month.

EVENTS LINEUP

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Every week:

- ♦ Wednesday-Card Sharps
- ♦ Thursday-Mahjong

Feb:

- ♦ Coffee & Chat
- ♦ Monthly Meeting
- **♦** Iron Pots
- ♦Book Bazaar
- **♦** The Walkers
- ◆ Scrambled Eggheads
- ♦ Book Club
- **♦ Lunch Surf Club**
- ♦ Rainmakers Rainbow Bch
- ♦ Tipplers Anonymous
- **♦** Deadline Bulletin
- ♦ Drinks by the River
- ◆ Apologies Mar Meeting

Mar:

- **♦**AGM
- ♦ The 39 Steps Noosa Arts
- ◆ Deadline Apr Bulletin

Apr:

- ♦ Alan's Trivia Quiz
- ♦ Rainmakers Esk

Future Rainmakers:

- ♦ Jun 17-21
- ♦ Aug 16-30
- ♦ Nov 18-22

THIS HAPPENED TO ME

Noel Taylor



WANTED – A VICE PRESIDENT

We are seeking a Club Member - preferably Male (as per tradition) to serve 12 months in the capacity of Vice President, on the Management Board of the Combined Probus Club of Noosa, inc. effective from the Annual General Meeting on the 4th March, 2024.

No Experience is Necessary.

The duties of the successful Applicant include – Assisting the President in matters concerning the smooth running of the Club; Seek interesting Guest Speakers for the monthly meetings; Run the monthly Club Meetings if the President is unavailable.

If you know you are the Right Person for this Position, please contact President Terry Moroney on 0409 006 285 or Vice President Anne Oxley on 0457 001 140, <u>before</u> the February Monthly Meeting on Monday, 5th.

Message to Convenors

March Bulletin Deadline is Wednesday 24 Feb 4:00 pm

Reminder Club Meetings
Monday 5 Feb
Noosa Golf Club
Arrive 9:00am to 9:30am for
registration

One off activities are designated by this symbol in the margin.



Noosa Lawns Club - 65 Hilton Tce

Every Wednesday 1:30 pm

CARD SHARPS

Mainly 500 & CANASTA

Jacky Ainsworth 0418 879 150 bjains@bjgpond.com

Every Thursday 1:00 pm MAHJONG

Margaret Murphy 5447 3397
margaret@justmagic.org
Lunch Every 3rd Thursday 12:30pm



"COFFEE & CHAT"

'Outer Square'

Peregian Beach, Near IGA Peregian Beach

Thurs 1 Feb - 10:00 am

Friendly company and good coffee

Convenors: **Robert Hill** 0427 544 810 **Max Bourne** 0412 728 911

The Iron Pots

Tues 6 Feb 2:00 pm



The first Iron Pots meet will be at the Knox's, 9 The Promontory Noosaville [Noosa Waters].

The subject is "AUSTRALIA DAY"

And, as usual for catering, please let our hosts know if you'll be attending (or not).

Convenor: David Henderson 0404 295 146



Book Bazaar

Thur 8 Feb 12:00 pm Villa Noosa

Convenor: Susanne Dines

Email: susannedines@gmail.com

NEXT WALKERS' OUTING



Friday 9 Feb 8:00 am

For our first walk drive to Beckmans Road then turn into Burgess Drive and continue to the end at Finney Court. We will have a pleasant walk through the trees and around Lake Doonella. Recovery Coffee n Chat at Vin Cino at Noosa Marina. Mosquito repellent may be required!!

Contact—David Moore 0490 369 078 or moore david26@bigpond.com

NOTE: This is a monthly activity, held on the second Friday of each month.

Everyone Welcome



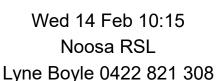
Scrambled Eggheads Discussion Group.

Tuesday, 13 Feb 4:00 pm.

Convenor:

Susan Beaver 0439 758 746

The Book Club





Cancelled

There will be no Valentine's Day outing on the Mary Valley Rattler. Max Bourne 0412 728 911





SUNSHINE BEACH SURF CLUB

What: LUNCH

When; Friday 16th February

Time: 12:00 noon



Cost: Self payment from the menu on the day

> Convenor: Sue Beckett 0402 821 087



Next Rainmakers 19 - 23 Feb

Rainbow Beach Holiday Village

Beris & Henning Nielsen 0480 147 404



NOOSA
YACHT & ROWING
CLUB—

'TIPPLERS ANONYMOUS'

Gympie Tce, Noosaville Wed 21 Feb - 4:00 pm

3rd Wednesday as usual

4:00 pm for a tipple and chat—stay on for food.

If you are staying on for dinner at the club we need to reserve a table large enough for the group. Please contact Margaret by the day before to advise.

Convenor: Margaret Jorgensen 0409 179 365

DRINKS BY THE RIVER

When Saturday 24 Feb 4:00 pm

Where Hilton Esplanade, Tewantin (Turn towards the river at the Lawns Club Roundabout) Sue Beckett cnp.activities@gmail.com

NOTE: This is a monthly activity, on the last Saturday of each month

Our February Drinks by the River will be trialled at Hilton Esplanade, Tewantin where the parking will be easier. Turn towards the

river at the roundabout opposite the Noosa Lawn Club. There is a BBQ if anyone wishes to cook. There are also many good eateries in Tewantin.

anoosaartstheatre

stablished 1970 Patron David Williamson

Sun— 10 March 2pm

Tickets: \$20.00



EFT Code'Steps' Pay by 1st March

A fabulous, frivolous <u>radio play</u> set in the 1940s. It infuses the story of a world on the brink with romance, wit and a spy story.

This successful and popular full length play was produced back in 2016 at Noosa Arts by Director Jane Rivers.

Jane is now bringing this fabulous 40's era play back to the stage as a <u>live</u> radio play complete with live sound effects, vintage costuming and some special guests set against the backdrop of a radio broadcasting studio.

<u>Convenors</u>: Robyn Holliday - 0419 342 522 Joy Pollard— 0490 151 361



February Regular Activities Diary — Everyone Welcome!

Every Wed	Card Sharps 500 and Canasta	Noosa Lawns Club 65 Hilton Tce	1:30 pm		Jacky Ainsworth 0418 879 150 <u>bjains@bigpond.com</u>
Every Thur	Mahjong	Noosa Lawns Club 65 Hilton Tce	1:00 pm	Lunch every 3 rd Thursday 12:30 pm	Margaret Murphy 5447 3397 margaret@justmagic.org
Thu 1 Feb	Coffee & Chat	Outer Square Peregian Beach Near IGA	10:00 am		Robert Hill 0427 544 810 Max Bourne 0412 728 911
Mon 5 Feb	Monthly Meeting	Noosa Golf Club	9:30 am		
Tues 6 Feb	Iron Pots	Knox's 9 The Promontory Noosa Waters	2:00 pm	Topic: Australia Day	David Henderson 0404 295 146
Thu 8 Feb	Book Bazaar	Villa Noosa	12:00 pm	Come and talk about your favourite books	Susanne Dines 0420 935 545
Fri 9 Feb	Walkers	Finney Court Tewantin	8:00 am	Café Vin Cino Noosa Marina	David Moore 0490 369 078 moore_david26@bigpond.com
Tue 13 Feb	Scrambled Eggheads		4:00 pm		Susan Beaver 0439 758 746
Wed 14 Feb	Book Club	Noosa RSL	10:15 am		Lyne Boyle 0422 821 308
Fri 16 Feb	Lunch	Sunshine Beach Surf Club	12:00 pm	Pay when ordering	Sue Beckett 0402 821 087
19—23 Feb	Rainmakers	Rainbow Beach Holiday Village			Beris & Henning Nielsen 0480 147 404
Wed 21 Feb	Tipplers Anonymous	Noosa Yacht and Rowing Club	4:00 pm	Have a few drinks and stay for dinner. Advise day before.	Margaret Jorgensen 0409 179 365
Wed 21 Feb	Deadline Feb Bulletin		4:00 pm		cnp.bulletin@gmail.com
Sat 24 Feb	Drinks by the River	Hilton Esplanade Tewantin	4:00 pm	NEW VENUE	Sue Beckett cnp.activities@gmail.com
Evening of Thu 29 Feb	Apologies for Mar Meeting			Meet Attendance Tell Us Form	Lois Hill 0419 867 122 cnp.membership@gmail.com
Mon 4 Mar	Monthly meeting	Noosa Golf Club	9:30 am	AGM	

Special Activities February & Beyond

Sun Mar 10	The 39 Steps	Noosa Arts Theatre	2:00 pm	\$20.00 Pay by Mar 1	Code: STEPS	Robyn Holliday 0419 342 522 Joy Pollard
Apr 22-26	Rainmakers	Esk Caravan Park			Book Now!	0490 151 361 Kevin & Susan Bowe susibowe@gmail.com

MARCH AGM

The Combined Probus Club of Noosa is holding its AGM at the 4th March, 2024 meeting. It is the chance for you to honour the commitment you made to the club when you joined and step up for a position on the Committee.

The Club cannot continue without a full committee.

Traditionally, our next Vice President (who becomes President the year after) will be a man. You will have a year on the Committee to learn the workings of the club before taking over the reins in 2025. Meeting only once a month (with a short board meeting the same day), the position is not onerous and a great way to know more about the Club and better know the members.

The position of a second person to assist in the Activities role is also vacant. If you would like to find out more, please contact President Terry or Vice President Anne.



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NOMINATION FORM FOR POSITIONS ON THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2024/25.

All committee positions are up for re-nomination. Please feel welcome to nominate.

Kindly indicate your interest in taking up a position on the Management Committee in 2024/25 and return this form to the Secretary.

Nominations close at the Club Mee	ting	on 4th March 2024.
I hereby nominate		
To the position of: (Please Tick)		
O President	0	Bulletin and Communications
O Vice President	0	Membership (2 positions)
O Secretary	0	Activities
O Treasurer		
Nominated by: please sign and print your name Seconded by:		
please sign and print your name		
Nomination to the above position	on ac	ccepted by:
Nominee: please sign & print your name		
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Meeting April 1st



Don't be an April Fool! Come prepared for a great morning's entertainment and

TRIVIA QUIZ

with Alan Armitage

Club members once again enjoyed a great Christmas party at the RACV in December.

The food was very good and the music had many of us up and dancing.

Thank you again to Sue, Marilyn and Anne for organising such a great event.

See Photos here.

https:// www.noosacombinedprobusphotos.com.au/

December Walkers enjoyed a lovely walk along the riverfront.
Thanks for the photo, Jacky.







Eleven Probians travelled to Brisbane to enjoy "Chicago" at QPAC. A great show, with amazing performances all round!

Thank you to Susan Beaver for organising Chicago at QPAC! Much appreciated!

Liz Bennet

RAINMAKERS APRIL 22-26

ESK CARAVAN PARK

07 5424 1466

https://www.eskcaravanpark.com.au/

Sites, Cabins and Ensuite Glamping Tents

This is a very popular park so early bookings are essential. Tentative bookings have been made but they will be held for a limited time.



Please book soon and advise when you have.

Convenors Kevin and Susan Bowe
susibowe@gmail.com



Our guest speakers in December, Brian and Sue Bassett, spoke about their experiences in Africa as Wildlife Rangers. Volunteering on Conservation activities in Africa during the last 13 years has taken Brian and Sue into 9 different countries and provided them

with an extensive knowledge of the flora and fauna within a broad range of ecosystems. After completing their Wildlife Ranger qualifications, their involvement was extended to a much more "hands-on" level in Southern and East Africa, such as assisting the local Rangers with examining and recording details of animals that had been darted for conservation measures or sickness treatments. Travelling up close and personal with wild animals and other stories of their encounters with the wildlife were very exciting and whilst dangers were always present, they felt very safe with the experienced rangers whom they worked with. Sue as the Wildlife Photographer captured the stunning close up of a Lion. Tim Murfin thanked the Bassetts for their very interesting talk and beautiful photographs.

Their talk was followed by champagne and Christmas cake served by the Golf Club.

Probus South Pacific advises that **Collette** has recently joined our Partnership Program as a Probus Silver Probus Partner.

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Gordon Pollard

Club Photographer David Henderson

Convenors.

Please arrange for a short report and a photo of your event to be submitted before the cutoff date if you would like it included in next month's Bulletin.

General Meeting Reminder Mon 5 Feb. 2024 9.30 start

At Noosa Golf Club

Welcome back to another New Year. Let's all enjoy 2024!

Meeting Fees:

\$5 Active members, \$10 Visitors & Non-Active Members. We appreciate \$5 or \$10 notes, preferably no \$50 notes.

Please remember to pass on your apologies if you're unable to attend the meeting.

Apology/Attendance procedure:

PLEASE if you are unable to attend, an apology **MUST** BE SENT and preferably before our catering deadline of Thursday evening 1 February.

Sending your apology by clicking this link is preferred.

Attendance TellUs

Or type https://forms.gle/pXDMD4CWWWXLgTZv8 into your browser. (This same link can be used for the rest of this year).

- * Members to indicate friends/prospective members they are bringing (Please type their names in the section after your email.)
- * Non-Active members to Tell us they will attend the meeting
- * Visitors and Prospective members to Tell us they will attend the meeting
- * Note: Members are NOT required to reply if they are coming to the meeting.

If you can't use the link email us on cnp.membership@gmail.com

Looking forward to another great Probus meeting and catchup with friends!

Maureen and Lois Membership Officers cnp.membership@gmail.com

For internet banking

The Probus account details are **BSB** 064439 Account 10052128. Commonwealth Bank. Combined Probus Club of Noosa Inc. **PROMO CODE followed by your SURNAME Treasurer's email:** cnp.treasurer@gmail.com Please register before paying.