

**Like Us on Facebook****Club No 29004403 formed on 7th August 2024
Sponsored by Rotary Lane Cove****Hullo all!**

It has been wonderful to arrive home from our overseas travel to this lovely part of Sydney in late spring. There is nothing like travel to make you appreciate what we have here in the Lane Cove area.

I want to extend a huge thank you to everyone on the Longueville Probud Committee who have worked so hard to get our new club up and running. But a very special thanks must go to Dianne Galofaro, our Vice President, whose energy and commitment has been outstanding. Thank you so much Dianne.

I am happy to report that our club is growing quickly as more people hear the news that we now have a vibrant new Probud Club in the area. It seems that “word of mouth” is the best advertisement we can hope to have. Your enthusiasm is what will make our Club thrive!

Looking ahead, don’t forget about the upcoming Melbourne Cup Lunch on November 5th, hosted by Committee members Gayle and Jim Macready in their home. And we would love to see as many members as possible at the Christmas Lunch on December 11th.

Wishing you all a delightful month ahead filled with the joy of Jacaranda trees in bloom and the scent of Chinese Star Jasmine in the air

Warm wishes,

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It’s now three months since Probud Longueville Club was formed and Charles and I, like you, have reflected on the many good people we have met during that short time. We are sure that Longueville Probud Club will be the catalyst for new friendships and happy times ahead.

The more involved we are, the more we will want to be involved – and to realise the joys of an active social calendar.

Yours in friendship, fellowship and fun.

**Dianne Galofaro
Vice President**

Meeting day/time/ Place: 1st Wednesday of every month at 10:00am, “The Diddy” Longueville Sporting Club Corner. of Kenneth Street & River Road Longueville, NSW, 2066.

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Quote of the Month



"As we work to create light for others, we naturally light our own way."
— Mary Anne Radmacher

November Birthdays



***Barbara Bilotft ***

***Julia Kaars. ***

We wish you all the very best for a year filled with good health and happiness. Celebrate your special day!

** For Your Diary **

Club Meetings at **THE DIDDY**

***6th Nov Meeting 10:00 am** Guest Speaker Peter Thorpe.

***4th Dec Meeting 10:00am**

Activities / Outings

***5th Nov Melbourne Cup Lunch** 12:30pm Hosted by Gayle and Jim Macready.

***14th Nov 12:15 noon – 2:30pm Computer Club at “The Diddy”.** Drinks & nibbles then presentation to start at 1:00pm

***20th Nov 10:00am at Cockatoo Island Day Trip.** See page 5.

***11th Dec 12:00 am Xmas Lunch Hunters Hill Hotel.** \$60 pp Hunters Hill Hotel. See on page 6.

Regular Weekly Activities

***Monday Morning 10.30 Coffee and Chat at NiBu Café** - in courtyard opposite Harris Farm.

***Tuesday 4:00 – 6:00 pm Card Games. Meet at The Diddy.** Stay for dinner afterwards.

Monthly Activities

***Probus Computer Club meets 2nd Thursday of each month**

12:15– 2:30pm at the **THE DIDDY** Join us for nibbles and drinks. Then discussion and practical of presentation of current computer topics.

2025 Activities

Thurs, 16th January JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR

Club members Gayle and Jim Macready will be attending the Capitol Theatre in Haymarket to see **Jesus Christ Superstar on Thursday, 16 January at 7pm.** Any Probus members and their friends are welcome to purchase their own tickets via **Ticketmaster** - a large variety of prices. We could meet for a meal or a drink prior to the theatre - to be arranged closer to the date. See on page 7.

OBERON & MAYFIELD GARDENS

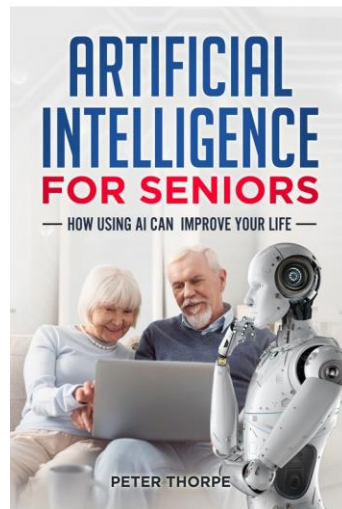
Dates yet to be confirmed for 2025.

An extended trip to Oberon & Mayfield Garden. See page 7.



Club Meeting - November 4th Guest Speaker

Peter Thorpe ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR SENIORS



Our speaker this month is Peter Thorpe. Peter is the author of the bestselling book: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR SENIORS.

Peter says a lot of mature aged people, who didn't grow up with computers and the internet, feel anxious about using technology and many believe it's too late to learn about it. As a senior himself, Peter understands that AI might seem complex and intimidating at first glance. However, here's the good news: Accessing and using AI is not difficult at all, once you know how. And the benefits it can bring can be truly life changing.

Peter's talk unravels the mysteries of AI and tells how AI can enhance your daily life, keep your mind active, and provide life-changing advantages, regardless of your age.

CARDS & DINNER – TUESDAYS 4PM – 6PM, THE DIDDY

Join **Queen of Hearts Judy Thomas** every Tuesday afternoon 4pm-6pm for cards laced with merriment.

Relax and have fun - refresh and hone your skills: 500; Frustration and more!

Then adjourn for dinner - Tuesday is Pizza Night at The Diddy (full menu also available).

RSVP Judy Thomas judyathomas@me.com

**Computer Interest Group Regular Monthly Meetings
Thursday 14th November 12:15 pm****Join WhatsApp**

The Probud Computer Club will meet 12:15pm

at the **THE DIDDY** for drinks and nibbles followed by practical presentation /chat to start around **1:00pm**. Hot topics will include smart devices, AI and your favourite app cloud services.

RSVP to Annette Kleinberg via WhatsApp with: your name and topics of interest.

Scan the WhatsApp barcode Opposite to join the WhatsApp group all welcome.

Hosted by Annette Kleinberg.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**Probud Insurance and Travel Insurance.**

If you are on an official Probud outing or trip you are covered by insurance, but you must sign on at each meeting, activity or outing. This insurance is part of the fees that are paid to Probud South Pacific. The sign on sheet for each meeting, activity and outing is your proof of attendance and needs to be signed so that you are covered by insurance.

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON - TUESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER at 12.30

Join other club members and prospective members at the home of Gayle & Jim Macready, 19 Joseph Street, Lane Cove.



Please bring a plate of “**finger food**” to share, i.e., sandwiches, sausage rolls, cheeses, fresh fruit etc. and your own wine and preferred drink and **glass**.

A fruit punch will be provided as well as serviettes, paper cups and paper plates.

Please bring **\$5 notes** to purchase sweep tickets for yourself and maybe one for your cat and dog as well!!

Dress code: Smart casual, hats optional.

Please wear a **name badge**.

If you haven't yet indicated your interest, please contact Gayle Macready:

via email: macready@bigpond.net.au or phone: 0411 216 490

**COCKATOO ISLAND DAY TRIP
WEDNESDAY, 20th NOVEMBER**

Cockatoo Island is on our doorstep and many of us haven't had the opportunity to join a group of friends to explore the island and find out about its interesting history. We would love you to join us.

Meet at Woolwich Wharf, Valentia Street Woolwich, **no later than 10am**. (The ferry departs 10:10 PROMPTLY, sometimes a couple of minutes early and there is only one trip per hour!).

Travel to Cockatoo Island in time to join a guided tour of the Island Highlights starting at 10.30. **This is a walking tour at a cost of \$16 per person (see payment options below).**

It does include walking up a slope - but not a long distance.

After the 60 minute tour those of us interested will head to the Cockatoo Marina Cafe for a bite to eat before catching a ferry back to Woolwich.

Please tick your name on the activity interest sheet at the 6 November meeting. If you are not at this meeting please contact Gayle Macready: by email: macready@bigpond.net.au or phone Gayle on : 0411 216 490. **Payments to be made by direct transfer** (details below) or by cash at the November meeting:

Bank Account Details:

Longueville Probus Club, St. George Bank BSB: 112 879 A/C No.:436 452 008

Ref: Cockatoo [YOUR SURNAME]

Christmas Lunch

**Wednesday 11 December @ 12noon
Hunters Hill Hotel on The Deck**



It is always enjoyable to share the run up to Christmas with family and friends. Members of Longueville Probus and their friends are invited to join us to celebrate Christmas at The Hunters Hill Hotel (HHH).

HHH has Underground parking with lift access to The Deck on the upper floor.

The cost is **\$60 per person**. Cash payments can be made at the 6 November meeting or by direct bank transfer (details below).

**Payment, numbers and menu choices need to be finalised by
27th November.**

Please mark your name on the activity interest sheet and also record your food selection on the pink sheets which you'll find at the 6th November meeting. The Hotel has a bar available to purchase your own drinks.

If you can't attend the November General Meeting and want to attend our Christmas Lunch please contact Gayle Macready by email: macready@bigpond.net.au or phone Gayle on 0411 216 490.

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OBERON & MAYFIELD GARDEN 2025



After an enthusiastic show of hands at the October meeting our Mayfield Champions*, Julia Kaars and Dianne Galofaro, are exploring options for an extended trip to Oberon & Mayfield Garden.

One thing is sure – we won't be hitchhiking
More information available in the coming weeks.

* *Champion* – our Club's fancy word for the person responsible for organising an activity.



October Activities Reports

Tom Sweeney OAM, October General Meeting Guest Speaker.

Tom's background with Willoughby Musical Society and Macquarie Park Cemetery and Crematorium certainly made for a theatrical and "lively" experience. Macquarie Park has over 150,000 burials, some notable, many with tales to tell.

There is the story of William "Billy" Hughes PM, a lovable rogue with a long and distinguished political career, and his unconventional personal life.

Of Lottie Lyell, Australia's first real film star and a stunt woman to boot! Of Raymond Longford, director and actor who, with Lottie Lyell, formed a production company responsible for *The Sentimental Bloke* (1919) and *The Blue Mountains Mystery*. In 1989 the Post Office produced a stamp commemorating their contribution to the Australian film industry.

And the Nation's shock and sadness in 1960 as Tom told of the kidnapping and murder of eight-year-old Graeme Thorne by Steven Leslie Bradley days after Graeme's parents had won first prize in the lottery.

With the promise of more stories of Macquarie Park Cemetery's residents in his repertoire, we're sure to book Tom for a future gig.

Dianne Galofaro

Longueville Probus Computer Club Meeting Inaugural Meeting of 9th October.

Nine members attended our first meeting of the computer club. We discussed and I gave a practical demonstration of the digital communication platforms used for our Probus Club.

Members were thrilled to master the techniques of WhatsApp and its practical usage. We discussed how to get free use of office 365 by browsing to office.com. A lot of practical help given including how to copy information between apps and touched on the benefits of storing on the cloud.

It was decided to have regular monthly meetings.

Annette Kleinberg

October Activities Report Continued ...

Old Fashioned "Bottle and Plate Night" Success

Members spent a very pleasant evening at the home of Dianne and Charles Galofaro on Thursday evening, 10th October.

It was the perfect opportunity to get to know one another in a relaxed setting,



share a plate of finger food and a glass of wine. About 20 members attended and lots of stories were shared! Everyone agreed it was a great night, and it is hoped that this will be the first of many such informal gatherings.