

WELCOME TO THE JUNE 2022 EDITION OF NEWS AND NOTES

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Time has flown, and it's June already. As I am writing this Presidents Message, the world has continued to face global crisis from the COVID-19 pandemic including its economic fallout. Many Probus members in WA have been affected, however Probus Association Western Australia has continued to move on with the plan to reinvigorate services to its member Clubs.

PAWA have on 3rd June at Meadow Springs completed the 3rd Forum "asking" what issues and concerns that your clubs want examined / appraised or actioned. Thank you all that participated. PAWA has now conducted three Forums. This has provided views from Clubs representing over 50% of the total WA membership. This has provided a pretty good analysis of what your needs are and what you would like to see done.

Be assured that PAWA will carefully look at all items. The first step is assessing what PAWA can do and take on board in the delivery of PAWA services to your club and draw attention to those that are for Probus South Pacific Limited.

PAWA has redesigned and rebadged "Information Days" as "Building Better Clubs Workshops". PSPL have acknowledged, "This is more appealing than information days."

The first of a series of these is scheduled for 23^{rd} June at Yokine Bowling Club. You will soon be alerted for more of these as soon as practicable.

I have been out and about visiting Clubs, enjoying local Clubs hospitality, and seeing firsthand the Fellowship, Friendship and Fun you are delivering to your members. PAWA Committee members and I look forward to more invitations and visits.

Kind regards

Peter Olney PSM



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO THE PROBUS CLUBS CELEBRATING IN JUNE

The Probus Club of Geraldton Inc.	4 years	
Collie Probus Club	6 years	
Probus Club of Bridgetown-Blackwood Valley Inc. 8 years		
Combined Probus Club of Mandurah Inc.	16 years	
Kallaroo Probus Club	24 years	
Glengarry Probus Club (mixed) Inc.	29 years	
The Shoalwater Ladies Probus Club Inc.	33 years	
The Cottesloe Ladies Probus Club Inc.	33 years	
The Willetton Ladies Probus Club Inc.	35 years	
The Probus Club of Mundaring Inc.	38 years	
Probus Club of Dianella Inc.	38 years	

"Probus provides unlimited possibilities in Retirement"



Saturday 1st October is Probus Day in 2022. *Start planning now!* If you cannot celebrate on this day, choose any day in October. Perhaps get together with another club.

"BUILDING BETTER CLUBS' WORKSHOPS"

PAWA will hold workshops in local areas, also in the South West and Great Southern, in June, July and August. These workshops replace the previous "Information Days", with more emphasis on networking and sharing information.

This is an opportunity to learn more about running your club and the roles of the Management Committee. It is particularly useful for newly elected Committee members.

Invitations have been sent out for the first workshop to be held in Yokine on the 23rd June. Formal invitations to other areas will be issued shortly. Attendance is free.

PAWA IS LISTENING

Another very successful PAWA WA Probus Club Forum was held at RAAFA Meadow Springs with 11 Clubs from Mandurah, Dawesville, Byford, Murray District, Rockingham and Shoalwater participating. The Forum was well attended and feedback from the Clubs was very positive.



PAWA has held two previous Forums in the North at Joondalup, in February, and in the South, at Bull Creek in May, with 42 Probus Clubs participating in the two events. Overall, the Clubs attending the three Forums represent 47% of the total WA Probus Club membership.

These Forums are facilitated interactive sessions that focus on many areas including:

- Understanding of Probus within the local community and how Clubs promote themselves
- General questions about how Clubs operate and primary issues/concerns
- Knowledge of PAWA and PSPL and their function
- Information flow in and out of Clubs sources, usefulness etc
- Views on multi-Club events and Activities
- Regionalisation or working together

Our PAWA Forums are part of PAWA's strategy to listen to Clubs and gain an understanding of how they operate, the issues and concerns that Clubs have and to facilitate a forum where ideas can be tabled. From this, PAWA will be looking to improve its future support to WA Clubs.

The findings from the Forums will collated and a Summary made available to WA Probus Clubs and shared with PSPL.

PAWA also intends to host a number of Building Better Clubs Workshops in both the City and Country regions (previously called Information Days).

PLATINUM JUBILEE



The Patron of the Probus Association of WA, Kim Beazley AC, unveiled a plaque in Government House gardens, naming a garden in honour of Queen Elizabeth 11 to celebrate Her Majesty's Jubilee.



Vice President Sue Harwood was invited to represent PAWA at the celebrations on the garden terrace.



Photos courtesy of Kelly Pilgrim - Byrne / Govt. House Social media

NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER, MOY COOMER



I came to Perth from UK in 2010 to support my daughter and her family. I had a very checkered career in the UK National Health Service as well as the Private sector, with my career spanning from hospital, community & GP Practices to project & business management, nursing training. My biggest achievement was to introduce & project manage the Telephone Triage system for the Nurses, training the nurses for Telephone consultation. I submitted the training course for accreditation by the University of Greenwich, which was accredited and rolled out.

I am the current President of Joondalup City Probus Club, and a volunteer for the City of Joondalup Community Development Department. In 2019, the City of Joondalup introduced Probus to me and our Traditional Mahjong Group consisting of 25 members to discuss merging with Probus to establish Joondalup City Probus Club, of which we agreed to.

I am the founder member as well as the first elected Vice President of the Joondalup City Probus Club on the 11th of September 2019, followed by the elected President position at the March AGM in 2020.

As the Club's President, together with our Management Team, we are very encouraged with the continual growth of our membership from 51 members in 2019 to 94 financial and 4 pending as of June 2022.

I am the new Committee member in PAWA as of March 2022. I hope to contribute and support the role of PAWA to its memberships in WA.

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PROBUS SOUTH PACIFIC LIMITED Constitutional Review

Our intention with the Constitutional Review is to produce concise constitutions for each State/Territory that reflect modern practice. These will include the Articles of Accreditation and legislative requirements and will provide further flexibility for Clubs to manage their internal affairs by way of Standing Resolutions rather than By-laws, which are an outdated concept.

The first stage of the review will be to seek feedback from Clubs about some proposed changes to the Articles of Accreditation. These proposed changes would be provided to Clubs in due course. Clubs presently considering changes to their Constitutions may wish to defer further action until our review has been completed.

<u>Please note</u> that we are presently in the process of updating our records for Management Committee members following receipt of the latest Club annual returns. If you no longer hold a Management Committee role, please pass this communication on to the relevant person.

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WA Plastics Ban

This ban applies to retail or hospitality businesses, manufacturers, suppliers, distributors and wholesalers, community groups and not-for-profits groups.

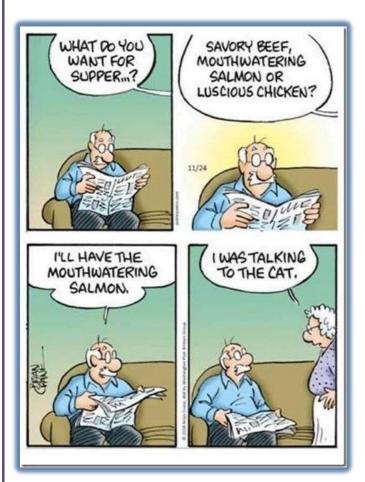


From Friday 1st July 2022, it will be illegal to supply the following items:

- Plastic shopping bags with handles
- Disposable plastic cutlery, straws and stirrers
- Disposable plastic plates, bowls and food containers (without lids)
- Expanded polystyrene food containers and trays
- Balloon releases
- Disposable plastic cups for cold drinks (banned from October 1st)

Plan ahead, consider options and inform your team.

For further information visit: www.plasticsbanwa.com.au



PROBUS WEST

Clubs are invited to submit articles for Probus West. The social arm of Probus highlights the social events, fun times, and news of activities from around the clubs.

Articles to be in Word format, with pictures as jpegs.

Trish Floyd will acknowledge your story and is happy to give assistance.

Contributions can be emailed to <u>rpfloyd@westnet.com.au</u> Or posted to 103a Stock Road, Attadale 6156. Why not come along to a Committee meeting and give us your ideas to ensure that PAWA is an effective voice of WA Probus Clubs. We meet on the first Thursday of the month at the Piney Lakes Environmental Education Centre, 555 Leach Highway Winthrop. 9.30am-12.30pm Contact Secretary Ralph Sirmulis if you would like an invitation. 0417 201 867 or pawasecretary@gmail.com

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