

WELCOME TO THE JULY 2025 EDITION of NEWS and NOTES



Hi all WA Probus Clubs, I hope that the year is progressing well for you. PAWA has noted some confusion within many Clubs as to the roles of PAWA and PSPL. PAWA (Probus Association of Western Australia) and PSPL (Probus South Pacific Limited) are two separate and independent organisations and in fact, PAWA predates PSPL. Importantly, they do not share information.

This means that any membership updates sent by Clubs to PSPL are not automatically communicated to PAWA. Similarly, the capitation fee paid annually to PSPL is entirely separate from the PAWA levy, which is used by PAWA to fund local support and initiatives in WA.

PAWA is always happy to attend Club meetings to discuss matters such as the role of PAWA, the PAWA levy, insurance coverage for outings, risk management, and strategies for membership growth.

Many Clubs are in the process of updating their Constitutions and Standing Resolutions in line with the PSPL recommendations. If Clubs have not yet commenced, PAWA urges that you commence work as soon as possible.

It should be noted that any *major amendments* to the PSPL-recommended Constitution must be approved by PSPL before being submitted to the newly reconstituted Department of Local Government, Industry Regulation and Safety (DLGIRS). In contrast, Standing Resolutions do not require endorsement by PSPL. However, both documents must be adopted by a vote of the full Club membership, not just the Management Committee. The Constitution only becomes effective once DGLIRS has approved it.

As advised previously, PSPL is actively pursuing the establishment of new Probus Clubs in Western Australia. So, PAWA has only recently agreed to work cooperatively with PSPL on this initiative. Currently, three areas—Wanneroo, Ballajura and Armadale—are under consideration for the formation of new Clubs. In keeping with PAWA's commitment to collaboration and transparency, Clubs whose perceived "catchment areas" may be affected have been invited to attend a meeting to discuss any concerns and related matters. These discussions are essential to ensuring that all stakeholders are heard and that future growth is approached constructively and respectfully.

Ralph Sirmulis, President

STANDING RESOLUTIONS

While a number of Clubs have already lodged their new constitution with the Department of Mines, Industry Regulations and Safety (now known as Department of Local Government, Industry Regulation and Safety) and their members have approved their Standing Resolutions, there are many Clubs still engaged in the process reviewing the Recommended Constitution and the Standing Resolutions template.

The wording of the Standing Resolutions template may be changed to suit your Club's requirements.

Remembering, whilst Clubs are not required to adopt the PSPL recommended template for Standing Resolutions your Club should ensure that its version of Standing Resolutions addresses the relevant clauses in the Constitution which make reference to Standing Resolutions, viz:

Clause 7a: Management Committee composition

Clause 8b: Election of the Management Committee

Clause 81: Terms of office of Committee members

Clause 12a: Meetings of Members

Clause 14a: Subscriptions

A standing resolution must not be in conflict with any provision in the Club's constitution. If there is a conflict, the relevant clause in the Club's constitution will take precedence over anything in a standing resolution.

The Club Membership must approve the Standing Resolutions, not just the Management Committee.

PAWA is always available to assist if you have questions. PAWA welcomes this engagement and is available to assist Clubs through the process.

Why not invite a neighbouring Probus club to visit your club?

- ♦ Get to know others Probians in the local district or even further afield.
- **♦** Get to witness firsthand how other clubs run their meetings etc.
- **♦** Exchange ideas about club operations or special interest groups.
- ♦ Check your Directory to establish other clubs nearby who may wish to join you on an outing.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO CLUBS CELEBRATING IN JULY

Canning Vale Probus Club Inc

York Probus Club Incorporated

Combined Probus Club of Mosman Park Inc

The Probus Club of Claremont/Cottesloe Inc

13 years

15 years

18 years

41 years.



Please note: DEMIRS has changed its name to:
Department of Local Government, Industry Regulations and
Safety. (DLGIRS)

RESPONSIBILITIES of INCORPORATED CLUBS in WA The management of an incorporated association's affairs is the responsibility of the management committee.

- The committee must comply with the requirements of the Act, the rules and any other legal obligations of the association.
- The committee also have a duty of care to ensure that the activities of the association are conducted with reasonable care in order to minimise the risk of liability.
- The management committee must convene an annual general meeting every calendar year within six months after the end of the association's financial year.
- Members must be given notice of all meetings in accordance with the rules.
- The chairperson needs to be familiar with the meeting procedures set out in the rules of association.
 - Members have the right under the Act to access the register of members, rules and record of office holders and receive financial statements or reports at each Annual General Meeting.
 - Although not a general requirement under the Act, it is essential to keep accurate minutes of all association meetings. Minutes provide a record of what transpires at a meeting including who attended, the decisions made and resolutions passed.

The Act requires every incorporated club or association to keep the following records:

- an up-to-date register of all members;
- an up-to-date copy of the rules (constitution);
- an up-to-date list of the names and addresses of people who are office holders under the rules of the association;
- accounting records that record and explain the financial transactions and position of the association; and
- every disclosure of interest made by a committee member to be recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which the disclosure was made.

PAWA TREASURER. MICHAEL MACPHERSON



Please note Michael's email address was incorrect in the June edition. Correct address:

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NOTE: THERE IS A DISTINCTION BETWEEN NON-ACTIVE MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS.

If the person does not join the Club but continues to attend Club meetings and/or activities, outside the protocol set by the Club, this person is classified as a non-member e.g. members' partners in Ladies or Men only clubs.

Clubs that allow non-members should pay the non-member capitation fee. If the person attending a Club's meeting or activity is a financial member of another Probus Club, the non-member capitation fee does not apply.

The Club should not charge a non-member for all or part of the capitation fee applicable to non-members. Charging the non-member, a fee may infer that the person has membership rights under the Club's constitution, which they do not.



NEW SPEAKER

Marty Kallane



Mandurah Peel recommended **Marty Kallane** - an ultra-marathon runner with a story of determination, community, and finding peace through running. From growing up in Western Australia to serving 12 years in the Navy, Marty's life journey is as fascinating as his running milestones.

He opens up about his struggles, his triumphs, how early challenges shaped his perspective and how running became a powerful tool for transformation and giving back.

Contact Marty: Mob. 0427 779 159

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BUNBURY PROBUS CLUB

Bunbury Probus Club members try to have Lunches at various places in and around Bunbury. On June 6th our Outings Officer Jackie Turner made a booking for us at the Dardanup Tavern for 12 noon.



It was a cold day with intermittent showers, but we had one of our best turnouts ever.

Dardanup is also famous for its fabulous Bakery - where you can buy absolutely huge Black Forest Doughnuts and the best Rye Bread ever.

We all had a great lunch and a fabulous time; warm and cosy with the potbelly stove full of burning logs.

I was having a conversation with our Treasurer Ken Dunn who casually mentioned it was a shame we didn't bring a camera as we have the best turn out ever.... so, when we had ordered our lunches, and I sat back at the table I decided to try the camera on my phone, just to see how they would turn out... well, as you can see, they turned out fabulous.

Myra Easton, Secretary.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - MEMBERSHIP:

The Membership position is identified in the PSPL Handbook but should only be considered optional if the Club does not have the membership resources. Having members fulfil these roles can assist in smooth operation of the Club.

- Record attendance of members and guests at Club meetings.
- Introduce guests and new members to President and other Committee members
- Assign a committee member to be with the guests during the meeting.
- Manage membership records.
- Receive new member applications and submit to Committee.
- Complete PSPL paperwork regarding new members, changes in positions, member resignations and submit to PSPL
- Provide Secretary with up-to-date membership lists
- Compile induction pack for new members
- Advise Secretary of attendance at meetings for insurance purposes
- Advise PAWA of changes in any details relating to the Club i.e. officers, venue, meeting time.





Evan and Rod of ROVE CHARTERS and ELITE TOURS have exclusive packages for PROBUS CLUBS.

They offer a variety of services including charters, shuttles, transfers and tours and service the whole Perth metropolitan area, as well as some regional areas.

There is a 30% discount for bus hire (including driver).

All our buses are air-conditioned and seat-belt equipped. We have two wheelchair-accessible buses and have our own wheelchair restraints to ensure any wheelchair-bound passengers can travel with us safely.

All buses carry first aid kits and fire extinguishers, just in case. We now have two wheelchair-accessible buses in our fleet.

RC006 can be utilised in one of two configurations:

- 1. Up to 12 passengers in a social arrangement, plus a 13th passenger in front with driver.
- 2. Up to 10 passengers plus 1 wheelchair in a social arrangement, plus a 12th passenger in front with the driver.

The bus also has a walking frame carrier on the rear for passengers who may require them.

RC009 can seat up to 30 passengers, including 2 wheelchairs.

For added piece of mind, we have our own wheelchair restraints available to ensure that the wheelchair and its user are both secure while travelling with us.

We also hold **ACROD** parking permits, when transporting an eligible person.

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We also do airport and cruise ship transfers with a 30% discount, from Perth Airport, Fremantle Port and East Perth Travel Centre.

See article next page.



Introduction

Dear Probus groups and members.

Evan and Rod of Rove Charters and Elite Tours are very excited to offer you this exclusive package across our services and vehicles. We have been in operation since 2017 starting out with just two cars. Now we have grown to a fleet of sixteen vehicles and a team of drivers that all work hard to make Rove Charters and Elite Tours a success.

Plesae do not hesitate to contact us to find out more about Rove Charters and Elite Tours. Rodney Stickells-Palmer

Probus Day Trips - Bus Hire

Exclusive to Probus clubs is our day trip discount. We are offering a 30% discount on bus hire (including driver) for trips that you organise and need a bus for. These trips can be for one day or for an extended/overnight trip. This is also available on weekends and evenings.

Bus Details and Discounted Rates; 12 seater bus \$66.50ph 20 or 23 seater bus \$86.10ph 49 or 53 seater coach \$144.38ph

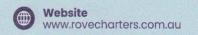
Prices are depot to depot and extra charges will be arranged with your group for meals and accommodation where applicable.

Club and Group Tours Book

We are offering a 10% discount on this book rounded to the nearest dollar. This will save Probus Clubs between \$5 & \$10 pp acorss all trips.

**This does exclude Cruise tours. This is exclusive to Probus.

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Geelong & The Great Ocean Road

Highlights

- Great Ocean Road world class views
- Majestic Twelve Apostles & cliffs
- Seaside towns of Apollo Bay & Lorne
- Visit Great Ocean Road Heritage Centre
- Behind-the-scenes experience at National Wool Museum
- Geelong Gallery
- Immersive rainforest adventure
- Authentic maritime history at the Flagstaff Hill Village and Museum
- Spectacular Flagstaff Hill Light and Sound Show under the night sky
- Coastal beauty and heritage charm of Port Fairy

Inclusions

Pre/post transfers (ex Perth, W.A) Airfares and taxes (ex Perth, W.A) 10 meals 5 nights' accommodation Tours and attractions

Professional Villa Tour Leader 25th to 30th November 2025



Pacific Coast Touring

Highlights

- Ballina to Sydney on Pacific coast route
- Tantalising Tropical Fruit World
- Byron Bay & Cape Byron Lighthouse
- Crystal Castle & Shambhala Gardens
- Lushious Lismore & Bangalow
- Coffs Harbour & Wildlife Sanctuary
- Vibrant Jacaranda trees & Festival
- Magnificent Forest Sky Pier
- Bowraville & Timbertown Heritage Park
- Koala Care & Research Centre
- Stunning Port Stephens & Nelson Bay
- Iconic Dobell House

Pre/post tour transfers (ex Perth, WA) Airfares & taxes (ex Perth, WA) 18 Meals

8 nights' accommodation Tours & attractions Professional Villa Tour Leader

26th Oct to 3rd November 2025





Transfers

Courtesy pre and post home/ hotel transfers (Perth/Mandurah metropolitan areas) A country collection service is also available



Transport

Accommodation



Megis



Tour Leaders





Local Guides

T&Cs: All Villa tours are fully escorted, depart from Perth and tour prices include courtesy home collection (Perth and Mandurah metro only), most meals and attractions. Tours are subject to change. Full T&Cs can be found on villa.com.au or ask us to send them when you'call.







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The Voice of WA Probus Clubs

Come along to a committee meeting and give us your ideas to ensure that PAWA is an effective voice of WA Probus Clubs.

<u>Contact Secretary Pauline</u> <u>Dunning for an invitation to attend.</u>

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The PAWA Committee meets at the Melville Recreation Centre, Cnr Stock Rd and Canning Highway Melville, 1st or 2nd Thursday of every second month

PAWA also meets via Zoom. Zoom meeting held 10th July

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