



KINCUMBER

MEETS: 9:30am. Fourth Tuesday each month at Kincumber Uniting Church.

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Notes for your 2015 Diary

Oct 6th Committee Meeting
 13th Lunch at Palm Beach 11am. Ferry
 20th Bush walk 10.30am.
 27th Monthly Meeting 9.30am.



Nov 10th Victor Chang Institute 10.30am.
 17th Bush Picnic 11.30 for 12..noon
 24th Monthly Meeting 9.30am.

All contributors please note:

DEADLINE for the next News Sheet is Friday October 16th 2015, *but early reports are always most welcome.*

Note: reports should be sent to - jimpat3@bigpond.com

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News Sheet

Meeting No. 378

22nd, Sept 2015

President's Message

I would like to extend a big 'Thank You' to Richard, Arthur and John for providing us with such a lively debate at our last meeting. Richard has been chairing these debates for many, many years and has advised that he will now step down as organizer of the debates. Richard wishes his successor, Peter Park, well in his new job of continuing Lerryn Mutton's vision of School Debating.

WELL DONE AND THANK YOU RICHARD

As discussed at our last meeting our January 2016 meeting has been moved to the third Tuesday of January due to the Australia Day holiday falling on the fourth Tuesday, so please make a note in your 2016 diaries. As usual I will send a reminder email early in January.

What an enjoyable outing we had to the New South Wales Art Gallery to view the Archibald and Sulman Prize Exhibition. Our guide gave us so much insight into the paintings and she also shared her knowledge of the artists whom she had met. We had an enjoyable lunch at the Domain Café then went to view the beautiful flowers arrangements at David Jones Flower Show. Many thanks to Gloria for arranging this day and all our other outings this year and I urge all our members to join us whenever you can.

I have now finalised our bookings for our trip to Adelaide on the Murray River Princess and home on the Indian Pacific with eleven members leaving on the 7th April 2016 for 6 days.

Cheers

Dianne Rudd

Annual Debate: Richard Collins introduced today's debate with the unfortunate news that one team was unable to take part due to illness. At 24 hour's notice the capable team of Arthur Adeney, John Orme and Richard Collins prepared to take part in the debate against Kincumber High School team. The topic was "That the awarding of the titles of Knights and Dames should not be part of the Australian awards recognition program..

The Kincumber High team took the affirmative and the three speakers presented strong arguments covering a number of aspects. They affirmed that Australian orders are awarded for service to Australia and the titles of Dames and Knights are not pertinent to this aspect. Instead of turning back the clock we should make full use of the 55 orders available now. They believed that the undemocratic way in which the changes were initiated reflected the unsuitability of the changes installing honours which are applicable to Great Britain rather than Australia.

The Kincumber High team affirmed that these titles are not an honour but a mockery. In contrast the Probus team emphasised that these titles are good for society and that the phasing out of tradition is a mistake – losing sight of our country's beginnings. These more visible honours identified the contributions of eminent people. There is no reason why the mistake of discontinuing the previous honours cannot be corrected, marking the fact that Australia's identity was shaped by British tradition.

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Treasurer's Report by Barry Riley

August 2015

Cheque account balance at March 1, 2015	\$132.06
Savings account balance at March 1, 2015	\$1701.67
Float (Catering)	\$50.00
Total	\$1,883.73

	<i>August</i>	<i>Year to date</i>	
Income	\$80.00	\$3,344.86	
Expenses	\$292.31	\$2,671.81	Balance
			\$673.05

Total \$2,556.78

Net balance at August 31, 2015. \$2,556.78



October Anniversaries

Congratulation to: *Patrick and Thelma Leonard*

And *Lawrie and Jan Gee*



Quotable Quote

It is necessary for us to learn from others' mistakes. You will not live long enough to make them all yourself!

Hyman Rickover

Welfare Report

We are pleased to see Peggy Horton back home in Kincumber after her trip to hospital and some time away with family on the south coast. Peggy is still having mobility problems but she hopes to be at the September meeting. Ken and Velda Robson are also still having health problems but they are looking forward to better times as the weather becomes warmer.

Everyone else has been going quite well this month, as far as we know, except for some people whose cold and flu symptoms have been taking far too long to go away!

Happy 90th birthday to Jeannie Johnson, a great achievement.!

Elizabeth Butler 4360 2403 Helen Sutton 4365 3434

Guest Speakers

John Mulford will tell us about the moving ceremony at the Gallipoli Centenary

Hermione Dunbar will give the 5 minute Profile Talk

October

Patrick Haynes will be talking to us about dog sledging in Antarctica



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Golf Report

At time of writing a group of eight golfers have just completed another Friday morning golf competition on a beautiful day under ideal conditions apart from the greens having just been cored.

The condition of the greens did not affect President Diane who won with a net score of three under par beating her husband by five shots. Wally was runner up with a net score of one over par.

It is reminded that our 25th annual golf championship will be held on the 16th, 23rd and 30th of October 2015.

Cheers



John Rudd

Tuesday 13th October Lunch at Palm Beach RSL
Travel: 11.00 am Ettalong to Palm Beach Ferry
Cost: Own Expense
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Tuesday 10th November Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute
 Lowy Packer Building, 405 Liverpool Street, Darlinghurst.
Travel: TBA
Cost: Free (although a gold coin donation would be appreciated)
Tour Time: 10.30 am - Morning Tea on arrival.
 (duration 1 1/2 – 2 hours)
Lunch: Own arrangements

NAMES ARE REQUIRED AT THE OCTOBER MEETING PLEASE

Tuesday 17th November Bush Picnic
Venue: MacMasters Beach Surf Lifesaving Club
 (UBD Ref: Map 109 G5)
Time: 11.30 am for 12 noon
Cost: \$20.00 per person. Includes food and drinks
 BYO alcohol)
 Coffee etc. available at Café
Please bring your own chair and picnic table. This is a combined Bush-walking and Social Club event. All are invited.
NAMES AND PAYMENT REQUIRED AT THE OCTOBER MEETING PLEASE

Gloria Reid

Girrakool Loop Track – Brisbane Water National Park – Tuesday 20th October 2015 at 10.30am.

This is a lovely bushwalk only 5 minutes drive from West Gosford. Turn right off the Central Coast Highway into Wisemans Ferry Road, then first left into Old Pacific Highway. Turn into Quarry Road which is left after the Reptile Park, under the M1 bridge and you are at the Girrakool picnic area and car park. As this is National Park, fees apply if you do not have the exemption card.

This is not a long walk but is fairly challenging with rocky areas, stone steps and some rough track but we will take our time. It has 4 lookouts, aboriginal carving site and creeks and waterfalls. It has excellent picnic areas and toilets and wildlife (we had company of a large lizard and a wallaby while we had lunch there recently). You need to have good walking shoes or boots and bring lunch and chairs, hats and sunscreen and maybe cameras.

This will be the last walk for this year. Bushwalking starts again in March 2016

Many thanks to all those who have supported the walks in 2015.

Betty and Barrie Pickersgill 43694559 or O411560324 if wet

October Birthdays

David Kenny Marie Riley Keith Tysoe

John Rudd Leone Bird Liz Gilbert

Congratulations to you all!

