

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

KINCUMBER

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Notes for your 2017 Diary

April 4th Committee Meeting

11th Empire Bay Tavern Lunch 12 noon

18th Monthly Meeting 9.30am

May 23rd Monthly meeting

9th TBA

All contributors please note:

<u>DEADLINE</u> for the next News Sheet is Friday <u>April 7th 2017</u>, but early reports are always most welcome.

Note: reports to be sent to: ejbutler118@gmail.com

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News Sheet

Meeting No. 393 March 28th 2017

Tresident's Report

As I think of this last year when I have had the great honour to be president of this club I am pleased to think that I have left the club in as good a position as I found it. Our motto has been to keep things simple and concentrate on the core functions: Fellowship and mental stimulation.

I trust the longer morning tea has enabled more time to socialise and Hermione has provided us with excellent speakers to stimulate our minds. I think the fact that so many of us enjoy lunch together after the meeting is encouraging. This position has been because I have had a really fun team of lovely ladies to work with who have done much more than I have.

But not only the committee members have contributed to the club. There are also all those who give of their time and energy.

club. There are also all those who give of their time and energy to set up, do morning tea, look after welfare, keep the web page up to date, run walks and golfing. Thank you very much. This year we have gained many new members which is encouraging. We have lost a few sadly and we were particularly sad to lose John Mulford just as he was made a life member and Anne who has move away.

Because Liz Gilbert also has moved, I am very happy to hand the club to the very capable hands of Phyl Hill.

Arthur Adeney

Golf Report

I am pleased to say that our Friday morning golf numbers have increased over the last few months and I would like to welcome our latest three golfers Brian Game, Cliff Davy and Ron Hogan.

It did not take long for Brian to win the day on 10.3.17 with a net 34. The handicapper has taken note.

On behalf of the golfers I would like to thank Liz Gilbert for having carried out the duties of Golf Organiser so well and wish her all the best for her new life at Lawson in the Blue Mountains.

Our recent annual golf luncheon and send off for Liz at our home club, Breakers, was a great time for our members and visitors.

The highlight of our recent Friday competitions was a hole in one on the 4th by Roy Bird. Congratulations Roy.

Hope to see you on the golf course, the more the merrier.

John Rudd



Guest Speakers

<u>March:</u> A.G.M. Peter Cain will be talking about The Sydney Heritage Fleet. This will further complement John Sutton's talk a few years ago about the 'James Craig'

APRIL; Richard Collins will tell us about 'The Time of His Life' It's bound to be great.

No profile speaker this month





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Library: Jenny Baker Debates: Peter Park

- 6. Confirmation of Alan Hurley as Auditor for the 2017/2018 year
- 7.. Confirmation of Yvonne Chandler as Public Officer
- 8. Installation of President-Elect Phyl Hill by outgoing President Arthur Adeney
- 9. Presentation to Past-President Arthur Adeney by President Phyl Hill
- 10. President Phyl Hill comments
- 11. General Business:

Apologies to all those would be bushwalkers, I do not have a report as nothing was sent in.

The Editor

April Anniversaries

Happy anniversary to

George and Jan Costigan

Adrian and Natalie McConnell



April Birthdays

Happy birthday to:

Richard Collins Cliff Davy Hermione Dunbar John Orme Barry Riley Lorraine Southgate Nanette Stearns Lyn Martin



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Treasurers Report

FEBRUARY 2017 Opening balance 01.02.2017 2,454.37 Receipts .77 2,455.14 3,747.46 Expenses 361.31 Closing balance 28.02.2017 2,093.83 3,919.04 Gerry Turner

Welfare Report

I hope this Newsletter finds everyone well and have survived the rain that has set in with its unusual severity after our long hot days.

On a sad note Velda Robson passed away. I know she was a well loved member of our club and this news will bring back a host of memories for those who knew her, our deepest condolences to her family.

Congratulations to the new committee and subcommittee members for 2017 and best wishes for a great year ahead. It has been a privilege to be the welfare officers for the last year and we would like to thank everyone who has assisted us in this role. We will of course still be thinking of our fellow members who may need support in anyway and sending our best wishes to them, so please let us know any news during the next month as the new welfare officers become established

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33rd Annual General Meeting 28 March 2017 Agenda

- 1. Confirmation of Minutes of 2016 Annual General Meeting
- 2. Presentation of Financial Reports for the year ending 28 February 2017

General fund Social Fund

Recommendation for the Joining Fee remaining at \$12.00 per person and Annual

Subscription at \$40.00 for the coming year

Confirmation of signatories for accounts of Probus Club of Kincumber Inc.:

For Main account: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer
For Social account: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer

- 3. Proposal to amend Constitution change of Clause 2 of Appendix 1: Life Membership: "Committee decisions to award Life Membership will be submitted to the club for confirmation, by open or secret ballot....."
- 4. President's Report
- 5. Election of President and Committee members and appointment of Co-opted Members for the next year. The following Nominations have been received:

Committee

President: Phyl Hill

Vice-President: Carla Hurley Junior Vice-President: Dave Casey

Treasurer: Gerry Turner Secretary: Yvonne Chandler Membership Officer: Ineke Esveld Speaker Convenor: Chris Dillon Social Supervisor: Carla Hurley

Editor: Elizabeth Butler Sub-committee and Convenors:

Bushwalking Convenors: Bob Cochrane Catering Officers: Ann Dillon, Kay Cochrane Jan Costigan, Yvonne Kelly

Golf:

Historian: John Rudd

Assistant Membership Officer: John Rudd Photographer: Bill Clark/Diane Rudd Theatre Convenor: Diane Rudd Webmaster: Barry Riley

Welfare Officers: Arthur Adeney and Gerry Turner Joint Venue Officers: Bill Clark and Alan Drew

Library: Jenny Baker

Tuesday 11th April Empire Bay Tavern - Lunch

Time: 12 Noon

Cost: Own Expense

Travel: Own Arrangements

NAMES REQUIRED AT MARCH MEETING PLEASE

Tuesday 9th May T.B.A.

Gloria Reid

As this is my last Newsletter I would like to thank everyone for their help and patience over the last three years and to wish Elizabeth all the best as future editor, and to the new committee, sub-committee and convenors all my best wishes

Pat Fordham

Guest speaker: The children's author Judy Townsend told us how she became an author of children's books. Judy covered many aspects of her journey, including her teaching background and love for children's literature. It all started with a 60th birthday gift from her children of a contract with an illustrator. This was a good beginning but along the way there were many lessons to learn, and pitfalls at many levels. Obviously her skill at preparing the text in a rhyming format was an excellent beginning. Working with illustrators and publishers proved a challenge and a learning curve, with publishing procedures, the hurdles encountered when certain themes were a part of the book, and situations where the original production was unsatisfactory were often encountered. Judy described this as a 'bumpy journey'. From the quality productions we saw and the stories she read to us it has worked well with children and their families as the beneficiaries. Through her generosity \$12,000 has been donated to The North Rocks School for the Blind, and the sale of her books at a very reasonable price benefits others.

Profile report: Dave Casey, who is married to Shirley, came to Australia from the UK in 1977. He has enjoyed a wonderful time since then and has many interests and skills. His description of the unique experience of making his daughter's dress for her year 12 formal was very entertaining. She could not find what she wanted in the stores so, following the exact specs given by his daughter, Dave followed the trail of finding the exact pattern, purchasing the material and learning about using bones in the bodice before he even got to the sewing. Learning to use the sewing machine was a new experience but did not daunt Dave. Naturally there were many difficulties along the way including learning how to sew over the pins, and the always difficult sewing in of the zip. We saw photos of the garment he made exactly in line with his daughter's wishes. He was certainly a forerunner of the many male designers and manufacturer's we see today.

Yvonne Chandler