

Probus Club of Balmain Newsletter: August 2026

“For 50 years, Probus has been about connection, friendship and community. While the world has changed, the importance of people coming together has not.”

Apologies: If you are unable to get to the 12 August 2026 meeting, please send apologies to me on margaretdunn@bigpond.com or Mob 0439 818 311, or to Robin James on Phone_02 9810 7571.

Address for Club Mail: 3/12 Thames Street, Balmain, NSW, 2041.

Meeting Venue: We will be meeting in the **Balmain Town Hall** at 10:00am on **Wednesday 12 August 2026**. Entry is through the side door to the Uncle Bob Webb Chamber.

Birthdays for July: We have eight birthdays in August and they are for Judith Hayen, Jenny Wood, Lester Jones, Irene Wirth, Angela Anderson, Kirsten Pain, Sally Jones and Margaret McDonald. Good luck with your scratchie and have a

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Judith, Jenny, Lester, Irene, Angela, Kirsten, Sally, and Margaret.

50th Anniversary of Probus in Australia

To celebrate 50 Years of Probus, the Committee is organising a Trivia competition with Leichhardt Probus on 9 September in place of a speaker.

The venue for the National Probus Lunch on Thursday 1 October will be at the *Cat & Fiddle* Hotel. Please book with Sue.

Friday Lunches: A reminder that these are held at *The Cat & Fiddle* Hotel on the last Friday of the month as an official Probus activity. Just turn up for an *a la carte* lunch.

Guest Speaker: This month we will be Alexandra Whyte who will speak to us about “Healthy Aging”. The competition Trivia against the Leichhardt Club will be held in lieu of a speaker at the September meeting; and Camille Tatibouet from together2 is to tell us about changes to the Support at Home program in October. **NB:** A reminder that Julie is interested in hearing from you about speakers she could invite to speak.

Coffee Mornings: At the Committee meeting members reviewed the “one-venue at RREE’S” decision and agreed to try the *Berlin Cafe* at 249 Darling Street, Balmain.

Bus Outings: On Wednesday 15th July, 16 members enjoyed *Christmas in July* at *The Greens* in North Sydney. Many “doggy bags” of un-eaten vegies and chicken breast were taken home!



Members at the *Christmas in July* lunch at *The Greens*

Sue has organised an outing for a Scotland Island boat trip from Church Point with lunch booked at The Waterfront Cafe on 19 August and is planning a trip to Bowral for tulips in September, and for *Canoe Land* near Wisemans Ferry in October.

Welfare: Kirsten advised that she will be sending 8 Cards and scratchies to birthday recipients for their birthdays in August. There have been no reports of mishaps from members, and good news from Lester.

Film Club: Mary picked *The Invite* for the movie on Wednesday 22nd July at 10.30am. As usual it was at the Palace Cinema in Norton Street, Leichhardt. Three members turned up and the film was quite deep: about a couple inviting another couple (their neighbors) for dinner. The focus was on relationships.

Professional Theatre Shows. Val has asked if there are any members who would like to see “Fiddler on the Roof” which will be playing from the end of July to 3 October with tickets at \$69.90.

Theatre Excursions: Unfortunately there has been little response to attending the new schedule for the second half of the year but we welcome people to attend. Please keep an eye out for deadlines found on the schedule in order to pay for a ticket and to notify Simone of your wish to attend by email here theatreexcursions2026@gmail.com