

# PROBUS CLUB NEUTRAL BAY PO Box 121 Neutral Bay 2089

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# Newsletter

# FROM THE PRESIDENT

#### **Dear Fellow Members, Partners and Guests**

Stewart Horwood led a delightful stroll around Barangaroo, Millers Point and the Rocks on 14 May. We sauntered past the most modern of Sydney – the Crown tower, the oldest pub "The Hero", and the restored terraces of Millers Point.

There is a striking similarity between our club members and the colonial residents of "The Point". Known as "The Millers Point Mob", they were strongly protective of the Point's community and bonded together in fraternity.

Stewart showed us a verse inscribed in local sandstone, commemorating The Mob:

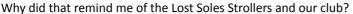
"The Millers Point mob are we

We are always up to mischief

Wherever we might be

If you belong to the Millers Point mob

Then come along with me"



Bob Pearce led another memorable outing, this one to Cockatoo Island. The ferry trip via Barangaroo was on a stunning autumn day and the guided tour of many phases of the Island's history was fascinating. It is hugely significant in Port Jackson's shipbuilding industry. The enormous crane, "the Trojan" still stands sentinel over the dry docks. One old photo shows 12 WW 11 war ships berthed around the island for maintenance, including the battleship HMAS Australia. After a light lunch we crossed the island by the underground "Dog Leg" tunnel, rechristened by our romantic expeditioners "tunnel of love".

During the month Ross Bruwel prepared his sturdy yacht "Renada" for sail on 27 May with a motley crew bound initially for distant Vaucluse. Due to a stiff Westerly, Plan B swung into action. The pinnace Pinta II escorted Renada safely to Sugarloaf Bay in Middle Harbour, rafted up, and spliced the mainbrace.

We get to know each other really well on these outings, a great part of our fun, friendship and fellowship. I will show some slides of these activities at our 8 June meeting; the paparazzi might have caught up with you. It's a warm-up act to the main show, the "6 O'Clock Rock" legend Roland Storm.

I highly recommend that you attend the Winter Feast in July, especially to make new friends and good fellowship. It is one of our major events and a great outing.

#### **Warm Regards**

**Roger Freney President** 

**Cockatoo Island Tour** 







**Lost Soles at Barangaroo** 

# **NEXT MEETING**

This month's meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th May from 10.30am in the North Sydney Leagues Club Auditorium, Abbot St Cammeray.

#### **Covid Precautions Apply**

10:30 - 10:50 General Business

10:50 - 11:00 Personal Corner

11:00 - 11:20 Break

11:20 - 12:20 Guest Speaker

12:20 Wrap-up

# **PERSONAL CORNER**

#### John Metcalf

Career Finance Industry, Strata Management

Last Position Licensee/Director, Strata Partners, Willoughby

Main Interest Travel, Reading, Golf, Theatre, Gym, Walking, Volunteer Work Residence John and Liz live in Cammeray

### Annual Subscription

The annual subscription of \$50 is overdue. Please pay now if overlooked.Pay preferably by bank transfer (account highlighted below): include name please. Note Membership cutoff 30th June.

# **Outings Payment Details**

Kindly pay for outings in advance of any deadline and online if possible. When paying online, please ensure that you quote your name & the relevant activity, albeit abbreviated, in the description to minimise any confusion. Bank Account Details BSB 082 302 a/c no: 28869 5672; Probus

Club of Neutral Bay.

# For the Diary

July 27th - Winter Feast August 18 – Hawkesbury River Cruise – WWII defence sites (see Flyer)

September 28th - Rhododendron Gardens Blackheath

October 26th - Sydney Heritage Fleet

November 16-19 - Orange Trip





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# JUNE GUEST SPEAKER ROLAND STORM Aussie Rock Legend!

"The Songs, The Stories, The Journey"

It's Entertainment Time! ......Rock'n'Roll in Australia began back in 1957 with the legendary Johnny O'Keefe, Col Joye – and the Golden Boys of Aussie Rock'n'Roll: Lucky Starr, Bryan Davies and Roland Storm. They appeared regularly on shows such as "6 O'clock Rock" and "Bandstand".



Roland is as popular as ever. He has a repertoire of

hundreds of songs ranging from the 60's to the present. He was awarded a Gold Medal for his biggest hit, *Rolling with the Flow*. His latest CD, *The Very Best of Roland Storm*, has also gone gold. Roland makes the trip down to Sydney for his presentations which over the last four years, number 367. As the title of his Presentation suggests, he will be bashing out the hit songs of the 60's, 70's and 80's on his keyboard. There is no one better qualified to tell the tales of the trip along the way.

# **FUTURE OUTINGS**

# Winter Feast Tuesday 27th July

Our Winter Feast will again be held at "Watergrill", Sydney Rowing Club, Abbotsford. Overlooking beautiful Parramatta River and 50m from Abbotsford RiverCat wharf. Time 12.00 for 12.30pm. (Suggest 11.07am ferry from Circular Quay). Cost is \$60pp for 3 course meal plus coffee. Advise



attendance and optional table seating to **Bob Pearce or James Ritchie** [bobpearce37@gmail.com.jamesfr@ozemail.com.au] Arrange payment preferably by bank transfer.

See the flyer sent by email for further details including menu

# Lost Soles Strollers: Balmain Walk Friday 11th June

This is Tom Uren's walk (2.5km) around the eastern end of Balmain peninsula. There are waterfront parks, quiet coves and beaches, lots of interesting old streetscapes and industrial history. There is one short steepish downhill – the rest undulating Sydney. Lunch at Balmain Bowling Club with members \$15 specials. Meet at the Circular Quay ferry wharf 5 for a 10.17 ferry to Balmain EAST. As usual wear comfortable non-slip walking shoes, bring water, sunscreen, Opal card.

Advise attendance to **Stewart Horwood** if you are coming **(stewh444@tpg.com.au , 9439 9609)**, in case of wet weather cancellation.

# 2.50 Club: Ferry Hop to Woolwich Thursday 17th June

Meet at 10am Circular Quay **inside** Wharf 5 for 10.07 ferry to Cockatoo Island where we walk to the other side and have a drink. Then get the 11:15 ferry to Woolwich. A walk through Clarke's Point to Woolwich Pier hotel for lunch. [Note: hotel takes NSW \$25 vouchers]. Return to Circular Quay by 2pm. Text **John Pike** for questions and if you are coming **(0403 007 273)** 

# Sydney Institute of Marine Science (SIMS) Chowder Bay Mon 21st June or Tues 22nd Jun

**SIMS** has over 100 scientists and graduate students representing a broad diversity of skills in marine science. The location near Sydney Heads is ideal for marine research.

**WHEN**: 10.30 am – See flyer for bus details. We will be given light refreshments and a 90 minute lecture and tour of facility.

**LUNCH**: It is suggested that we have lunch at Buena Vista Hotel at Mosman Junction.

COST: \$20 pp for tour. Bus and lunch at your expense. Please pay by Bank Transfer

**REGISTER**: via the Meeting sign-on sheet or by email to **Bob Pearce bobpearce37@gmail.com** 

# 2.50 Club: Audio Visual First Settlers Experience Thursday June 24

Meet 10am in front of The Mint Macquarie St. You must make a prior booking for **Hyde Park Barracks** with **sydneylivingmusems**. No entry without a booking. NSW DISCOVER VOUCHER ACCEPTED, or pay \$10 more for a month pass to all their sights and museums (which we will use in July). It is an extraordinary interactive look at early settlement,



from aboriginal and white perspectives. Book early. Afterwards, a short walk to Jardin St James for lunch. **Text John Pike 0403 007 273** 

# **SPECIAL INTERESTS**

CULTURE, ART & MUSIC

John Brooks 9908 2820



Mosman Art Gallery This pattern shows UPACARA, which is Indonesian ceremonial art form & will be exhibited until 24Aug <mosmanartgallery.org.au>

Conservatorium of Music <sydney.edu.au/ music> Students have performance exams this month. Each day free to watch. Suggest checking website.

# NSW Art Gallery <artgallery.nsw.gov.au>

The annual Archibald Prize for Portraiture is now 100 years old. The Packing Room Prize is \$3000. Probably "Archie" can be viewed from 15th June.

### **National Trust, S.H.Ervin Gallery**

<shervingallery.com.au> You can view unselected works from those many offered for the Archibald Prize. Landscape paintings, figure sculptures etc.

CYCLING Contact Bob on 0400 291 373

Now back to Monday rides at 10am. Also
Sats at 7.30am from Milsons Point Station
for a 23km ride around the Opera House
then wharves to near Anzac Bridge.

GOLF Murray 0419 488 609

# MOVIE ENJOYMENT

David Bruce-Steer 9419 7017 Meets on the 4th Monday of the month. Cremorne Orpheum theatre

### **ROLL-UP LAWN BOWLS**

Peter Cornish 0421 012 538 Norths Greens, St Leonards 10am Wed

SAILING Ross Bruwel 0421 817 106 Thursday June 24th 2021

TENNIS Peter Turner 0428 611 456 First Tuesday of the month, plus trial of third Tuesday, both at Middle Cove from 10am to 12pm. Extra players are invited to join in.

