



Ladies Probus Club of Valentine Bulletin - October 2023

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Last month's Guest speaker, Deborah Wallace, had our audience wrapt as she outlined her remarkable career in the NSW Police Force. Beginning as a Probationary Constable at Blacktown, her 36 years in the service, saw her become a detective and then led to her becoming a Chief Inspector (Crime Manager), Commander of the Middle Eastern Organised Crime Squad, the Asian Organised Crimes Squad, Gangs Squad and Strike Force Raptor. Drugs, violence, motor cycle gangs – she has seen it all! Deborah has also been involved in community

initiatives such as the Raptor Gang Prevention Program for young people, and Grace's Place for victims of crime. All in all , a fascinating life revealed by a down-to earth speaker with a sene of humour.

- ✚ September also saw us enjoy morning tea at the Sixteens – a small but interesting group of members enjoyed their coffee and indulgent cakes!
- ✚ Lunch at the Gunyah on September 27 was another beautiful day. The sun was shining, the lake in the background looked stunning and a happy group of members sat and chatted while enjoying a beverage or two! The lunches were excellent and the choices varied. It was a good day out for Foodies! Thank you Janet for organising this.



Perhaps this might interest you? The Australian Museum of Clothing and Textiles at Brough House, 73 Church St, Maitland, is presenting an exhibition of vintage wedding gowns and accessories. They are open on weekends 10 – 3pm until 19th November. Thanks Elizabeth for this information.



to our ladies celebrating birthdays in October: Ruth Campey, Barbara Croft, Susan Gamble, Wendy Lesniak, Janina Sulikowski, Joyce Sullivan, Wendy Turner, Coralie Ward, and Bev Wolfenden – Happy Birthday!

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH AND NEXT

- ✚ Maxine's morning tea at the Sixteens is on again in October. Make a note of the date – Thursday, October 19th at 10.00. Come along and join in the friendly chatter over a cup of tea or coffee.
- ✚ Janet's next lunch is at the Orana Hotel, Blacksmiths on Wednesday, October 18th. If you wish to attend, please give your name to Janet at our next meeting.
- ✚ Tina the Musical – Margaret has additional tickets for performances on 18th October and 1st November. Cost is \$142 per ticket. If you are interested, see Margaret at our Monday meeting.

NOW FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT FUTURE EVENTS



Our Christmas lunch has a change of date. It will now be on **Wednesday, December 13th at VBC**. We will start with a short meeting at 10.30, followed by entertainment with Ian Sergeant (remember his jokes, poems and songs at our Birthday Lunch!). We will then enjoy a traditional Christmas dinner followed by desserts served alternately. Drinks including bubbles, will be served on arrival and there will be another great raffle. The cost for this day is \$55.00 per person and must be paid by November 22nd. Register for this at our next meeting.

The Mystery Bus Tour is going ahead on 28th February and those of you who have put your names down and paid a deposit, must finalise your full payment (\$80.00) by December 13th.

Bank details: BSB: 650 000; Account No. 961312505; Ref: your name, reason for deposit (e.g. Xmas Lunch or Mystery Tour).

Meetings:

Monday, 9th October at 10 am for a 10.30 start. Guest speaker will be Teresa Purnell - a naturalist and illustrator whose entertaining subject matter begins with her experiences of growing up in a Chinese restaurant.

Monday, 13th November at 10 am for a 10.30 start. Guest speaker will be Greg Powell sharing his passion for Bushrangers.

Wednesday, 13th December at 10 am for a 19.30 start. Meeting and Christmas Lunch.

Committee Meeting dates are: Monday, 6th November at 1.00 pm

Monday, 4th December at 1.00 pm

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