



# Ladies Probus Club of Valentine Bulletin October 2024

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Last month we had a very entertaining guest speaker, Teresa Purnell. She is not only a hands-on rescuer of wildlife but also an artist who paints reptiles and other examples of the natural world. Teresa began her talk by explaining what to do if we are confronted by a snake. Snakes are a protected species and generally will not attack. Don't attempt to touch the snake! Ring for a snake catcher to come and take the snake to an area where it can be released. After recounting a few hair raising incidents, Teresa concluded her talk by showing us some of her art work and cartoons and then produced a beautiful little snake which we were invited to come and meet. Some intrepid members did so!

At our last meeting, Joy Tromans explained that we need an Historian to join the committee. Probably, "Historian" is not quite the right word as most of the work involves taking photographs which are placed on our website – thus providing a visual history of our club. If you feel you could take photographs (on your phone is OK) at our meetings and any outings that you attend, please have a word to Joy Tromans.

At our September meeting our Risk Management Policy was accepted unanimously. Just a couple of reminders of the responsibilities of members when going on an excursion.

- ✚ members are responsible for themselves on outings. Each member must assess whether they can cope with the demands of the outing
- ✚ Wear name badges on outings
- ✚ If a member becomes ill on an outing, report that to the organiser and seek help
- ✚ Accidents MUST be reported to the organiser.
- ✚ Insurance covers members travelling to and from an excursion.



**To our ladies whose birthdays are in October:**

Ruth Campey, Barbara Croft, Susan Gamble, Wendy Lesniak, Janina Sulikowski, Joyce Sullivan, Coralie Ward, Bev Wolfenden

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH AND NEXT?



The trip to the Koala Sanctuary in September proved a great success. Twenty five members had a memorable day. They were really impressed by the Sanctuary's facilities and the work carried out by the staff. Their hosts on the day guided them through the park, explaining the work of the Sanctuary in caring for sick, injured or orphaned koalas before supporting their long-term rehabilitation and preservation. It was a unique opportunity to see these beautiful creatures in their natural habitat.

For this month, Bev is proposing lunch at Swansea RSL on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October**. If you would like to attend, give your name to Bev at our next meeting so she can make the reservation.

**Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> October** is the date for Maxine's next Morning Tea at the 16's. Everyone is welcome to come along and relax with friends over morning tea.

In November, we will be lunching at the Olive Tree Brasserie at Summerland Point. The date for this outing? **Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> November at noon**. We will drive ourselves so car-pooling is a good option. If you would like to attend, give your name to Bev at our meeting.



Our **Christmas Luncheon** will be at Brown Sugar on **Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> December**. The cost for a two course Christmas lunch with lots of extras including an open bar, is \$50. When you arrive at 11.00 am, bubbles, cheese and biscuits will be served, prior to a short meeting. Bev will take names at our October meeting and money must be paid by **Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> November**.

Bank details: BSB: 650 000; Account No. 961312505; Ref: your name, reason for deposit (e.g. fees)

### Meetings:

**Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> October** at 10.00 for a 10.30 start. Our guest speaker this month will be Claudia Tolhurst from the Hunter Melanoma Foundation.

**\* Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00 for a 10.30 start. Please note this is a change to our usual date.** Our Guest Speaker will be Cheryl Forbes, an independent Funeral Director.

**Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> December** our Christmas Lunch. Arrive at 11.00 am for meeting.

**Committee Meeting dates** are: Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> November at 1.00 pm.  
Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 1.00 pm.

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