



COMBINED PROBUS CLUB OF CASTLE HILL INC

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Monthly Meeting: 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10 am

Cherrybrook Community and Cultural Centre,
31 Shepherds Lane, Cherrybrook – off Shepherds Drive, Cherrybrook

GENERAL MEETING – TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2023 AT 10.00 AM

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT – JUNE 2023

It was a great pleasure to see 111 members and 4 guests attend our May General Meeting with 38 members enjoying lunch together at the West Pennant Hills Sports Club following the meeting. I was impressed by Shrawan Paudel's excellent presentation on behalf of the Macular Disease Foundation Australia. His engaging talk, professional PowerPoint presentation and takeaway materials on Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD) were helpfully informative and greatly appreciated.

Gaye and I have very much enjoyed chatting with many members as we have participated in a variety of activities over the last two months – two thoroughly enjoyable TLC lunches at The Little Snail and Fortuna Gardens, great fun playing pool and putt putt golf followed by lunch with the Men's Chat Group, friendly Ladies' Coffee Morning and Chat Group, delightful walks from Bella Vista to Norwest and from Circular Quay around The Royal Botanic Gardens followed by lunch with the Walking Group, a wonderful Wine and Cheese night at Chris and Julie Savage's home - and Helen Stafford-Osborne's Online Trivia Quiz is always a fun learning and memory jogging activity! We're looking forward to the Western Sydney International Airport and Historic Camden Tour on 27 June 2023 and to participating in some new activities over the coming months.

As advised during our May General Meeting, the Probus National Insurance Scheme does not include personal travel insurance. Members are encouraged to purchase travel insurance when appropriate. As the comfort and safety of our members are of paramount importance, your Committee is mindful of the wisdom of having formalised 'risk assessments' in place for all activities. I thank two of our Past Presidents, Lyn Wilkes and Aldo Cantori, for their splendid work in preparing and updating these assessments on behalf of previous and current Committees. Our activity convenors and coordinators are familiar with these non-onerous but sensible risk minimising protocols and we thank them most sincerely for their wonderful service.

Your Committee and activity convenors would love to receive your feedback on Club life and would warmly welcome suggestions for new activities and ideas for promoting our Club in the local community. We wish to make our Club ever more friendly and our activities and events increasingly appealing, accessible and enjoyable. After all, that is why we're members of our Probus Club!
Advance Notice: We will celebrate the Club's 19th anniversary at our July meeting with a 'birthday cake' that will be cut on stage by Club Presidents (past and present) including applauding our Foundation Members. It would be wonderful to have all members join in the celebration!

PETER WOLNIZER, PRESIDENT

COMMITTEE 2023/2024

PRESIDENT

Peter Wolnizer

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Aldo Cantori

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INTERNATIONAL TOURS and CRUISES

Rodica Benton

OUTINGS and DAY TOURS -

Elizabeth Lessells

WEEK AWAY TOURS

Frances Orr

SPECIAL EVENTS and PUBLIC OFFICER

John Michell

GUEST SPEAKERS

COORDINATOR

Barry Haywood

ACTIVITIES OFFICER

Chris Savage

WELFARE – ANNE GOVER

It is important as Members of Probus that we care for the welfare of one and another. If anyone knows about an **illness** or bereavement affecting any of our Members, would they please contact the Welfare Officer. All information given to the Welfare Officer will be kept confidential.

We do have some members who have significant health issues and have been hospitalised or are receiving ongoing treatment. We are thinking of these members and send them our best wishes and hope to have them back with us soon. If you know of any member who would like a Cheerio please contact Anne Gover by phone or email

ATTENDANCE – HELEN STRONG

Please advise our Membership Officer, Helen Strong, if you are unable to attend any particular General Meeting.

An apology **DOES NOT** reduce the number of meetings required to achieve a 50% attendance record.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE APPLICATIONS – BEV ROONEY

The Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month. Applications for Leave of Absence are to be in writing or by email and must be received by the Secretary prior to the Committee meeting.

Please advise our Secretary, Bev Rooney, by email if you require a **LEAVE OF ABSENCE** for one or more General Monthly Meetings.

**ALL CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:
THE SECRETARY, P.O. BOX 193, CASTLE HILL 1765**

GUEST PRESENTERS – BARRY HAYWOOD

No report

PROBUS SOUTH PACIFIC – ACTIVE RETIREES MAGAZINE

https://probussouthpacific.org/pages/magazines_active_retirees_current_issue

MYGOV - <https://my.gov.au/mygov/content/html/about.html>

MYAGED CARE - <https://www.myagedcare.gov.au/>

SERVICE NSW - <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/>

SCAMWATCH - <https://www.scamwatch.gov.au/news-alerts/scams-awareness-week-2022>

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POSITIONS VACANT

APPLICATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS.
TENNIS GROUP CONVENOR
HERITAGE AND HISTORY GROUP CONVENOR
CRAFT GROUP CONVENOR
\$2.50 CLUB CONVENOR

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN TAKING ON ONE OF THESE POSITIONS, PLEASE CONTACT PETER WOLNIZER,

FOR YOUR DIARY

1. The table below is a 3 month look ahead
2. Refer to the relevant section of the newsletter for details of each event.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

In order to be **guaranteed a place for an event**, you **MUST register** via FLOKTU and you **MUST pay** for the event by the payment deadline.

Please remember that paying by Square incurs a fee.

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
|---------------|--|---------------------|
| 5 June 2023 | Tai Chi \$65 course pp | John Lucas |
| 8 June 2023 | TLC – twentyonefiftythree \$35 pp | Anne Perry |
| 27 June 2023 | Day Tours - Western Sydney International Airport + Historic Camden \$88 pp | Elizabeth Lessells |
| 7 July 2023 | Police & Justice Museum | Elizabeth Lessells |
| 20 July 2023 | Christmas in July – The Fiddler \$65 pp | John Michell |
| 4 August 2023 | Wine & Cheese August – @ the Perry’s \$5pp | <u>Julie Savage</u> |
| 13 September | Crazy Whist \$10pp | John Michell |

***Please make sure you sign on for all events, as this will mean that you are covered by Probus Insurance**

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CHRISTMAS IN JULY
THURSDAY 20 July 2023 at 12 NOON
The Fiddler, Commercial Road, Rouse Hill

\$65 pp - 2 courses including wine and soft drink
Entertainer: Vanessa Powell

Registration is via FLOKTU Cost is \$65 pp payable by EFT to the Club's bank account
Please ensure you include your Surname on the remittance

If you go to the bank and deposit money, make sure your name is on the deposit

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE 6 JULY 2023

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT JOHN MICHELL



TLC - The July Lunch Club

There will not be a TLC lunch this month due to the closeness to Christmas in July function the following week.

Further information contact Anne Perry, coordinator

CLUB'S PHOTOS – RON CANFIELD

If any members have any photos they have taken while participating in any Club activity, can they please forward them to Ron Canfield so he can process them and put them in the historical archives of the Club as permanent reminders as the years roll on.

The photos can be on USB or actual prints, which Ron can then scan to digitise them before returning to the original owners. Ron will need to know the details of the events together with locations, dates, and any other information you want to be included. Once again, all property will be returned to members.

Thanks for your participation.

Ron Canfield (Photographer Historian) email or phone

DEFIBRILLATOR



The Club's defibrillator is available for major outings and events. Convenors and coordinators can book the defibrillator by contacting Aldo Cantori with details of the event, dates, duration etc.

YouTube demonstration on the use of our defibrillator: <https://youtu.be/xouPVQgqrSk>

ACTIVITY GROUPS – These groups are established for your enjoyment. It’s a great way to meet new people and make new friends. Our Convenors are always very willing and happy to welcome new members. These dates are correct at time of printing.

| | | DATES |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 250 CLUB (\$2.50 OPAL CARD) | POSITION VACANT | |
| BOOK EXCHANGE | Viv Wilson | EVERY GENERAL MEETING |
| BOOK CLUB | Karin Regel | 26 JUNE 2023 |
| BOWLS GROUP | Robert Cochrane | 23 JUNE 2023 14 JULY 2023 |
| CABIN & CARAVAN CLUB | Sue Donnoley | 13 – 17 NOVEMBER 2023 |
| CRAFT GROUP | POSITION VACANT | |
| FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION | Neil Gover | MARCH-SEPTEMBER 2023 |
| GARDENING CLUB | Jill and Les Dyball | 28 JUNE 2023 |
| GOLF GROUP | Nigel Nield | 13 JUNE 2023 |
| HERITAGE AND HISTORY GROUP | POSITION VACANT | 14 JUNE 2023 FINAL MEETING |
| LADIES COFFEE & CHAT GROUP | Anne Gover | 26 JUNE 2023 |
| MEN’S CHAT GROUP | John Lucas | 7 JUNE 2023 |
| MOVIES | Ellen Heyes Sue Donnoley | 13 JUNE 2023 |
| ONLINE TRIVIA QUIZ | Helen Stafford-Osborne | 9 JUNE 2023 23 JUNE 2023 |
| SAPPS DINING | Anne Perry | |
| TAI CHI | John Lucas | 5 JUNE 2023 (4 WEEKS) |
| TENNIS GROUP | POSITION VACANT | EVERY WED NIGHT |
| THE LUNCH CLUB (TLC) | Anne Perry | 6 JUNE 2023 |
| WALKING GROUP | Viv Wilson | 21 JUNE 2023 |
| WINE & CHEESE | Julie Savage | 4 AUGUST 2023 |

\$2.50 CLUB (OPAL CARD) – POSITION VACANT

If you're interested in taking on the \$2.50 CLUB convenor position, please contact Peter Wolnizer.



BOOK CLUB – MONDAY 26 JUNE 2023

The Book Club meets on the last Monday of the month at 2.00 to 3.30 pm.

The May Book of the month is "Baking cakes in Kagali"

Everyone welcome even if you do not read the book. The Book Club meeting will be held at Karin Regel's home. Please confirm for catering purposes. We still look for some new members. It is always a good social get together.

Contact Karin Regel



BOWLS GROUP – FRIDAYS 23 JUNE AND 14 JULY 2023

The next lawn bowls will be 23 June & 14 July 2023. Please have names in by 9.00 am at Castle Hill Bowling Club. New bowlers are most welcome and bowls are available to try the game first with free lessons and coaching.

Contact Robert Cochrane



CABIN AND CARAVAN CLUB

Our next travels will be to Geroa on the south coast. A group of 27 will make the trip on Nov 13-17th for 4 nights, 5 days. Some of the activities that we are always keen to do are, explore the area, learn the history, bushwalk, beach walk, swim, shop, relax, cross something off our bucket (wish) list and enjoy food, wine and friendships, especially at our BBQ nights.

Contact Sue Donnelly

CRAFT GROUP – POSITION VACANT If you're interested in taking on the Craft Group's convenor position, please contact Peter Wolnizer

GARDENING CLUB – WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL 2023

Report from the Garden Group 24 May 2023

Our garden group went potty today, decorating terracotta and plastic pots then planting daffodils and some other bulbs to take away. While enjoying morning tea, a short video was shown of "how to make your own concrete pots." Perhaps a project sometime in the future. Then some terrariums were made with succulents. Our next meeting 28th June will be held under the Waves where will learn about the Rose Garden and how it is maintained. (Weather permitting) A coffee at the café and a tour of the Waves complex, approx \$10 will need to be paid pp. RSVP by 22 June.

Please advise if you no longer wish to receive our reports.

Contact Jill and Les Dyball



GOLF GROUP – TUESDAY 13 June 2023



Results for May game at Windsor was another win to Ralph Gosling. Next game to be held on Tuesday June 13th, at Richmond. NOTE this is one week earlier than previously tabled. Tee time 11:40 AM, as they have VETS on in the morning.

Other games this year to be held on: Tuesday 11 July, Tuesday 8 August, Tuesday 12 September, Tuesday 10 October, Tuesday 14 November and Monday 4 December.

Please contact Nigel Nield by phone or text if interested in joining the group, and also confirm attendance at least 3 – 5 days prior and if a cart is required. Nigel will always send a text to known players one week prior to each game, to confirm actual tee time and course.

Convenor: Nigel Nield

HERITAGE AND HISTORY GROUP – WEDNESDAY 14 JUNE 2023

POSITION VACANT - CONVENOR ADMINISTRATION

LAST HURRAH for the Heritage & History Group.

Group members are aware that the committee decided to withdraw the accreditation of the Heritage & History Group due to the unfilled position of CONVENER with no club member accepting the administration role.



Our next and final meeting is on **Wednesday, 14 June** commencing at 1:00 pm at the Crestwood Community Centre. Our Guest Speaker is Angelina Bonafacio from the Dural Italian community to provide a talk on its farming activities and relocation to permit the establishment of Macquarie University campus in the late 1960's.

Afternoon tea & coffee will be served with plenty of time to chat and recall past Heritage & History Group excursions, events and the sharing of fun, friendship & fellowship.

NO COVER CHARGE – the meeting is FREE to all.

Contacts: John Wilkes

Trish Warton – Events Coordinator

LADIES COFFEE AND CHAT GROUP – FRIDAY 26 June 2023 – 10.30 AM

We meet the last Friday of the month at 10.30 am. The venue is Baulkham Hills Sports Club, Renown Road, Baulkham Hills.



You don't have to be a member of the Club as Anne Gover can sign you in, however membership is free.

This is a fun morning and a good opportunity to meet up with our friends and to make new friends, particularly if you are new to Probus. There is no obligation to come every month. Please feel free to come whenever you would like to catch up with your friends and have a chat with many laughs.

If you would like to join then please contact Anne Gover

MEN'S CHAT GROUP – WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE 2023

The May meeting proved to be very popular. We played mini golf and the winner was Aldo Cantori. Chris Savage finished second and was delighted to see that the golf balls here actually floated on the water!!!!

The June meeting of the Men's Group will be at the "Club Active Gym" on Wednesday 7 June 2023 at 10:45 am. The gym is located at the HOME CO NORTHSIDE complex on Victoria Road Castle Hill (opposite the Tavern). The gym is on the second floor opposite Harvey Norman. We will inspect the facilities have a brief talk on men's health issues and look at some of the programs offered. This gym is restricted to members over 50 years of age and therefore provides a focus for men in our age group. We will meet outside the gym at 10:45 am. Lunch will follow at own expense. Thanks Barry Haywood for organising this.

The 5 July meeting will be at the Tavern Victoria Road Castle Hill (opposite Bunnings) for pool followed by lunch at 12:00 pm at own expense. Meet outside at 10:45 am.

Contact John Lucas

MOVIE GROUP – TUESDAY 13 JUNE 2023 10.30 AM

On 9 May a small group of 7 saw the comedy, "80, waiting for Brady." Based on a true story, a group of friends, (Jane Fonda, Sally Field, Rita Moreno and Lily Tomlin) make it their life long mission to go to the Super Bowl and meet NFL superstar Tom Brady. Comments ranged from "I loved it" to "okay."



If you would like to join the movie group which meets in the morning of the second Tuesday of the month, please contact Convenors - Ellen Heyes & Sue Donnelly

ONLINE TRIVIA QUIZ– FRIDAYS 9 AND 23 JUNE 2023

Circulated twice a month (2nd and 4th Friday of each month), all members are welcome to participate. If you're new to the club and have not received the Quiz yet, please email me so I can add your email address to the list. Simple instructions are added to each quiz email, however, if you need any help just give me a call. It's all a bit of fun. Happy quizzing!

Contact Helen Stafford-Osborne

TAI CHI FOR SENIORS – RESUMES MONDAY 5 JUNE 2023 9.30am

TAICHI resumes on Monday 5 June for a 4 week session concluding on 3 July. The next session will commence on 10 July for four (4) weeks concluding on 31 July. Classes are held on Monday mornings from 9:30 am to 10:45 am.



Classes are conducted by a qualified instructor, specialising in seniors, at the Crestwood Community Centre Baulkham Hills. The cost for the 4 lessons is \$65 payable in advance. Please register on FLOKTU and pay through the club's bank account. No previous experience is necessary and new members are always welcome.

For additional information contact John Lucas

TENNIS GROUP –EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT



Wednesday tennis continues in 2023. For venue details and times please contact Wayne Beattie from Oakhill Probus, who will be in charge until further notice.

WALKING GROUP – FRIDAY 23 JUNE 2023 AT 10 AM

This month we will be catching the Manly Ferry and walking in the Fairlight/ Manly area. We will do a return walk along the Fairlight Walk to Fairlight Beach. We will then walk through the Corso to Manly Beach and do a return walk to Shelly Beach along Marine Parade. Lunch will be decided by the group on the day. Please arrive at Circular Quay on time as we won't be able to wait for latecomers. The ferry leaves Circular Quay at 10.10.

Leader: Viv Wilson.

Time and Place: June 23, Circular Quay wharf 3. 9.55am.

Grade: easy.

Distance: Approx. 6.5kms.

Please bring: Opal card, water, hat, sunscreen, morning tea, emergency contact info.

Contact: Viv Wilson

Sign on sheet will be at the library table at our monthly meeting.

Anyone who knows of a pleasant walk and would like to lead it for us please let Viv know as it would be much appreciated.

Contact: Viv Wilson

WINE AND CHEESE – FRIDAY 4 AUGUST 2023

Please note: This event now runs every 2nd month

Our hosts for the August evening will be – John & Anne Perry

Please bring your bottle of wine or wines and a glass with you on the night. Please register by Floktu

We are in need of hosts for the December event, if anyone is interested in kindly hosting December. Please let me know and thanks in advance.

Contact Julie Savage by phone or or email

In order to be guaranteed a place for an event, you MUST register via FLOKTU and you MUST pay for the event by the payment deadline.

TOURS AND OUTINGS

DAY TOURS – ELIZABETH LESSELLS

Please note that many of the places we visited in 2022 currently have a requirement that you are **double vaccinated for their bus tours**. **On Course currently require that you are double vaccinated**. This may change in the near future in light of Government Policies.

TUESDAY 27 JUNE 2023 – WESTERN SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT + HISTORIC CAMDEN

Time: 8.30 am

Cost: \$88

Assemble at 8.15 am at Fred Caterson Reserve. We leave at 8.30 am. Bus returns approximately 5.00pm. Turn into Caterson Drive from Gilbert Road. Turn right at the next intersection and follow the road to the huge car park at the top of the hill.

N.B. Please be aware that Council is planning a major development of this site. The meeting place may have to change.

Our morning commences travelling to Western Sydney International Airport and Experience Centre with morning tea on route at Nurragingy Reserve. The Experience Centre is located on the airport site, where you will be taken through a series of interactive stop overs where you will learn about the region and its people and understand the opportunities that will come from Australia's first smart airport. You will be immersed in the experience as you step into the airport control room and arrive at your final destination, the site! Your coach driver will then take you on a self-guided drive around the perimeter of the airport.

Our two course lunch is at the historic Camden Valley Inn which is set on several acres of gardens with lovely rural views and has built a great reputation for its hospitality.

After lunch we will be joined by our guide Rene Rem, a keen member of the Camden Historical Society, who will showcase many of the heritage buildings around both Camden and Cobbitty and bring the history of this fascinating area to life.

Cost per person is \$88.00 and includes morning tea, WSIA Experience Centre, two course lunch, guide and coach transportation. Departs at 8.30 am and returns approx. 5.00 pm.

Please register through FLOKTU **Deadline: 23 June 2023**

Payment: by EFT to the Probus Club's bank account

Please ensure you include your Surname on the deposit

For further information please contact Elizabeth Lessells phone or email

STOP PRESS

For those who enjoy a night at the theatre, arrangements are underway with Castle Hill Lions Club to attend the final rehearsal nights for upcoming shows at the Pavilion Theatre on the Showground at Castle Hill. The price is very reasonable (approx. \$30), there is plenty of parking and you can enjoy a glass of bubbly with cheese and crackers prior to the show. Please watch this space for further information.

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I'm gonna quit my
job and travel the
world until I run
out of money!

I estimate I'll be
home again
around 10 PM
this evening...

WEEK AWAY TOURS - Please note that On Course have advised that their policy for all trips is **DOUBLE VACCINATION. PLEASE BRING ALONG YOUR VACCINE CERTIFICATE TO EVERY TRIP.**

WEEK AWAY TOURS – Colin Yates

ADELAIDE AND PENINSULARS - 24 SEPTEMBER 2023 TO 1 OCTOBER 2023

We have 22 people booked for this trip. The Bus will pick up at Castle Pines on 24 September. Time still to be decided. Cost per person is \$3395 and the Single Supplement is \$640.

Payment due before 15 August 2023

Enquiries please contact Colin Yates phone or email

In order to be guaranteed a place for an event, you MUST register via FLOKTU and you MUST pay for the event by the payment deadline.

WEEK AWAY TOURS – Frances Orr (NEW CONVENOR)

We have 19 folk signed up and waiting impatiently for their September **Gloucester/ Barrington/ Forster and farmgate** trip to arrive. **I have ONE more room available and I will take a waiting list.** Please register through FLOKTU Cost per person is \$1,120.00 and includes all meals. **I have 3 more rooms available.** Single supplement is \$180. Last chance for a fun trip this year at a lovely motel in tranquil country surrounds.

Now, looking to next year **I would appreciate expressions of interest by emailing me before next meeting or coming to the desk at the next meeting.** I am planning on running two shorter trips, 1 medium and 1 long trip hoping to include include all who want to travel.

Contact: Frances Orr phone or email

Trip 1. **Berry Celtic Festival**, is **BOOKED** to go late May, via Fitzroy Falls, staying at the Sebel Kiama, spending the day at the festival then a history tour of Kiama, lunch there and a tour of towns on the coast and Wollongong on the way home. 3 full days 2 nights. More details to come.



We want a full bus for this!!

Trip 2. A 5 day **high country explorer** \$1,290 in March 2024. visiting many different and interesting sites, Beechworth, Yackandandah, Mount Buffalo, Bright, Coryong, Tumbarumbah and Tumut, to name a few. More details at June meeting but need serious expressions of interest ASAP.

Trip 3. A visit to **Canberra**, date flexible, maybe including behind the scenes of War Memorial, iconic buildings, high tea(lunch) at Parliament House and an optional extra visit to the zoo. 3 days 2 nights.

Happy pondering before wandering!

Contact: Frances Orr phone or email

INTERNATIONAL TOURS – RODICA BENTON


I am planning a trip to Sri Lanka in March 2024. Brochure available at the desk or I can email you.

Sri Lanka is an island country located off the southern coast of India. Is surrounded by the Indian Ocean, and lies in vicinity of India and Maldives. The geography includes coastal plains in the north and hills and mountains in the interior. The country formerly named Ceylon until 1972 has a population of over 22 million people. Sri Lanka national parks offer everything from over 400 species of birds to safaris where visitors can spot elephants and leopards. It is small but very beautiful!

Contact: Rodica Benton ph or email

Register on Floktu

SRI LANKA - "Pearl of the Indian Ocean"
With The Combined Probus Club of Castle Hill
14 Days / 13 Nights - Fully Escorted!
Departs: Tuesday 14 March - Wednesday 27 March, 2024.



Tour Price Includes:

- Trade Travel Tour Escort
- Sri Lankan Tour Guide
- Return economy flights - Australia - Colombo (conditions apply)
- Luxury air-conditioned coach travel - Bottled water daily - Sanitizers
- 12 Nights luxury accommodation + late checkout day 13 (4 & 5 Star hotels)
- Breakfast, lunch & dinner as per itinerary (33 meals + High Tea)
- All touring, entry fees, English speaking guides & attractions as per the itinerary
- Gratuities for driver, helper & tour director

Tour Price Excludes:

- Visa - approx \$80.00 AUD (subject to currency exchange)
- Tip to porters, hotel staff & safari driver/guides in Minneriya & Yala National Parks
- Optional: Sigiriya Rock Climb; Dambulla Cave Temple; Cricket Club Cafe; Ministry of Crab

Tour Cost: \$5948.00 per person Twin Share (\$1298.00 single supplement)
(+ \$236.00 Airport Taxes, Levies & Fuel Surcharges)

A minimum number of 20 passengers is required for this tour to proceed.

We wish to advise that all pricing for International Travel is subject to Tax increases, Currency Fluctuations and Fuel Surcharges. It may be necessary to make adjustments to the pricing during the course of the tour booking, at checking and at the final payment deadline to ensure these cost's changes are allowed for in the final tour pricing!

Please note that itinerary is subject to change at any time without notice.

Payment Details:

Deposit: A deposit of \$1000 per person is due now on booking to secure your place on this tour, along with completed & signed booking forms. **Don't miss out, spaces are limited!**

Final Payment: Due no later than **Friday 1 December, 2023**

NEXT GENERAL MEETING - TUESDAY 18 July 2023