

# COMBINED PROBUS CLUB OF CASTLE HILL INC

# NEWSLETTER

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Monthly Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 10 am

**Cherrybrook Community and Cultural Centre,** 

31 Shepherds Lane, Cherrybrook – off Shepherds Drive, Cherrybrook

### **NEXT GENERAL MEETING – TUESDAY 18 JUNE 2024 AT 10.00 AM**

### A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT – JUNE 2024

I would like to thank you for the support shown to our Committee in your acceptance of the Motion on which we voted at our May General Meeting. The Motion passed by a majority with a show of hands, without questions or discussion. The response in favour was beyond question. We have already started the process of carrying out the necessary formalities now required and we assure you that we will keep you informed as it progresses.

We are also now able to move forward on the Key Actions which arose from our Member Survey taken last year. A great deal of time and hard work went into arriving at these Actions following your support in answering the questions put before you. You will have heard the results spoken of at the General Meetings and in written form which was distributed to all Members at the Annual General Meeting in March. You will also be kept informed as we move forward with this.

From my personal point of view I think it's very important to always show our appreciation to those Members who do great service to our Club in a variety of voluntary capacities. However, it's not just about thanking them, I feel that it's also important that our Members hear back from those people who have participated in and enjoyed our various activities and attended functions and outings offered to us. I would hope in doing this that invited Guests, New Members or those who haven't as yet joined an activity would be inclined to do so.

We need far more participation from Members and it's my continued intention to support and acknowledge our Coordinators, Convenors and the many Volunteers who do a wonderful job to offer the various services to our Members which they do for the enjoyment of us all.

Barry Haywood presented the Ukulele Club at our May Meeting and from the reports I've received it was very much enjoyed by everyone, I know I did. The music was appropriate and lively, as were some of our Members who were seen joining in with song and dancing, albeit from their chairs. The seated Hula -Hula was very interesting. It was a pleasure to see and hear the musicians perform. The commentary and obvious enjoyment of their craft was much appreciated. Thanks Barry it was great.

#### **COMMITTEE 2024/2025**

#### **PRESIDENT**

Carol Evans

#### VICE PRESIDENT

**Brian Simpson** 

#### **SECRETARY**

Ian Dale

### **TREASURER**

Anne Lockwood

### **IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT**

Peter Wolnizer

#### MEMBERSHIP OFFICER

Helen Strong

### PROPERTY OFFICER

John Perry

# INTERNATIONAL TOURS and

**CRUISES** – TOURS SUSPENDED

### **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

### **NEWSLETTER EDITOR**

Annette Watson

# NEWSLETTER EDITOR

### (Alternate)

Aldo Cantori

### NON COMMITTEE:

### REFRESHMENTS OFFICER

Michelle Dale

### WEBSITE EDITOR

Alan Watson

### **PHOTOGRAPHER & HISTORIAN**

Ron Canfield

I'm further going to indulge myself in another 'thank you'. I want to commend Anne Perry for her work in sourcing venues for our TLC luncheons. In her research Anne visits numerous venues to ensure suitability regarding location/parking etc and most importantly the quality of the food and wines. In doing so Anne is very ably supported by John. As John will tell you it's a tough job but this he bears (admirably) on behalf of us all. Our May TLC was held at Fortuna Gardens Restaurant and a lively group of Members attended. It was an enjoyable social occasion where we enjoyed delicious food and friendship. Thank you very much Anne and John of course.

### **CAROL EVANS, PRESIDENT**

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING PARKING AT GENERAL MEETINGS

Note that a number of parking spots around the hall have been changed to "Disabled Parking". One member has already received a hefty fine. When attending general meeting please check you are not using one of the newly designated disabled spot.

**WELFARE** – **KARON CANTORI** - A number of our members are having a few health challenges. We wish them all a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing them resume activities asap.

If you know of anyone who would like a card or a cheerio please contact Karon Cantori by phone or email.

ATTENDANCE – HELEN STRONG - Please advise our Membership Officer, Helen Strong by phone or email, if you're unable to attend a particular General Meeting. Note that an apology **DOES NOT** reduce the number of meetings required to achieve a 50% attendance record.

### LEAVE OF ABSENCE APPLICATIONS - IAN DALE

The Committee meets the first Tuesday of each month. Applications for Leaves 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, Ian Dale, by email if you require a **LEAVE OF ABSENCE** for one or more General Monthly Meetings.

# ALL CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO: THE SECRETARY, PO BOX 193, CASTLE HILL 1765

or by email to lan Dale

**NEW MEMBERS AND EXISTING MEMBERS** - Please feel free to invite a friend to come and see what our club has to offer. Note that our membership is <u>no longer restricted to retirees</u>.

WELCOMERS - We are asking interested members to be on a roster as a Welcomer. The Roster will be available at the Attendance Desk. Any queries please see Helen Strong, Membership Officer.

We are a friendly Club and the smiling, happy face of a Welcomer can be the positive introduction to our Club, new and prospective members would appreciate this welcome.

The Welcomer role is about accompanying a prospective member through their first few club general meetings, explaining how the Club's meetings are run, where facilities are and the how morning tea happens. During the morning tea break, introduce them to other members with an invitation to join in the Club's activities as outlined in the newsletter initially maybe The Ladies Coffee and Chat Group or the Men's Chat Group.

## WELFARE OFFICER

Karon Cantori

**MEDICAL CARDS** – All members are encouraged to carry a Probus Medical card or similar personal medical card that includes emergency contact details when attending Probus meetings and events. If you don't have one, please collect one from the Welcome Desk.

### **USEFUL LINKS**

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 - <a href="https://www.myagedcare.gov.au/">https://www.myagedcare.gov.au/</a>

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

SCAMWATCH - https://www.scamwatch.gov.au/ and https://www.scamwatch.gov.au/news-alerts

### **FOR YOUR DIARY**

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 small fee.

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

DATE	EVENT	CONTACT
11 June 2024	Day Tour – Vivid \$100 per person	Elizabeth Lessells
13 June 2024	TLC June Lunch The Little Snail \$45 per person	Anne Perry
30 July 2024	The Fiddler Christmas in July \$67 per person	John Michell
4 September2024	Crazy Whist \$10 per person	John Michell
26 July 2024	Day Tour Hawkesbury Ramble \$68 per person	Elizabeth Lessells

## FOUNDATION MEMBERS LUNCH - WEDNESDAY 10 JULY 2024

All Foundation Members should now have received an email inviting them to attend our 20 year celebration lunch at Baulkham Hills Sports Club, Renown Road, Baulkham Hills. Members will be advised by phone or email closer to the date of final arrangements.

Contacts: Anne Gover or Neil Gover



# CHRISTMAS IN JULY TUESDAY 30 JULY 2024 at 12 NOON

# The Fiddler, Mile End Road, Rouse Hill



\$67 pp - 2 courses including wine and soft drink and entertainment

Registration is via FLOKTU

Cost per person is \$67 pp payable by direct debit to the Club's bank account Please ensure you include code Christmas and Surname on the remittance

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE 16 JULY 2024
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT JOHN MICHELL by Phone or Email



# TLC - The Lunch Club June

Our next lunch is a 3-course a la carte meal at the French Restaurant

## The Little Snail, 3/50 Murray Street, Pyrmont

(This venue is easy to find. <u>Meet at the venue</u> OR IF YOU CHOOSE, meet Anne at 11.30am at the QVB, corner of Market St and York St, Sydney, and we will have a 10 -15 min easy walk straight down Market St. Restaurant is located opposite the Maritime Museum. Please add my phone number into your phone so you can contact me on the day if necessary.)

# 13 June 2024 at 12pm. Cost is \$45pp

You will be offered many delicious options for each course.

Alcohol and drinks may be purchased individually

Registration **must be** by Floktu
Please pay by direct debit to the Clubs bank account to secure your seat
Please ensure you include code TLC, Little Snail, and your Surname on the deposit.

Final date for payment **5 June 2024**Further information contact Anne Perry, coordinator by phone or Email



# **CRAZY WHIST**

# Wednesday, 4 September 2024 7pm for 7.30 pm

Redgum Room at the Cherrybrook Community Centre

# **COST \$10 BYO drinks and nibbles**

Supper will be provided at the finish of the game as usual

Registration must be made by Floktu
Pay by direct credit to the Club's bank account
Please ensure you include Surname and CW on the deposit.

Deadline: 28 August 2024

Further information please contact John Michell by phone or email

### **GUEST SPEAKERS & PRESENTERS – BARRY HAYWOOD**

**JUNE** - Our guest speakers for June are Deborah Martin and Peter Fowler from Computer Pals who will present a slide presentation and will answer questions regarding computer issues. Emphasis will be on addressing Scams. Computer Pals is a community education group.

**JULY** – Our guest speakers for July are Ms Chris D'Arcy and Ms Adele Jago, Senior Training Officers from Search Dogs. Search Dogs is a community organization involved in working with Police using Dogs to find missing people. People lost in bush land or with memory loss.

### **ACTIVITY GROUPS**

These groups are established for your enjoyment. They are a great way to meet new people and make new friends. Our Convenors are always very willing and happy to welcome new members. All dates are correct as at time of printing.

GROUP	MAIN CONTACT	NEXT EVENT
250 CLUB (\$2.50 OPAL CARD)	Julie Savage	27 JUNE
BOOK EXCHANGE	Diana Larbalestier	
BOOK CLUB	Karin Regel	24 JUNE
BOWLS GROUP	Robert Cochrane	28 JUNE AND 12 JULY
CABIN & CARAVAN CLUB	Sue Donnolley	21 OCTOBER TO 25 OCTOBER
GARDENING CLUB	Jill and Les Dyball	JULY 2024
GOLF GROUP	Nigel Nield	11 JUNE
LADIES COFFEE & CHAT GROUP	Anne Gover	28 JUNE
MEN'S CHAT GROUP	John Lucas Brian Simpson	3 JULY
MOVIES	Ellen Heyes Sue Donnolley	11 JUNE CANCELLED
ONLINE TRIVIA QUIZ	Helen Stafford-Osborne	2 <sup>ND</sup> AND 4 <sup>TH</sup> FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH
SAPPS DINING	Anne Perry	
TENNIS GROUP	POSITION VACANT	
THE LUNCH CLUB (TLC)	Anne Perry	13 JUNE
WALKING GROUP	Viv Wilson	5 JULY
WINE & CHEESE	Julie Savage	7 JUNE

### **DEFIBRILLATOR**



The Club's defibrillator is available for major outings and events. Convenors and coordinators can book the defibrillator by contacting John Perry on phone or email with details of the event, dates, duration etc.

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

### \$2.50 CLUB (OPAL CARD) -THURSDAY 27 JUNE 2024 - 10.15 AM

**VENUE** – Trip to Abbotsford Wharf, lunch at the Sydney Rowing Club

**DESCRIPTION** - Please meet at Parramatta Wharf by 10.30am to catch the ferry at 10.38am to Abbotsford. There is a short walk up the hill to the club for lunch

**CONVENOR - JULIE SAVAGE** phone or email

### **BOOK CLUB – MONDAY 24 JUNE 2024**

PLEASE NOTE NEW STARTING TIME FOR THIS MEETING ONLY 2.30 pm - 4.30 pm

**VENUE** - Karin Regel's home

**PREVIOUS BOOK**: The book of the month will be What happened to Nina by Dervla McTiernan.

We had a very good discussion of the book. This book is not a "Who Done It". It explores the effect Nina's murder on her family and on the family of her boyfriend, Simon. It explores current issues like violence against women, wealth and entitlement, social media and trolling, grief and revenge and powerlessness in the face of hostile misinformation. No one emerges undamaged. You feel angry and wish that justice could have come more quickly. You may even wonder how you might act in this scenario. Everyone agreed the book was a good read, which shows in the Rating of the book 8 out of 10.

**NEXT MEETING**: The next meeting will be held on Monday 24 June 2024. The book for June is The Silent Patient by Alex Michaelides. Everyone is welcome, please send a message if you are coming and please bring a plate to share. We are looking for new interested members. Our meetings are always a fun social get together.

**CONVENOR - KARIN REGEL –** phone or email

### **BOWLS GROUP - FRIDAYS 28 JUNE AND 12 JULY 2024 - 9.00 AM**

**VENUE - Castle Hill Bowling Club** 

**DESCRIPTION** – The next Lawn Bowls will be 28 June and 12 July 2024. Please have names in by 9.00am at Castle Hill Bowling Club. New bowlers are most welcome and bowls are available to try the game first with free lessons and coaching.

**CONVENOR - ROBERT COCHRANE, CONVENER - phone or email** 

### CABIN AND CARAVAN CLUB - NEXT OUTING 21 OCTOBER TO 25 OCTOBER 2024

**DESCRIPTION** – Cabins and Caravans Bathurst October 2024 trip.

We will be travelling to Bathurst and staying at NRMA Bathurst Panorama Holiday Park for the 21 October to 25 October (4 nights). Sue is gathering information for the itinerary of things to see and do, so if you have any ideas and you would like to add them to Sue's list, please let her know. A group of 35 members will be making the journey, so it sounds like we might be in for a good "party".

FLOKTU: PLEASE REGISTER THROUGH FLOKTU

**PAYMENT:** Please **pay deposit and balance direct to venue.** Please state your NRMA membership number for discount on accommodation. **Book direct** 

**CONVENOR - SUE DONNOLLEY - phone or email** 

### **GARDENING CLUB – JULY 2024**

**MAY OUTING** - Our visit to the H E KOCH Warehouse was disappointing with only 4 turning up, however it was exciting to see the prices on gardening tools, vases, teddy bears, and artificial flowers..

JUNE OUTING - This month there will be no excursion

JULY OUTING - In July we will have another potting day at Dyball's home with hyacinths in your pot.

**CONVENORS - JILL AND LES DYBALL - phones or email** 

### GOLF GROUP - TUESDAY 11 JUNE 2024 – 8.30 AM

**VENUE** – Next game is booked at Richmond on 11 June 2024 with a tee time of 8.30 am.

**DESCRIPTION** – The May game was played in beautiful weather, and a great day had by all. Following games always second Monday or Tuesday of the month (depends on which club). Please contact Nigel Nield by phone or email to confirm your attendance and if a cart is required at least 3 – 5 days prior to game day. Nigel will always send a text to known players one week prior to each game.

**CONVENOR - NIGEL NIELD** - phone or email

### LADIES COFFEE AND CHAT GROUP - FRIDAY 28 JUNE 2024 - 10.30 AM

VENUE - Baulkham Hills Sports Club, Renown Road, Baulkham Hills

**DESCRIPTION** – We meet on the **last Friday of the month** at 10.30 am at Baulkham Hills Sports Club, Renown Road, Baulkham Hills. This is a friendly group where you can catch up with friends and make new friends. If you would like to take part in these gatherings please contact Anne Gover.

**CONVENOR - ANNE GOVER - phone or email** 

### MEN'S CHAT GROUP - WEDNESDAY 3 JULY 2024 - 10.45 AM

The JULY MEETING on Wednesday 3 July will be a SELF GUIDED TOUR OF CENTRAL STATION. The Station has undergone an extensive refurbishment in recent times but still has an historical charm. Make your own way to CENTRAL STATION (City X press bus to QVB, then train or light rail to Central OR Metro to Chatswood then rail to Central) meeting under the clock in the middle of the CONCOURSE at 10.45 am. The tour will start at 11.00 am and finish about 12.15 pm. Lunch (at own expense) is available at the station's cafe at reasonable prices. For further information contact John Lucas by email or phone

**CONVENORS - JOHN LUCAS - phone or email** 

**BRIAN SIMPSON** – phone or email

### **MOVIE GROUP – TUESDAY 11 JUNE 2024 – 10.00 AM CANCELLED**

**VENUE** - Castle Hill Events Theatre, Castle Towers. Lunch at Cosmo Café, Castle Towers. Approximately \$10 for movie and lunch at own expense.

**LAST MONTH'S MOVIE** - On 14 May, 9 members saw "Golda". The film was based on Golda Meir, the first woman Israeli Prime Minister's role in leading her country during the 1973 Yom Kippur War. All enjoyed and agreed that Helen Mirren's acting was superb.

### **DESCRIPTION – JUNE MOVIE CANCELLED**

Unfortunately Sue and Ellen have agreed to cancel next week's movie group. There is just no suitable movie scheduled for next Tuesday. Hopefully next month there will be some options.

**CONVENORS - ELLEN HEYES - phone or email** 

**SUE DONNOLLEY** – phone or email

# ONLINE TRIVIA QUIZ – EVERY 2<sup>ND</sup> AND 4<sup>TH</sup> FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH

These quizzes are not a contest. People like to do them for different reasons. Some like to test their knowledge and their memory whilst others like to use the Quiz to research answers and learn something new. Either way, have a go and have some fun. As soon as you receive the emailed quiz (sent out on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month) you can begin. You have 3 days to complete it by late Sunday night. On Monday Helen closes the quiz and sends the report with correct answers. All members are welcome to participate.

**New to the club?** Please email Helen so she can add your email address to the list. Simple instructions are included with each quiz. Helen is only a call away if you need help. Happy Quizzing!

**CONVENOR - HELEN STAFFORD-OSBORNE** phone or email

### TENNIS GROUP – EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Convenor - for venue details and times please contact Wayne Beattie from Oakhill Probus, contact by phone who will be in charge until we have our own convenor.

### WALKING GROUP - FRIDAY 5 JULY 2024 - 10.00 AM

**VENUE –** Fagan Park, 48 Arcadia Road, Galston

**DESCRIPTION** - Unfortunately, this walk had to be cancelled in May and is now rescheduled for 5 July.

This month we will walk in Fagan Park. This is a grade 1 walk on gently sloping or flat pathways. Walkers will be able to determine how far they want to walk. For those who want to walk both before and after lunch the walk will be about 7 kilometres.

We will meet at the main Carpark on Arcadia Rd. There is a small parking fee of \$6 per car.

We will enjoy morning tea when we arrive and lunch after the first walk.

Please bring your own morning tea and lunch, walking shoes, hat, sunscreen, water and Probus Emergency Contact Card. Sign on sheet will be available at our May meeting.

Leader and Convenor: Viv Wilson

**CONVENOR - VIV WILSON** phone or email

### WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT – FRIDAY 7 JUNE 2024 – 7 PM-9.30 PM

Please note: This event will now run every 2nd month

**VENUE** – Our Hosts for this evening is Julie and Chris Savage

**DESCRIPTION** – There will be a limit of 15 people for this venue. Please register by FLOKTU or by contacting Julie Savage by email or phone. Please ensure you have paid your \$10 to the Probus account 2 weeks prior to the event. Bring your bottle of wine or wines and a glass with you on the night. Deadline:

AUGUST WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT - Friday 2 August 2024 to be confirmed

**CONVENOR - JULIE SAVAGE** by phone or email

### **FUNNIES**









### **TOURS and OUTINGS**

DAY TOURS – ELIZABETH LESSELLS - Tour – Vivid – Tuesday 11 June 2024	
ADDRESS	Sydney Harbour Front
DATE AND TIME	Tuesday 11 June 2024 1.45 pm
PRICE	\$100

### **DESCRIPTION**

Vivid Sydney, our Festival of Light, Music and ideas returns, once again featuring the spectacular illumination of Sydney. Last year hundreds of thousands of people flocked to our Harbour front to see the incredible illumination of many of the city's buildings along with smaller light art installation around the water's edge. The Museum of Contemporary Art and Customs House were indeed VIVID and the amazing colour stretched from the Opera House around to Campbell's Cove to Walsh Bay and through the Rocks.

Our tour has been designed to showcase not just "vivid" but the rest of our colourful city – when the sun goes down Sydney comes alive! We will enjoy the glittering sights of our remarkable city as we travel through Woolloomooloo, Kings Cross and Oxford Street.

Our afternoon commences with a drive around the 'seven bridges walk' taking in the Sydney Harbour, Pyrmont, Anzac, Iron Cove, Gladesville, Tarban Creek and Fig Tree Bridges. We will enjoy afternoon tea at Woolwich and some different perspectives of our beautiful city as we travel through Balmain, Drummoyne, Hunters Hill, Linley Point, Riverview, Greenwich and Crows Nest.

The tour will feature champagne and nibbles at Mrs Macquarie's Chair followed by a two course dinner with tea or coffee at the Paddington RSL Club. Following our dinner we will explore the waterfront on foot, alighting and returning to the coach on Phillip Street near Circular Quay. You are in close proximity to the Cahill Observation Lift and Deck which gives a spectacular overview of the festival and further around the Quay is the amazing display of Customs House.

Cost is \$100.00 per person and includes afternoon tea, meals as stipulated and luxury coach transportation. Departs at 2.00 pm and returns approx. 9.45 pm.







Please remember that this display changes yearly. If you have been to Vivid before, this year's display will be different.

**TRANSPORT** Assemble at 1.45 pm at Fred Catterson Reserve. We leave at 2pm. Bus returns approximately 9.45 pm. 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. Please note that the Hills Shire Council is undergoing work in this area. If this car park is unavailable you will be contacted to advise an alternate pickup point

FLOKTU AND DEADLINE	Please register through FLOKTU. Deadline: Monday 3 June 2024
ORGANISER'S CONTACT DETAILS - Elizabeth Lessells phone or email	

DAY TOURS – ELIZABETH LESSELLS - Tour – Hawkesbury Ramble	
ADDRESS	Tour of Ebenezer, Wilberforce, Windsor and Richmond.
DATE AND TIME	Friday 26 July 2024
PRICE	\$68

**DESCRIPTION** - **Judith Dunn's states:** "Join us for morning tea at Ebenezer, the oldest church and schoolhouse in Australia, before visiting Wilberforce town square, church and school. At Windsor, walk in the oldest town square to hears stories of scandal and intrigue. A drive to view pioneer buildings of Windsor follows, to hear of the astronomer on \$100 note, Alexander Bell and his dealing with an incident "disturbing to the minds of ladies" etc, etc. Lunch will be at Windsor RSL followed by a visit to St Matthews Anglican Church completing our day in the Hawkesbury.

Lunch at Windsor RSL at your own expense. Transport, Tour Guide Judith Dunn, Devonshire morning tea and talk by a local guide at Ebenezer included in the price. This is not set in concrete. If St Matthews is not available (or even if it is) we can go on to Richmond for a drive around the streets there. Very historic with lots of stories. Pugh's Lagoon, St Peters church, Street tour."

Comment: Elizabeth did say that the July trip was to St Albans but Judith Dunn expressed concern re getting a coach down the steep winding roads to that historic pub. We compromised and she is giving us her Hawkesbury Ramble Tour instead. We all know and love Judith's Tours and this promises to be a good one. Please be aware that you can currently book family and friends on the day tours. This would be particularly beneficial if they were potential members and wanted to see what the Probus experience was like.

### **TRANSPORT**

Time: Assemble at 8.30 am Fred Catterson Reserve. We leave at 8.45 am. Bus returns approximately 4.30pm. 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. Please note that the Hills Shire Council is undergoing work in this area. If this car park is unavailable you will be contacted to advise an alternate pickup point.

FLOKTU AND DEADLINE	Please register through <b>FLOKTU.</b> Deadline: 19 July 2024
ORGANISER'S CONTACT DETAILS – Elizabeth Lessells phone or email	

# WEEK AWAY TOURS - FRANCES ORR - Tasmania Tour - 12-24 November 2024

**PRICE** – *LAST CHANCE TO JOIN THE TASMANIA TOUR.* We are excited to have 18 folks registered for this trip. Twin Share \$5995, single supplement \$1245. The tour includes all meals and admissions – cruises, airfares (fly in and out of Hobart) and luxury coach transport. There is still time to join the tour...go on spend the kids' inheritance!! You deserve it. Floktu today. Talk to Fran any time.

**DESCRIPTION** – Tasmania is quite simply one of the most beautiful places in the world. Whether you are a first time visitor or a regular, the ancient rainforests, spectacular rivers, lakes and rugged coastline are guaranteed to delight your senses. Stunning national parks and pristine wilderness areas that are world heritage listed combine with a rich colonial history to make Tasmania a 'must see' destination. The On Course tour captures the best of the Island with an array of highlights that fit comfortably into 13 days and allows a relaxed and enjoyable pace. In Tasmania every turn in the road reveals another stunning scene or charming village.

TRANSPORT	Coach
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**PAYMENT – Deposit of \$600 is now due** to the Club's bank account or via the Square with Anne Lockwood.. NB this will only be refundable if no deposits have been made on Airfares and accommodation.

### **ORGANISER'S CONTACT DETAILS** - Frances Orr phone or email

### WEEK AWAY TOURS – FRANCES ORR - Griffith Spring Festival – 18 to 23 October 2025

**DESCRIPTION** – The Griffith Spring Festival is definitely going ahead - 6 days 18 to 23 October 2025.

Cost is \$2198 per person, \$440 single supplement

We need 25 people for our own coach and 18 have put their names down as expressions of interest.

Please see Frances at the desk to add your names. It will be such a fun trip. Itinerary available at the desk

TRANSPORT Coach

**PAYMENT** – Deposit of \$200 to the Club's bank account or via the Square with Anne Lockwood.

**ORGANISER'S CONTACT DETAILS** - Frances Orr phone or email

# WEEK AWAY TOURS - FRANCES ORR - Norfolk Island - April 2025 - EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

**DESCRIPTION** – Norfolk Island is also going ahead in April 2025. Frances needs definite expressions of interest for this tour. The exact details will be given next month as Frances is still choosing the best itinerary.

**ORGANISER'S CONTACT DETAILS** - Frances Orr phone or email

# WEEK AWAY TOURS – FRANCES ORR - The QLD, SA and NSW Corner Country, Innamincka and

### Mildura Tour - June 2025 - EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

**DESCRIPTION** – Travel the Strzelecki Tracks, see the Burke and Wills Dig Tree, Cooper Creek Discovery Cruise and lunch, Innamincka Regional Reserve, cross the Dog Fence, Cameron's Corner – the convergence of NSW, QLD AND SA Borders and the Famous Cameron's Corner Store, Sturt National Park, 2 nights in Mildrua, Milparinka heritage Centre Plus all the famed scenery of the Corner Country. Accommodation and all meals, Entrance fees to all tourist attractions and tours as per the itinerary. Cost \$3495 per person, single supplement TBA.

**ORGANISER'S CONTACT DETAILS** - Frances Orr phone or email

### **INTERNATIONAL TOURS – SUSPENDED**

### **CLUB PHOTOS – RON CANFIELD**

We always welcome photos for our newsletters and archives. If you've taken any interesting photos during a club event, please forward them to Ron Canfield so he can process them and put them in the historical archives of the Club. The photos can be on USB or prints, which Ron can then digitise and return the originals to the owners. Ron will need to know the details of the events together with locations, dates, and any other information you want to be included.

Ron Canfield (Photographer, Historian) email or phone



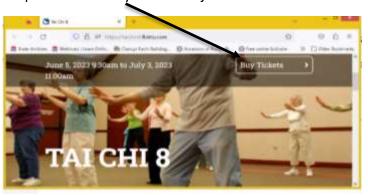
# OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, 16 JULY, 2024 Our Club's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a Celebration Cake

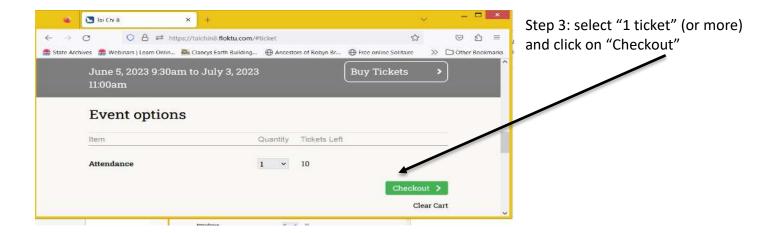
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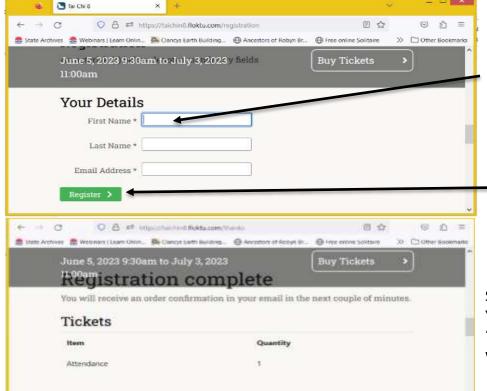
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Registration Details

Step 4: fill in your name and email address eg Mary and Jack Smith. If you are registering for another member, complete a separate registration.

Once you've entered your name and email, click on "Register"

Step 5: That's it - all complete! Your screen will show the words "Registration Complete" and you will receive a confirmation email!