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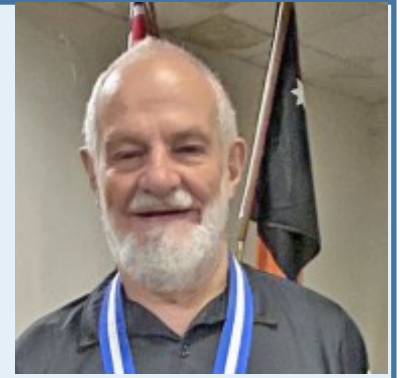
Probus Darwin Divas performing at the Rotary district 9560 Conference in Darwin

Next meeting

Meetings begin at
10:30am and are
held on the first
Wednesday of
each month

**Tracy Village Social and Sports Club
Wednesday, 5 June, 2024
10:30am - General Meeting**

Tony's Titbits



The Dry is here, how do I know? Early this week whilst watering my veggies a strong breeze was blowing and it was almost cold. Additionally, during my evening walk I did not even break into a sweat.

A hub meeting, involving all clubs, was held early this month and plans for the rest of the year were discussed. The Seniors' Expo will be held on the 29th of June and Probus club of Marrara is responsible for running it this year. If you are interested in helping on the booth, please contact Janet.

Also, if you are visiting the Expo please wear your Probus shirt, all advertising is good advertising.

Probus month celebrations will be held on 4th of October at Pearl Recreation Centre, with music by Bill Roy, same as last year. It should be a blast. Regarding celebrating 50 years of Probus, this will occur in 2025, something to look forward to next year.

After the success of the dinner dance last year, it was decided to hold another one this year. The Andrews Sisters provided the entertainment last year and it is hoped they can do the same this year, in Motown Mood. Arrangements are still being finalised so more information after next Hub meeting in mid-June.

Some forty Probus members enjoyed dinner at Tim's Surf and Turf. The food was good and served in a timely manner. Janet had a birthday and was surprised by management who provided a mini birthday cake and a gift.

The Travel Committee continues to work hard on your behalf with another day trip later in the year, a four-day trip to Timor in September and early next year a trip to Vietnam and the Mekong River. The trip to Crab Claw Island for fifty people, on 15th June, is almost fully subscribed. It should be a fun day.

A further verse from Henry Wadsworth Longfellow:

Not enjoyment, and not sorrow; is our destined end of way; but to act, that each to-morrow; find us further than to-day.

Slainte

Tony

Vale



Colleen D'Arcy 15 May 1931—8 May 2024

Sadly we say goodbye to Colleen, a quiet lady, with many interests.

Colleen had been a supportive member, involved in our Probus Club since February 2015.

Sincere and heartfelt condolences are extended to Colleen's family on her passing.

Rest in peace Colleen.

Management and Members of Probus Club of Darwin

Interest Groups

June at a glance

Event Date	Meeting/Event
Monday June 3 - 11:00 am	Book Club at Cas Club coordinator Bev Barnes
Wednesday June 5 - 10:30 am	General Meeting at Tracy Village
Friday June 7 - 10:15 am	Craft Group at Cas Club. (Occurs each Friday), coordinator Bev Barnes
Wednesday June 12- 10:30 am	Garden club: Botanical Gardens, coordinator Bev Aitken
Friday June 14—5:00 pm	Friday Drinks at Greenhouse Cafe
Tuesday June 18 - 11:00am	Writing group at Cas Club coordinator Ron Ninnis
Wednesday June 19—10:00am	Meet for coffee at 10:00am at Caramello Café then 10 pin bowling at 11:00am coordinator Chris Kuhn
Wednesday June 19—6:30pm	Dining out at Darwin Bowls Club, Parap
Tuesday June 25—1:00 pm	Board Games at Pearl - coordinator Maxine Dienelt
Friday June 28—9:30 am	Morning Tea—De la Plage

GARDEN CLUB

27 garden lovers attended Trailer Boat Club.

Welcome ladies from Marrara and Charles Darwin.

Thanks to Anne for helping with attendance sheet our Kay is not well.

Thanks also to Ed for his talk on his Peanut tree growing at home. And I spoke about my trip to Blue mountains—a 4 day garden tour looking at 3 gardens daily. Very beautiful, gardens.

We stayed for lunch at the Trailer Boat Club.

Next meeting 12th June 10:30 at Botanical Gardens.

.Bev Aitken—Coordinator ph 0412 196 032



Probus Club of Darwin

June Dining Out

19 June, 2024
6:30pm

Darwin Bowl's Club
Parap

Contact person is

Judy Medley
ph 0403 464 669



Tracy Village
Social and Sports Club
The home of
Probus Club of Darwin Inc.



Thank God its Friday

14 June 2024, 5:30pm
Greenhouse Café, Nightcliff
Just turn up

OLD ARTHUR'S TIPS ON GOOD READS AND VIEWING

G'day. My name is Arthur Ritis. If you'll allow me I will bring you tips now and then on literature and film I've enjoyed recently.

Let's start with a book. Old Arthur has tended to be hooked on the crime fiction genre for some years. But thanks to eavesdropping on Bev Barnes's book club, he has discovered a wealth of new authors and topics. Here in the Top End, we are blessed with great public libraries, and you will find most if not all of the titles suggested in the Darwin and Palmerston City Libraries.



“Lessons in Chemistry”

By Bonnie Garmus

Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an average woman. But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute takes a very unscientific view of equality. Except for one: Calvin Evans; the lonely, brilliant, Nobel-prize nominated grudge-holder who falls in love with—of all things—her mind.

True chemistry results. But like science, life is unpredictable. Which is why a few years later Elizabeth Zott finds herself not only a single mother, but the reluctant star of America's most beloved cooking show *Supper at Six*. Elizabeth's unusual approach to cooking (“combine one tablespoon acetic acid with a pinch of sodium chloride”) proves revolutionary. But as her following grows, not everyone is happy. Because as it turns out, Elizabeth Zott isn't just teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo.

Laugh-out-loud funny, shrewdly observant, quirky, poignant and studded with a dazzling cast of supporting characters, *Lessons in Chemistry* is as original and vibrant as its protagonist. Highly recommended; a great read.

And a screen view. So much to choose from!!!

Why not read the above book then check out the mini-series. Starring Academy Award winning actress Brie Larson, the show is now running on Apple TV. Arthur loves doing that. Get a handle on how good a job **or not** the screenplay writers have done in taking a book to the screen. Here's a preview:- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-1PuK8mxASE>



And for a bit of comedy Arthur recommends having a look at well known Australian comedian Kitty Flannigan, writer and star of “Fisk”. A total of 12 episodes over two series. Hilarious, with a cast of great characters. Set in a small law office in inner-city Melbourne. You can find it for free on ABC iView

Happy reading/watching. Keep having fun. And one more tip :- “ I'd never buy anything with Velcro on it. . . . It's a total rip off!”

Arthur Ritis





June Guest Speaker

Sabaratham (Prath) Prathapan

My Journey as Rotary District Governor

*My background; *My year as DG; *Achievements;

*Did I do a good job; *Lessons learned



Heart Foundation Walking

Mondays, leaving from Casuarina Square, near the K Mart car centre at 7:30am

For further details, contact Janet 0432 154 306

Table Tennis Interest Group



Every Thursday 9.00 am—11.00 am

\$5— 3 hours including bat and ball hire.

Organised by Charles Darwin Club.

Contact Chris 0429171326.

June Birthdays

Ian Dawson

Lyn Martin

Marian Trobbiani**

Rosemary McEwen

Susan Bandias**

Mara Dobrini

Liz Macleod

Fred Barlow **

Arch Haynes

Elise Smith

Patti Jacobson

Peter Russell

Maxine Dienelt

Valmai Scott

Dot Chapman



June Anniversaries

Barry and Jenny Darben

Bill and Shirley Porte

Betty Lam and Charlie

Hope you enjoy your special day



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Out and about in May



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Garden Club
At Trailer Boat Club



Bits and Pieces

Literature, Lunch and Laughter

Once again, we were a happy little band of readers. Always interesting to hear how individual we are with our reviews of each book title.

Home Coming By : Kate Morton
Review .This title was enjoyed by those who had managed to read it. Recommend.

Lola in the Mirror By: Trent Dalton
Review. Thoroughly good read. One member in particular could relate to the different areas in Brisbane where much of the action was happening. Highly recommend.

Through the Glass Ceiling to the Stars. By: Eileen Collins
Review Excellent read. A young woman who was way ahead of her times and succeeded in achieving her childhood dream of becoming an astronaut. Highly recommend.

Read May and discuss June
Professor " T " By Pied Fort

A Brilliant Life By Rachele Uneich

Any Title by: P.D.James
(Brian's suggestion which he has read and enjoyed is, Cover her Face.)

We would love to welcome new members to our happy group of avid readers. We meet at Casuarina Sports Club, first Monday of the month at 11am. Next meeting will be the 1st June.

Stay well. Stay safe and happy reading.
Beverley Barnes



Can you help?

As there is so much need at present for items to help the Mission to Seafarers to assist the mariners coming in to Darwin it has been decided to keep the collection boxes going for a while longer.

If you are able to help out, the following items are most needed :

Toiletries—soap, razors, toothbrush and paste

Clothing—smaller size underwear, t shirts, socks and beanies.

The boxes will be at the next meeting and the items taken into the Mission.

Travel Group

Upcoming travel events

Dundee—bus trip including lunch to Dundee Lodge on 4 June, cost \$35 with pick up from the Buff Club at 9:00am. This is organised by Charles Darwin Probus so if you are interested please contact Leanne on 0401919739

Crab Claw Island—cruise and fabulous seafood lunch. Departs Cullen Bay Ferry Terminal at 10:30am on 15 June. If you have booked and paid, please make sure you are at the terminal by 10:15am. Still two vacancies if you would like to go.

Proposed trip to Dili—there will be a short delay as the Roman Catholic Pope has decided to visit at the exact time we had planned so this has made it tricky with flights and accommodation. The travel agent is working hard to find suitable dates and accommodation for us. We'll update as soon as possible.

Queen Elizabeth Cruise—there are 4 groups boarding in Darwin at the end of October to sail to Perth.

DISCUSSIONS—still on going re travel to Vietnam, Cambodia, the Cherry Blossoms in Japan and Sri Lanka. The Vietnam trip includes a cruise on the River Mekong.

Watch this space!

Bronwyn

Bits and Pieces

How to Avoid Online Scams

- 1.** If something seems too good to be true, it probably is. 
- 2.** Only visit reputable sites and avoid clicking on ads or suspicious links. 
- 3.** Verify contact information, such as phone numbers and email addresses 
- 4.** Check with the source before providing any personal details. 
- 5.** Be very protective when it comes to guarding your personal information. 
- 6.** Always keep your devices updated and use anti-virus software. 
- 7.** Use a VPN and avoid using public Wi-Fi when possible. 
- 8.** When in doubt, don't click and close out. 

Provided by Ray Andersson, Probus Club of Murrumbidgee

Board Games

Come and join us playing your favourite Board Games at Pearl Recreation Centre.

25 June, 1:00pm

Maxine Dienelt—Coordinator

Golf

Contact

Jeff Mosel ph 0422 187 263



Get ready to embark on a thrilling musical journey with The Darwin Chorale's latest production, "Heroes and Villains." Making a welcome return is the beloved character of Alfonso Disney, who is enjoying the quiet life when things take an unexpected turn as a kidnapping sends shockwaves through the beloved animated universe. Join us for an unforgettable performance filled with suspense, laughter, and toe-tapping tunes from Shrek, The Hunchback of Notre Dame, Encanto, Toy Story and many more as we explore the complexities of heroism and villainy in the magical world of the movies!

Visit <https://www.darwinchorale.org.au/booktickets> to buy your tickets now!!

Darwin Chorale and CDU Academy of the Arts present



Coming in July
Tickets now available

HEROES & VILLAINS

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Out and about in May

Probus Darwin Divas performing at the Rotary district 9560 Conference in Darwin



From the Rotary Conference Dinner



Congratulations to Rotary district 9560 for the wonderful conference they recently hosted in Darwin. Excellent venues, wide variety of speakers who kept to the program and still gave excellent information. The Conference ended with a dinner—excellent food and interesting and varied entertainment.



Out and about



Dining out at Tim's, 10 Litchfield



We don't like to refer to it as gossiping.. We simply consider it "sharing our opinions about other people's life choices"..



Di came across this and thought you all might get a smile!

Diet Tip:

If you think you're hungry, you might just be thirsty. Have a bottle of wine first and then see how your feel.



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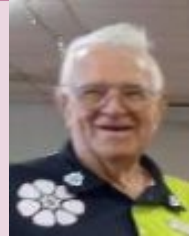
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Ken Cohalan OAM

Seniors Snippets

- **Discharge Plan for 56 elderly NT patients from RDH and Palmerston Hospitals**—planning is underway for a new 120 bed aged care facility. No time line mentioned.
- **National Flags**—Ron Strachan (Ron the Flagman) ph 0418 835 644 has moved to No 6 West Lane Darwin. He has a large range of flags and identification items.
- **Memory Clinic**— MY GP referred me to the Memory Clinic in Casuarina Plaza for a check up. The Nurse and Dr were very good. I was asked over 100 questions and think I had over 90% correct. Only feedback though was a paper on the Charter of Aged Care Rights.
- **Relationship Australia NT**—www.nt.relationships.org.au; ph 8950 4100. Supporting older people to feel respected and safe. They offer free, confidential appointments—information, support, and referrals.
- **Darwin—The Top End Visitors Information**—booklets of information available for your visitors.



Craft Group

We were a happy little group with very busy hands. This Owl cushion cover was stitched by Indra and Elaine generously made it into the finished cushion. Looks fabulous.

We meet every Friday at 10.15am. New crafty ladies are welcome, along with happy hookers (CROCHET).

Busy Fingers, lots of happy laughter, you can't get better than that.

Bev Barnes

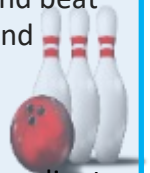


TEN PIN BOWLING

The morning started with a large group meeting for coffee at Caramella followed by an enjoyable game of ten pin bowling at Kingpin. This month there were 17 players split into 4 teams with Maxine, Bill and Shirley cheering them on.

Anne and Betty started well and went into the lead. Anne then forged ahead until round 7 when Richard took over and remained in first place until the last round when Robyn pipped him at the post and beat him by 2 points. Final and best scores - Robyn 108, Richard 106 (1 strike), Anne 98, Cheryl 94 and Bronwyn 93. Tony and Betty also had a strike each.

Next month we meet up again on Wednesday 19 June. Hope to see you then.



Chris Kuhn Coordinator

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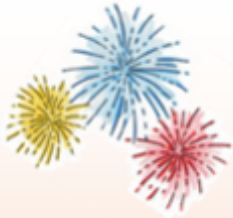
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Morning Tea

Friday, 28 June, 9:30am
At De la Plage, Casuarina Coastal Reserve

Just turn up with your chair.



Territory Day Breakfast

Monday, 1 July 9:00am



Trailer Boat Club

\$19.50 per person pay on the day

includes plated bacon, eggs, tomato, beans and toast and coffee

Bev Whitby is the contact—ph 0407 053 903

FROM THE ARCHIVES

Extracts from the Minutes 7 June 2000

Held at the Darwin Bowls Club

Present: Messrs Dally, Simmons, Scott, Thompson, Penhall, Plew, Upton, Kerr, Washington, Dimery. Chin, Bromich, Dr Short

Apologies: Larcombe, Taylor, Fisher, Blackmore, Roberts, Johnstone

Welcome: Mr President extended a warm welcome to New member Mr Malcolm Scott and Frank Upton

Tribute: President informed members of the sad passing of former President, the late Mr Bill McLaren on 10 May 2000. A minute's silence observed.

Minutes: The meeting adopted the Minutes of the previous meeting.

Correspondence:

Inwards—His Honour the Administrator, Tambling Report, Dept of Arts and Museums, Cardigan Tours Ballarat, Mr Synnot, Northbridge Probus NSW

Outwards—HHA Dr Neil Conn AO

Treasurer: Opening balance \$184.31, Receipts \$60.00. Expenses \$176. Closing balance \$68.31

General Business: Meeting agreed that Mr Synnot will be guest speaker at next meeting. Mr Simmons informed the meeting that he has been directed to discontinue his Probus supplies operations in this area. The meeting agreed that this Club take over the surplus stock for our use. Mr Thompson gave a progress report about the history of this Club. Members agreed to his suggestion that members to present more ME TALK in future meetings.

Visit to Pauls Ltd Milk Factory: 13 members attended. Pauls has been operating her for over 40 years, 130 employees in Darwin and 20 in other Territory centres, milk supplied from Katherine district. Members inspected a large portion of the factory and were treated with free samples of Coffee Milk.

Meeting dispersed at 12:20pm.

Member Induction



Welcome Jackie, inducted as a new member of Probus Club of Darwin at the May meeting.

Jackie Knight

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