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Next meeting

Tracy Village Social and Sports Club

Wednesday, 4 June, 2025

10:30am - General Meeting

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

Many thanks to the office of Khoda Patel MLA, member for Casuarina, for the printing of our bulletin this month.



President's Perspective

THE 2025 DRY SEASON HAS ARRIVED-so says the calendar, but I will have more of that unexpected downfall that came this past week.

However, we will look at our calendar, along with the numerous pamphlets and advertising brochures that are produced by local organisations to see the wide choices we have at this time....movies under the stars, art exhibitions, events at the Entertainment Centre and the Waterfront and in the City, to mention just a few. Seniors' Month in August, Seniors' Expo at the end of June, our own Probud Club's 40th anniversary celebration in September are

the events that you can take an active part in. Please speak to any member of the Management Committee to offer your help for our Expo and our 40th celebrations. Listen to the history, see the photos of members past at our coming meetings. If you have any information or photos of past members, please tell your committee.

Last month we welcomed 2 new members, Judith Hutchings and Diane Milosavljevic. Say hello and welcome them into our friendly group.

Interesting fact: Shakespeare is credited with creating 1,700 new words- among them what some Australians consider the great Australian adjective!! You know it! You've used it! I guess, like me, you didn't know who invented the word.

Cheers

Lyn Barlow



Guest Speakers

Jodie Ransom from Victims of Crime

Victims of Crime NT Inc. is a community organisation, established in 1995 to support victims across the Northern Territory who are affected by crime. Our aim is to assist people to recover, restore and grow through the provision of a range of practical and emotional support services, and prevention activities. VoCNT advocates for and promotes public and government awareness of the needs, rights, and interests of victims of crime

And

Sarah from Neighbourhood Watch



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



Previous guest speakers from Aunty's Free Feeds are looking for some help. If you can please bring in paper grocery bags to the meeting, this will help with food distribution and be very much appreciated.

The bags will be collected from our meetings.

June at at Glance

Event Date	Meeting/Event
Mon June 2 - 11:00 am	Book Club at Cas Club coordinator Bev Barnes
Wed June 4— 10:30	General Meeting, Tracy Village
Fri June 6, 13, 20, 27 10:15 am	Craft Group at Cas Club. (Occurs each Friday), coordinator Bev Barnes
Wed June 11—10:30am	At Trailer Boat Club.. Bev Aitken coordinator
Tues June 17—11:00am	Writing group at Cas Club - coordinator Ron Ninnis
Wed June 18—10:00am	Meet for coffee at 10:00am at Caramello Café then 10 pin bowling at 11:00am coordinator Shirley Porte
Wed June 18—5:30pm	Dining Out—Crustaceans
Tues June 24—1:00pm	Games at Pearl Retirement Village, Coordinator—Maxine
Fri June 27—9:30am	Coffee Lovers at Acquascene
Sat June 28-10:00am	Seniors Expo at Marrara Netball

GARDEN CLUB

27 garden lovers enjoyed a day out in the country at Antz Plantz.

Thank you Anthony and Ray for coming to the rescue at the last minute as Colin Brown became ill.

Anthony gave us a talk on all types of garden sprays and soil builders. Ray supplied jam and cream scones for morning tea.

Thanks to Tony for doing the attendance record and lucky door prize.

Ended the great morning at Coolalinga for lunch.

Next meeting 11 June at Trailer Boat Club, 10:30am. Bring a plant to raffle.

Bev Aitken—Coordinator ph 0412 196 032



June Dining Out



At Darwin Wharf

18 June, 2025 5:30pm

NOTE different time

Contact: Bev Whitby

Phone: 0407 053 903

Out and about in May



Congratulations on your 10 years of membership with Probus Club of Darwin.



Inducting new members Diane and Judith



Out and about in May



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Garden Club
went to Antz Plantz

Dining Out at
Silks Restaurant



Seniors' Snippets

Ken Cohalan OAM

•**Flu Vaccination**—reports indicate that flu is increasing down south so probably time to get your vaccination.

•**Tracy Village**— \$3million has been promised by the Federal Parties during the election campaign.

•**Air conditioner**—we recently used Aircon Cleaning NT ph 0423 187 360 and were very impressed with the efficiency and reasonable cost.

•**Help from Probarians and family**—I thank everyone for assistance received since Connie's fall and hospitalisation. She is now in Palmerston hospital. I now realise what it is like to be living alone and encourage visits when possible.

•**My Aged Care**—after Connie's fall we were contacted and I was provided a service person from Care NT to help with shopping and appointments.

•**Centrelink Age Pensioners**—review being undertaken from May 10



June Anniversaries

Barry and Jenny Darben
Bill and Shirley Porte
Betty Lam and Charlie



Hope you enjoy your special day

June Birthdays

Ian Dawson
Marian Trobbiani
Rosemary McEwen**
Susan Bandias
Diane Milosavljevic
Mara Dobrini
Liz Macleod**
Fred Barlow
Peter Russell
Maxine Dienelt
Valmai Scott**
Dot Chapman

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.



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Literature, Lunch and Laughter

We had a lovely morning talking books – but missed you, Bev and Mary!

Read April discussed May

Slow Horses By : Mick Herron

Review: Brian enjoyed and stressed the importance of reading Slow Horses first as it starts the series by introducing all the characters and making any others in the series much more enjoyable. It deals with MI5 characters who have “stuffed up” and can’t be let go because they know too much.

Any Title by Daniel Silva

Trish read A Death in Cornwall and enjoyed the concept of the book and commented on the interesting places. Brian got The Kill Artist but hasn’t read it yet. He noted it is the first book in a series as well and he enjoys the introductions.

Love and Virtue by Diana Reid

Review: Sheila enjoyed it after she got over the first chapter, which was not necessarily her interest as it dealt with young people’s first year at Sydney Uni, with all the grog, drugs and rock and roll that goes with that. However, the book is a good one. It deals with consent. Trish read it and had the exact same view: well written, a good read and both recommend it. Geraldine and I remembered reading a book with a similar story, set in the era of the baby boomers. We’ve come a little way since then but agreed we have a long way to go!



Read May discuss June

The Benevolent Society of Ill-Mannered Ladies

By: Alison Goodman

The Angry Women's Choir By: Meg Bignell

Every Last Suspect By Nicola Moriarty

Twist by Colum McCann

Read June discuss July

Blackbird By: David Crookes

The Rain Herron OR Dusk By: Robbie Arnott

The Trauma Cleaner By: Sarah Krasnostein

Mercy (Department Q Series Book 1) By: Jussi Adler-Olsen

Read July discuss August

Time of the Child By: Niall Williams

The Mystery Guest By: Nita Prose

The Secret River By: Kate Grenville

The Nowhere Child By: Christian White

We meet at the Casuarina Sports Club every first Monday of the month at 11am. If you enjoy reading, this is the golden opportunity to join us and share your reading experiences. Stay well and stay safe and happy reading.

Helmy Bakermans for Bev Barnes, Coordinator



TEN PIN BOWLING

11 met up for coffee at Caramella followed by an exciting game at Kingpin with 13 players split into 3 teams. The game was not without its problems as players in lane 3 had to move to lane 4 where they had some issues with the scoring.

Ed started well in Rounds 1 and 2. From then on it was a race between Henrietta, Janet, Robyn and Nancy. In R 3 Henrietta went into the lead, Janet in R 4, and Henrietta triumphed again in R 5. Robyn then went into an impressive lead in R’s 6 - 9. Tony and Ed gained some useful points in the last 2 rounds. Cheryl had 4 spares in a row in R’s 7 - 10 snatching the lead from Robyn by 6 points. Final scores Cheryl 112, Robyn 106, Janet and Tony tied on 102 and Ed 100.

This month we achieved a combined total of 6 strikes and 18 spares which beat April’s 3 strikes and 13 spares. Well done.

Next month we meet up again on Wednesday 18 June. Hope to see you there.

Shirley Porte, Coordinator.



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Table Tennis Interest Group

Every Thursday 9.00 am—11.00 am
\$5— 2 hours including bat and ball hire.

Organised by Charles Darwin Club.
Contact Chris 0429171326.



Writing Group

May meeting

There was only a small group that turned up at the meeting at the Cas Club, in spite of 16 members on the mailing list. We discussed everything, including writing topics.

The 7 minute write up had the subject "Trump!" Everyone has an opinion on Trump, which made it easy to write for 7 minutes. I wrote about the orange hair and complexion that Trump used to have.

The new writing topic is:

You must begin your story with the words: "When I was"

The field here is wide open, such as: "When I was young" "When I was on holiday....." "When I was married for the second time...." "When I was in hospital..." This topic was suggested by Beverley.

Everyone is invited to send in their contributions by email. You don't even have to come along to a meeting, but it will give you ideas to write. Next meeting Tuesday, 17 June.

Ron Ninnis, Coordinator

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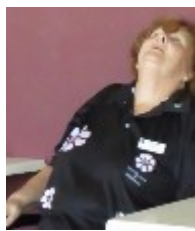


Upcoming events / activities

COMBINED F-F-FUN GAMES 2025

**At Tracy Village (rear verandah)
On Wednesday, 23 July, 10:00 am—noon**

- * Free entry but please bring a plate of morning tea to share
- * Cold water, tea and coffee provided.
- * Lunch and other drinks are available at your own expense at the venue after the games.



The ten games are simple and more a challenge of participating in some fun activities rather than any test of athletic ability, sporting skill or physical prowess.

If you've been before—Welcome back
If you haven't been you will miss a fun morning.

Further information contact Jim Wright Email:
jim.107emu.wright@gmail.com

Volunteering:

Each club should provide a percentage of 'officials' based on their membership, but additional members are encouraged to volunteer to assist with scoring. There will be a sheet available at your next meeting.



Territory Day Breakfast

Trailer Boat Club

**Tuesday, 1 July 9:00am
Buffet Breakfast served at
9:15am**

**Judith Medley and Renzo are organising a
Quiz for your entertainment.**

**Rowena McHugh is the contact—
ph 0413 289 555**



DARWIN SENIORS EXPO

10 YEAR Anniversary

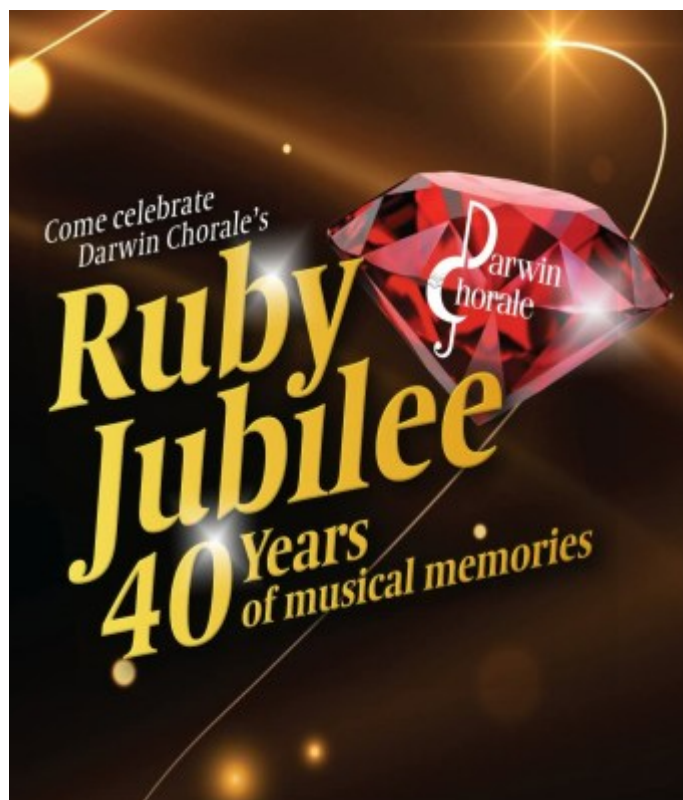
Celebrate a decade of COTA NT Expos with us

COTA NORTHERN TERRITORY
for senior Territorians

Saturday 28 June 2025, 10am - 2pm

CDU Stadium, Sitzler Netball Centre, 235 Abala Road, Marrara

Logos: Northern Territory, COTA, territoryfm, airmarsh



We will be singing songs from the last 10 years of performance.

At the Darwin Entertainment Centre Studio Theatre on Friday 11th July at 7:00pm

Cost: Adults \$65

Bookings: www.yourcentre.com.au

Coffee Lovers!

Aquascene, Doctors Gully, Darwin

9:30am June 27

Contact: Rowena ph 0413 289 555

Board Games

Come and join us playing your favourite Board Games at Pearl Recreation Centre. Lots of challenges and fun.

24 June 1:00pm

Maxine Dienelt—Coordinator

FROM THE ARCHIVES

Extracts from the Minutes 6 June 2001

Held at the Darwin Bowls Club

Present: Messrs Thompson, Dally, Workman, Dimery, Taylor, Bill Raby, Plew, Scott, Kerr, Steven, Johnstone, Washington, Blackmore, Simmons, Roberts, Penhall. Chin, Fisher, Bromich, Upton

Apologies: Short **Visitor:** Dave Welch

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

New Members: Mr Workman and Mr Raby

Correspondence: Inwards Dept Arts and Museums, COTA, HHA invite to President for Govt House function

Outwards—Probus Centre, Commonwealth Bank

Treasurer's: Report Opening balance \$678.31, Income \$40, Expenses \$117.27, Closing balance \$601.04

Guest Speakers—Marketing Manager Ms Jane Monday
Items noted: .Ms Monday was a journalist from Victoria and worked in Police media. She is actively involved in promoting NT Railway on behalf of the Consortium. Railway project is scheduled for completion in 2004. It is first railway project in Australia to be constructed outside Govt. Some Govt and some private contribution. New line from Alice Springs to Darwin. 2.1% of profit to be allocated to the Aborigines. No firm decision as to station but it is expected to be near Berrimah. Many questions were asked and answered.

Next meeting—Wednesday, 4 July 2001 at 10:00am, then proceed at 10:20 to Vintage Cars Section of Old Hangar at Parap.

President tabled a copy of the History of the Probus Club and invited members to submit a brief history of themselves for possible inclusion.



Heart Foundation Walking

The regular walking group is on Mondays, leaving from Casuarina Square, near the K Mart car centre at 7:30am

For further details,
contact Janet 0432 154 306

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