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NEXT MEETING
WED  6 November 2019
10:30am

TRACY VILLAGE SOCIAL AND SPORTS CLUB
28 Tambling Tce,
Lyons NT 0810

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

Photo by Leon Blignault
Digital Photography Art
What a miserable month October has been. The Medical Department has warned me off the golf course and there’s two more weeks to go!

The golf group however has gone from strength to strength. Thanks to Jim Wright there is now a regular game on the first Monday of the month at Palmerston; our club, Darwin, with Jeff Mosel, play on the second Monday at Darwin golf club; Ros Pocock from Charles Darwin has the rest of the month covered at the Gardens Golf club. So now there are plenty of opportunities for our Probus golfers to play, and on different courses.

I had the pleasure of attending the official opening of the new Visitor and Event Center at the Botanic Gardens. This outstanding new building contains an event center [available for public hire], a retail outlet, and an information center. If you look closely at the timeline in the information center you may see a gentleman wearing a Probus hat. This new center and the up graded Eva’s cafe make for a very pleasing visit.

Bookings for the Xmas lunch are filling fast, and as numbers are limited it would be wise to book at the next meeting to secure your seat.

GOLF
Monday 11 November, 8:30am for 8:45am start at Marrara Golf Club.

Golf gives you an insight into human nature, your own as well as your opponent’s. ~Grantland Rice

November Guest Speaker
Shan Cairnes
Clinical Nurse Manager of DonateLife NT
Topic—Organ Donations
What’s on in November

INTEREST GROUPS

Literature, Lunch and Laughter
Six members attended our October gathering to discuss the following books.

Books discussed were:
“Forget My Name” by J S Munro—Excellent read and very well written with twists and turns. Her bag was stolen and with it her identity. Her mind is a blank.

Books chosen to be discussed in November are:
“Cemetery Road”. Written by : Greg Iles—A novel involving family, love, friendship and politics.
“Hanging Garden”. Written by : Ian Rankin—Crime novel—Series Inspector Rebus
Next meeting: 11:00am, Monday 4 November at Casuarina All Sports Club.

We are still reaching out for people who may be interested in joining a small, unique writers group. We are not aiming to be a threat to any Booker Prize winners. One example to pen a 10 minutes story was, Neighbour. Now that could be a physiological thriller, a comedy or anything in between. Whatever the project, we don’t intend taking ourselves too seriously. Come and speak to Ron Ninnis or Bev Barnes.

November at a glance

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November Dining Out

Snapper Rocks Restaurant
7 Kitchener Drive, Darwin Waterfront

View the Munro Light Show
Wednesday, 20 November, 6:30pm
Bookings to Barb Slattery

Are you interested in joining the

TRIPE CLUB
Next get together on Wednesday, 13 November
Enquiries to Jenny Parish
ph. 0424341616; email jenny_prsh@yahoo.com.au

TEN PIN BOWLING
Sixteen players met up at Planet Tenpin. The four teams of 4 players included two new players. Five players scored over 100 and 11 strikes were managed across the players. Scoring opportunities were missed and some pins seemed glued to the floor or were missed by a whisker.

Coffee, cake and chatter at the Groove completed a great morning.

Next game at Nightcliff Bowling Centre
20 November at 9.30am for a 9:45am start and followed by a pleasant coffee break at the Groove

Come along and join in the fun. All members and friends welcome.
$8.50 per person
(includes shoe and ball hire)

Board Games
new Interest Group
Bring along your favourite game to share with the group on the last Tuesday of each month
Pearl Recreation Centre - November 29, 1:00pm—3:00pm.
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The October meeting at The Trailer Boat Club was well attended. Mike Foley spoke about how he and his wife developed their garden, then entertained the group with his rendition of “50 million Blowflies Can’t Be Wrong!”

The next meeting is a visit to Mike Foley’s garden—46 Witherden Street, Nakara

More details at the next meeting.

Wednesday, 13 November. at 10:30am
Out and about in October

October General Meeting

Garden Club at Trailer Boat Club

Dining out at Santa Fe
The 2019 Laksa Food Tour Participants are:

The Laksa Festival App is now available for download on Apple devices. Darwin International Laksa Festival Link: https://apps.apple.com/au/app/laksa-festival/id1484847965

From October 24, Territorians and visitors alike will follow the Laksa Trail, experiencing different Laksas from restaurants, market stalls and eateries, as they vie for the title of 2019 People's Choice.

The four-week long trail will culminate on November 24 at the inaugural Darwin International Laksa Festival where the first ever 'Golden Bowl' will be awarded to the best Laksa in the Top End.

From COTA ....Activities

Walking Netball – New Program launches in Darwin for men and women over 55 years. FREE for Term 4, one-time registration only. Suitable for all levels of experience. Wednesdays, 10am to 12pm, 6 November to 18 December. Air-conditioned, purpose-built Sitzler Netball Centre, 235 Abala Rd, Marrarra. Click to sign up.

* Fit for Life: Pilates in Darwin – Mondays 9.30am – 10.15am Spillett House, 65 Smith Street, Darwin (COTA members $5, non-COTA members $7)
* Musical Jam – Tuesdays 10am-12pm, Spillett House, 65 Smith Street, Darwin (gold coin donation)
* Fit for Life: Seated Aerobics in Darwin – Wednesdays 9.30am – 10.15am Spillett House, 65 Smith Street, Darwin (COTA members $5, non-COTA members $7)
* Fit for Life: Tai Chi – Thursdays Advanced 9.30am – 10.30am, Beginners 10.45am-11.45am, Spillett House, 65 Smith Street, Darwin (COTA members $5, non-COTA members $7)

COTA NT Morning Tea in Casuarina:
Tuesday 19 November, 9.30am – 11.00am, Free
Casuarina Library Meeting Room, 17 Bradshaw Tce, Casuarina. Join us for free morning tea and say hello to our friendly team and find out more about our current programs including: NT Seniors Card, Aged Care Navigators (access to MyAgedCare service), PICAC and MASP, plus fitness and wellness activities and workshops. Come and join us in the library’s Community Room.

On 19 March 1919, the Commonwealth Government announced that they would offer a prize of £10,000 - nearly one million dollars in today’s money for the first successful journey by an Australian-crewed airplane from London to Darwin in under 30 days. The event came to be known as the Great Air Race. The winning Vickers Vimy aircraft landed in Darwin on 10 December 1919 - crewed by pilot Captain Ross Smith, co-pilot Lieutenant Keith Smith with mechanics Sergeants Wally Shiers and Jim Bennett.

10 December 2019 will mark the 100th anniversary of the arrival of the winning plane and crew, with a program of celebratory events in Darwin in the lead-up to, and on, 10 December. Join in celebrating the centenary of this amazing feat of aviation that changed Darwin and the world.


Tropical Light is an outdoor exhibition featuring eight illuminated sculptures across Darwin’s CBD by world renowned artist Bruce Munro. The free exhibition is connected by 6 local artists across various mediums.

1st November – 30 April 2020 at multiple locations in Darwin
Website: www.tropicallight.com.au
**VALE**

**Mark Porteous**

Member since 2016, Mark sadly passed away on 29 October.

Will be missed by many club members.

RIP

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**FROM THE ARCHIVES**

Extracts from the Minutes  1 November 1995

Held at the Darwin Bowls Club

Present: Messrs Frey, Simmons, Arthur, Chin, Eddy, Fisher, Giese, Penhall, K Thompson, Plew, A Thompson, McLaren, Roberts

Apologies: Messrs MacGregor, Darvall, Dennis, Dimery, Bromich

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

Correspondence In: Administrator—acceptance to Xmas lunch

Correspondence Out: Invitation to Administrator to attend Xmas lunch; Invitation to Ladies Probus Club to attend lunch


General Business: Arrangements for Christmas lunch in hand. At Darwin Bowls Club, 6 December, cost $15. There will be a quiz program and prizes to be arranged. After the Christmas lunch the next meeting will be February 1996.

Wellbeing: Ray Chin visited Lionel Dennis. He has now had his leg amputated above the knee and has recovered enough to be able to speak a little.

Speaker: Visit to Red Cross premises where Michael Barrett, Executive Director of NT division of Australian Red Cross addressed the group. He outlined the principal activities of the Division. This included Blood Donor services with donor increasing over the past year; issuing of First Aid Certificates; establishment of a prize at NTU for the best thesis on International Humanitarian Law and the establishment of a Disaster Register in conjunction with Police and other authorities. He then showed a video outlining the history of Red Cross. The Australian Society was formed under the auspices of the British Society in 1914 and became an independent body in 1941.

Closure: Meeting concluded at 11:15am.

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**Birthdays**

Molly West

Jeff Mosel

Mavis Leo

Elaine Hoskins

Jeanette Graham

Bill Burford

Colin Beard

John Knight

Brian Beeston

Barry Darben

Sue Wright

Bronwyn Russell

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**Anniversaries**

Ray and Cynthia Walton

Hope you enjoy your special day

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