



PROBUS CLUB OF DARWIN INC.

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It's objectives are to stimulate thought, interest and participation in activities at a time of life when it is easy to become complacent and self centred.

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NEXT MEETING
WEDNESDAY 1st JUNE, 2011.

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Eean Thorne
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His Honour The Administrator, Mr Tom Pauling AO QC
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MEETINGS HELD ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
EXCEPT JANUARY)
10:30AM AT CASUARINA CLUB, 269 TROWER ROAD, CASUARINA, NT.
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BILL'S BLOG

Well the Dry Season has arrived and it is nice to dispense with the fans for part of the day. Whether it is to do with getting older but time seems to flash by and it is difficult to realise that this year is nearly half over.

The May dinner at the Novotel Hotel was very well attended and despite the distinct lack of light at the dining table (small candles are not really ideal either to read the menu or see your fellow diners) a very pleasant evening was enjoyed by all. It was also nice to see some of our new Probus members present and our thanks go to Connie and Ken for arranging the function.

In the next few weeks we have a number of events planned and I hope they will be well supported by members and of course friends or relatives.

Our highly valued Secretary, Eean, goes for more treatment and tests at the end of this month and I trust that this time all will go well and he will return to the Club fully fit and raring to go. I am sure you will join me in wishing him a speedy recovery .

Kind Regards
Bill

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SHARON JOHNSON

GUEST SPEAKERS

NEXT MEETING
1st JUNE, 2011

Sharon and Robyn are at the sharp end of Dr Len Notaras's



ROBYN LANSDOWNE

NATIONAL CRITICAL and TRAUMA RESPONSE CENTRE (NCCTRC)

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VOTE OF THANKS— PP JANET ELLIOTT RN



Birthdays:	Ian Dawson	1st June
	Rosemary McEwen	5th June
	Ray Chin	11th June
	Tiiu Knight	11th June
	Kay Metcalf	14th June
	Max Wagland	17th June
	Eve White	27th June
	Dot Chapman	28th June
	Joan Fensom	28th June
	Michele Tsangaris	29th June
Anniversary:	Bill & Shirley Porte	12th June



**PROFILE—
DENNIS SMALLACOMBE**

I am a sixth generation Australian. My ancestors arrived at Port Adelaide in December 1840 after a 3 month ocean crossing from Portsmouth, England.

I was born in Crystal Brook, SA, but at the age of 2 the family moved to Robe and then to Burungul (half way between Millicent and Mt Gambier), where we lived in a shed while our house was being built.

After 7 years at Tantanoola Primary School, I boarded privately in Mitcham and spent 3 years at Urrbrae Agricultural College before returning home to the farm, where we had 50 milking cows, 100 head of beef cattle and 6,000 sheep. As well as farm duties, I played football and cricket for the Tantanoola Tigers.

Following a back injury pressing wool, the family moved to "the big smoke" where I worked for Chrysler Australia, parts and accessories for 8 years as a procurement clerk. In 1976 I visited Darwin, with my wife and children, at Easter, fell in love with the climate and moved here in July, and ran a family garden shop.

We returned to SA in 1981 and bought a general store/post office at Palmer. The return to SA lasted 3 years before we returned to Darwin in 1984. I then spent the next 16 years sorting mail at Darwin GPO.

Now retired, my time is spent in my garden, babysitting grandchildren and watching sport and contributing to Nightcliff Lions Club.



SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS — 2011

1. DINING OUT Past President Ken has declared that the next Dining Out destination will be:-



RUBY VIETNAMESE RESTAURANT

**Raintree Park, Smith Street Mall
15th JUNE, 7:00pm**

2. TOUR



DAY TRIP TO: **CRAB CLAW ISLAND**

WEDNESDAY 27th JULY, 2011.

**Meet at Noonamah Hotel 8:30 am
\$50.00 per person,**

includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. Details, June meeting

3. MOVIES

Coordinator Elaine Prosser has selected "The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest"



**FRIDAY 10th JUNE—7:30pm
DECKCHAIR CINEMA, Jervois Road.**

4. GOLF

Coordinator Johnno Scott advises that the next outing will be at:



**PUTT PUTT GOLF
Gardens Park Golf Links
Wednesday 15th June
\$5.00 pp. Hit off—9am sharp.
Notify John if you want to join the group for a giggle**

4. DARWIN TRIPE CLUB— APRIL MEETING



SCHOONERS BAR & GRILL

**Wednesday
8th JUNE, 2011.
5/15 Marina Bvd, Cullen Bay
12:00 noon for 12:30pm.**

Price \$25.00 per person.

If you wish to join the tres chic crowd and enjoy a fabulous lunch of tripe cooked three ways, along with scintillating company then you must phone Peter Pusterla or Eean Thorne.

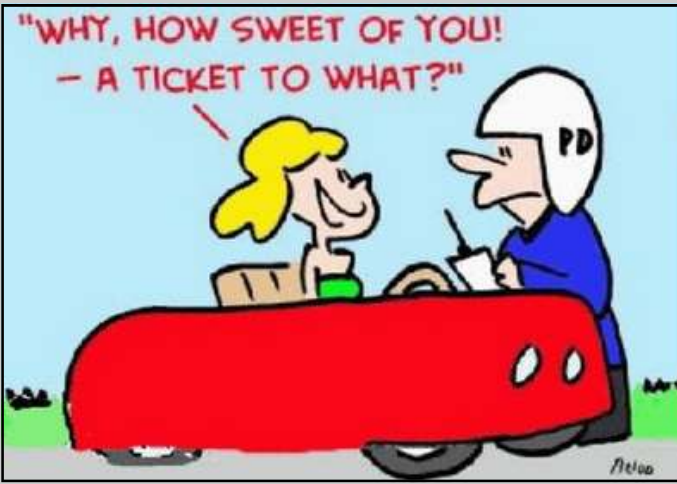
5. LUNCHEON — POST MEETING



"The Table of Knowledge" has resumed post meeting luncheon. Simply join the other members in the dining area of the Casuarina Club, solve the problems of the world, have a relaxed lunch, and enjoy.

SIGNS ON SYNAGOGUE BULLETIN BOARDS:

1. Under same management for over 5,763 years.
2. Don't give up. Moses was once a basket case.
3. What part of "Thou shalt not" don't you understand?
4. Shul committees should be made up of three members, two of whom should be absent at every meeting
5. Sign over the urinal in a bathroom at Hebrew University: "The future of the Jewish people is in your hands."
6. My mother is a typical Jewish mother. Once she was on jury duty. They sent her home. She insisted SHE was guilty.
7. Any time a person goes into a delicatessen and orders a pastrami on white bread, somewhere a Jew dies.
8. It was mealtime during a flight on El Al. "Would you like dinner?," the flight attendant asked Moshe, seated in front. "What are my choices?," Moshe asked. "Yes or no," she replied.
9. An elderly Jewish man is knocked down by a car and is brought to the local hospital. A pretty nurse tucks him into bed and says, "Mr. Gevarter, are you comfortable?" Gevarter replies, "I make a nice living...."
10. A rabbi was opening his mail one morning. Taking a single sheet of paper from an envelope he found written on it only one word: "shmuck." At the next Friday night service, the Rabbi announced, "I have known many people who have written letters and forgot to sign their names, but this week I received a letter from someone who signed his name .. and forgot to write a letter.





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WEEKEND!!



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FROM THE ARCHIVES- 25 YEARS AGO

Extracts from the Minutes — 4th June, 1986:

Present: H. Giese, W. McLaren, R. Chin, N. Field, T Tharmarajah, L Wade, C. Patterson, M. Ford, R Eddy, and J. Gallacher.

Apologies: L. Penhall, J. Wright, W. Arthur, P. Purick R. Franklin, I MacGregor, K Frey, J. Larcombe, E. Milliken, P. Purick and A Clarke.

Treasurers Report: The Treasurer, Noel Field, reported a credit balance of \$245.93.

General Business: Mr. N Field moved, seconded by J Gallacher that \$50.00 be donated to the Lord Mayor's Solomon Island Appeal Fund. Carried

Visit to NT Brewery: A very enjoyable visit was made by members to the NT Brewery where we were entertained by Production Manager, Mike Robinson who turned on appropriate liquid refreshments. We were taken on a tour of the Brewery by Ms. Vivienne L'Green who provided a very knowledgeable description of the various functions of the Brewery. Vivienne was a delightful escort. Bill McLaren moved a vote of thanks and expressed our appreciation.

Next Meeting: To be held at the Darwin Bowls Clubhouse on Wednesday 2nd July, 1986. Guest Speaker will be Lynne Adrienne who will speak on the travel industry.

**Treasurer Peter Pusterla
advises that**

**ANNUAL FEES
are now due
Please pay at next meeting
Closes 30th June**

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