



Franklin Combined Probus Club

Fellowship, Friendship, Fun

Newsletter

August 2025

Hi Members,

I know you have all been looking forward to our Extraordinary General Meeting this month. But we have recently received some suggested changes to the new Constitution and supporting documents, which were distributed with the newsletter last month. In order to give full consideration to these changes we are going to postpone the EGM until a later date. However we will still have lots of interest at this month's meeting.

Club Monthly Meeting :

Monday 25th August at the Cosmopolitan Club Pukekohe

Mini Speaker – Discussion on Future Trips (see later)

Main Speaker – Jan Beaumont – author “*Let’s All Drink to Lockdown*”



When Jan Beaumont sat down on her couch in late March 2020, little did she realise how her life would change in the next year.

'Three days before, the Prime Minister had announced that NZ would go into lockdown for 4 weeks as a result of Covid 19. Jan had never written a poem before but something about the situation inspired her to write 'Let's All Drink to Lockdown'. Within days it had gone viral and was read by thousands of people around the world. And there the story starts ...'

Lunch Venue – Columbus Café, Mitre 10

Coffee Morning : 8th September 2025 at Caterpillar Café, Pukekohe

Members Birthdays in August :

Audley Wylie 2nd Raewyn Jacobson 3rd Lynda Ellice 4th Warwick Deighton 5th
Barbara Amos 7th Ian Stembridge 11th Lyndsay James 21st Margaret Swift
29th

Last Month

At last month's meeting we had a fascinating presentation by author and lawyer Wendy Hampton, giving us her experience on setting up our wills to ensure we don't leave lots of hidden problems for our families to deal with when we are gone!



Wendy Hampton with Brian Hutchinson

Ryders Mid-Winter Lunch & Movie 30th July

The Mid-Winter Lunch & Movie took place at Ryders in Avondale.

It was a well attended trip, with 44 members and visitors travelling to Avondale for the classic movie “ Breakfast at Tiffany’s” followed by a roast lunch and lots of chat!

See the photos







Future Trips

Our Trips Sub-committee have been working with Papakura Ladies Probus and together come up with a number of potential trips for both clubs to work together on. We would like your feedback on your preferences from the list below:

- Ten Pin Bowling plus lunch at the Cossie Club
- Top Notch Macadamia Nut Farm – Hauraki Plains and lunch at Kaiaua Fish and Chip Shop
- Chelsea Sugar Factory – Train Ride or Walking Tour plus morning tea at their Café
- Hamilton Car Museum with lunch at Woodlands Café or at a café in Gordonton
- Winery either around Auckland or on Waiheke Island – tasting and lunch
- Angrason Gardens Waiuku with a picnic lunch afterwards

At the August Monthly Meeting we will distribute a form so that you can rank your preferences for these trips.

Swapit

The Swapit books & jigsaws table has resumed, for those who want to exchange with other members.

Members with any difficulties

Please let Joy Walker (027 9197711) know if you are aware of any members having any personal difficulties (health, isolation, grief), as a club we have a Welfare objective, and if we are able to, we want to support our members.

Wearing Badges at Probus Events

We have had a request that we all wear our badges when attending Probus meetings, especially for our new members to get to know us.

Not Coming back to the Club?

We would appreciate if you decide not to come back to the club, that you confirm it in writing so that we can avoid unnecessary charges from PSPL.

We have a Resignation Form so that you just need to date & sign the form – if you want a form, just ask Susan Martin 021 386390.

Not receiving your newsletter by email

There have been a few people querying non-receipt of their newsletter email.

Please check that they are not ending up in your Spam folder, as a few of us have found this to be the problem. Otherwise let us know and we will check up.

Our banking details are:-

ASB Bank Franklin Combined Probus Club

Account number:- 12-3023-0541946-00

In the particulars box please enter your name. In reference box enter what deposit is for i.e. subs, trip, luncheon etc.

Current Committee :

Get to know your Committee and feel free to call us :

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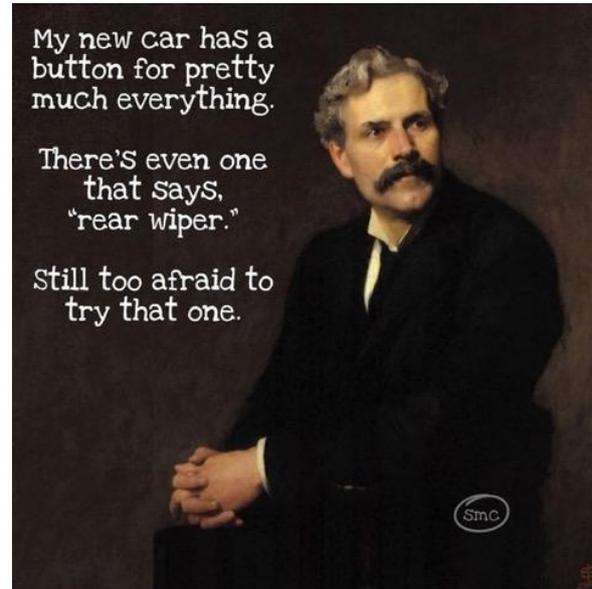
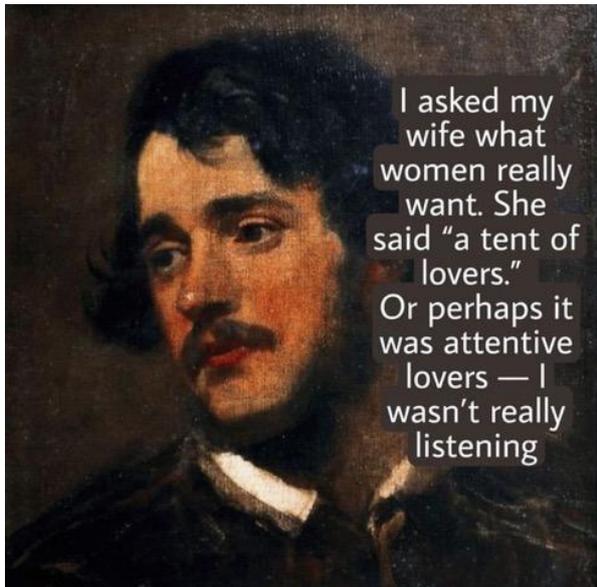
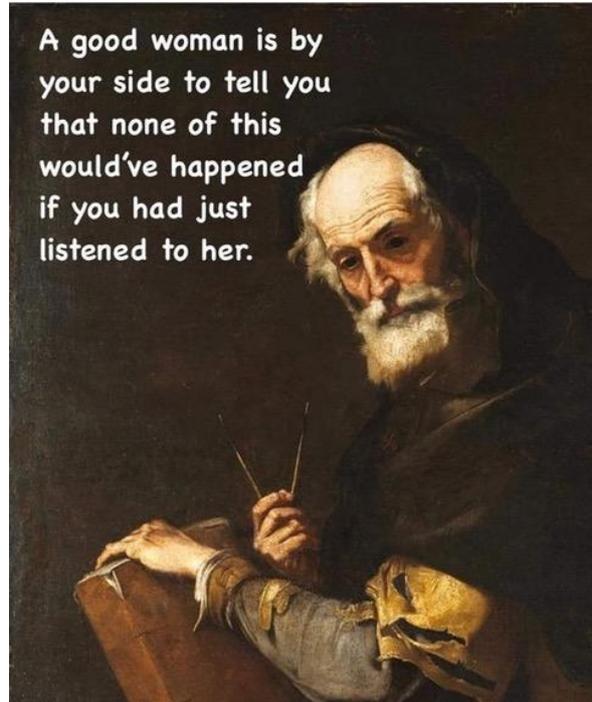
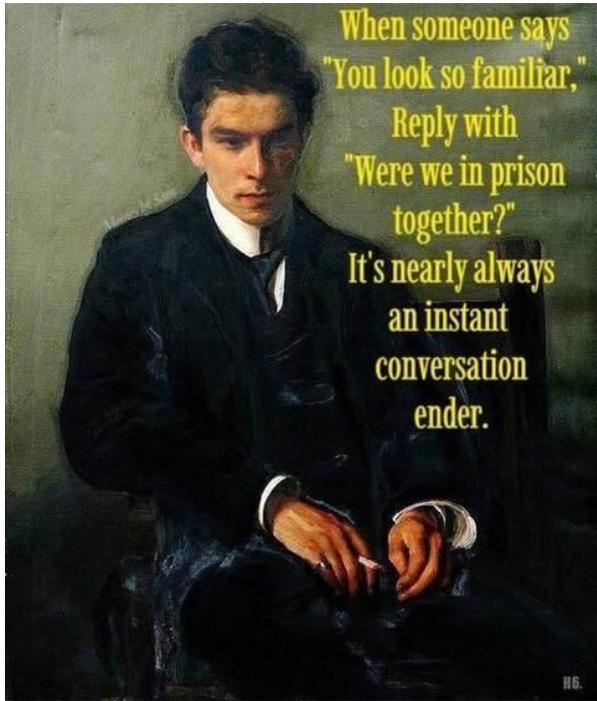


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Did you hear about the angry pilot, who FLEW into a rage
OR the pilot who didn't know where he was going, so just WINGED it.