



Franklin Combined Probus Club

Fun and Friendship in Retirement

Newsletter

November 2025



Hi Members, Welcome to our last newsletter for 2025.

Wishing you a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

Club Monthly Meeting :

**Tuesday 24th November at the Cosmopolitan Club Pukekohe
Entertainment – Guitarist Peter Wallace**

Christmas Lunch – at the Cosmopolitan Club Restaurant

**Coffee Mornings : 8th December 2025 & 12th January 2026 at
Caterpillar Café, Pukekohe**

Members Birthdays in November :

Joan Rees 8th, Lyndy Wilson 12th , Jake Jacobsen 15th, Tricia Mills 19th,
Janet Ewing 20th , Joyce Robinson 23rd , Jim Currie 28th ,
Elizabeth Ronaldson 29th

Members Birthdays in December :

Susan Martin 15th , Ron Wellwood 15th , Edwina Hutchinson 19th

Hope everyone had / has a great day!

Club Life Members Stepping Back :

In the last couple of months 2 of our Life Members have notified us that they are leaving, either due to ill health or moving out of the area. We want to thank them for their long service and involvement in the Club.

- **Jack Jackson**
- **John Waters**



We wish Jack and John well for the future!

Last Month

At last month's meeting we had one new member join the club – welcome to the Club – Adrienne Tilyard.



We also had our Extraordinary General Meeting where we accepted the new Constitution and Standing Resolutions for the Club.



Brian Hutchinson rang the Probus Bell to recognise the occasion!

We then had our Trivial Pursuit Quiz , organised by Chris Moxon.

And our winning team celebrated their achievement



The Winning Trivial Pursuit Team

Trip to Classic Museum, Hamilton : 6th November 2025

A small group of members with an enthusiasm for automobiles, took the trip to the Classic Cars Museum Pictures overleaf:





Upcoming Events

What's On at the Seniors & Travel Expo – March 2026

50 Exhibitors. Endless Inspiration.

Join us at the Seniors & Travel Expo — designed especially for Aucklanders aged 60 and above. Discover new ideas, expert advice, and exclusive offers across travel, lifestyle, and wellbeing.

Explore 50 Exhibitors covering:
Travel • Cruises • Train Journeys • Independent Living • Investment
• Reverse Mortgages • Footcare • Hearing • Retirement Villages • Furniture • Bedding • Health & Wellness • Motorhomes • Caravans
• New Cars • Hobbies • Clubs • Group Travel & more!

Plus — Your Chance to WIN!
Enter to win a 7-night Rarotonga holiday for two, including airfares, staying in a luxurious adults-only beachfront suite. You'll also be in to win vouchers from Palmers and Whitcoulls! Simply enter your email on the day — your privacy is always protected.

Where & When
First Floor Lounge – North Harbour Stadium, Albany
Free parking at the Stadium's south end (Carpark H).
Easy access via lift or stairs to Level 1.

Find out more or pre-book tickets at:
seniorsandtravelexpo.com

Exhibit Your Business
A limited number of stands are still available.
Email colin@affinityads.com for exhibitor details. »



Trip to Top Notch Macadamia Nut Farm

This was our most popular option in our recent analysis of proposed trips. We are currently in the process of finalising details for the trip – expected to be in March 2026.

More details to come in January.

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Swap it Exchange

Bring One Take One
If you like Borrow one

Books	Magazines
Jigsaws	Monopoly
Games	Checkers
Puzzles	Ludo
<u>Sizzchucks</u>	Card Packs

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 :

Committee Members Contact Details:-

President :	Brian Hutchinson	ph 021 510916
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Jill Harvie



Jake Jacobson



Joy Walker
Past President



Chris Moxon



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Smiles Pages

DAD'S SANTA JOKES

Why did Santa go to the Psychiatrist?

He had issues with his elf esteem

What goes "Ho, Ho, Thump!?"

Santa falling down the chimney

What are elves favourite photos to take?

Elfies!

Why couldn't Santa sell Rudolph on Ebay?

Because his price was too deer!

What do you get if you eat
Christmas decorations?



Tinselitis!

Who's Rudolph's favourite pop star?



Beyon-sleigh!

Who hides in the bakery at Christmas?



A mince spy.

What do Santa's little
helpers learn at school?



The elf-abet.

What was the snowman doing
in the vegetable patch?



Picking his nose!

What do they sing at a
snowman's birthday?



"Freeze a jolly good fellow..."

What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire?



Frostbite.

Why couldn't the skeleton go to the Christmas party?



He had nobody to go with.

