

THE BRIDGE

September 2025

Names/payment for City Circle Tour September 30th \$25 Names for St Marys' Cathedral Tour Nov 20th \$10 Names/payment for Taste of Asia Day Trip October 23rd Hunters Hill Theatre/ Drinking Habits November 30th Xmas Lunch Names please

August Speaker

Our speaker this month is Jo-Anne Berthelsen. Her speech is called: The Perils and Privileges of Public Speaking. The following is her bio extracted from the "goodreads" website.

Jo-Anne Berthelsen lives in Sydney but grew up in Brisbane. She holds degrees in Arts and Theology and has worked as a high school teacher, editor and secretary, as well as in local church ministry. Jo-Anne loves communicating through both the written and spoken word. She is the author of seven published novels – Heléna, All the Days of My Life, Laura, Jenna, Heléna's Legacy, The Inheritance and Down by the Water, as well as three non-fiction works, Soul Friend: The story of a shared spiritual journey; Becoming Me: Finding my true self in God; and Swansong: Start creating your legacy of life-giving words today. Jo-Anne loves music, reading, blogging, mentoring younger women, and sharing with community groups about writing. She is married to a retired minister and has three grown-up children and four grandchildren.

UPCOMING EVENTS, OUTINGS AND TOURS

Escorted tour of St Joseph's College Thursday September 11th (Free)

The tour is led by Matt Bookallil (Director of Advancement) from the school. It starts at 10.30am/ finishes at 12 noon. Meet at Mark Street Gates – ready for the 10.30am start.

Joan Lloyd Convenor

Hunters Hill Theatre, Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead Sunday 14th September Pick up your tickets.

Tour of City Circle Tunnels Tuesday 30th September

(Secrets of the City Circle Walking Tour) A unique experience. This 3-hour guided tour explores the weird and historic areas in our city stations. Tour starts at Central Station on Platform 1 at 10. 30am. From there you will take the trains to all the City Circle Stations. So have your Opal card handy. The guide Marc Cote is an expert on the history around the train network. The tour has only recently begun. Names/Payment Please. Cost \$25. Joan Lloyd Convenor 0419 472 563

Lightning Ridge Trip October 12-18 All systems are go!

Taste of Asia Day Trip 23rd October



Last chance to put your name down, but note payment of \$30 is due at this meeting. *Please pay ASAP. Meet at 8am, Frances Street, Putney.* This trip is heavily subsidised from the Ryde City grant.

A tour around Cabramatta highlighting its cultural diversity.

After morning tea on the banks of the Georges River we travel through Fairfield arriving in Cabramatta. The route will feature the variety of mosques, temples and cathedrals demonstrating the range of spiritual beliefs of the local population. We explore the streets, lanes and arcades of Cabramatta on foot to take in the sights and smells of Asia. Lunch (at own cost). Choose from one of the many stalls and restaurants to enjoy a pho, banh mi etc. or bring your own if you prefer. A good opportunity to try a Buddhist inspired vegetarian dish (or Vietnamese, Chinese, Laos, Cambodian dishes).

St Mary's Cathedral Tour Thursday 20th November

A guided tour of the church and crypt in this iconic Sydney landmark.

Tour scheduled to start at 10.30am at the cathedral. Limited to 20 participants. Cost \$10.

Note that lunch following the tour may be taken in the Mitchell Library, a short distance away. *Meet at 10.15 for a 10.30 start.*

Convenor Joan Lloyd

Hunters Hill Theatre November 30th The play is "Drinking Habits" Names please to Marlene.

Xmas Lunch Tuesday December 9th **NEW**This year we will return to Massey Park for our Xmas lunch. The cost to members is **\$35.** The actual cost has been reduced by a \$20 subsidy from the club funds.
Names please to Jan and Rob.

Planned Tour July 2026 NEW
Expressions of Interest are required for:
Longreach and Winton Tour
A Legendary Week Outback
Organised by Trade Travel
6 days 5 nights \$5198 (twin share)
Joan Lloyd is the organiser.

Birthdays this Month

Fay Maple, Judyth Carroll, Jill Beale, Yvonne Brown, Kathy Meyer, Mary Davidson, Ann Kinsky, Margaret Mackintosh, John McAuliffe, Pamela Tomkins, Nancy Fonti. Be really nice to them! **Golf** is played on most Fridays at Massey Park, Concord. We tee off at 9am most weeks and finish around 11am. New members welcome. See Wayne. (0418 249 237)

Coffee Club

Monday, September 1st and 15th. Sunroom Café, Hunters Hill around 10am

Below is a picture of David Holland At the last Small Lunch. It was his birthday and he is demonstrating how a samurai cuts a cake. He should have blown out the candle first!



LIST OF EVENTS

Date		Cost	Event
September	Thursday 4	\$10	Gladesville Probus Anniversary lunch following the meeting. BYO drinks.
	Thursday 11	Nil	Escorted tour of St Joseph's College with Matt Bookallil, Director of Advancement. Meet at Mark Street gates – 10.30 to 12.
	Sunday 14	\$32	Hunters Hill Theatre production of Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead. <i>Tickets will be distributed at September GM.</i>
	Tuesday 30th	\$25	Guided Tour of City Circle Tunnels. Starts at Platform 1 Central Station at 10.30am. 501 bus stops opposite Central. <i>Meet at 10am and don't forget your opal card!</i>
October	Sunday 12 to - 18	\$2,648 or \$3,272ss	Lightning Ridge Tour – arrangements all complete.
	Thursday 23	\$30	Cabramatta day tour – A Taste of Asia. Subsidised by Ryde Council Grant. Minimum of 30 people needed. Includes morning tea. <i>Please pay ASAP. Meet at 8am, Frances Street, Putney.</i>
November	Thursday 20	\$10	St Marys Cathedral conducted tour of church and crypt. After the tour, a short walk to the Mitchell Library café for lunch at own expense. <i>Meet at 10.15 for a 10.30 start.</i>
	Sunday 30	\$32	Hunters Hill Theatre production of Drinking Habits. <i>Names at September GM.</i>
December	Tuesday 9	\$35	Xmas Lunch – Massey Park Golf Club See Menu attached
January	Thursday 15	BYO	Picnic at 5pm Kissing Point Park. Bring food, drink and chairs. Make it your new year resolution to attend. A pleasant evening by the river. A glass of wine and good conversation. Should be ample parking by the big silver fishes.
March 2026	Friday 13	\$75	Naval Historical Society of NSW. This tour is booked for 2026. A deposit of \$20 has been received from those wishing to go.

CLUB DETAILS

MAIL BOX - PO BOX 358 Gladesville NSW 1675

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BANK DETAILS - Westpac BSB 032184 Account No. 345869

and event if possible.

When making a direct deposit please include your name

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XMAS LUNCH MENU Note that the cost to club members is \$35

not the price listed below

Gladesville Probus Luncheon

Tuesday 9th December

\$55 per person

<u>Entrée</u>

Shared Tasting Platters Of -

Mini Chicken Souvlaki Skewers

Spinach and Cheese Pastries

Crumbed Calamari with homemade tartare sauce

Vegetable Spring Rolls with sweet chilli sauce

Main

Choice Of -

Grilled Barramundi Fillet

Veal Scallopini with Mushroom Sauce

Char-Grilled Chicken Breast

Grilled Veg and Mushroom Stack

All main meals served with baked vegetables and bread rolls

Dessert

Christmas Pudding with homemade brandy custard

All meal choices to be arranged prior to date of function.

Please advise of any dietary requirements as soon as possible.