



PROBUS CENTRE - SOUTH PACIFIC INC.

Dear Club President,

With over half your year gone I trust that you have had a successful first half of your term, now enjoy the festive period before really enjoying the balance of time as this will go in a rush.

For those that attended Perth 2009 Probus Rendezvous in September I am sure that you all would agree it was another successful gathering of Probians. Can I suggest that you and your club start planning to attend Rendezvous 2010 in Darwin at the end of August next year, this is a highlight in every Probus year that is often not mentioned to members, can I ask that you give this a special mention this year.

Perhaps you and your local clubs can consider hosting this event. We would love to have an enquiry from you, remember it takes two to three years in the planning and we give the successful Clubs two years prior approval. The host city for 2011 is Port Lincoln. Expressions of interest have been received from Palmerston North, New Zealand (2012), Canberra ACT, Sydney NSW (2013) and Brisbane QLD, Hobart TAS and Albury NSW (2014).

At our board meeting in November the PCSP preliminary budget for 2010-2011 was tabled and this has required us to seriously review our annual administration and insurance capitation fees.

Over the last 2 years PCSP has been very fortunate to have had accumulated funds to carry us through the financial deficits of 2008-2009 and this current year. We thank past PCSP Boards for their foresight in maintaining appropriate reserves.

As previously reported, the Board has not increased the administration and insurance capitation fees for New Zealand clubs since 2006. During this same period we have added club money insurance cover and created an insurance reserve to cover possible claims against the Public Liability insurance. We have developed and strengthened the organisation by providing a very high level of service and we have continued to improve our products and resources for all Probus clubs and associations.

The fee structure for 2010-2011 effective 1st April 2010 is:

Administration NZ\$2.00 per member (including Honorary and Life Members)

Public Liability and Club Money Insurance
 NZ\$0.15 per member (including Honorary and Life Members)

Our flagship publication – **ACTIVE** magazine, improves with every issue; good quality photographs, articles and many contributions from our members. The magazine is a quality publication and serves us well as a great membership development tool. The publication is provided complimentary to Probus members in New Zealand through the generous sponsorship provided from Metlifecare and Rotary Down Under.

I encourage your club to continue to support the magazine.

The Probus Centre is dedicated and committed to promoting Probus in your district, should you have a waiting list please make contact with your Rotary District Probus Chairman as they are the link between Probus and Rotary clubs in your area. You can find their contact details in your latest Directory of Probus Clubs 2009-2010. Your local RDPC can also help with ideas on how to increase your membership.

Premiums for our PCSP Optional Travel Insurance available for members use on official Probus club trips have also been revised. This is an excellent product for our members and we will continue to offer the PCSP Optional Travel Insurance for a further period provided members support this service.

Fees effective 1st January 2010:

New Zealand Domestic	NZ\$100.00
Worldwide	NZ\$149.00

In conjunction with PCSP Optional Travel Insurance (*conditions apply)	
Extended individual travel	NZ\$20.00

Finally I take this opportunity to extend to all Probians best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a safe New Year to be enjoyed with family and friends.



George Wyman
Chairman 2009-2010

November 2009

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