

Accredited Probus Associations – The Social Arm of Probus

The role of an accredited Probus association is to assist clubs within a Rotary District with the exchange of ideas and information, assist in social activities and to protect the integrity of Probus against the unauthorised use of the Probus name and Probus emblem Trademarks.

It is not a requirement of accreditation as a Probus club to be affiliated with a Probus association. Clubs independently determine the benefits of being affiliated. Probus associations have no authority over accredited Probus clubs.

State based Probus association publications are not recognised as official; only the flagship publications produced by PSP are recognised as official publication for the Probus organisation; Active RetireesTM magazine in Australia and Active magazine in New Zealand.

- Probus South Pacific Limited in accrediting Probus associations recognise their valuable contribution.
- Probus associations are the social arm of Probus and serve their purpose with commitment and vigour.
- Probus associations do not determine policies or govern the Probus organisation; this is the role of Probus South Pacific Limited.

When applying for accreditation a Probus association agrees to the following:

Objectives

- a. To provide a vehicle for the exchange of ideas and information between member clubs
- b. To assist and advise ONLY on social activities
- c. To protect the integrity of Probus and prevent the unauthorised use of the Probus name and Probus emblem Trademarks
- d. To confine itself to the furthermore of these objectives
- e. The association shall not be or be seen to be a fundraising organisation

Membership

- a. Membership of the association shall be open only to duly accredited Probus clubs
- b. Membership shall be voluntary and no inducements shall be offered or coercion used in the recruitment of member clubs. Member clubs shall be free to resign their membership at anytime
- c. Each member club shall be represented by an equal number of delegates
- d. The autonomy of member clubs within the limits of the Standard Probus Club Constitution is guaranteed and the association shall have no authority over any member club. The association shall neither formulate policy concerning Probus affairs generally nor seek to influence member clubs on matters of policy or management
- e. No resolution of the association shall be binding on any member club.



Interest Groups

Recognised unaccredited Probus Interest Groups are a collective of accredited Probus clubs within a district who meet together on an informal basis for friendship and fellowship, meetings and picnics and the exchange of ideas and information.