



# COMMUNICATOR

## PROBUS CLUB OF GLENROY INC.

Meets at 9:45 am on the second Tuesday of each Month  
at the Uniting Church Hall, Wheatsheaf Road, Glenroy.

**Next Monthly Meeting:- Tuesday 9th. August 2011**

President:- Peter Dimsey

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Past President:- Dudley Twigg

Functions Officer:- John Darling

Stroll Co-ordinator:- Charles Fyfe

Bowls Co-ordinator:- Les Hooke

Catering Officer:- Eddie Ebeyer

Appointed Officers for 2011-2012:

Auditor:- Jack O'Hara

Public Officer:- Harry Middlemo

Probuss is an association of active retirees who join together in clubs, to provide regular opportunities for them to keep their minds active, expand their interests and to enjoy the fellowship of new friends.

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## AUGUST ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 2nd - Mental Health Research Institute, Parkville

Tuesday 9th - Monthly Meeting.

Tuesday 23rd - City Sights Tour - **Cancelled**

Monday 29th - Stroll - Westerfolds Park, Templestowe. - Note date changed.

## SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

Monday 5th - Committee Meeting at Rotary Centre, Glenroy at 9.30am.

Tuesday 13th - Monthly Meeting.

Monday 26th - Stroll

## FUTURE SPEAKERS

**AUGUST** - RDA - Riding Develops Ability - Fiona Orr and Therese Murphy who provide riding tuition to the disabled to assist mobility and well-being.

**SEPTEMBER** - Will be a Pharmacist. If any members have a specific ailment or drug they would like to be included in the talk please let Bob Brown know at the August meeting.

## JULY SPEAKER

Our July speakers were Patrick Coco and Robert Mulhall from Mulqueen Funeral Services.

Patrick concentrated on outlining the steps taken when a death occurs.

- Doctor certifies death.
- Ring Funeral parlour - available 24 hrs.
- Pick up is then arranged.
- Funeral Director contacts family to make arrangements.

In the case of an accident the Coroner is involved to determine cause of death before a Funeral can occur. Arranging a funeral requires many decisions from the family at a time when they are under stress.

A Pre-paid Funeral removes the stress from the family. It should always be planned in consultation with the family and some people go so far as to write their own life history, choose the type of service and even the music.

Most important is the choice of cremation or burial. Generally the funeral costs \$6000 - \$8000 for a cremation, and a burial adds \$2000 for a plot plus \$1800 fees.

Robert then outlined the differences between a Pre-paid Funeral and Funeral Insurance.

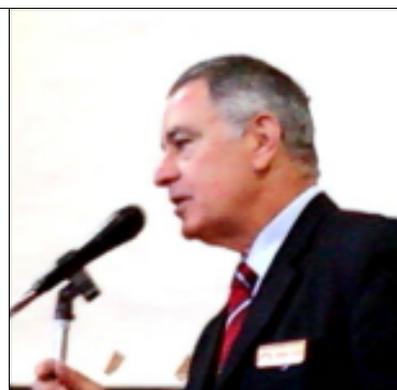
A Pre-paid funeral is paid at today's prices (over 36 mths.)

All the arrangements are described in the contract and this is the funeral that will be provided in the future.

The money paid goes to a third party (Over 50's Guardian Friendly Society) to be held in a growth trust until required.

With Funeral Insurance it is simply a life insurance policy. A certain value is nominated at the start and premiums calculated on this value and the age and health of the insured. Premiums escalate with age and total payments could become many times the insured amount (which maybe insufficient in the future). No funeral service arrangements are part of this contract. You may not get the funeral you wanted.

There were many good questions and answers which were thanked by acclamation. Geoff Woods formally thanked Patrick and Robert before President Peter closed the meeting.



## VALE GEORGE FLETCHER

It is with deep regret that we mourn the passing of one of our members, George Fletcher, and we offer our deepest sympathy to his loved ones.

George joined the Club on 12th May 1998. George passed away peacefully at RMH on 30th July.

## TREASURER'S REPORT & GENERAL CLUB NEWS

At the July meeting Treasurer, Wal Jarvis, reported that during June there was Income of \$50 and expenses of \$81.20 resulting in the depletion of our available funds to \$1118.02.

Also at the July meeting Jack O'Hara reported there were 54 members in attendance and 18 apologies.

Ten members indicated they would be lunching at the RSL. Why not join them next month?

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Max Smedley advised he had been broken into while on holidays. The thieves climbed a tree to enter the second story but were confined to taking small items as doors were deadlocked.

RACV Insurance looked after him well but warned that we should take care to make our homes difficult to enter (and to leave).

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"Beyond Blue" is holding an Information Session on Depression at the Glenroy RSL on the Monday, 12th September at 10am. Gold coin admittance. . (John Vandenberg)

## TEA ROSTER

**AUGUST** – Reg Ratcliffe, John Reisenberg, Ken Roberts & Kevin Ryan.

**SEPTEMBER** – Gordon Scott, Max Smedley, Koos Soeterboek & Vic Sparks.

## COMMITTEE

The President, Peter Dimsey reported further on Probus Central South Pacific's (PCSP) Membership Data Base.

Those members that had an issue with supplying personal details to be collated in a PCSP electronic database have been in contact with him and PCSP will only be supplied with those details they are prepared to supply.

As decided at the last meeting the details supplied pertaining to other members will be restricted to Name and Postcode.

## SAFETY ALERT ON ENERGY SAVING BULBS.

Most of us are using these low energy light bulbs however they contain Mercury which causes migraine, disorientation and imbalance if inhaled. So beware of broken bulbs. Do NOT vacuum! Brush into a plastic bag and seal the bag.

Take care with the shards of glass as cuts cause severe skin conditions and other diseases.

Mercury is more dangerous than lead or arsenic.



