



COMMUNICATOR

PROBUS CLUB OF GLENROY INC.

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

Next Monthly Meeting:- Tuesday 14th August 2018

ELECTED COMMITTEE FOR 2018/19

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Probus 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 2018 ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 14th - Monthly Meeting.

Tuesday 21st - Computer Group - Glenroy RSL at 10.30am.

Thursday 23rd - Sip N'Chat - Glenroy RSL at 10.30am.

Monday 27th - Stroll - Gavan Park, Pascoe Vale

SEPTEMBER 2018 ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 11th - Monthly Meeting.

Tuesday 18th - Computer Group - Glenroy RSL at 10.30am. - Note third Tuesday.

Wednesday 19th - Kerrisdale Mountain Railway Museum and Lunch at Flowerdale.

Monday 24th - Stroll

Thursday 27th - Sip N'Chat - Glenroy RSL at 10.30am.

FUTURE SPEAKERS

AUGUST - Luki Yanton - Scams, Fraud & Security.

SEPTEMBER - MFB - Seniors Fire Safety.

JULY SPEAKER

Max Smedley introduced our speaker for July, Colin Noble, whose topic was the Avon Sabre jet fighter.

Colin commenced his talk showing a photograph of a Bristol Box Kite.

In 1913 the Royal Australian Flying Corps received four of these aircraft for training. Australia's first aircraft. Point Cook RAAF Museum has an excellent flying replica of this aircraft, its last flight was in 2014.

But Colin's talk was on the Avon Sabre jet fighter. Colin put in 1600 hours with the Avon Sabre from 1959 to 1971.

He was part of the RAAF Flying Diamonds aerobatic team that performed at the 1954 Commonwealth Games in Perth, and also Royal Tours in 1954 and 1965.

Although not flying Colin was present in Canberra when the Queen presented Colours at Duntroon in 1965.

There were 112 Avon Sabres manufactured at Commonwealth Aircraft Factory, Fishermens Bend. These were the American F86 jet fighters fitted with the larger Avon engine making it a far superior aircraft.

The Sabre was armed with two 30mm Aden cannon, but also could be armed with bombs, rockets and Sidewinder air intercept missiles.

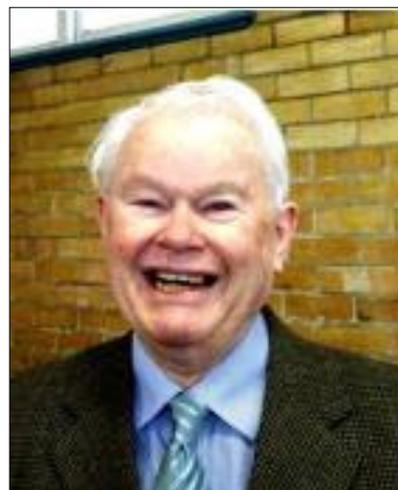
In Korea there were five MIGs destroyed for every Sabre lost.

Colin obviously enjoyed the air force with his time spanning from Gloster Meteors which preceded the Sabre to the Mirage which followed it and the swing wing F111.

Colin happily answered questions as they occurred including a description of the workings of G-suits to stop blood moving from the brain to the legs during sharp manoeuvres.

He was quite happy that he never had to eject from an aircraft but he did have a midair collision.

Peter Pendlebury thanked Colin and his sister Fiona who assisted him, and presented Colin with a Club Pen hand turned by Doug Birchall.



GENERAL CLUB NEWS

At the July meeting President, Ken Pryor welcomed those present and proceeded with the induction of Adrian Crawley. We welcome Adrian to the Club and trust he will enjoy his time with us. Adrian and Shirley live at 40 Volga Street Hadfield.

At the July meeting there were 40 members present and two visitors, Shirley and Ken Miller.

There were five apologies and eight members indicated that they would be having lunch at the RSL.

Treasurer, Barry O'Connor reported that we started May with available funds of \$1643.60. We received income of \$200 for annual fees and \$20 joining fees.

As a result of our application we received a Grant of \$1500 from the Moreland City Council. There was also \$74 door prize income and \$10 for a badge request.

Expenses were hall rental \$45, photo copying the "Communicator" \$12.90, door prize purchases \$60, morning teas \$30 and Consumer Affairs Victoria \$56.90.

This leaves us with a healthy balance of available funds of \$3242.80.

The Committee met at the Glenroy Rotary Centre on Monday 30th July 2018.

Treasurer, Barry O'Connor reported that over half a dozen members are yet to pay their \$50 yearly subscription. Please catch up with Barry at the August meeting.

Some time was spent discussing the coming 30th Club Birthday on 9th October. It was decided to have a catered luncheon at the Glenroy Bowls Club.

For convenience we will also have our October General Meeting at the Bowls Club. The start time is still to be negotiated with the Bowls Club.

A small sub-committee is working on the details. They have scheduled a meeting after the August meeting so more details will come forth in due course. Any suggestions would be appreciated.

One item that drew support was to conduct a Novelty Auction. Members are asked to donate items which will be auctioned off with the proceeds going to provide door prizes. Max Smedley will be the Auctioneer and has some suggestions:- books, kitchenware, tools, sweets, wine, preserves, jewellery, good suitcases/bags or last year's birthday/Christmas presents. Bring them along to the August and September meetings and give them to Max.

ACTIVITIES

AUGUST TUESDAY 21ST - COMPUTERS - GLENROY R.S.L.'s BISTRO 10:30am.

Come along this month with your problems and ideas, seven members did in July and enjoyed the information exchanges.

AUGUST THURSDAY 23RD - SIP N' CHAT - GLENROY R.S.L.

In July nine members attended and enjoyed the chat at this event. Any members wishing to join us in August will be most welcome. Time 10.30am

BIRTHDAYS

Val Callingham, Barbara Darling, Marion Dimsey & Margaret Isles... Jacob George, Arthur Jarvis, Jack O'Hara, John Reisenberg, Max Smedley & Jack Williamson

OUTINGS

JULY WEDNESDAY 18TH - SCIENCE WORKS & LUNCH

Ten of our members joined with the Glenroy Ladies Probus for the coach trip to "Science Works". Morning tea at McDonalds to warm up before an educational stroll around the museum with many trying some of the hands on exhibits. Several ventured down to the Pumping Station where they were given an insight into its workings.

An excellent "Christmas in July" lunch followed at the Yarraville Club then a scenic drive around The Esplanade at Williamstown before heading home. Thanks ladies!

SEPTEMBER WEDNESDAY 19TH - Coach tour to Kerrisdale Mountain Railway Museum.

We have been invited to join with the Ladies Club for a full day out to Kerrisdale Mountain Railway Museum. The museum has many working restored steam engines and the small gauge rail ride up to Summit Station is a highlight. This will be followed by a two course luncheon at the Flowerdale Hotel. Coach will leave Cromwell Street at 9am and will return at approximately 5pm. Names on the list at August meeting please. Payment of \$55 at September meeting.

ADVANCED NOTICE NOVEMBER FRIDAY 16TH - - SENIORS RACE NIGHT HARNESS

RACING AT TABCORP PARK, MELTON This outing was well received in April and should be better in a warmer month with a superior entertainer, Seeker Athol Guy. This special deal still includes entry, three course dinner, race book, \$2 betting voucher, sweeps and free bus service from W heatsheaf Rd hall at around 5pm (exact time at October meeting). Cost \$34.00pp. Booking sheet is now open.

STROLLERS

JULY MONDAY 23RD - MALCOLM CREEK - CRAIGIEBURN

On a cold windy morning 23 strollers braved the weather and had a short stroll along the Malcolm Creek before returning to the warmth of the Highland Hotel for coffee. Four extras joined us for an "All You Can Eat" lunch which was enjoyed by all.



AUGUST MONDAY 27TH - GAVAN PARK, PASCOE VALE

Meet in the car park on the east side of Northumberland Rd (Melway map 17 A8) at 10am. Come along and enjoy the company. As it is still winter we will be having lunch at the Pascoe Vale Hotel. All welcome. Check whether the offer of a \$5 lunch with the purchase of a drink is on again this year.

Do not forget your \$75.00pp motel deposit and registration form for October's, 4 day/3 night Extended Stroll to Ballarat. If any other members are thinking they would like to come along on this self drive get-away, now is the time to talk to John Elletson, Wal Jarvis or Ken Pryor, numbers close at this month's stroll.

TEA ROSTER

JULY - Geoff Milley & John Reisenberg

AUGUST - Tony Bajoras, and Brian Baxter