



# 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 14th. May 2013**

President:- Alan Whatman

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Treasurer:- Wal Jarvis

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Stroll Co-ordinator:- Charles Fyfe

Bowls Co-ordinator:- Les Hooke

Catering Officer:- Gordon Scott

Appointed Auditor for 2012-2013: Jack O'Hara

Probis 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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## MAY ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 7th - Shepparton Train Trip.  
Tuesday 14th - Monthly Meeting.  
Monday 27th - Stroll - Edwardes Lake Park, Reservoir.  
Friday 31st - Manningham Information Day.

## JUNE ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 11th - Monthly Meeting.  
Monday 24th - Stroll - Cherry Lake, Altona.

## FUTURE SPEAKERS

**MAY** - "The Honey Bee and Us", Ken Jepson  
**JUNE** - Melbavale Retirement Village, Karen Orchard

## APRIL SPEAKER

The topic for our Speaker at the April meeting was *Community Mobility for Older People* and was presented by Joanne Coleman, an Occupational Therapist who was accompanied by Dr. Marilyn Di Stefano from the Dept. of Occupational Therapy at Latrobe University.

Marilyn was scheduled to give this talk but took the opportunity to give Joanne experience at speaking to groups such as ours.

Occupational therapists are health professionals who assist people with physical or mental disabilities to resume normal activities.

Some occupational therapists have additional qualifications which allow them to help their clients either obtain a driver licence or maintain their ability to drive safely.

They are independent specialists not paid by VicRoads.

Joanne spoke about how our health affected our mobility and how lack of mobility affected our health. She reminded us that drivers have a responsibility to advise VicRoads if they have long term health or disability issues. Driver assessment options are available and that vehicles can be modified.

Limited licences are available as VicRoads policy is to keep us driving as long as possible. If we did have our licence cancelled there were different ways of getting around and we should experiment with these alternative ways.

VicRoads and RACV booklets were distributed including a Guide to Occupational Therapy Driver Assessment, Dementia and Driving, Vehicle Modifications for Driver and Passengers and Choosing Motorized Mobility Devices.

Duncan Forbes thanked Joanne for the interesting talk and Marilyn for organizing the talk.

He presented Joanne with a pen custom made by Doug Birchall.



(Don O'Meara)

## VALE DONALD O'MEARA

It is with deep regret that we mourn the passing of Donald O'Meara, and we offer our deepest sympathy to his wife Gladys and his loved ones.

Don joined the Club on 14th January 1992 and in the years 1993 to 1996 he worked on Membership records, and was Attendance Officer for 1994-95.

In 1997 Don became "Communicator" Editor and with the exception of 2006-07, his Presidential year, he continued as "Communicator" Editor until 2009.

He continued to contribute to the "Communicator" with the Speakers Report up until this issue. As our unofficial historian Don also contributed articles on various periods of our club's history. In 2011 Don was honoured with Life Membership of the Club in appreciation of his service.

While on holiday Don passed away suddenly at Mount Gambier Hospital on Sunday 28th April aged 82.

## GENERAL CLUB NEWS

At the start of our April meeting there was one minutes silence for Bob Brock . Some members went to the funeral being held at the same time.

Treasurer, Wal Jarvis, reported that during March we had income of \$1320 from subscriptions and expenses of \$232.90 resulting in available funds of \$2052.20.

Subscriptions are now past due so if you have not paid Wal yet, please do so.

At the April meeting there were 45 members present and there were 13 apologies.

We had one visitor, John Walker.

At the April meeting it was reported that Ron James has resigned. We wish him and his wife well with their new club.

Ray Dunstan is settling in to Room 120 at Dorothy Impey Home, 317A O'Hea Street, Pascoe Vale 3044. His telephone number is 8102 2450 (Room), 8102 2400 (Office).

Neil Thomas has resigned as Secretary so we are looking for someone to put their hand up for this position at the June General Meeting. Please give this your full consideration.

## TEA ROSTER

**MAY** - Ray Averill, Anton Basil, Doug Birchall & Brian Callingham.

**JUNE** - Ken Dahl, Peter Dimsey, Eddie Ebeyer & Alan Evans.

## COMMITTEE NEWS

Have you remembered to bring back your completed Emergency Contact Phone Number Form?

It is essential that we have a telephone number for your desired contact person on hand in case of an emergency.

**LAST NOTICE** The Manningham Interest Group are having their Probus Information Day on Friday 31st May.

## BOWLS

As he said at our last General meeting Murray Gorham would value input from bowlers as to what they would like to do.

Be it competition or social bowls he sees no reason why we cannot have bowls throughout the year. Please let Murray have your suggestions.

## OUTINGS

### **MAY TUESDAY 7th - SHEPPARTON TRAIN, LUNCH and BUS TOUR**

Sixty-one members, partners and friends of the Glenroy Ladies' Probus and our Club successfully boarded the train at Broadmeadows for an enjoyable ride to Shepparton where we boarded 2 buses to take us to Tatura.

We dined at the Tatura Hotel before moving to the Tatura Museum to learn about the history of the WW2 POW camps.

In the limited time available the lady at the Museum gave us an outline of this episode in our history that is little known to us. We then had a quick look around this interesting museum.

Our buses returned us to the station to catch the train to Broadmeadows. Duncan Forbes thanked Barbara and John Darling for their excellent attention to detail and organisation.

We arrived at Broadmeadows station at 6.20 pm completing a busy, full day.

### **JULY TUESDAY 16th - "CHRISTMAS in JULY" at SKYWAYS**

Drive to Skyways Hotel, Airport West for a Three Course "Christmas in July" lunch with entertainment by Janene Joy featuring "Broadway Melodies".

Cost \$20.00. Names this meeting.

*(John Darling)*

## STROLLERS

### **APRIL MONDAY 22nd - BOEING RESERVE, STRATHMORE HEIGHTS**

On a day that threatened rain, eighteen strollers gathered to set off up the Moonee Ponds Creek.

We saw many new houses had been built since we last walked this part of the creek.

Those that ventured past the holding dam were amazed at the growth of the vegetation at the wetlands. Light rain was falling at lunch time but the shelter was adequate and we enjoyed the chit chat.

### **MAY MONDAY 27th - EDWARDES LAKE PARK, RESERVOIR**

Stroll at Edwardes Lake Park, Reservoir.

Meet in Picnic Area off Griffiths St. (*Melway 18 E5*). Parking is available in Griffiths St. Stroll starts at 10:00 am.

Bring picnic lunch and chairs.

### **JUNE MONDAY 24th - CHERRY LAKE, ALTONA**

## GOLF IS NO LAUGHTING MATTER - Geoff Milley

A gushy reporter told major-winning American golfer Phil Mickelson; "You are spectacular, your name is synonymous with the game of golf. You really know your way around the course. What's your secret?" Mickelson replied: "The holes are numbered"

A young man and a priest are playing golf. At a short par 3 the priest asks; "What are you going to use on this hole, my son?" The young man says, "An eight-iron, father, how about you?" The priest says, "I'm going to hit a soft seven and pray." The young man hits his eight-iron and puts the ball on the green. The priest tops his seven-iron and dribbles the ball out a few yards. The young man says, "I don't know about you, father, but in my church, when we pray, we keep our head down."