



# 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 12th. May 2015, 9.45 am**

### ELECTED COMMITTEE FOR 2015/16

President:- Wal Jarvis

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Treasurer:- Wal Jarvis

Past President & Welfare Officer:  
Les Hooke

Functions Officer:- Peter Pendlebury

Stroll Co-ordinator:- Arthur Jarvis

Bowls Co-ordinator:- Murray Gorham

Catering Officer:- Gordon Scott  
Asst. - Joe Milanese

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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## **MAY ACTIVITIES**

Tuesday 12th - Monthly Meeting.

Monday 25th - Stroll - Golden Sun Moth Park, Malcolm Creek, Craigieburn.

Tuesday 26th - Richards Restaurant Luncheon.

Thursday 28th - Sip N'Chat, Glenroy RSL at 10.30am.

## **JUNE ACTIVITIES**

Tuesday 9th - Monthly Meeting.

Wednesday 17th - Huffers and Puffers at Glenroy Bowls Club for Lunch

Monday 22nd - Stroll -

Thursday 25th - Sip N'Chat, Glenroy RSL at 10.30am.

## **FUTURE SPEAKERS**

MAY - Sister Carol McDonald - People Trafficking.

JUNE - Maree Kellerman - RACV - Years Ahead.

## **APRIL SPEAKER**

Our April Speaker was David Bonnici, a Member of Australian Federal Police.

David grew up in Pascoe Vale, and has been a Policeman for a total of 20 years; the first 15 years in the Victoria Police.

His first posting after graduating was to Heidelberg West in the housing area replacing the Olympic Village, in the nineties. This was his introduction to the "real world", where as a community policeman he got to know the locals. Once he had problems about the pursuit of a housebreaker but was cleared by the Panel.

David has been a volunteer in his own time at several School Camps.

After 5 years in uniform he became a plain-clothes detective in the Plenty Road corridor. One case was the attempted murder, and later, murder of Des Moran, Judy Moran was believed to be involved.

David joined the Federal Police, and after training he was sent to East Timor; as the United Nations was involved there were some positions filled by unsatisfactory Second World personnel and there was inadequate infrastructure.

Fortunately they had Australian Army backup.

After 9 months he was part of a Force sent to the Solomon Islands; there he saw the

variations between people, some locals could go AWOL. He remembers a potential confrontation between local groups because of allegations of witchcraft; David's people

defused the situation with an invitation to a "cup of tea" all around!.

In 2010 the AFP had a problem with Human Trafficking (brothels were involved), but as the complainant was not fully truthful, unfortunately the Prosecution abandoned the case.

David's current role is in Human Resources Management, undercover.

There is a need to have contact with criminals, but there is always a need to keep safe, as the motive for criminals to co-operate can be obscure.

In the past, there had been tacit "agreement" between the (old) Police and criminals.

David's present work includes co-operation with Overseas Authorities.

Neil Thomas thanked David for his story and his insights into the complexities of his field of work.

In appreciation David was presented with a Club Pen.

*(Doug Birchall)*

## GENERAL CLUB NEWS

At the start of the April General Meeting, Les Hooke invested Wal Jarvis with his Presidential Chain of Office and thanked the Committee and Members for their support during his year as President.

At the April meeting there were 43 members present and 7 apologies.

Twelve members indicated they would be lunching at the RSL.

Treasurer, Barry O'Connor, reported that during March there was \$1200 received for subscriptions. (Trust all have now paid.)

There were Expenses of hall rent \$45, photocopying Communicator \$19.80, Morning Teas \$22.56, committee expenses \$300, PO Box rental \$115, PAV \$39 and \$120 to Keilor East Probus Club for 6 members to attend the Information Day on 29th April.

Current available funds are \$2489.90.

## TEA ROSTER

**MAY** - Kevin Ryan, Max Smedley & Keith Stewart.

**JUNE** - Neil Thomas, Noel Walsh & Noel Wenlock.

## VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

After doing such a good job fitting non-removable screws to car number plates in the Merlynston railway station car park last November, Leading Constable Alicia Lippiatt has again requested assistance at the Glenroy railway station.

The police will place notices under the windscreen wipers on Monday 18th May for people to indicate their agreement to have these screws fitted. We are asked to attend at 9am on Tuesday 19th May at the northern end of the east car park at Glenroy railway station.

## OUTING REPORT

### APRIL WEDNESDAY 15TH—MYSTERY COACH TOUR.

With a total of 56 passengers on board from the ladies and men's clubs of Glenroy, our coach driver Gordon set off for - Where?

Well for morning tea we found our way to "Serendip Sanctuary" A 227 ha protected area near the You Yang's and the township of Lara 60kms SW of Melb with the jokes coming thick and fast from Gordon.

As we travelled from there onto Geelong ?

Not quite- after two goes around a very large roundabout with all on board guessing, we headed down the Great Ocean Road, stopping for the fantastic views along the way until we entered Lorne.

On the return, stopping for lunch at Anglesea Golf Club with kangaroos freely roaming on the course. Lunch over, we headed home arriving approx 5pm, a great day had by all.

[approx 350 -375 kms]

Many thanks to the Darlings.

## OUTINGS

### SIP N' CHAT - GLENROY R.S.L.

This activity is on the 4TH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH 10.30am  
On 23rd April, 6 Members attended the Sip N' Chat at Glenroy RSL.

### MAY TUESDAY 26TH - RICHARDS RESTAURANT LUNCHEON

Enjoy a 2 course luncheon at Richards Restaurant, Kangan Institute, Broadmeadows, being waited on by trainee hospitality students.  
Cost \$30.00. Payment this meeting.

### JUNE WEDNESDAY 17TH - HUFFERS AND PUFFERS & LUNCH

At the Glenroy Bowls Club, join the Glenroy Ladies for a 2/c lunch with entertainment by the Huffers and Puffers Group.  
Cost \$20.00. Names this meeting.

## STROLLERS

### APRIL MONDAY 27TH - NORRIS BANK RESERVE - BUNDOORA

Fourteen strollers had an enjoyable morning walking around Norris Bank Reserve and along Darebin Creek.

We went as far north as the Ring Road before returning back to the easement [of the old Maroondah Aqueduct. A short uphill walk along the easement brought us to an opening for us to take a shortcut through residential streets back to Norris Bank

Reserve for a picnic lunch and the usual chat.

Possible venues for the November Extended Stroll were discussed. All present were committed to this going ahead and John D, John E and Bruce D will start planning. Also, as most of us had attended the January lunch John Darling had arranged at Highlands Hotel and as we would be at its doorstep, we decided a pub lunch would be good for June.



### MAY MONDAY 25TH - MALCOLM CREEK - CRAIGIEBURN

Meet at 10am, Golden Sun Moth Park.

Malcolm Creek, Craigieburn. Melway Map 386 G/H 3 (Right on the line)

Take Hume highway, the highway goes over the railway at Craigieburn.

Continue to the 3rd set of traffic lights and turn **left** into Grand Boulevard.

Follow Grand Boulevard, cross Aitken Boulevard and turn left at the roundabout into Packington Drive at the back side of the hotel car park.

Parking is available at the end of Packington Drive.

As decided last stroll we will partake of the Senior's \$17.90 Buffet Lunch at the Highlands Hotel after the stroll.

## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Les Hooke

“ Tact is the ability to tell someone to “go to hell” in such a way that they look forward to the trip. “

*Winston Churchill*