



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 13th. November 2012

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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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NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 13th - Monthly Meeting.

Monday 19th to Thursday 22nd - Extended Stroll - Wangaratta.

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

Monday 3rd - Glenroy Probus Clubs' Combiner Christmas Luncheon.

Tuesday 11th - Monthly Meeting.

Monday 17th - Stroll & Christmas BBQ - Apex Park, Sunbury.

FUTURE SPEAKERS

NOVEMBER - Social Security Matters - Glenn Godfrey from Centrelink Financial Information Service .

DECEMBER - COTA - Be active your way.

OCTOBER SPEAKER

The Speaker at our October meeting was Roger Canty, a member of the Melbourne Cricket Club (MCC) and one of their many tour guides. He spoke about the MCC and the history of the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG), mentioning noteworthy events that had occurred at "The G".

The MCC was founded in 1838 and selected the present site for the MCG in 1853 after playing cricket at several other locations.

The Club has 101,000 members and a waiting list of 220,000. The average age of members is 42 with the oldest 101.

The Club is run by 382 members and the full membership fee is \$608 per year.

The MCG is in Melbourne Park and is owned by the Government of Victoria and operated by the Melbourne Cricket Club.

Current capacity is 100,018 with 109 executive suites and facilities for 22,800 members.

During WWII (1942 until 1945) the stands were occupied by US forces and the RAAF.

The Olympic Games were held at the ground in 1956 and the Commonwealth Games in 2006.

Queen Elizabeth II visited the MCG in 1954, 1970 and again in 2006 for the Opening Ceremony of the Commonwealth Games.

Religious leader Billy Graham held a Crusade at the ground in 1959 which was attended by about 130,000 people.

Rock and other concerts were held at the ground between 1974 and 2009.

Pope John Paul held a service at the MCG in 1986 (120,000 attended).

While other football codes have played at the MCG its main use has been Australian rules football and cricket. Four AFL teams call the MCG home.

Permanent lighting was installed at the ground in 1984 using 2000 watt globes costing \$200 each. The power bill is \$1,400,000 per annum.

Jack O'Hara thanked Roger and presented him with a Club pen custom made from Huon Pine by Doug Birchall.



(Don O'Meara)

GENERAL CLUB NEWS

At our October meeting, Treasurer, Wal Jarvis, reported that during September there were no receipts and we had expenses for Hall Rental \$45.00, Photocopy Communicator & Member List \$33.00, resulting in available funds of \$1425.18.

At the October meeting there were 55 members present and there were 6 apologies. Thirty-two members and partners attended the RSL lunch to celebrate our Club's birthday.

COMMITTEE

Committee Meeting was held on 29th October at the Rotary Centre, Glenroy. PSPL recommends building up a minimum bank balance equivalent to the club's statutory expenses. Treasurer, Wal Jarvis reports that this should be achieved in the 2013/2014 year. Wal also reported with last year's increase of fees to \$40 we are now travelling well and no increase in fees will be necessary next year.

As part of the ongoing PSPL 5 year review of the Standard Probus Club Constitution the Committee considered PSPL's nine proposed amendments. Some proposals are only minor changes for better wording and typo corrections. New refinements to definitions have been driven by PSPL's discussions with the ATO seeking endorsement of Tax Free Status. None of the proposals affect or change the way our Club currently operates. Committee recommends that we notify PSPL we support the proposed amendments.

Notice is hereby given that a Special Resolution to this effect will be formally put at the December meeting.

Members wishing to review the eight pages of PSPL documentation should contact the Secretary, Neil Thomas.

TEA ROSTER

NOVEMBER - Ron James, Arthur Jarvis, Jim List & Harry Middlemo.

DECEMBER- Gavin Herft, Leigh Hoatson, Ron Howard & Ted Hucker.

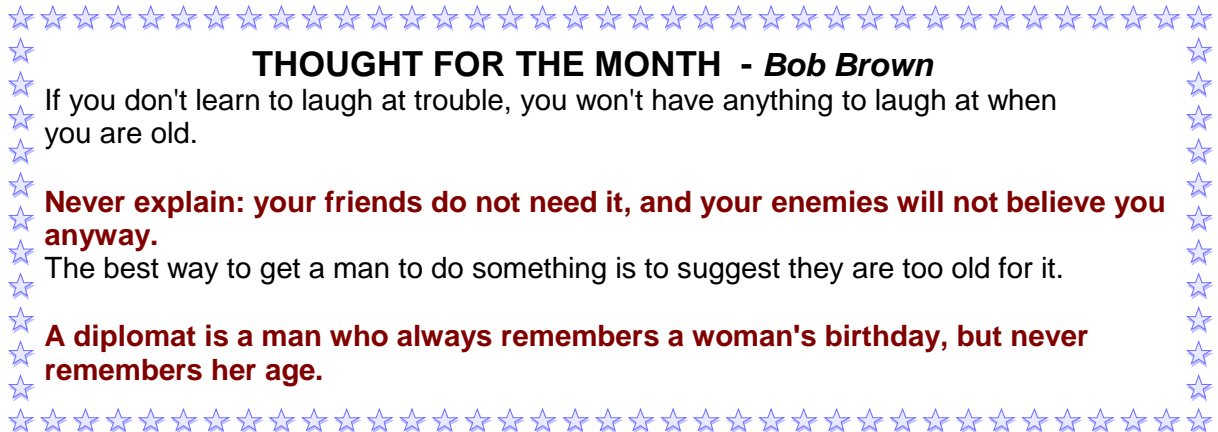
If you cannot attend on your rostered day swap with a mate or contact Catering Officer, Gordon Scott.

BOWLS

Unfortunately November's "Bare Foot Bowls" Social Day has been cancelled.

MARCH WEDNESDAY 13th - 29th ANNUAL PROBUS BOWLS TOURNAMENT AT BUCKLEY PARK

To enter please give your name to Les Hooke at the November meeting.



OUTINGS

OCTOBER WEDNESDAY 24th - TIGERS CLUBHOUSE LUNCH

Forty-seven members & friends journeyed by buses to Hoppers Crossing to enjoy food and entertainment at Tigers Clubhouse.

On arrival there was tea, coffee, scones, jam and cream. Our entertainer was Brendan Scott who sang and joked for over an hour. He augmented his good voice with electronic rhythm backing and fingers flying over the keyboard. He included instrumental sections on banjo, guitar, saxophone and fiddle.

Two course lunch (with choice of mains) followed and the buses had us back at Wheatsheaf Rd. by 3pm.

DECEMBER MONDAY 3rd—GLENROY PROBUS' COMBINED CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Our 3 Glenroy Probus Clubs' Christmas Luncheon at Firenze Receptions, 134 McBryde St. Fawkner.

Cost \$45.00 includes meal and drinks. Payment this meeting.

Donations of tinned or packet food for CARE will be appreciated on the day.

Arrive from 11.30am.

PARLIAMENT HOUSE TOUR AND LUNCH.

Expressions of interest are sought to do a morning tour of Parliament House followed by lunch in the Sessions Cafe. Limit of 30 members. Likely date late February 2013.

Name list this meeting.

STROLLERS

OCTOBER MONDAY 22nd - WHITTLESEA PUBLIC GARDENS - LALOR

A cool breezy morning saw 22 strollers assemble at the City of Whittlesea Public Gardens. Though early on rain threatened, it fortunately did not fall. The walk around the gardens led us to the walk/bike trail alongside the Craigieburn By-pass road and we continued on to the Cooper Street overpass. On the way there was much building activity to view, notably the new Wholesale Market project, which is enormous. A new "Caged Rock" sound barrier is being built at another section to protect the new housing estate. By the time we returned, jackets were off, the sun was out and lunch was enjoyed, the usual chatting was on, and travel packs for our November Extended Stroll were issued. In all, an enjoyable morning.

NOVEMBER MONDAY 19th - THUR. 22nd - EXTENDED STROLL AT WANGARATTA.

Refer to itinerary & meet in your own time at Euroa for morning tea, stroll & lunch.

DECEMBER MONDAY 17th - APEX PARK, SUNBURY

Meet at 10am at Apex Old Bridge picnic area (Melway 382 H5). Enter left off Sunbury Road before the bridge (opposite Goonawarra Nursery/Winery). This is our final stroll for 2012 and we will have our usual "Sausage Sizzle". Please bring chairs, thermos, plates & cutlery. Ladies are asked to bring salads and cakes. Meat and bread will be provided.

(Charles Fyfe)