



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 11th. November 2014, 9.45 am

ELECTED COMMITTEE FOR 2013/14

President:- Les Hooke

Vice President:- Wal Jarvis

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Past President:- Bob Brown

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Stroll Co-ordinator:- Arthur Jarvis

Bowls Co-ordinator:- Murray Gorham

Catering Officer:- Gordon Scott
Asst. - Joe Milanese

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 11th - Monthly Meeting

Monday 17th - to Thursday 20th Extended Stroll—Port Lonsdale

Thursday 27th- Sip'NChat, Glenroy RSL at 10.30am

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

Monday 1st - Combined Clubs' Christmas function.

Monday 8th - Stroll - Edwardes Lake Reserve - BBQ Break-up.

Tuesday 9th - Monthly Meeting.

4th Thursday - No Sip N'Chat, planned for December

FUTURE SPEAKERS

NOVEMBER— Maria Matser –Tales from the lifts at Myers

DECEMBER - Kevin Trask - Dianna & the media.

OCTOBER SPEAKER

Our October Speaker was Judy Maddigan spoke of the facts and fancies of the Victorian Parliament, which started in 1856 with a property franchise which restricted membership. Peter Lalor (of Eureka fame) was able to be elected when his followers raised his necessary cash.

Victoria's Parliament was the first in the world to have a secret ballot. Their first Speaker was Frank Murphy.

Judy said early Members included drunks and rascals; Hugh Glass (ref. Glass St.) was one of the corrupt ones and was jailed; Charles James left in 1869 to join Barnum and Bailey's Circus.

Alfred Deakin was the first to hold the Moonee Ponds seat.

Women got the right to vote in 1907, and got into Parliament in 1924. Vida Goldstein was active in the World War 1 controversies. Thomas Bent was against women at first, but later changed—he probably realised they had voting strength!

When Judy was first elected as a woman Speaker, someone growled it was “an insult to Victoria”!

When Victor Perton was Speaker he was insulting to the Commonwealth government.

The Speaker hosts visits from overseas Dignitaries--- one expressed surprise there was no family nepotism in appointments as in their home country!.

Judy spoke of the mystery of the missing Mace; there were several theories of theft and misappropriation, including a reward of 50,000 Pounds. The Mace could be dismantled, and could have been smuggled out via a discreet tunnel which was used by Members to evade the Press etc.. As the Mace, which was heavy, was only gold-plated, its disposal would be disappointing!.

Standing Orders have been updated: the Speaker traditionally votes for the *Status Quo* in a tied vote.

In a new Parliament, the Speaker is first elected (“Dragged into Office”), then Members are sworn in.

Judy had many anecdotes; she was thanked by Ray Averill for her informative and entertaining Talk.



(Doug Birchall)

GENERAL CLUB NEWS

At the October meeting Treasurer, Wal Jarvis, reported that during September there was nil income and the expenses were hall rent \$45, photocopying Communicator \$13.20 and morning teas \$43. Current available funds are \$1759.56.

At the September meeting there were 40 members present and 11 apologies.

Welcome to two visitors.

At the recent Annual Show of the Broad-meadows Garden Club member Joe Milanese obtained 6 Firsts and 2 Seconds. A great result Joe.

Leading Senior Constable Alicia Lippitt, our September Speaker, is promoting a project to supply and fit "unscrewable" number plate screws for cars at the Merlynston Railway Station.

She is asking for volunteers to assist, should only take a morning (in November).

We can firm this up next meeting after she obtains the necessary approvals.

TEA ROSTER

NOVEMBER - Eddie Ebeyer & Alan Evans.

DECEMBER - John Eyles & Duncan Forbes.

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

CLUB'S 26th. BIRTHDAY

Upon opening the monthly meeting President, Les Hooke presented to Members, John Elletson and Reg Ratcliffe well earned "Certificates of Appreciation" for their service to the Club.

Member Geoff Woods was then inducted as the Club's third "Life Member" for his service in many positions on the Club Committee.

Geoff then cut a lovely Birthday Cake that was enjoyed for morning tea.

Following the meeting 43 Members and Partners, accompanied by our Guest Speaker Judy Maddigan, celebrated with a Birthday lunch at the Glenroy RSL.



MONEY HAS MANY NAMES

Charles Fyfe

In a place of worship it's called (offerings)
In Divorce its called (alimony)
When you pay government (tax)
Government to retirees (pension)
Master to subordinates (wages)
When you borrow from bank (loan)
When you offer after a service (tip)
When you partition your earning (commission)

In Marriage it's called (dowry)
When you owe someone (debt)
In Court it's called (fines)
Boss to workers (salary)
Parents to children (pocket-money)
When you give to the authority (bribe)
When you aid the poor (donation)

And... When its robbed, its Congress or Parliament!

FUTURE OUTINGS

OCTOBER FRIDAY 10TH - DENISE DRYSDALE AT SKYWAYS

Around 40 members of the Men and Ladies' Clubs went to "Skyways" to be entertained by Denise Drysdale. We had a most enjoyable time, Denise surely knows how to please the crowd whilst poor Arthur will always remember her, the entertainment was followed by high tea.

OCTOBER THURSDAY 23RD - SIP N'CHAT AT GLENROY RSL

Again ten Members attended the Sip N' Chat at Glenroy RSL.

NOVEMBER THURSDAY 27TH - SIP N'CHAT AT GLENROY RSL

Meet at 10.30am. All welcome

DECEMBER MONDAY 1ST - COMBINED CLUBS' CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Come along to Firenze Receptions and celebrate Christmas Lunch with Members, Partners and friends from the 3 Glenroy Probus Clubs.

Arrive from 11.30am.

Cost \$40.00 payable this meeting.

This Function is being subsidised by the Moreland City Council Grant.

Is there a neighbour or friend you would like to invite? There will be plenty of room and they can share in our celebration!

Again, Members are asked for a donation of non-perishables for our chosen charity.

(John Darling)

STROLLERS

OCTOBER MONDAY 27TH - APEX PARK, SUNBURY

In threatening weather and with a chill wind blowing 12 strollers turned up at Apex Park for a walk along the swiftly flowing Jackson's creek.

Despite the wind the short walk was enjoyable with plenty of bird life in evidence.

After lunch John Elletson handed out maps and other useful information about the November extended stroll at Point Lonsdale.

NOVEMBER MONDAY 17TH to THURSDAY 20TH - EXTENDED STROLL - POINT LONSDALE.

DECEMBER MONDAY 8TH - EDWARDES LAKE - LAST STROLL & CHRISTMAS BBQ.

(Arthur Jarvis)