



COMMUNICATOR

PROBUS CLUB OF GLENROY INC.

Meets at 10:00 am on the second Tuesday of each Month
at the Glenroy RSL, 186 Glenroy Road, Glenroy.

Next Monthly Meeting - Tuesday October 12, 2021.
Zoom Meeting

ELECTED COMMITTEE FOR 2021/22

President:- Barry O'Connor

Vice President: Liliana Ward

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Functions Officer:- Bea Hammond

Stroll Co-ordinator:- Wal Jarvis

I.T. Consultant: Tony Bajaros

Catering Officer: Joe Milanese

Welfare Officer: Vacant

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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SEPTEMBER MEETING REPORT

During July Melbourne had 12 days of Covid "lockdown" and at the start of August we were thinking we had seen the worst of it when the Premier announced that a short, sharp lockdown would start at 8pm to last for 7 days. It is still going! Thanks to Tony Bajoras we have become quite adept having Computer/IT and Sip N'Chat meetings via Zoom. At 9:30AM on Tuesday 14th September we fired up Zoom for the monthly General Meeting with 18 members present.

President, Barry O'Connor opened the meeting then called for a minute silence in remembrance of Neil Thomas who passed away in June.

Barry O'Connor reported what happened financially during the month of August. It was a nothing month. We started the month with a balance of \$4,943.26 and there was nil income and nil expenses

Liliana Ward advised that she was keeping in touch with three Speakers so as soon as the RSL is back in action Liliana will be good to go. Thanks Liliana.

Bea Hammond reported that with the current restrictions in force it was not possible to organise any type of gathering. Watch this space.

Peter Pendlebury reported that Doug Birchall had a fall, Doug, we hope you are back vertical soon.

DIARY

Please note that we are assuming that we not going to be able to meet at the Glenroy RSL during October, so all meetings will be via Zoom.
For November we are hoping the RSL will be available, if not log onto Zoom.

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES - via Zoom in lieu of RSL.

Tuesday 5th Book Club.

Tuesday 12th - Birthday Meeting - via Zoom at 10am.

Tuesday 19th- Computer Group - via Zoom at 10.30am.

Monday 25th- Stroll - Edward's Lake, Reservoir Maybe, fourth time lucky?

Tuesday 26th- Sip N'Chat - Maybe Glenroy RSL (or via Zoom) at 10.30am.

NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES - Hopefully at the RSL.

Tuesday 2nd- Book Club.

Tuesday 9th- Monthly Meeting - Glenroy RSL at 10am.

Tuesday 16th- Computer Group - Glenroy RSL at 10.30am.

Monday 22nd- Stroll -

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

Tuesday 30th- Committee Meeting - Glenroy RSL at 10.30am.

VALE GORDON SCOTT

It is with deep regret that we mourn the passing of one of our members, Gordon Scott, and we offer our deepest sympathy to Joan, his family and friends.

Gordon joined the Club on 10th May 2005, and served as Catering Officer from 2012 to 2020. Gordon moved to Non Active Membership when he entered BapCare, Brookview early this year. Gordon passed away on Monday 6th September 2021, he was aged 88 years.

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

OCTOBER TUESDAY 19TH- COMPUTER GROUP - 10:30am.

Tony will email the Link for this meeting to be via Zoom. Thanks Tony. Six members came to last months meeting.

OCTOBER TUESDAY 26TH - SIP N' CHAT - 10:30am.

Although this meeting is in the week we are supposed to be let off the hook, we expect it will be via Zoom. Maybe next month the RSL may be available. In September there was a good turn up of 11 members using the Zoom Link that Tony provided. All members are welcome to join these groups as and when they choose, just roll up, Tony sends the Link to all.

STROLLERS

Due to Melbourne's Covid 19 "short lockdown" the July (and August and September) the stroll at Edwardes Lake could not go ahead. So we will try again in October.

Monday 25th October - Stroll at Edwardes Lake, Reservoir

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

Covid 19 Regulations permitting we will lunch at the Edwardes Lake Hotel on Edwardes St.

You will be contacted if the arrangements need to be altered. Check your emails.

Birthdays in August

Happy Birthday to these folk,

Lyn Elletson, Cath Forbes & Marj Twigg ... John Elletson & Charles Fyfe
Our Club's Birthday 33 years - 2021

CLUB'S BIRTHDAY

This year is the Club's 33rd Birthday. Now the number 33 is nothing significant but the year 2021 was. Its not every year you can go from living in the World's Most Liveable City to "living" in the city with the World Record for the Longest COVID Lockdown and not really knowing what the future holds..

The folk who founded this Club in 1988 also did not know what the future held but this was a new idea and they wanted to make it a success.

Probably they celebrated the first birthday and looked back on what had been achieved in a year. At the tenth birthday celebrations they encouraged George Hunichen (considered by many as the father of the Club) to record the Genesis of the Club.

He wrote:

"During 1983, the year that I was President of the Rotary Club of Broadmeadows, quite a lot of discussion took place regarding forming a Probus Club but nothing happened because no one at that time was able to form the club.

After retiring, I started thinking seriously about it and along with some other members of Rotary, we arranged an interest meeting in the Rotary Club rooms on Thursday 25th August 1988. After publishing an item in the Broadmeadows Observer and sending letters to Churches, Senior Citizen clubs, etc., we had 34 attend the meeting and it was decided we would proceed with the formation of our club which would meet at the Uniting Church Hall.

Our inaugural meeting was held on Thursday 29th September 1988 when 17 members joined and we agreed to meet on the second Tuesday of each month. Our first regular meeting was held on Tuesday 11th October 1988 and the 20 members present elected me as President.

At our next meeting in November, our membership had increased to 26 and the President of the Rotary Club, Alan Willis presented our Certificate of Accreditation and the President's Collar."

In appreciation of his service George was afforded Life Membership on 13th October 2004 with other Foundation Members Thom Hobson, Jack O'Hara and John Darling.

BOOK CLUB

The second meeting of the Glenroy Probus Book Club was held at the start of September where we discussed 'Where the Crawdads Sing' by Delia Owens. It was very interesting listening to the different views.

The book chosen to be read in September was 'Bruny' by Heather Rose.

A very large and expensive bridge is being built to link mainland Tasmania with quiet, unspoilt Bruny Island and everybody is asking why is it being built? When the bridge is bombed, UN trouble shooter Astrid Coleman agrees to return to Tasmania to help her twin brother, who is the Premier, before an upcoming election. But this is no easy task as her sister is on the other side of politics and the community is full of conspiracy theories.

Written by award winning Australian and Tasmanian-native author Heather Rose, 'Bruny' is a gripping and entertaining political thriller about family, love, loyalty and the new world order that asks the burning question: what would you do to protect the place you love?

