



# 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 11th. October 2011**

President:- Peter Dimsey

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Attendance & Nametags:- Ray Austin

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Bowls Co-ordinator:- Les Hooke

Catering Officer:- Eddie Ebeyer

Appointed Officers for 2011-2012:

Auditor:- Jack O'Hara

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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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## OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 11th - Monthly Meeting.  
Tuesday 18th - Moonee Valley Legends Lunch  
Monday 24th - Stroll - Altona Coastal Park.

## NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 8th - Monthly Meeting.  
Monday 14th to Thursday 17th - Extended Stroll at Echuca  
Tuesday 22nd - CFA Fiskville Coach Tour.

## FUTURE SPEAKERS.

**OCTOBER** - Will be a Pharmacist who will talk on the drugs used by the elderly including those we have been able to suggest. Plus question time.

**NOVEMBER** - Once again we will be privileged to hear about diabetes from Duncan Forbes' learned daughter, Josephine, from the Baker Institute.

**DECEMBER** - George Osborne, Manager of the Hume Global Learning Centre. His topic:- "Life of Reilly and Beyond".

## SEPTEMBER SPEAKER

The speaker for September was a fellow member, Ray Austin.

Ray spoke to us about his hobby of cultivating orchids. Orchids are a huge subject; the popular cymbidium orchids have over 2000 species.

Ray's best advice for those getting serious about raising orchids should join a local club; Ray belongs to the Maribyrnong Orchid Society.

Ray had bought along a collection of various native and exotic orchids.

In his talk he touched on various subjects -

- Temperature and light, varies for different species.
- Potting mix – pine bark, sphagnum moss, perlite, charcoal.
- Mounting – native orchids are epiphytic and can be mounted on bark, cork, tree fern or coir blocks.
- Fertilisers – cow manure, dynamic lifter, blood and bone, maxi crop, "pink" soluble salt, Seasol or Ausgro in mini, small, medium grades.
- Propagation – breaking clumps is a good way; seedlings can take years to flower.

In closing Ray graciously offered an invitation to any interested members to visit his home to view his collection and have a chat.



## TREASURER'S REPORT & GENERAL CLUB NEWS

At the last meeting Treasurer, Wal Jarvis, reported that during August there was 12 cents bank interest and after normal expenses of \$85.45 we have available funds of \$1002.74.

At the September meeting there were 56 members in attendance and 10 apologies, there was one visitor.

Eighteen members indicated they would be lunching at the RSL.

The meeting congratulated Athol and Helen Hillier on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

We understand that Bruce Thomsen has joined the Clarence Probus Club (who also meet on the second Tuesday) at the Bellerive Yacht Club.

The club has only 50 members so Bruce will become known quite quickly.

President, Peter Dimsey, would like all committee members to remain after the October meeting and assemble in the Church foyer for a group photograph.

This will happen while others clear the hall and will not delay your attendance at the RSL for lunch

## TEA ROSTER

**OCTOBER** — Keith Stewart, Neil Thomas, Colin Tootell & Owen Turner.

**NOVEMBER** — Roy Wayth, Noel Wenlock, Kevin White & Jack Williamson.

## BOWLERS

The 28th Annual Probus Open Fours Tournament will be held on 14th March 2012. The only venue for our area is Buckley Park and Les Hooke will fill us in on the details as the time gets closer.

## NEW LIFE MEMBER

At the September meeting President Peter Dimsey, introduced a recommendation from the previous Committee Meeting that Don O'Meara be granted Life Membership of the Club for his outstanding service to the Club. This was carried with acclamation.

Congratulations Don!



## **OUTINGS**

### **OCTOBER TUESDAY 11th - RSL LUNCH AFTER MEETING**

35 names at present. Pay on the day. Partners and friends most welcome. If you have not put your name on the list but intend to come, ring John by October 10th.

### **OCTOBER TUESDAY 18th - MOONEE VALLEY LEGENDS LUNCH**

Drive yourself to lunch at the Moonee Valley Legends, Moonee Valley Racecourse. Cost- \$15.00 for the Tuesday special, or \$13.90 for a Seniors 3 Course Lunch. Arrive at noon, tables have been reserved. Pay on the day.

### **NOVEMBER TUESDAY 22nd—CFA FISKVILLE COACH TOUR**

Coach to Fiskville, South of Ballan to visit the Training Centre for CFA staff and volunteers. Witness training in action and hear of their training methods. Then lunch at the Centre before a country drive to return to Glenroy.

Cost \$49.00 for min. of 30 passengers. We need another 10 to make this outing viable. Partners and friends welcome.

Name list this meeting.

### **DECEMBER MONDAY 5th GLENROY PROBUS CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT FIRENZE**

Glenroy Probus Combined Christmas lunch at FIRENZE RECEPTIONS, Fawkner using own transport. Cost \$40.00

Names this meeting. All are welcome to share a great day!

### **MARCH 2012, - 26th to 30th**

#### **HIGH COUNTRY 5 DAY TOUR**

Based in Mansfield we will visit Mt Buller, Jamieson and the King Valley while enjoying magnificent mountain scenery and the height of Autumn colours.

Cost approx.\$600.00 ppts for 40+ passengers. With a good response this tour is going ahead.

Names this meeting.

At the November meeting, a \$50.00pp deposit is needed, cheques payable to the Glenroy Ladies Probus Club Inc. An Itinerary will also be available.

*(John Darling)*

## **STROLLERS**

### **SEPTEMBER MONDAY 26th—WOODLANDS HISTORIC PARK, GREENVALE**

On a bright warm and slightly windy morning 31 strollers assembled in the carpark at Woodlands Historic Park in Somerton Road. It was great to welcome Kevin Boyall back among us. After the usual chat and “good days” all around we embarked on a stroll along the “Spiritual Creek Walk” which meandered along side the very dry Moonee Ponds Creek. This comprised the shorter stroll. Most of the group then walked up to the Woodlands Hill Lookout and on to the Woodlands Homestead where we wandered through the Homestead and noted the old photographs as well as the more recent promotions for “The Living Legends” attraction. For those who have never been there, the Homestead is well worth a visit.

On our return to the carpark, lunch and a chat were enjoyed. We welcomed four extra people for lunch

### **OCTOBER MONDAY 24th - ALTONA COASTAL PARK**

Meet 10am in the carpark at W G Cresser Reserve off Beach Street. Melways Map 55 A 11. Turn left from Millers Road into Civic Parade, cross the railway line and turn right into Beach Street. The carpark entrance is a short distance on the left.

*(Charles Fyfe)*