

OCTOBER SPEAKER

Our speaker for October was Amy Sharpe, the Lead Communicator for the Greater Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust .

Established as a Class A Cemetery Trust in 2010, it is regulated under the *Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2003 (Vic)*, and accountable to the Department of Health, via the Minister for Health. It manages nineteen cemeteries and two greenfield sites (still farms). It's Headquarters is at the Fawkner site.



Located in Melbourne's north, Fawkner Memorial Park was established in 1906 and features extensive grounds, waterways and ornamental gardens. It covers over 113 hectares and was designed by renowned landscape architect Charles Heath, it is intersected by Merlynston and Campbellfield Creeks, and is serviced by the Upfield train line. The Fawkner Memorial Park Tea Rooms offer refreshments for visitors, and the cemetery's wide, shady boulevards provide a peaceful landscape for remembrance and reflection.,

With a crematorium, chapels and function facilities, Fawkner Memorial Park plays an important role in the communities it serves. It was the first in Australia to introduce grand public mausolea, and is home to the Holy Family Mausoleum and Holy Angels Mausoleum.

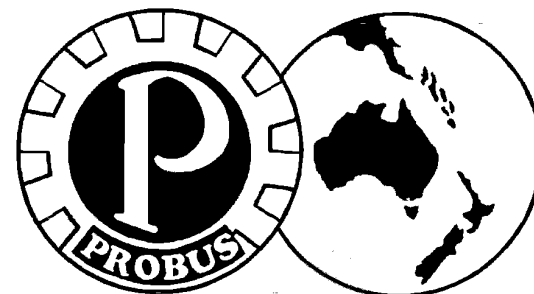
The Trust is making use of digital technology to show history in a new light. For people with Smart Phones the Discover Cemeteries Application is available from the App Store or Google Play. The app allows you to wander newly created Cemetery Virtual Tours and at each "story point" on your journey you will hear previously untold tales about the people and their history.

People like Dorothy Knapp who was Fawkner's first burial or Kathleen Best, a war hero and trail blazer of Australian Women's Army Corp. Stand on the actual site and see the Mortuary Train arrive at the station. Some graves are unmarked but you will know you are in the right place when you feel your phone buzz and see a Discover Cemeteries sign. For more information go to gmct.com.au/discover-cemeteries.

Max Smedley thanked Amy for her talk and said it was a pleasure to have her and learn about the Cemetery Trust. He presented Amy with a gift from the Club, and she drew out 3 door prizes.



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COMMUNICATOR

PROBUS CLUB OF GLENROY INC.

Meets at 9:45 am on the second Tuesday of each Month
at the Glenroy RSL, 186 Glenroy Road, Glenroy.

Next Meeting Tuesday 8th November 2022 at 9:45am.

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NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

Thursday 3rd - Glenroy RSL Morning Melodies &. Lunch. Ron Kingston - Buddy Holly.
Monday 7th - Book Club. - Note: Date changed.
Tuesday 8th - Monthly Meeting - Glenroy RSL at 9:45am.
Tuesday 15th - Technology - Glenroy RSL at 10:30am.
Tuesday 22nd - Sip n'chat - Glenroy RSL at 10:30am.
Friday 25th - MCC Senior's Movies. Merlynston Hall. 9.45am. For 10.00am start.
Monday 28th - Stroll - Canning Reserve, Avondale Heights at 10am.
Tuesday 29th - **Committee Meeting - Glenroy RSL at 10:30am.**

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

Thursday 1st - Glenroy RSL Morning Melodies and Lunch. Bobby James - Christmas.
Monday 5th - Christmas Luncheon with Ladies Club at Overnewton Castle.
Tuesday 6th - Book Club.
Tuesday 13th - Monthly Meeting - Glenroy RSL at 9:45am.
Thursday 15th - Christmas Lunch & entertainment with Pascoe Vale Club, bus pick up.
Tuesday 20th - Technology - Glenroy RSL at 10:30am.
Monday 26th - No Stroll in December.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Merva Gorham, Lyn O'Conner & Liniana Ward ...
And Special Birthdays ...
Barry O'Conner 70 on Tuesday 22nd.
Donna Jackson 65 Wednesday 23rd.

OUTINGS

Bea Hammond 0419 581 463

If you are attending any of the two Christmas Luncheons on offer this year your payments are required at the November Meeting. Put your money in an envelope and label it with your Name, the amount enclosed and the luncheon you are attending.

Luncheon A. Combined Glenroy Probus Clubs Christmas Luncheon will be held at Overnewton Castle, 51 Overnewton Road, Keilor. Access via Overnewton Close. On Monday December 5th, includes a three course meal \$60 pp (travel by own car). Arrive at 11:45am for 12:00 noon start. Finished by 3:00pm.

Luncheon B. Pascoe Vale Club's Christmas luncheon at Taylors Lakes Hotel is on Thursday 15th December, which includes entertainment and bus transport to and from Cnr Kent and Cumberland Roads, Pascoe Vale. Exact pick-up location and time will be supplied at our December Meeting. Two course meal, \$55 pp.

SPECIAL MENTION

At the October meeting Barry congratulated Liliana, who won three first prizes and was overall winner in the knitting section at the Royal Melbourne Show.

BOOK CLUB Date changed to miss Cup Day. Monday 7th

Over the last 2 months we have read 'Cloud Cuckoo Land' by Anthony Doer. This novel follows five characters whose stories, despite spanning nearly six centuries, are bound together by their interest in an ancient manuscript.

The book that we have chosen to read in November is 'The Book Thief' by Markus Zusak. The novel starts in Nazi Germany shortly before World War 2 and tells the story of a young girl, Liesel, who picks up a book hidden in the snow by her brother's graveside. Soon she is stealing books from Nazi book-burnings, the mayor's wife's library, wherever there are books to be found. So begins a love affair with books and words, as Liesel, with the help of her foster father, learns to read. After encouragement from a Jew that her family is hiding in a basement, Liesel writes the story of her life. She is the only survivor of an air raid that kills her family and everyone else on her block and the tale shows what it was like for many, and how serious war was and still is.

TECHNOLOGY Third Tuesday in the Month

Next Technology meeting will be held at the RSL on Tuesday 15th Nov at 10.30 am.

At the last meeting, we discussed the importance of not using the same password on different websites. If a website is hacked as has happened recently to Optus and Medibank, the hackers can utilise your name and password to access your details on other websites. We then discussed how the use of a 'Password Manager' program can enable you to 'remember' countless different passwords.

SIP N' CHAT GROUP Fourth Tuesday in the Month

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 22nd Nov at the Glenroy RSL 10:30 am. Come along, enjoy the coffee and have a pleasant chat with your fellow Probus members.

STROLLERS Fourth Monday in the Month

Monday 28th November - Stroll at Canning Reserve, Avondale Heights.

Meet at **10am** at Canning Reserve for a stroll along the Maribyrnong River before enjoying a chat and a BYO lunch. Melways Map27 G8
This will be the final stroll for 2022.

Monday 24th October - Stroll at Royal Park Wetlands, Parkville.

On an overcast morning nine strollers enjoyed their stroll around the wetlands at Parkville. Heavy spots of rain made us abort our chat at lunch time and we all ventured home to stay dry.

Although the inclement weather has caused our numbers to hover around 11, 9 and 9 for the last 3 months there have been twenty-nine individuals involved.

