



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 September 14, 2021.
Zoom Meeting

ELECTED COMMITTEE FOR 2021/22

President:- Barry O'Connor

Vice President: Liliana Ward

Treasurer:- Murray Gorham

Communicator

Editor:- John Elletson

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Attendance Records & Nametags:-
Les Hooke

Speakers: Liliana Ward

Secretary & Public Officer -
Peter Dimsey Mail to
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Past President: Noel Walsh

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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DIARY

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES - via Zoom in lieu of RSL.

Tuesday 7th - Book Club.

Tuesday 14th - Monthly Meeting - via Zoom. at 10am.

Wednesday 15th- "The Meadows" with the Ladies' Club. (cancelled)

Tuesday 21st - Computer Group - via Zoom at 10.30am.

Monday 27th- Stroll - Edwarde's Lake, Reservoir Maybe, third time, lucky?

Tuesday 28th- Sip N'Chat - via Zoom, at 10.30am.

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES - if Glenroy RSL available.

Tuesday 5th- Book Club.

Tuesday 12th- Birthday Meeting - Glenroy RSL at 10am. Followed by light lunch.

Tuesday 19th- Computer Group - Glenroy RSL at 10.30am.

Monday 25th- Stroll -

Thursday 28th- Sip N'Chat - Glenroy RSL at 10.30am.

AUGUST MEETING REPORT

The pleasure of gathering together to hold the July General Meeting at the Glenroy RSL was short lived with a COVID lockdown being reintroduced again on the evening of 15th July. We conducted Computer/IT and Sip N'Chat meetings via Zoom before being let off the hook on 27th July. This respite only lasted a bit over a week until 8pm on Thursday 5th August we entered the lock down to end all lock downs. It is still going.

Consequently Tony Bajoras kindly arranged for us to hold our August meeting via Zoom. President, Barry O'Connor opened the meeting and Les Hooke advised there were 18 members present and there was an apology from Nancy Mooney and we acknowledge that there are members that cannot attend because they do not have network plans or devices to enable them to attend.

It was good to welcome back Noel Walsh after his illness.

Peter Dempsey provided the minutes of the previous meeting and advised that there was correspondence from:-

Probus South Pacific Ltd regarding a Zoom meeting with Margaret Robinson bringing information relevant to management committees. Those interested were advised to our register online for the meeting at 2 PM on Thursday, 2 September 2021.

Peter read a thank you note from Barbara Darling.

Advice was received that we had missed out on the death of Neil Thomas who passed away in June.

Barry O'Connor reported what happened financially during the month of July.

We started the month with a balance of \$3324.79 and had income of \$1500 from Moreland City Council as an annual grant, \$87.50 for annual fees, \$10 a joining fee, \$103 door prize income and \$8 for Club Pen sales \$103. Our expenses were \$40 for door prize purchases and \$50 as a donation to The Smith Family.

This leaves us with available funds of \$4943.29, this being some \$1700 up on this time last year.

Liliana Ward advised that she has speakers arranged for the next three months.

Luckily they are quite understanding of the situation with our venue being switched on and off and they have been able to hold themselves available. So as soon as the RSL is back online 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. The strollers were still holding some hope for smaller groups walking nearer the end of September.

VALE NEIL THOMAS

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

Neil joined the Club on 12th May 2009 and served as Secretary in 2012.

Neil moved to Non Active Membership while at CraigCare, where he celebrated his 90th Birthday last year.

Neil passed away on Tuesday 6th June 2021, we are saddened that we took this long to acknowledge his passing.

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

SEPTEMBER TUESDAY 21ST - COMPUTER GROUP - 10:30am.

Meet with us on the third Tuesday with your devices and questions.

It would be good to meet at the Glenroy RSL but in September we expect to be forced to resort to Zoom. Tony will email the Link. Thanks Tony

SEPTEMBER TUESDAY 28TH - SIP N' CHAT - 10:30am.

Normally we would meet for a sip and chat on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Glenroy RSL, but currently the RSL is unavailable and we will meet via Zoom.

We will meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month (note Tuesday) at the same time.

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) stroll at Edwardes Lake could not go ahead. So we will try again in September.

Monday 27th September - 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 John Swift and Les Hooke,

Special greetings to Moira Smedley on the occasion of her Special 85th Birthday. (on the 10th September.)

ZOOM COMMITTEE MEETING

This was held on Tuesday, August 31, 2001 with 10 committee members present and an apology received from Joe Milanese.

The continual disruption and cancellation of activities due to Covid shutdowns was discussed.

It was great that Tony Bajoras could arrange meetings via Zoom. For example, over September there will be Probus meetings on every Tuesday morning.

Firstly the Book Club, then the monthly General Meeting, then the Computer/IT Group and finally the SipN'Chat has been re-scheduled to the fourth Tuesday rather than the fourth Thursday. So Tuesday is Probus Day.

The Club's 33rd Birthday celebrations were discussed and plans were made on the basis of us being able to meet at the Glenroy RSL even though that seems unlikely. We will have to wait and see what happens, depends on the vaccination progress.

There was a discussion on whether to re-introduce the Saturday Lotto event. We will bring this matter to the September General Meeting to gauge member's desires.

BOOK CLUB

The inaugural meeting of the Glenroy Probus Book Club was held at the start of August where it was decided that the group would meet once a month on the first Tuesday and would choose one book a month to read and discuss it at the following meeting.

The book chosen for August was 'Where the Crawdads Sing' by Delia Owens. Crawdads ~ Crayfish.

This book is both a coming of age story and an account of a murder investigation told from a perspective of a young girl. It is the story of Kya, who at a very young age is abandoned by her entire family and describes how she survives living alone in a run-down shack in the marsh lands on the coast of North Carolina.

The author, Delia Owens, is a scientist who has written a number of non-fiction books about her life as a wildlife scientist in Africa. 'Where the Crawdads Sing' is her first novel and she brings the marshland to life with her writing. It has been a very successful novel being on the NY Times best selling list for 140 weeks.

