



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 8th September 2015, 9.45 am

ELECTED COMMITTEE FOR 2015/16

President:- Wal Jarvis

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Treasurer:- Barry O'Connor

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Les Hooke

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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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SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 8th - Monthly Meeting.

Monday 14th - Wednesday 16th - Albury Rail/Coach Tour.

Thursday 24th - Sip N'Chat, Glenroy RSL at 10.30am.

Monday 28th - Stroll -

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 13th - Monthly Meeting.

Thursday 22nd - Sip N'Chat, Glenroy RSL at 10.30am.

Monday 26th - Stroll -

FUTURE SPEAKERS

SEPTEMBER - Mr. & Mrs Chris Hardy - Kent Police.

OCTOBER - Rotary Speaker for our 27th Birthday.

AUGUST SPEAKER

Our Speaker for August was Lisa Bousalis from Australian Hearing.

Australian Hearing is a Government Department, part of the Federal Department of Health. Much of their work is with Pensioners, for whom they can provide free hearing aids; the only cost is \$45 per annum for maintenance, which includes service and re-supply of batteries.

They can also fit aids to children (such as in The Royal Children's Hospital) and people with special needs.

Their free service differs from private companies, who need to achieve profit.

Their audiologists are University qualified, and will test a person's hearing, particularly noting work exposure to noise; and will retest every three years.

Men are usually needing help more than women because of the differences in working situations.

A typical judgement of hearing loss is inability to hear slight background sounds such as the kitchen fridge!. For the worst cases of hearing loss, they usually recommend an out-of-ear device.

A typical hearing device can have an effective life up to five years; Australian Hearing can occasionally review the effectiveness of an aid, and "tweak" if this is found to be needed.

There is a local Australian Hearing office full-time at Broadmeadows, and a part-time depot at Glenroy, where appointments can be made for testing and service. Lisa answered numerous questions from Members; a typical one being the missing of higher-frequencies of women's voices in TV broadcasts.

Lisa emphasised that good hearing is important for work situations and participating in society. They have special devices such as a loud doorbells and amplified phones, some at a cost.

Lisa was thanked by Barry O Connor for her informative and very useful talk.

(Doug Birchall)

GENERAL CLUB NEWS

At the August meeting there were only 32 members present and 17 apologies. Six members indicated they would be lunching at the RSL. Treasurer, Barry O'Connor, reported that during July there was nil income. There were Expenses of hall rent \$45, photocopying Communicator \$13.20, Morning Teas \$20.80 and \$40 for the purchase of Syd Sherrin's book for our Member's Library.

COMMITTEE

August Committee Meeting held on Monday 31st August 2015. As with most recent Committee meetings the subject of arresting the declining membership was discussed. Informal talks with the two Glenroy Ladies Clubs have indicated that amalgamation was not on their agenda, however the option of becoming a Combined Club (what Probus calls its' clubs with male and female members) is something completely within our own control. Our Constitution does not require any change as it contains nothing gender specific. There would be a simple name change to "Glenroy Combined Probus Club Inc." which would require procedural arrangements with Consumers Affairs, Probus South Pacific Ltd (PSPL) and our bank account. We have Rotary and PSPL available to walk us through these requirements. To enable all members to participate and understand this move the topic will be introduced for discussion at the September meeting. Then at the October meeting (our 27th Birthday) we will have Rotary Representative, Bruce Cameron, as our guest speaker. Bruce is a member of Keilor East Probus Club and has served on the board of PSPL. This will enable members and committee to ask questions so we are all clear on why we are doing this, how we do it and what our expectations are for the future. If thought fit a Notice of Motion could be put forward at the October meeting to be put to a vote at the November meeting. It is your Club, all members are encouraged to participate fully in this process.

TEA ROSTER

SEPTEMBER - Charles Fyfe, Jacob George & Murray Gorham.
OCTOBER - Gavin Herft, Ted Hucker and Len Leete

OUTINGS

SIP N' CHAT - GLENROY R.S.L.

This activity is on the 4TH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH at 10.30am On 27th August,

10 Members attended the Sip N' Chat at Glenroy RSL.

AUGUST WEDNESDAY 19TH - "PANCAKES ON THE RUN"

Seventeen members and wives joined the Ladies Probus Club and enjoyed a very pleasant lunch of pancakes in the Glenroy hall. Thanks to the ladies for the invitation.

3 DAY ALBURY RAIL/COACH TOUR 14TH - 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2015

Travellers to meet at Platform 3, Broadmeadows Station at 8:15am to book in luggage.

The XPT train departs at 8:54am. Cost \$260 ppts with pensioner rail voucher. Senior's Card train fare \$53.05 extra. Motel single supplement \$100.00 extra.

Full payment in envelope with name and amount at the September meeting please. Cash is OK. If paying by cheque, pay to "Glenroy Ladies Probus Club Inc."

OCTOBER TUESDAY 13TH - CLUB'S 27TH BIRTHDAY LUNCH

Catering will be providing a birthday cake for morning tea at the meeting. Following the meeting, members and partners are encouraged to gather for lunch at the Glenroy R.S.L.

A two course seniors meal (main and desert) will be subsidized by the Moreland City

Council grant and will only cost \$10 per person.

To expedite meal service a menu of three choices is being provided and we have been asked to select in advance. Choices are Roast, Fried Fish or Chicken.

Register your names and your meal choice and make your payment at the September meeting.

STROLLERS

AUGUST MONDAY 24TH - CANNING RESERVE - AVONDALE HEIGHTS

In reasonable weather 20 strollers had quite a good walk beside the Maribyrnong River ; some elected to take the short walk while the rest climbed up to the lookout for an excellent view of the surrounding country side . After a quick lunch every one was glad to get back into their cars and head home to escape the somewhat chill wind.



SEPTEMBER MONDAY 28TH - THE STRAND - WILLIAMSTOWN

Meet at The Strand, Williamstown Car Park (Melway 56 B4-5). Turn left at end of North Road at 10:am. Bring chair, picnic lunch and thermos. All are welcome.