



Waurnd Ponds Deakin Combined Probus Club Inc

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Meetings: Waurnd Ponds Hotel Bistro. Next Meeting: **Monday 6th October at 10.30am**

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From The President's Desk

Happy Probus Month!

Members are encouraged to wear Blue & Yellow coloured clothes or dress in your choice of your favourite era to help celebrate.

Also bring along a baby photo or a photo of a younger you, for others to identify.

Thanks to all our Coordinators for planning wonderful activities for our members to attend during October and November.

Thanks also to other members of our group who have specific roles in the club. I am sure we appreciate the many hours that they all put in behind the scenes helping our Club to run smoothly so that we can have Fun Fellowship and Fun.

Please don't forget to sign up on the activity sheets if any of the new October /November activities are of interest to you.

If you sign up for an activity and then are unable to attend, please give the Co-ordinator as much notice as possible, so that they can advise the venue of the change of numbers.

Also, If the activity you need to cancel involves pre-payment, then there is no refund. However, the more notice you can give the co-ordinator the greater chance you have of someone on the waiting list willing to buy the ticket from you.

Just a reminder to start your planning for our Melbourne Cup Fashion Parade at the November meeting.

Remember whenever you have a great idea about anything that can help our Club, please share it with the Committee via the Suggestion Box at the monthly meetings.

As we are a big club please remember to wear your name badge (If you need a new badge or magnet, please see Mary or Brenda.) Also continue to introduce yourself to anyone you may not have met at Probus so that no-one feels left out.

Not sure where time has gone but it's now the time of the year to begin thinking about how you could support our Probus group by taking on a position in 2026. Please don't hesitate to have a chat with committee members to understand their positions.

Wishing you all good fellowship friendship and fun.

Kevin



Happy Birthday in October

Terri Foot 3, Stella Lam and Pam Fairnie 4, Paula Mills 5, Maureen Huntington 6, Mary Quelch 13, Rhylis Kennedy 17, Richard Geddes 20, , Peter Wills 24 Sue Smith 25.

Last month Deb Robinson, historian from the Geelong Jail shared the history of the Geelong Jail and tours.

This month the guest speaker is James Campbell, from Ambulance Victoria. He will be speaking about Summer Heat Health and Falls Prevention and First Aid.

Last month we welcomed Raveena and Satish Singh, please make them feel welcome



Probus Month Celebrations



Our October Meeting will be a Celebration of Probus Month. We are encouraging you to dress up in the style of your favourite Decade and bring baby, wedding, or photos of a youthful you for a guessing competition or wear Probus colours.

Next month (November) is Fashions On The Field celebrating the Melbourne Cup. Fashions On The Field Judges are Jenny Pitcher and Martin Taylor last year's winners.

Christmas Heads Up!

- Our Christmas Meeting is on Monday 1st December. We will be having a 2-course lunch for \$40. **Please pay in a named envelope, to be collected at the November meeting.** Remember that when you pay you have made a commitment to attend. Please record any dietary requirements on the payment envelope.

Christmas Display

The Taylor (Kevin and Pauline) family invite you, their Probus family, to their home, in Highton on Wednesday 10th December to view their Christmas display gathered over many years and from around the world. They will welcome members in groups of up to 8 people in hourly time slots. Please sign up in a time slot on the Sign Up sheet.

We have booked a table for the day at close by at Café Savy on the corner of Mt Pleasant and North Valley Roads for each group to have a coffee and catch up after their visit. On 11th December Kevin and Pauline invite you to bring along your grandchildren to experience their display. Please sign up for the morning or afternoon session.

Christmas Happy Hour

Our traditional Happy Hour will be on Friday 12th December 4-6 pm at Balyang Sanctuary Newtown.

Group Reports



Theatre & Movie Group: Robyn Williamson

Songbirds 26th November 11.00 am Geelong Arts Centre

If you get to the Theatre early there is a free cuppa in the foyer.



Wine Appreciation aka The Tuesday Tiplers

Gayle Doolan 0419 000 213

Tuesday 14th October

A Red Tasting

4 Ruthven St Newtown , 4.30 – 6.00pm

The group is limited to 12.

Cost is \$15, pay on the night.



Book Group: Book Group#1 Sue Grigg 0408 442 102

Group#2 Tina Mackay 0459 117 342

Next Meeting is Thursday 9th October at the Waurin Ponds Library at 1.00pm. #2 is looking for 2 new members and the next meeting will be at the Belmont Library.



Day Trips: Jo Curran 0407 321 528

Cheryl Graham 0414 489 123



On Friday 21st November we are going to Warrnambool by Train, meeting at 8.15 and the Train leaves from Wauran Ponds @8.37am returning at 5.20pm. Lunch at RSL, tour around on the bus or do some Christmas shopping. Fare is \$5.50 return. As we have a group booking we need **\$5.50 cash (correct money please) in a named envelope at the October meeting.**



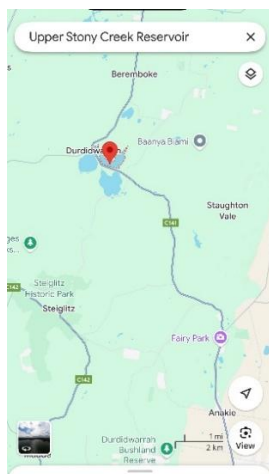
Out And About Group: Vicki Weiser 0416 153 967



Tuesday 7th October Barwon Water Visit to Upper Stoney Creek Reservoir Durdidwarrah, meet at the Harry Peeters Reserve , turn at Gate 1, 13km on from Anakie on the Ballan Road, for a tour with Emma, our recent guest speaker. There are toilets at the Reserve. Lunch at the

Meredith Hotel. We need 20 people for the \$18 lunch so if you would like to come just for lunch you are welcome. Please sign up at the Meeting.

Leave at 9.00am from the Waurin Ponds Hotel Car Park, Carpooling available. More details to follow.



Getaway Group Jenny and Ray Pitcher 0407 543 716

Jenny and Ray have locked in the next Getaway for Monday 10 November 2025 to Friday 14 November 2025 – Optional Stop at Seymour (1 night on Sunday to break the trip.) and then onto Beechworth. Members attending have received an email with all the information. Jenny has planned another great trip.

Coffee Group: Chris Geddes 0418 505 756

Thursday 16th October 10.00am Paddock Bakery Mackay St North Geelong.

Coming Up: Thursday 20th November 10.00am Sandstone Torquay Road, Grovedale



**Dine Out Group: Gayle Doolan 0419 000 213 and Jackie Devidal
Wednesday 29th October at 6.00pm Sawyers Arms, 2 Noble St Newtown.**

Coming Up: Wednesday 5th November at 6.30pm Mr Mateo, Clarendon Hotel La Trobe Tce.



Walking Group Val McClure 0401 138 077

**Friday 10th October at 9.30am. Meet at Mitre 10 South Geelong,
coffee at the Rolling Pin**

Coming Up: Friday 14th November Meet at the car park opposite Wyndham Resort
Torquay at 9.30am.



Garden Group Mary Westcott 0412076299

**Tuesday 21st October Robertson's Farmgate, 1170 Surfcoast
Highway Mt Duneed and coffee at Beach Willow Café. We will have a
talk about roses.**

Coming Up: Tuesday 18th November Ocean Grove Nature Reserve, Grubb Road,
Wallington. We will be walking one of the trails, learning about the native plants and
bird life of the area. The walk will be about 1 hour. Coffee will be at Van Loons.



Craft Group: Marion Daw 5241 1963

Tuesday 23rd September 10.00 at the Hotel.



Cards and Games Group Sue Wood: 0419 030 216

Thursday 25th September 1.00pm At the Hotel.