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## **July Newsletter 2025.**

### **Greetings Everyone,**

I hope you are enjoying all the benefits of winter as we pass the shortest day.

You will be aware that Probus South Pacific has updated our Constitution and provided guidelines to help us develop our Standing Resolutions.

I include in this newsletter the process we have taken so far.

The Carlton-Parkville Probus Committee elected a sub-committee to consider the Standing Resolutions and report to the Committee. The recommendations were discussed and agreed upon at our June Committee Meeting.

By the time you receive this newsletter you will have received both the Constitution and Standing Resolutions allowing members plenty of time to read and consider.

At our General Meeting 12 August, we will discuss the suggested content with a view to adoption.



Once adopted a copy of the Constitution will be provided to Probus South Pacific Ltd and registered with Consumer Affairs Victoria. The Standing Resolutions remains our document and can be renewed as required.

Thank you for giving it your consideration.

I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting,  
Graduate House 10am 8 July.

Regards  
Jenny Earle



## July Birthdays



Geraldine (Gerri) Barratt, John Basarin, Fiona Bell, Mick Butera, Yvonne Butera, Lynette (Lyn) Crellin, Jennifer (Jenny) Dahl, Jacqueline (Jacky) Edwards, Jenny Gardner, Barbara Gayler, Greg Mann, Chris Murray, Garry Sheehan, Norman Tickner, Margaret Wilson, Wendy Young

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### Current Affairs Discussion Group

The next meeting of the group is on Tuesday 15th July. We meet at the Kathleen Syme Centre, Faraday St Carlton, in Meeting Room 2 at 10am. The topics for discussion are...



1. Should the government continue to provide tax deduction status for private schools?
2. The Treasurer is holding a Roundtable on productivity and tax reform. What issues would you like on their agenda?

Please contact me with any queries

Carolyn Cohn

0400098967

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## **JULY WINTER ROAST**

**SUNDAY, 20<sup>th</sup> JULY at 12 noon**  
**Naughtons Hotel**

**43 ROYAL PARADE, PARKVILLE**  
(at the corner of Morrah St)

Delicious Roasts - or order from the menu.

You can catch a Number 19 Tram to Stop 12 at the Corner of Morrah St & Royal Pde

**To book: Please send an email by 16<sup>th</sup> July to:**  
**[sue.dudley@pobox.com](mailto:sue.dudley@pobox.com)**

**with WINTER ROAST in the subject line**  
(I'll confirm your booking via return email)



## **Blues group**

If you feel like a good, cheap night of live entertainment, come and join one of our Blues gatherings at the Flemington-Kensington Bowls Club on the first Tuesday of every month.

To secure our reserved table, I just need the name of each guest, plus mobile phone numbers and emails - these are MBAS registration requirements. And please indicate if you are having a meal.

Watch out for my emails about three weeks ahead of the event. I like to book early to guarantee seating and you can always cancel up to the last day by notifying me and the MBAS.

Admission is free. Dinner starts from 6.30pm. Music starts at 8pm.

I hope to see you there sometime.

Steve Foley  
Blues Group co-ordinator  
[stevefoley7@bigpond.com](mailto:stevefoley7@bigpond.com)  
0417313022



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## **Bridge Group**



The Bridge Group will resume in September

Contact Douglas Marshall at  
[noeladouglassm@gmail.com](mailto:noeladouglassm@gmail.com)  
for further information.



# **Contemporary/Popular Music Evening 31<sup>st</sup> July**



## **2<sup>nd</sup> Contemporary/Popular Music Night 31/7/2025**

**6.45pm for 7.00pm Start**

Join us for a program of '60s, '70s, 80s and 90s music plus the Classic Album by Van Morrison "Astral Weeks" and why it is now considered such a masterpiece.

Supper Menu will be complete with 3 cakes, a cheese platter and dips received so great supper will be had as well as great conversations about the music  
Please also bring your own refreshments of choice.

To register contact Mario (Mick) Butera

[gmaym@iimetro.com.au](mailto:gmaym@iimetro.com.au)

**Mario (Mick) Butera CPA**

**Co-ordinator Contemporary/Popular Music Interest Group**

**0417 511 724 or [gmaym@iimetro.com.au](mailto:gmaym@iimetro.com.au)**

## **Behind the Scenes**

Greeting all, many may not know me, however I have been a member for over 10 years and been involved with a number of activities including, club auditor, organised some tours, and a semi-regular Grumpy's coffee drinker.

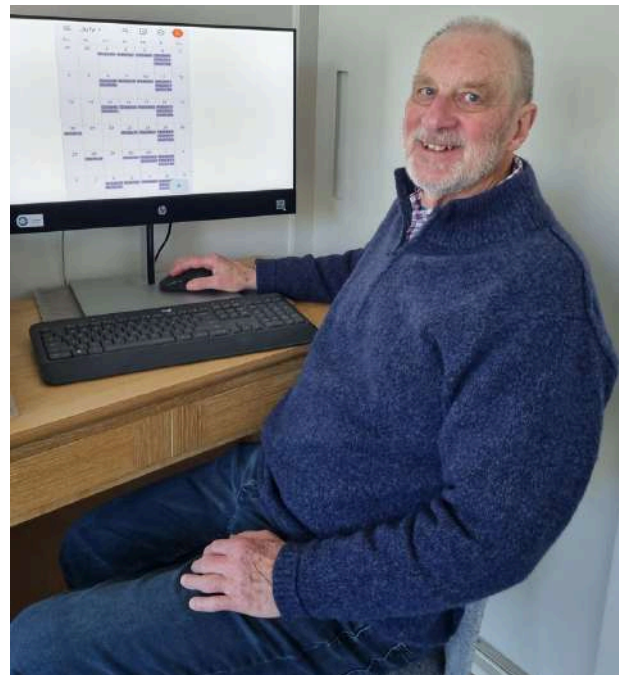
Currently I am a member of the bridge group, running a number of Wednesday walks and managing the club calendar containing committee approved events and activities.

If you are planning a Probus activity or event, forward the dates to me and I will let you know if there is a clash with another activity or event.

If there is a clash, I may be able to suggest alternate date(s).

I will provide prompt feedback.

You can then have confidence that the date is OK when you take it to the committee.



You may forward to my email:

[candbmatheson@gmail.com](mailto:candbmatheson@gmail.com) or

SMS: 0419 300 378

Both contacts are in the Probus Contact List.

Bruce Matheson





# Creative Arts

Susanne Pearce, Coordinator.  
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(NB change of email) or  
SMS 0432 614 585

Eight members thoroughly enjoyed the beautiful and fascinating Kimono exhibition at NGVI. Highly recommended!

**16 July:** a visit at 11.00 to The Ian Potter Museum, Melbourne University, to see 65,000 Years: A Short History of Australia Art which celebrates Aboriginal and Torres Islander Art and is the first exhibition at the Potter after extensive renovation and expansion. Jane Beckley will lead this with coffee beforehand. An email with details will come soon (or may have already arrived!)

**20 August:** a visit to the world-renowned Australian Tapestry Workshop, South Melbourne to be led by Gill Collins.

**17 September:** the Archibald Prize at Geelong. Jenny Bowling will lead this.

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## Book Group

Our next meeting will be on August 12 at the usual venue of the North Fitzroy Library and at 7:30PM. The book to be discussed at this meeting is Old God's Time by Sebastian Barry.

Goodreads says it's - "From the two-time Booker Prize finalist author, a dazzlingly written novel exploring love, memory, grief, and long-buried secrets"

All are welcome to attend but please register by sending an email to David at [dpcotterell@gmail.com](mailto:dpcotterell@gmail.com)



"Never bolt the door with a boiled carrot – always act carefully and be adequately prepared for potential future setbacks." - Irish proverb

## **Classical Music Group**



Just a couple of weeks ago our June music evening was held in Stu Gregory's home and once again we are indebted to Stu who is generous with both his offers to host and the care he takes to make sure we are warm and comfortable! This time we gave the limelight to Gregorian chants from the Middle Ages, and the music of the extraordinary Abbess Hildegard von Bingen.

For the next occasion our hosts are Anne and Steve Foley, and in mid- August we gather there to hear the music of Felix Mendelssohn. Janine Stevenson has offered what promises to be a truly delightful program of music, with accompanying information that highlights each piece. The date is Monday August 18th, and I give you this just to mark in your calendar, and more information will follow. Remember I will specifically alert you to the appropriate time for taking names.

Finally, a reminder that the final Met opera at the Nova for the current season is on SATURDAY 12TH JULY .THE SESSION TIME IS 11AM. We see Rossini's incomparable comedy "The Barber of Seville".The role of Figaro is sung by baritone Andrey Zhilikhovsky from Moldova, and that of Rosina is sung by Aigul Akhmetshina. It will be fun to see Dr. Bartolo and Don Basilio as they contribute to this effervescent comedy! Do come and join us, and afterwards also for our debrief over coffee or wine in the Nova cafe/Bar.

**Coordinator : Prue Madsen**

**[pruemadsen20@gmail.com](mailto:pruemadsen20@gmail.com)**





## **Gardening Group - Winter Event.**

Tuesday 15 July, 10.30 am, Hero Building, cnr Russell and Little Collins Street.

We'll be indoors looking out, discussing apartment/balcony gardens; plants that thrive with the right orientation and those that don't due to insufficient sunlight, too much sun or poor drainage.

The get-together will conclude with a walk to the 'secret', hidden green space at 120 Collins Street, a prize winning garden included in the Australian Institute of Landscape Architecture's Victorian awards. (ref The Age, Friday, 6 June.)

Please contact me by email [jkbowling118@gmail.com](mailto:jkbowling118@gmail.com) if you would like to join the discussion. First in, first served, with a limit of 15 participants. A follow up email will be forwarded to those attending closer to the event.

## ***Gardening Group August Event***

**Dear Members**

**An invitation from Gerri and Ron Barratt to listen to the story about our rare book that combines art and Melbourne botanical history**

**Date: Wednesday August 27 for 15 Probus members**

**Time: 11am for friendship and morning tea. Afterwards sit by the fire and listen to our story**

**Duration: Approximately two hours**

**Place: Our home, 19 Robb Street, Essendon**

**Parking: Available on Robb Street**

**Transport: Craigieburn train to Essendon station. (It's a 800m walk so please let us know if you would like us to pick you up)**

**RSVP: Before August 3**

**Email [ron.barratt@optusnet.com.au](mailto:ron.barratt@optusnet.com.au)**

**Gerrri on 0422 770 729**



**Mario (Mick) Butera**

**[gmaym@iimetro.com.au](mailto:gmaym@iimetro.com.au) or 0417 511724**



**Speaker for July Probus Monthly Meeting.**

**An exciting and most topical presentation on;**

**“Trump & Asia: shaping the future of US – Asia Relations”**

**From Professor Bec Strating, Director and Chair, La Trobe Asia-Pacific.**

**World renowned for her work and experience in international and Australian diplomacy.**

**In particular Asian and Australian regional security, maritime disputes, foreign and defence policy.**

**Bec will allow time for the many questions that Probus members will raise.**

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**We meet every Thursday despite the weather.**

**(Contact Al McGain on [rockdoc3@bigpond.com](mailto:rockdoc3@bigpond.com) for further information)**

### **Our Mission**

Our cyclists are still pursuing the best coffee in Melbourne by departing at 10.00am each Thursday from Railway House Carlton North and riding forth on the best suggestion of those assembled. In the noble cause of further Discovery, we have set aside the last Thursday of each month for a longer ride which includes an early start, maybe morning coffee and a lunch stop.

Anyone wishing to surrender themselves for this sort of interesting activity is more than welcome to join us. Just check with Al McGain or any cyclist of our intrepid bunch for details.



## **The New Powers in Footy Tipping**

### **Stephen Alomes**



Mid round 16, the days of Pilot Power may be under challenge, with Bryan Raspin now coming third on 92.

The new force on the oval is SuePower with Suebwako (Sue Bradshaw) on 94 and Sue Dudley on 93.

The tipping competition continues its Footy Enlightenment aspect with international reports.

After the spread of footy from 1989 (comps formed in many countries including Japan, Denmark and Britain then) the game grows.

Pic The Sugadaira Cup June 2001 in the Honshu mountains with the Samurais playing as Japan and the Tokyo Goannas (a major Tokyo expat institution!) as Australia.

This weekend, at home, the Bayonne Dockers play the Paris Cockerels in the French men's Grand Final (will there be a radio call in Basque?) before the Euro Cup 2025 takes place in Amsterdam on the 12th of July.

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### **Walking Group:**

**Wednesday 6 August** - offers needed

**Wednesday 2 July** - no walk

**Wednesday 3 September**

The gardens of Birrarung Marr precinct and the Greenline led by Carol Matheson

**Wednesday 1 October**

Brunswick Street and Gertrude Street Part B led by Bruce Matheson. "Demolished, Renovated and Repurposed, with a sprinkling of Saint and Sinners."

Kingsley Gee. Mob 0407 043 119 email: [rwkgee@gmail.com](mailto:rwkgee@gmail.com)



## **Upcoming STEM Group Activities**



### **Visit to the Australian Regenerative Medicine Institute at Monash University 11:00an on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August**

**Location: Level 1, 15 Innovation Walk, Monash University Clayton Campus**

The STEM group invite our Probus members to visit the Australian Regenerative Medicine Institute (ARMI) at Monash University, Clayton. This visit has been facilitated by Dr Peter Rogers AM.

The work of the Australian Regenerative Medicine Institute can be summarised by an Introduction from Director of Research, Professor Peter Currie on their website:

“Throughout life, our human bodies are vulnerable to disease, injury and, in some cases, congenital conditions that impair or shorten life.

With Australia’s ageing population, health issues such as heart disease, stroke and Alzheimer’s are on the rise. To tackle these challenges, the Australian Regenerative Medicine Institute is focused on regaining the body’s remarkable regenerative capacity of damaged tissues and organs that all people have before birth.

Investigating how the body repairs, replaces, restores or regenerates damaged tissues and organs could hold the key to help unlock the body’s own potential to heal and regenerate back to optimal health from an injury or disease.”

#### **Transport options:**

By car or car-pooling. A list of participants will be circulated in late July, to enable members to arrange for carpooling between themselves.

Alternatively, Monash University can be reached by public transport: The most efficient public transport route from Melbourne CBD to Monash University's Clayton campus is by train to Huntingdale Station, followed by a short bus ride to the campus bus interchange.

More information about the location of ARMI at the Monash campus and parking options will soon be emailed to members.

This should be an exciting and educating outing.

Please let Henrik Dahl know by 31 July if you plan to attend this event, at

**[hdahl@bigpond.net.au](mailto:hdahl@bigpond.net.au)**



**The Florey**  
Advancing Brain Research



**YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR UPCOMING PUBLIC LECTURE**

## **From stem cells to focused therapies: Innovative advances to treating brain diseases**

Held in recognition of World Brain Day

This event will explore neurodegenerative diseases – conditions that progressively damage the brain and nervous system, affecting movement, cognition, and quality of life.

Come along to learn more about The Florey's latest research into **motor neurone disease (MND)**, **multiple sclerosis (MS)** and **Parkinson's disease**.

You'll hear from Florey researchers, clinicians and people with lived experience as they share their insights into the research driving new treatments and the hope it brings.

**Registration is free, but essential**

### **Date & Time**

Tuesday 22nd July  
5:30pm - 7pm

### **Location**

Ian Potter Auditorium  
Kenneth Myer Building  
30 Royal Parade, Parkville VIC

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**We look forward to seeing you there!**

**Register via Humanitix →**

Search world brain day at the florley



## STEM (Society & Future Technologies) Continued.....

1. ARMI – see information notes from Henrik above.

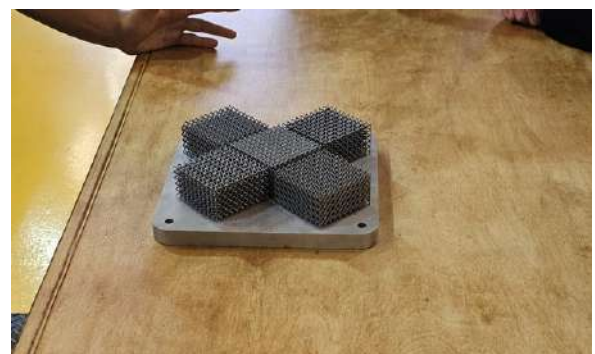
1. Twenty-two Probus Members toured the RMIT University-Advanced Manufacturing Precinct in Carlton on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June

We were treated to a marvellous range of the remarkable changes and advances for manufacturing and rapid prototyping from developments in 3D printing and additive manufacturing.

The Centre is world renowned, and participants were treated to amazing insights into future technologies with detailed and patient explanations from Martin, Joshua and Rick, three lecturers and experts on the technology.

Our host was Distinguished Professor, Director and founder of the precinct, Milan Brandt is Director of RMIT Advanced Manufacturing Precinct and Director Centre for Additive Manufacturing.

Milan was unable to be present due to illness however his staff provided a most enjoyable afternoon.



For further information see <https://www.rmit.edu.au/about/our-locations-and-facilities/facilities/research-facilities/advanced-manufacturing-precinct>

## **FRIDAY FRIENDS**

(Contact Diana Carlton or Constance Jenkin on dicarlton41@gmail.com or cjenkin6@bigpond.com for further information)

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## **GRUMPY OLD MEN**

(Contact Stu Gregory on stu\_tamaragregry@email.com for further information). The Group meet at the "Naughty Boys Café at 499 Lygon St. Carlton every Friday from 10am.

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## **MEMBER LIAISON**

(Contact Liz Jungwirth on liz.jungwirth@icloud.com for further information)

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## **MOVIE GROUP**

(Contact Margaret Smith on margaretJSM@yahoo.com.au for further information)  
The Group meet on the 4th Monday of each Month at Cinema Nova at Lygon Court Carlton

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## **TECHNOLOGY ADVISOR/SECRETARY**

(Contact Peter Beckwith on peter.j.beckwith@gmail.com for further information)

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## **THEATRE GROUP**

(Contact Fleur Rubens on vivianandfleur@gmail.com for further information)

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## **Carlton-Parkville Probus WhatsApp group**

The club's WhatsApp group is a light-hearted way for members to stay in touch.  
To join, make sure WhatsApp is installed on your phone, then send your mobile number to Heather Trotter on 0423762779.  
Please note that the notification (sound) can be switched off...help available if needed!