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President's Report

What does "generosity" look like? Why are so many South Australians driven to give and to help others in need?

The Little Heroes' Foundation, Adelaide, founded in May 1996, raises charitable funds for individuals aged 6-25 years, who have a disability, illness or disease.

Astoundingly, our recent Probud Club talk from Chris McDermott, Little Heroes' CEO, raised \$600 for the Foundation. This was incredible generosity from our members, by means of a quick "whip around" for donations. Congratulations!

South Australia has a history of generosity, just a few examples being: *Sir Edward Hayward*, founding owner of John Martin's Store and the visionary for creating our John Martin's Christmas Pageant, in 1933 – it's still free to all! In 1939 he built Carrick Hill, a beautiful 100 acre Adelaide foothills estate, which he later bequeathed to the state of South Australia, in 1983.

The 1950's SA Summer *Beach Girl competitions*, which attracted thousands to various SA beaches. Prizes were won, but money was also donated to charity. *Adelaide OZHARVEST*, which supports 270 SA charities. It has delivered pantry items, fresh produce and over 20 million cooked meals to needy SA families and individuals. OZHARVEST has 930 South Australian businesses donating to it.

The Royal Adelaide Show, inaugurated in 1839. Yes, we purchase entry tickets but thereafter, money does not need to be spent. As a child, I searched out the Rosella Soup stall (with free tomato soup/ Sao biscuits), free BoBo cordial, free FruChocs, free tastings, plus hundreds of free events to enjoy. Still happening! Money for worthy organizations (eg. CWA) is also donated, through the Show. So....Mitcham Hills Probud Club members continued to personify SA generosity, care and empathy last general meeting, through their support of The Little Heroes' Foundation, which works to assist so many needy South Australians. **Roslyn Ferris, President**

September flower:
Morning Glory



September Precious
Stone: Sapphire



*** PLEASE NOTE: *** THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING is

MONDAY 27th OCTOBER, 2025

(FUTURE MEETINGS: General Meeting: Monday 24th November)

Christmas Picnic is to be held on Monday 10th November and the
Christmas Lunch is to be held on Monday 8th December.



CONGRATULATIONS GERRY

Outings Organiser, Gerry, accepting Grant Award Certificate for our morning of entertainment by the Copy Cats held on 15th July.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

TO ALL MEMBERS CELEBRATING
YOUR BIRTHDAY
SEPTEMBER 2025



PROFILES 2025

TODAY Frank van der Linden (from
Holland to Australia)
27 October Des Foster, INDIA
24 November... Di Brown, Africa

PROBUS GUEST SPEAKERS 2025

Sept 22 Bob Lunn

Why Adelaide is called
"The City of Churches"



Oct 27.....Getting to know you Day

Me: Alexa, remind me to go to the gym.
Alexa: I have added gin to your shopping list.
Me: Close enough.



I see people my age
out there climbing
mountains and zip
lining and here I am
feeling good about
myself because I
got my leg through
my underwear
without losing my
balance.



'What we've got
here is a failure to
communicate.'

MITCHAM AND HILLS WELLNESS EDUCATION SESSIONS—

Tuesday at Blackwood Uniting Church (at the Roundabout) 5pm for 5.30pm start.



Prof John Craven
Emergency Physician

14 October – When is it time to go to Emergency?

Looking at common health symptoms that arise that can make you very unwell very quickly. Common issues like fevers, rashes, urinary infections, pain, wounds and bumps!

When is it time to get to the closest Emergency Dept?
Dr John Craven is the Head of Emergency at Mount Barker Hospital and will share his incredible wealth of knowledge and experience with you.



A senior citizen called her husband during his drive home.
"Herman, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on Interstate 90, Please be careful!"
Herman said, "It's not just one car. There's hundreds of them!"



OUTINGS

PLEASE NOTE: This is the last Outing for the year as the Christmas Picnic is to be held on Monday 10th November and the Christmas Lunch is to be held on Monday 8th December.

MONDAY 13th OCTOBER

SA WATER DESALINATION PLANT

16 Chrysler Road, LONSDALE

TIME: 10 am for tour to start at 10.30 am

COST: Free guided tour

MAX: There is a maximum of 23 ONLY

PARKING: Is available on site

LUNCH: LONSDALE HOTEL

25/37 Sherriffs Road

6 mins from desalination plant



Members interested in attending Outings please put your name on the Outings List at the meetings and make sure to put the date in your diary.

Please note that part of the tour includes a bus trip around the plant where we will be supplied with a vest and head gear. Please wear appropriate footwear.

Also please advise Outings Organiser 2 days prior to the event if you cannot attend.

REPORT ON OUTING MONDAY 15th SEPTEMBER, DOWNTON ABBEY - THE GRANDE FINALE

Downton Abbey is a British period drama set in the fictional Downton Abbey, Yorkshire, country house of the Earl and Countess of Grantham, and follows the lives of the aristocratic Crawley family and their servants.

It shows the difference between the upper class of society in those days, and the people they depended on to keep their privileged life running smoothly. The story covers many important changes in society that occurred during that time which changed the lives of both the upper class and lower class of people. It was an interesting production showing how the times were changing and the eventual decline of the British aristocracy.

It was pleasing that 40 members attended the movie and 25 came to lunch at the Torrens Arms. We all had a most enjoyable time. *Geraldine New Outings Organiser.*



MORNING TEA FRIDAY 17th OCTOBER

Inc Cafe - Minda
Jack Fox Drive,
North Brighton, S A
FROM 10.00 am



Plenty of parking areas are available on the site. Please put your name on list at Outings Desk if interested in coming.

SAHMRI LUNCH - North Terrace FRIDAY 21st NOVEMBER

12 noon to 2.00 pm

Please put your name on the list at Outings Desk and **have payment of \$20 per head in envelope with name on.**

There are 4 tables of 8 (e.g. 32 members) booked for our Club. Seats will be available to those who pay at today's meeting. I may be able to get more tickets if needed.

A senior citizen drove his brand-new Corvette convertible out of the dealership. Taking off down the road, he floored it to 80 mph, enjoying the wind blowing through what little gray hair he had left. Amazing, he thought as he flew down doing 94, pushing the pedal even more.

Looking in his rear view mirror, he saw a state trooper behind him, lights flashing and siren blaring. He floored it to 100 mph, then 110, then 120. Suddenly, he thought, What am I doing? I'm too old for this, and pulled over to await the trooper's arrival. Pulling in behind him, the trooper walked up to the Corvette, looked at his watch, and said, "Sir, my shift ends in 30 minutes. Today is Friday. If you can give me a reason for speeding that I've never heard before, I'll let you go."

The old gentleman paused. Then he said, "Years ago, my wife ran off with a state trooper. I thought you were bringing her back."

"Have a good day, sir," replied the trooper.



Probus Club of Marion IT Conversations Group

Our next meeting for the Probus Club of Marion IT Conversation (Computer) Group will be on **Friday October 3rd** – With **Emily** from the Community Programs and Events office- Libraries/City of Marion, who will give our group a session on Scam awareness, Operation of our Smart TV's and more information on Passkeys, which is further security when using our mobile devices. Plus bring your questions for the Q and A session.

Thank you to the Seacliff Probus Club members who attended our September session, and I hope you benefited from your visit.

The session starts at 10.30AM in the upstairs room at Club Marion and will be finished by 12.30PM.

All Probus members, Partners and Friends are welcome.

Coffee is available to purchase at the bar.

Dates to mark into your Diaries:

November 7th – Emily, Topic to be confirmed

February 2026 – Emily, Topic to be confirmed

All Our and other Probus club Members, Partners and Friends are welcome.

REQUEST Please, I am looking for ideas for guest speakers for our IT Group speakers for next year (2026).

See you on the first Friday of every month.

Regards Bob Brammy

Probus Club of Marion

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Before you marry a person, you should first make them use a computer with a slow Internet connection to see who they really are.



Remember back when our parents used to send us to school with no water bottle, no phone, no snacks but somehow we would survive till the end of day.



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(Followed by .. Monday 24th November)

At the Club Marion, 262, Sturt Road, Marion
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