



In Friendship

Newsletter of the Proboscis Club of Kerrimuir Inc.

AUGUST 2025

*Celebrating
our 7th
Birthday
with Lunch*

@ Carlucci's of Templestowe

134 James street Templestowe

12:00 noon Thursday, August 28th

Cost: \$ 35.00 pp

Includes 3 course meal & 1 drink

Hello Everyone.

Welcome to our August newsletter.

This is a special month as we celebrate our club's birthday.

Seven years ago we came together to form the Probus Club of Kerrimuir.

How quickly that time has passed, but I guess as we age the years always seem to pass more rapidly.

I am so grateful that I heard about this new club at the very beginning. I have spent these last seven years making wonderful friends and enjoying so many social activities that the club has provided. I know there is always someone I can call on to join me for coffee or lunch if I feel the need for company.

I believe we should all make the most of these opportunities and participate in as many activities as possible, remember our motto is "Fun, Fellowship and Friendship."



Our Seventh birthday will be celebrated on Thursday 28th August at Carluccis Templestowe. So far we have 27 people attending, there is still time if you would like to add your name to the list just give Val a ring as she will let the restaurant know the final number. We will have a special birthday cake to cut and hope it will be an enjoyable day for everyone.

Since our last newsletter the Club spent a very profitable day at AVEO Croydon.

We enjoyed a cup of tea/coffee, biscuits and a savoury croissant while listening to a very informative talk about the Village, we then inspected a unit available. A lovely place but hilly grounds, you would get plenty of exercise just walking around the area.

Thank you Denise for making this possible. Thanks to the 15 people who attended, we were able to qualify for a \$500 card.

Congratulations to David who was the lucky draw winner.

Wednesday 6th August ten members from the club attended the Ballet. This was held at The Round and featured students from the Australian Ballet Company. The show was excellent and was followed by a nice afternoon tea in The Studio. Another special outing for our club and well worth attending.

On 8th August we had another morning out with a visit to the Annemieke Mein exhibition at Box Hill town hall. A great experience, the work on display, absolutely stunning. The exhibition is on loan from the Sale Gallery and closes on August 29th. I suggest if you have not already been you should really make the effort to attend.

Admission is free, the exhibition is in the Art Space. Enter through the main door of Box Hill town hall and follow the signs. There is a little cafe set up near the art space where we enjoyed a cup of tea/coffee, served in lovely fine bone China cups, before we viewed the exhibits.

The work is about nature and wild life, done using textiles, threads, paints, machine and hand embroidery. Unbelievable but so realistic. The earliest piece on display was from 1986 continuing until ones that were completed during "Covid". The progression of style and ability was interesting to observe. This lady is a true artist in every sense of the word. We continued our day out with lunch at New Hope Church. Such a happy friendly group.

The Club has organised a trip to Castlemaine Monday 27th to Thursday 30th October. If you would like to be part of this group, please ring and book your own accommodation, there are plenty of places still available at various caravan parks and B and B's. We all eat together each evening but are free to enjoy the days as we please.

Castlemaine has so much to offer -The Mill- all things old and new, a wonderful place to explore, Buda-an historic house and garden in the heart of Castlemaine.

Melton is a National Trust town a short drive away.

I'm sure we will find three days not enough time to explore all things on offer.

October, our birthday month, brings us to the half way point of our Probus year.

During these next six months I would like you all to think how we can maintain and progress our club going forward.

So many other groups have closed due to lack of interest or no one willing to step up. Please decide how YOU can help. We are all in this together and I would like to think everyone wants to see our club not only survive but thrive.

Believe me the work involved is enjoyable and certainly not onerous.

Looking forward to seeing you all on Thursday for the party.

Anne. x



Anne Carruthers
President
Probus Club of Kerrimuir



New members

Murray Coulthard,
Kaylene Cooper and
Sue Senior received
their membership
badges at last month's
meeting

AT OUR LAST MEETING

Our Speaker : Marianne Schriever

Living and working in the Kingdom of Butan

Report : Margret Paterson

Bhutan is a small country in the Himalayas, landlocked between India and China, which is never been occupied by an outside power, and has only been opened to the outside world for 20 years, the first 280 tourists only being admitted in 1974.

It is very difficult to get a visa to visit, Marianne was only able to obtain one because she happened to be working in China at the time. She really enjoyed her time in Bhutan, where people live happily and simply.

(There was no TV there until 1999, and the only public transport is buses).

Marianne, who has lived and worked in many countries, spent her short time in Bhutan (her visa was for only one Month) volunteering teaching neurological exercises and teaching English. She told us that 72% of the land in Bhutan is under forest, and is home to the largest unclimbed mountain in the world.

She stayed at the small village of Limbuka, where she found the villagers very welcome and friendly. A Buddhist county, colourful prayer flags are prominent everywhere. There was an altar in the home where Marianne stayed, and sometimes a Buddhist monk came to pray with the family. She reported that both men and women wear traditional dress and their homes are comfortable but simple, usually without either chairs or tables. Meals are also simple, a favourite is steamed dumplings filled with Yak meat. Women have high status in Bhutan, being regarded as the head of the family, and are legally allowed to have more than one husband at a time! Architecture in Bhutan is unique, Marianne was fascinated by the temples on rock faces. Most temples are alive and active are home to many monks and nuns. Marianne really enjoyed living amongst the people of Bhutan , who she says are very spiritual and care deeply for country and are kind and compassionate. Marianne gave us a fascinating account of very different country, which most of us will never have the opportunity to visit.



Our Activities : Details & Sign up sheets available at our meeting

Contact Val Donnely unless otherwise advised

Next C&C Sep 3rd

COFFEE 'N CHAT

@ 10:30 am on the first WEDNESDAY of each month

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Forest Hill Chase

Just

come along and enjoy a
great morning of fun and fellowship

Probus Club of Kerrimuir

Trip to Castlemaine

DATES

Monday 27th October to Thursday 30th October

ACCOMMODATION

BIG 4 Castlemaine Gardens Holiday Park.

Located at 1 Doran Avenue Castlemaine, right next to the Castlemaine Gardens.

The Club has prebooked five 2-bedroom cabins. Other options may be available – please contact the Park to confirm.

Members are to confirm their own bookings by contacting the Park on (03) 5472 1125 and quoting booking reference number 31129.

As this Holiday Park is very popular members are encouraged to confirm their booking as soon as possible in order to secure a cabin



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LUNCH

MONDAY September 8th

At 12:30 pm

Wyreena Community Arts Centre

13-23 Hull Rd, Croydon

Jewellery Party

Tuesday Sept. 16th @ 11:00 am

Blackburn Hotel

111 Whitehorse Rd. Blackburn



CLUB RINGWOOD

**MORNING
MELODIES**

MONDAY October 13th

Featuring

Brendan Scott

Multi instrumentalist

Doors Open: 10:00am

Show Starts: 10:30am

Tickets: \$25 includes Morning Tea and a Set 2 Course Lunch

Trip To Queenscliff August 2025

Robyn Howard

Thought that some of our members might be interested in my trip to Queenscliff, and they may consider doing something similar.

There were four of us travelling by car, and our trip started with a drive to Sorrento where we put the car on the ferry over to Queenscliff, where we would stay for a week.

We stayed at Beacon Resort Queenscliff which I can't recommend highly enough, they have very comfortable units of all shapes and sizes.

Our day trips took us to Port Arlington, Torquay, Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove and Anglesea. Many a lovely lunch was found at these locations, especially at the Anglesea Golf Club which overlooks the course and the many kangaroos who call it home

A trip on the Q Train was a highlight, going from Drysdale to Queenscliff and return by steam train whilst enjoying a five course degustation and admiring the scenery as we ate.

A great way to spend a week with good friends.



**Never confuse
education with
intelligence.**



HIGHER PERSPECTIVE

If your girl looks like this...



she's a keeper!

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COMMUNITY NEWS



Visit <https://www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/festival> for more info

Forest Hill Chase has a community space with much that might interest you.

Visit <https://foresthillcommunityspace.com/>

Current timetable below

Forest Hill Chase Community Space						
MON	9.30am	9.30-12pm			1-3pm (one helper) / 3-4:30pm (two helpers)	
	Pre-school Story and Play	Creative Space: Bring an art project or come & start a new one!			Computer/Technology assistance Bring your device and questions	
TUES	9:30am	10-11:30am	12.30-2.30pm	1-3pm	2.30-4.30pm	3.30-5pm
	Pre-school Story and Play	Tuesday Art Drawing / collage gold coin donation	Just Sing Community Choir \$10 for 2 hours	Knitting/Craft Bring a project, come and learn	Chess - Come and play or learn chess	Homework club (primary age). Children must be accompanied by an adult
WED	9.30am	11.15am	1-3pm (1st & 3rd Wed of month)		3:30-4pm	
	English Classes: All welcome	Mandarin Class: All welcome	Community Gathering: Meet and make new friends in a relaxed environment. All Welcome.		Live guitar playing	
THURS	9.30am	9.30am	11am	12.30-1.30pm		2-4pm
	Pre-school Story and Play	English Corner: Come and practice conversational English	Community Chat: All Welcome	Sing along: Enjoy a sing-a-long together. Come and join in.		Games for Fun: Play 500 or Mahjong or bring a group and game to play
FRI	9.30am	10.00-11.30am	10.00-11:30am	11.30am	1-3pm	
	Pre-school Story and Play	Crochet: Bring a project or start a new one	English Conversation Classes: Enjoy discussing a range of topics suitable for everyone	Live Jazz Music	Painting / Quilting - BYO materials - no need to register, just come!	

The Whitehorse Community Support Register makes daily calls 10-12. You could brighten someone's day! For more information <https://foresthillcommunityspace.com/2024/06/13/whitehorse-community-support-register/>

Please note: Our groups and activities are generously facilitated by volunteers. Sometimes unexpected events hinder their ability to come and we have to cancel the activity, if you have registered for an activity, we'll endeavour to let you know!

SENIORS PARTICIPATION GRANT

The Club has recently received a “Seniors Participation Grant” of \$280 from the Whitehorse City Council to assist the Club to provide participation activities for its members.