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## General Meeting 08.08.25



Little did we know when we booked 'Copy Cats' to help us celebrate our sixth Probus birthday what a treat was in store!

The 106 members who gathered to rejoice in our six years of fun and fellowship were entertained in a most memorable way by this talented group of six performers, whose compere, the irrepressible Sue Freene, told us a bit about their background. A group of primary school mums thirty years ago decided they could entertain at a St Mary's primary school birthday event. It caught on, and soon they were being booked up for other similar events. So Copy Cats, with its unashamed swiping of famous songs and entertainers, was born, and now plays regularly for events and in residential care facilities.

Later, when their children reached high school years, the group disbanded but seven years ago, missing C/C, they got together again with their inventive and enjoyable pastiche of song, dance and poetry, bringing back to life music we could all relate to.

"I haven't laughed so much for years" was the universal comment at the end of the wonderful hour they provided. Extravagant costumes (whoever made all those furred, frilled, flounced concoctions? – special credits for the can-can legs); the witty song renditions (brownie points here for Rose with the computer music); the flamboyant dancing and polished lip-synching of lyrics; the hilarious fashion show that left us all marvelling at the handling of the clever script and Violetta's dexterity - and so much more.

From the opening by the Supremes (gorgeous!) and Petula Clark's Downtown, through act after act, it was unforgettable entertainment. I'll never again look a preying mantis in the eye after Jeremy and Prunella, nor listen to Elvis, Tom Jones or 'I am Woman' without remembering the antics (and the boobs) of Copy Cats. Sue's poetry offerings were hilariously risqué, as well as being devilishly clever. The final can-can (literally) kicked off a well-deserved

outpouring of applause.

All round a superb birthday celebration, that capped off a great six years for Glenelg Bay Probus. People were still smiling as we stacked away the chairs.

Even some business before we left for the usual Surf Club lunch! A welcome to new members Ann Lewis and Freda Milbara, Jan's coming events slot, an alert about constitutional changes being emailed; a reminder that Risk Management forms are overdue, Valerie's



plea for Member News for Probe by the 15th and regret at the email glitch which meant some members did not receive the August issue. Please email her if yours has not come by the end of each month.



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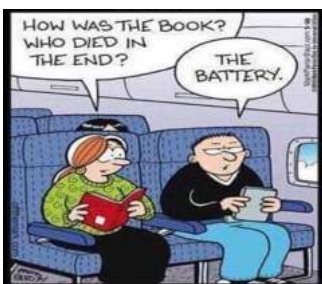
## President's Message

What an entertaining 6th birthday celebration we had. The Copy Cats provided a fast moving, foot tapping and fun hour of entertainment, which was clearly enjoyed by all present. The speaker for the September meeting is Max Anderson, whose topic is "Digger".

A reminder that at the September meeting, we will be voting on the acceptance of the proposed revision of the PROBUS South Pacific Constitution, and the revised Standing Resolutions. Kathy Kingston has emailed or delivered a copy to each member, so please take 10 minutes or so to scan the documents so that you are informed and ready to vote.

Enjoy those occasional warm sunny days that break up the grey days of winter.

Kay Berry-Smith



**HAPPY HOUR** : A small but friendly gathering at the Glenelg Surf Club for the April Happy Hour on Friday July 25. This is a great opportunity for a quick drink at Happy Hour prices at 5 pm at the venue, with ample parking underneath and optional dinner.

Next dates are August 31 and September 26. Please book on TryBooking for the reservation

of our tables, and know that you will be warmly welcomed.



## Happy birthday to our September birthdays:

Geoff Bailey (28th)  
Frank Boylan (27th)  
Michael Dobson (18th)  
Julie Greene (27th)  
Harry Hayes (26th)  
Christine Jackson (15th)  
Alison Jamieson (19th)  
Jenny Langford (26th)  
Marilyn Le Dan (5th)  
Marilyn March (9th)  
Michael Meacham (29th)  
Val Oldfield (5th)  
Dorothy Popplewell (16th)  
Colleen Sawtell (30th)  
Pam Walsh (13th)  
John Webb (17th)  
Cathryn Wellner (5th)  
Kevin Weston (27th)

Greetings to any others we may have missed.



## CALENDAR EVENTS

*Most events will need to be booked in via Trybooking (see page 7 or web site for tour details and boo*

**Wed., August 27:** 10 am Coffee at Swedish Tarts

**Friday, August 29:** 5 pm Happy Hour at GSLC and optional dinner after at GSLC

**Sunday, August 31:** 12 noon Barbies'n'Bocce, Sandison Reserve, Glenelg

**Wednesday, September 3:** 10 am Walking group A

**Monday, September 8 :** 1.00 pm Committee meeting

**Wed., September 10:** 10 am Coffee at Swedish Tarts

**Friday, September 12:** 9.45 am General Meeting with guest speaker. Optional lunch: GSLC

**Wednesday, September 17:** 10 am Walking group A

**Thursday, September 18:** 11.30 Winery tour and lunch at Lake Breeze Winery

**Wed., September 24:** 10 am Coffee at Swedish Tarts

**Friday, September 26:** 5 pm Happy Hour at GSLC and optional dinner after at GLSC

**Wednesday, October 1:** 10 am Walking group A

**Monday, October 8 :** 1.00 pm Committee meeting

**Wed., October 8:** 10 am Coffee at Swedish Tarts

**Friday, October 10:** 9.45 am General Meeting with guest speaker. Optional lunch: GSLC

**Wednesday, October 15:** 10 am Walking group A

**Thursday, October 16:** 10.00 am Jurlique Farm tour and lunch at Bridgewater Inn

**Wed., October 22:** 10 am Coffee at Swedish Tarts



## IT Conversation Group Session

Our next meeting for the IT Conversation (Computer) Group will be on Friday August 1 when we will have Emily from the Marion Library, Seniors Learning, with the topics of 'Exploring Windows 11 and what are Passkeys?' PLUS, your questions with assistance from Emily.

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

All Probus Clubs, members, Partners and Friends are welcome.

Coffee is available to purchase at the bar.

Dates to mark in your diaries:

September 5 TBA

October 3 Emily

November 7 Emily

February 2026 Emily

REQUEST: I am looking for ideas for guest speakers for our IT Group. Can you help?

Regards

Bob Brammy

Contact: 0417 126 200





## WALKING GROUPS:

### Walking group A



First August walk - it did not rain, neither was there any wind and it was not cold. We enjoyed the nature walk along a section of the linear park. We had a 'cracking' good time when a branch from a gum tree fell directly in front of us. Spring must be coming as the wattle trees are turning colour.

The second walk on 20 August was with a small group of hardy souls who missed their leader, with Lenore currently in Queensland.

Walk Wednesday 3 September Meet on James Melrose Drive opposite Havelock Close for a walk along the eastern section of the airport boundary.

Walk Wednesday 17 September Meet at Apex Park, Burbridge Road, West Beach for a walk along linear park in the opposite direction.

Walks commence at 10 am for one hour and all are welcome.

Lenore Jones Coordinator 0419 825 532



### Walking group B

A 1 hour Saturday Morning walk with Annette Pelling. Anyone interested, meet in the Bay Junction outside the Travel Agency for a 10.00 am start.

We walk down Jetty Rd, along Partridge St, down the Broadway to the beach, back along the seafront and up Jetty Rd to the start point. Join in anywhere along the route. Love to see you anytime.

Annette 0414 851 029

## COFFEE MORNINGS:

On these cold mornings it's lovely to gather for an hour every second Wednesday morning for an hour at our usual table down the back of Swedish Tarts, in Nile Street. It's always a pleasant sociable break, and we'd be delighted to have more members join us. Next dates will be Wednesday, August 27 and September 10 and 24 - the usual second and fourth Wednesdays each month (10-11am). Take a shopping respite and join the group. Further information: Marilyn (0413 222 983) or Marie (0409 673 000)



## Film lovers alert

### Probus movie-lovers monthly event:



Lovers of film are finding Friday mornings at the Mercury Cinema a very affordable treat, at \$10 a film with free tea and coffee, and a once a month special morning tea provided by Retirees Australia.

Next Probus event will be 12th September at 10am for a 10.30 start.

Why 10am? Because Retire Australia will put on a big spread for morning tea at 10, all included in the movie ticket of \$10 for Seniors.

September's film, Friday 12, *The Friend*: When a solitary writer adopts and bonds with a Great Dane that belonged to a late friend, she begins to come to terms with her past and her own creative inner life.

The Silverscreen program for Seniors is on Mercury's website, and they run on Tuesdays, Fridays and Sundays.

Further information: Anna Bianchi 0438 390 337  
No need to book, just come to the Mercury, in Morphett Street, CBD, and meet in the foyer after if you are interested, to discuss the film over a nearby light lunch.

## BARBIES and BOCCE

Cold and windy weather on Sunday, July 27, did not deter a small group, who as one picture depicts, had a 'smashing' time. We all enjoyed a gourmet bbq starting with oysters and finishing with cherry pie. (NB - this is NOT the usual menu!) Lenore finished the bocce winner edging out Shirley in a measure.

Next events are on the usual last Sundays in the month, August 31 and September 28 at Sandison Reserve, Fourth Avenue, Glenelg. Just bring your sausages, a small salad, something to drink and a willing spirit to tackle this non-demanding activity with a group of friendly people.



## Probus Survey findings

Probus clubs throughout Australia were surveyed on a number of issues. A message from the organisers reports:

*I would like to personally thank everyone that responded to our survey. We had almost six thousand responses and I would like to share some of the key messages with you.*

Who are Probus members?



**58% are long-term members (6+ years)**



**69% joined through word-of-mouth**



**Top motivations – Activities (75%)  
Make friends (74%)**



**95% are retired  
5% semi-retired**



**87% live outside retirement villages**



**63% retired for 10+ years**

Not every person responded to all the questions: the statistics below refer to those that responded.

- 87 per cent of respondents have been retired for more than five years.
- 13 per cent live in retirement villages; 87 per cent do not.
- 42 per cent have been in a Probus Club less than 5 years; 58 per cent longer than five years.
- 69 per cent heard about Probus by word of mouth.
- 38 per cent of respondents would like their club to be bigger; 62 per cent said no.
- The two main reasons for joining Probus were to make new friends and engage in activities.
- 52 per cent belonged to clubs with between 50 and 100 members; 27 per cent belonged to clubs between 100 and 150 members. A small number of clubs were either larger than 150 or smaller than 50.
- 88 per cent said Probus is meeting their needs; 12 per cent said no.
- When asked if it was appropriate to open new clubs where older clubs were closing, 26 per cent said yes, 45 per cent said no, and 29 per cent were unsure.
- Social connection and participation in activities were the two most popular aspects of Probus membership. 82 per cent said they were likely or very likely to recommend Probus to a friend, neighbour or family.

### THE FRIENDS of CARRICK HILL

Friends Of Carrick Hill fund raising movie event



THE ROSES is a satirical comedy drama starring Benedict Cumberbatch and Olivia Colman. Life seems easy for this picture perfect couple, Theo and Ivy. Both have successful careers, a loving marriage, great kids. But a storm is brewing - as Theo's career nose dives while Ivy's own ambitions take off, a tinder box of fierce competition and hidden resentment ignites. The Roses is a reimagining of the 1989 classic film The War of the Roses, based on the novel by Warren Adler.

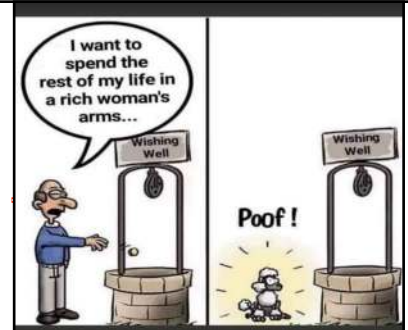
**Sunday 31 August 2025 2:30pm at Wallis Mitcham**

The \$20 Ticket includes a complimentary raffle ticket

**Book at TryBooking: FOCH fund raising movie event- THE ROSES**

The Friends of Carrick Hill fundraise to help preserve and enhance the heritage Carrick Hill House Museum and Gardens in Springfield for the enjoyment of current and future generations. Join the Friends [here](#)

**Boy aged 4: Dad, I've decided to get married.**  
**Dad: Wonderful; do you have a girl in mind?!**  
**Boy: Yes... grandma! She said she loves me, I love her, too....and she's the best cook & story teller in the whole world!!**  
**Dad: That's nice, but we have a small problem there!!**  
**Boy: What problem?!**  
**Dad: She happens to be my mother. How can you marry my mother!!**  
**Boy: Why not?! You married mine!!!!**



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## A visit to Old Parliament House

*We are very appreciative of the assistance of our local member, Stephen Patterson, in organising this visit to the SA Old Parliament House, and his warm and friendly escort and commentary.*

Margaret Miatke reports on the Thursday July 24 Probus tour of Old Parliament House and the lunch later at Strathmore Hotel, noting that 43 attended the tour and 32 went on to lunch. Stephen Patterson gave us a very informative tour of both the Legislative Council and the House of Assembly. It was well organised and engaging – thank you. The entire visit was exceptionally well organised — our appreciation also goes to Jan Richardson, our Events Manager, for the excellent coordination. Another member has commented that “we all thought Stephen’s presentation and knowledge were outstanding.” Clearly another very worthwhile Probus activity, as the photographs demonstrate.



Adelaide Music Club Inc.



### September – Monday 1st An Evening with Greg Hart

At the Adelaide Music Club  
The Grand Ballroom 443 Tapleys Hill Rd, Fulham Gardens

Monday 1st September

One Dinner and Show 6pm for 7.45pm

Members \$35 pp Non-members \$55 pp

New members welcome!

Bookings via AMC website <https://adelaidemusicclub.com.au/>

More information – email [starickmyra@gmail.com](mailto:starickmyra@gmail.com) or text at 0428821040



### October, Monday 14th Fahrenheit 451

Fahrenheit 451 – led by the incomparable Roger Ball as lead vocalist, with Andy Chaplin lead guitarist and harmony, Ron Thomas bass guitarist and harmony, Trevor Saunders drummer and John Mathwin, percussionist, and harmony. F451 present an evening of selected popular tunes with their own spin on them complemented by unbelievable 4-part harmonies At the Adelaide Music Club

The Grand Ballroom 443 Tapleys Hill Rd, Fulham Gardens

Monday 13 October

One Dinner and Show 6pm for 7.45pm

Members \$35 pp Non-members \$55 pp

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## MEMBER NEWS



Jackie Ludgate writes: My daughter Rebecca and I recently returned from a holiday in America and Portugal. We travelled via Dubai where we overnighted before continuing on to New York where the highlight for me was a tour of the Metropolitan Museum of Art and beautiful Central Park. Other highlights in America were our visit to Washington DC, Boston and Niagara Falls. We had good weather for all our sightseeing and from Buffalo (airport near Niagara); we then flew to Philadelphia and on to Lisbon, a beautiful old city with a rich maritime history. We did a day tour of the medieval town of Obidos, Nazare - a fishing village with wonderful beaches and Fatima, an important Catholic pilgrimage site. A most enjoyable day. It was a memorable holiday and I was very lucky to have my daughter share this trip with me.



Valerie Volk and David Harris followed the other sun-seekers and visited friends and Valerie's son Nick in Queensland. A special highlight for us was touring the Bundaberg Rum distillery (including sampling) and a macadamia plantation, and a lunch at the Indooroopilly Golf Club with friends of over thirty years.

Mignonne Symond's happy 82nd birthday was captured in a photo and was followed on 15th August by a gathering of friends and relatives from here and interstate at the Grand Hotel. It was, says Mignonne with her usual cheerful acceptance, planned as a 'last hurrah', given the precarious state of her health. "Live every day to the full," she says. We hope there are many of them.



Jan Hosking has left the Management Committee because of commitments with family members' health, but says she is maintaining a definite interest in Probus activities and hoping to see us at events where possible.

Angela and Harry Hayes spent 12 days at Airlie Beach in late July to escape the Adelaide winter. It was their first visit to this area of Queensland and they were rewarded with eleven days of sunshine as it only rained on the day they flew back. They stayed at Marina Shores Apartment complex, 20 minutes' walk along the water's edge from Airlie Beach shopping complex. The highlight of the holiday was a full day visiting the famous Whitehaven Beach on a modern catamaran with all the comforts of air conditioning and lovely food.



Vice-president Lenore is also on the Queensland trek to stay with her son and family for two weeks.

Other travellers include Colin and Caroline Arrowsmith, currently in Melbourne visiting family. Whilst there they attended Grandparent's Day at youngest grandson's school Xavier College, Burke Hall Campus in Kew.



David Harris and the Second Wind Ensemble spent a Sunday in Maitland on the Yorke Peninsula where, dressed in appropriate gear, they performed their 'Summer of Love' concert (Woodstock theme) before an enthusiastic crowd.



Jan Fletcher writes: I'm currently touring Spain and Portugal. Whilst it's quite warm, we expect the temperature to drop in the next few days. We are visiting sites early in the morning, avoiding crowds and heat. A recent visit was to the Royal Alcazar and its gardens of Seville and the Cathedral with Christopher Columbus' tomb. There are Roman walls, which were then added to by the Moors and Roman Aqueducts which provided tap water for the residents at that time....



Angela and Harry Hayes are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on September 18th by a night at the InterContinental Hotel with their family are joining them for a special dinner. Congratulations to you both.

Lily Michailov is in Portugal staying with her son's family. She writes: My holiday was a feast for the eyes and the soul! In Moscow, I wandered through the magical Abramtsevo Museum-Reserve, once home to great Russian artists and a treasure chest of folk traditions. Then, in sunny Cascais, I was swept away by the colourful, witty world of Eduardo Arroyo at his dazzling exhibition — a perfect blend of culture, sea breeze, and pure inspiration!

Had a bad mixup at the store today..when the cashier said strip down facing me, apparently she was referring to my credit card.

