Glenelg Bay Probus Club PROBE 74 **Incorporated**

December 2025

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General Meeting 14.11.25

A very well-attended November General Meeting gave 126 members a most entertaining couple of hours. Preliminaries were briefly delayed by audio problems, but Kay's warm welcome to all, including many visitors, gave the welcome news that our Christmas lunch in December would have a welcome subsidy. Do make your bookings early; the Trybooking link for the Glenelg Golf Club event



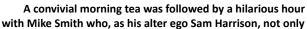
will be emailed to members soon, also in the next Probe (not available for the current issue). The delay was explained by Valerie, who also congratulated our Past President Myra on the award of Life Membership to the Adelaide Music Club, which she has promoted so enthusiastically, a fitting reward, like Frank's re-election as president of Friends of Carrick Hill. She made a request for recommendations of reliable tradespeople to circulate in Probe before welcoming and introducing new members Marg Cunningham and Jo Tustin. Other

promotions added to Jan's outline of coming events, with Frank's preview of Christmas at Carrick Hill, Myra's Christmas Party night at the Music Club, Annette's final call for wedding photos for the Probus Christmas Tree at the Tree Festival (4-7 December) at the Anglican Church near Coles in Glenelg. David Harris talked about a possible Men's Group for our members and invited those

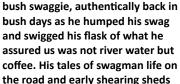
interested to join him at mid-morning to discuss when and where.

In lieu of Member Moments, Andrew Sim gave a most informative account of cruising, and the possibilities offered by Cruise Globe

to find details of potential cruises and to keep a record of those undertaken. His slides made this very clear.



fully looked but also totally lived the role of a



were engrossing, with many memorable moments, including the account of Hungry Tyson, who was 'too mean to give give his dog a drink from a mirage'.

Stories of Banjo Paterson, and the origins of Merino sheep breeding in Australia gave a new slant and lots of information



about our wool industry, leading to a fresh understanding of the traditional

concept of Australia 'riding on the sheep's back'. His slides were fascinating, both of early days and familiar Aussie icons, like the famous Tom Roberts' painting Shearing the Rams. He brought to an end a most enjoyable General Meeting, the last for this year, before 36 members went on to the traditional GSLC lunch.









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President's Message

The November meeting was one of the best attended meetings since our club's inception. After a small audio blip, the meeting was fast-paced and entertaining. Andrew Sims showed us an App which tracks cruise ships and their journeys, which was of interest to many people. Our guest speaker, Mike Smith, gave a fast paced and fascinating overview of sheep shearing in Australia since colonisation. His recall of hundreds of facts, events and historical developments was simply awesome. Lunch at the Surf Club was well attended, with the Seniors lunch a popular choice.

The December meeting will be Christmas lunch at the Glenelg Golf Club. We hope to see as many of you as possible to enjoy what is always an enjoyable event.

Our first meeting in the new year will be on Friday 9th January. Stay well, Kay





HAPPY HOUR



The October Happy Hour at the Glenelg Surf Lifesaving Club on Friday 231 celebrated Halloween with a friendly drink, with a number staying on for dinner. It's always the LAST Friday in the month, so think about joining us for the final gathering for 2025, on November 28, but please book on Trybooking. Easy parking under the building. Just look for our table - you'll be very welcome. No December gathering, but put Jan. 30 on your calendar.









CALENDAR EVENTS

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

Friday, November 21:10.30 am Seniors film at the Mercury. The Room Next Door

Wed., November 26: 10 am Coffee at Swedish Tarts Friday, November 28: 5 pm Happy Hour at GSLC and optional dinner after at GLSC - last for 2025

Sunday, Nov. 30: 12.00-2.00 pm (last) Barbies'n'Bocce Wed., December 3: 11 am Last 2025 Walking group A Friday, December 5: 12.30 pm Christmas meeting at Glenelg Golf Club - lunch and entertainment

Wed., December 10: 10 am Coffee at Swedish Tarts - last for 2025

Monday, January 5: 1.00 pm Committee meeting Friday, January 9: 9.30 am General meeting with guest speaker John Tuckwell (Farina)

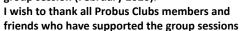
Wednesday, January 21: 6 pm Dinner at Ottoman Grill, 168C Jetty Road, Glenelg

Friday, January 30: 5 pm Happy Hour at GSLC and optional dinner after at GLSC

Wedesday, February 4: 10 am Walking group A Monday, February 5: 1.00 pm Committee meeting Wed., February 11: 10 am Coffee at Swedish Tarts Friday, February 13: 9.30 am General meeting: guest speaker Lynette Zeitz. Optional lunch at GSLC

IT Conversation Group Session

The Probus Club of Marion IT Conversation (Computer) Group is in recess now until our next group session (February 2026).



and I do hope you have learnt something as I do from every session.
The more who attend these sessions make the IT Group more successful and for Emily from the Community Programs and events office – Libraries / City of Marion Council and our own Probus Member Lou Leeuwrik who I thank for all their assistance and I do hope they also enjoy our sessions.

I wish all a Merry Christmas and a safe and Prosperous 2026, and I do hope to see you all at our next session in February.

Dates to mark into your Diaries:

February 6th, 2026 – Emily, with no Topic at this stage just a session to

revise our computer skills.

March 6th

April 10th- Emily

May 1st

June 5th - Emily

July 3rd

August 7th - Emily

All Our and other Probus club members,

partners and friends are welcome.

See you on the first Friday of

every month from February 2026.

Regards Bob Brammy

Probus Club of Marion

IT Conversation coordinator contact: brammy.bob@gmail.com

or 0417126200



WALKING GROUPS: Walking group A

Only one walk in November due to the date of the second planned walk clashing with the visit to Monarto Zoo, hence the cancellation. Our walk at West Beach which encompassed the wetlands was a hit as there was birdlife and plenty of water in the lake putting us all in a good frame of mind.

Wednesday 3 December We will meet at Rex Jones Reserve, between Allchurch and Talbot Avenues, North Plympton, at the later time of 11.00 am. At the conclusion we will have our Christmas picnic lunch - bring your own food and something to drink. All Probus members are invited to join the group at 12 noon

We are in recess in January so the first walk in 2026 will be on Wednesday 4 February with details in the January issue of Probe.

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:

Last coffee mornings for 2025 are coming up, and we'd love you to join this friendly group at Swedish Tarts, Nile St., Glenelg opposite Coles (easy parking) on Wednesday November 26 and December 10 before our Christmas break. You'll find our usual table down the back, and a very warm welcome. A short break (10-11 am) in your Christmas shopping!

Further information: Marilyn (0413 222 983) or Marie (0409 673 000)











BARBIES and BOCCE

Our Probus Month celebration was combined with the Barecue on October 26 where a larger than usual crowd gathered under the Probus balloons at Sandison Reserve, Fourth Avenue, Glenelg East, for a celebratory lunch and a barbecue before the traditional bocce. Always fun, so come and join us for the last event of 2025 on Sunday, November 30. 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









Jan Fletcher went south ...



It was a small 14 person, 7 day tour with Under Downunder commencing in Hobart and winding our way clockwise around the State.

We encountered all the elements during the first three days, some on the same day. The Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area included the world's tallest gum trees, Mt Field, Russell Falls, Nelson Falls and Lake St Clair where it was snowing and freezing. Arriving at Strahan we took a nature cruise on the Gordon River. Next stop was Cradle Mountain, to walk around Dove Lake, where there was still plenty of snow. After an overnight stay in Launceston visiting Cataract Gorge with its gorgeous peacocks we drove to Bay of Fires on the Freycinet Peninsula. There were lots of hikes to favourite spots such as Wineglass Bay before heading to a winery for a tasting and plump oysters. There was much more: Tasmanian Devils, Mt Wellington, Mona, Richmond, Australia's oldest bridge and the infamous Port Arthur on the stunning Tasman Peninsula. My only regret is having to choose between a Gordon River Cruise or a walk/hike in the Tarkine to Tasmania's highest waterfall, Montezuma Falls....I will have to return....

Jan Fletcher





Julie Bottomley (7th)
Christine Bowes (18th)
David Bowes (21st)
Carol Mayger(19th)
Coral Nagel (13th)
Patricia Newport (6th)
Kathy White (22nd)

Greetings to any others we may have missed.



Bruce Philp from Lockleys Probus is organising a trip to Ballarat 15th-20th March 2026 and has 4 cabins available. He has asked If Glenelg Bay Probus could canvas our Members (see below) to see if anyone would like to go. If they would they should contact Bruce Philps (email kc.shea@outlook.com) ASAP.

I have copies of the Itinerary; the cost of the tour is \$620.00, + accommodation (to be booked by Bruce, payment will be digect with Eureka Stockade Holiday Park), + four – A La Cart meals, as indicated on the Itinerary. A deposit of \$210.00 is required, no later than 31 October*, and full payment no later than, January 30 – 2026. (* NB Date of this payment will have to be flexible)

Please, also see the Eureka Stockade Holiday Park, room's attachment, for accommodation cost, from the top of the page, the following rooms are available. (34, 35, 6 and 23) The room price is per day, (x5).

I will require any participant's name, phone number, email address, and at least one, preferably two emergency contact details, name, phone numbers and relationship, this information will be destroyed at the conclusion of the tour.



MY NEIGHBOR JUST YELLED AT HER KIDS SO LOUD THAT EVEN I BRUSHED MY TEETH AND WENT TO BED.









OFF WITH THE ANIMALS

Our Probus Club visit to Monarto Safari Park on Wednesday November 19 was a most enjoyable day. Twenty two people boarded the safari bus keen to spot the animals. We weren't disappointed! The guide and drivers provided us with information and fun facts, adding to the experience. November proved to be an ideal time to visit with many animal babies to see. We spotted baby bison, a baby giraffe, young chimps and meerkats. It was wonderful to see the elephants exploring their new environment under the watchful eye of their keepers. Some members of our group were able to watch the cheetah feeding time. We can't forget the black rhino, white rhinos, lions, hunting dogs and hyenas. So much to see and well worth a visit. Peter and Rosemary Molden-Hauer





FOCH- Fund raising movie event- JAY KELLY Sunday 23 November 2025 2:30 PM

JAY KELLY, which is a comedy/drama movie, follows the famous movie actor Jay Kelly (George Clooney) and his devoted manager Ron (Adam Sandler) as they embark on a whirlwind and unexpectedly profound journey through Europe. Along the way both men are forced to confront the choices they have made, the relationships with their loved ones and the legacies they leave behind.

Location: Wallis Cinema- Mitcham

Level 1 Mitcham Shopping Centre, 119 Belair Road, Torrens Park SA

Tickets: \$20 (INCLUDES A COMPLIMENTARY RAFFLE TICKET).

Book at Trybooking FOCH- Fund raising movie event- JAY KELLY



HOW TO HELP YOUR COMMITTEE.

- 1. Please wear your badge to meetings.
- 2. Please book for meetings or text Margaret Miatke to book you in, unless you have an arrangement with Kathy Kingston or Annette Pelling for booking.
- 3. Please text an apology to Annette Pelling on 0414851029 if you can't attend a meeting.
- 4. Please let Marie Seeley or a committee member know if you hear of a club member being unwell or having surgery and you think they would like a get well card.











MEMBER NEWS

Cathryn Wellner and Robin Jarman moved to Australia just in time, as their grandchildren are all edging toward independence. Their oldest, Lily, graduates high school this year. We were

thrilled to be in Torquay to watch her receive awards. Cathry comments on her photo: Our award-winning grandchild is graduating from high school. How did the years pass so quickly?

David Harris and his flute enjoy their time with the Second Wind Ensemble, who played recently at the Open Day at Government Hose. Several of our members were in the audience, some of whom were picnickers on the lawns.

Jean Lewis is thrilled and proud to announce the arrival of Kaylee Jane, her 11th great grandchild

Aime Bowers says: Getting old is a very fattening experience. I found that turning 94 last month,

celebrating the occasion with my golfing partners and friends at Grange, then with my gym partners at my place, followed by my family at the pub and then lunch with my old friend Winnie. She is a year and

25 days older than I and we have been friends and neighbours for only 73 years, which constitutes Old without being derogatory in any way. Celebrations finished with a chokky frog from the Probus Club. I find I

must be at least a stone heavier than when I started ... Though I must say I enjoyed every moment of it and would like to thank every one of them for making getting old bearable.

Vienna and Budapest the Arrowsmiths are back home in Glenelg. However, their bad luck continues because their car needs a new gearbox at \$4500 and Caroline has had surgery on her foot and will be wearing a very

Shirley and Kevin Roberts attended the West Adelaide Club to listen to Greg

have supplied are going to make a splendid showing on our Probus Christmas Tree at the Festival in St Peter's, Glenelg (near Coles) on Wednesday 3rd to Sunday 7th December (see advertisment pg. 8) so plan on coming to see our display. Lots of Christmas gifts available too.

A well-earned acknowledgement of the many years of hard work Myra Starick has given to Adelaide Music Club, when she was presented with Life Membership of the organisation. Her

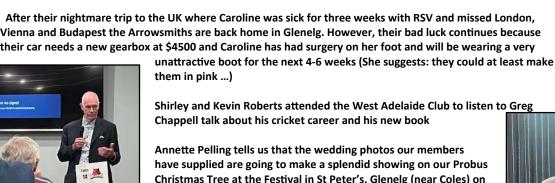
enthusiasm and efforts have contributed enormously to the success of this thriving body of music lovers.

Julie Lamb cruised through the Hawaian Islands. She saw some interesting places including the Waimea Canyon, Fern Grotto and Pearl Harbour.

To all our readers - and especially the contributors to this column, many thanks for your support. We know that 'Member News' is one of the most popular pages in Probe but it depends on your input each month (deadline: the Friday after the montly General meeting.) Please keep it in mind.

















A.M.C. MUSIC PROGRAMME 2026 - Proposed artists

2nd Feb

Groove Brothers and Soul Sister Groovy Night in Oz

2nd March

Dave Freeman Neil Diamond

13th April

Brazil Nuts Orchestra 50's - 60's

4th May

The Rejuvenators 60's-70's-80's

1st June Timlin's Green Irish Band

6th July Vogue Duo – Antonio and Kate Villano Stage Shows

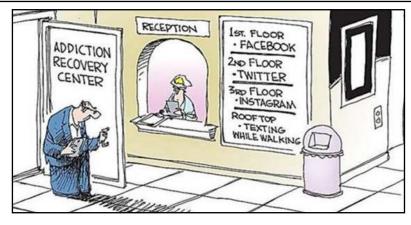
3rd August Rock Doctors 60's-70's

7th September Libby O'Donovan & Michael Griffiths Broadway

12th October Oranges and Lemons ohn Lennon

9th November Salt and Pepper Big Band 18 piece Big Band

7th December Greg Hart and Jus Fa Fun Christmas Dinner









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1⁵⁷ PRIZE: PEARL STUDS – 18ct White Gold, Natural Tahitian Keshi Pearls donated by KIP WILCKENS JEWELLERS. Value: \$800



2ND PRIZE: Family of 4 tickets to ADELAIDE MOTORSPORT FESTIVAL plus premium carpark pass. Sunday 1st March 2026 Value: \$210

All proceeds towards The Storybook Trail at Carrick Hill.

Raffle drawn 6pm, 11th December 2025 at Carrick Hill. Winners published on The Friends of Carrick Hill website

TICKETS AT: Trybooking FOCH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



They need help on Thursday 4th December between 2-4.00pm.
Saturday 6th between 12-2.00pm. And Sunday 7th between 12-2.00 pm
Anyone who can help please contact Annette 0414 851 029

FILM LOVERS ALERT

Probus movie-lovers monthly event: A comment on last week's film from film group coordinator, Anna Bianchi

It's interesting that here I am about to write about the next Mercury movies for the Probus movie group, but instead I am contemplating what we saw today, *The Room Next Door* directed by Pedro Almodovar. We, the Probus group, discussed the movie at length over lunch afterwards - helped greatly by the talk on screenwriting after the showing.

At the time of viewing I found it seemingly a too predictable portrayal of a serious dilemma, dying and euthanasia. But what I am now thinking about is the meaningful mention in the movie of the final short story, *The Dead*, in James Joyce's book *Dubliners*. Why is it there in the movie? is the question.

Our after-the-movie discussion revolved around each of our stories of people we have known and been there for through the process of dying. Indeed our conversation often involved the contemplation of the lives of those people who have died. Just as James Joyce wrote, this contemplation of the dead had an enlivening effect on us and the lives we are now living.

But enter the character of Damien, friend and lover of both main female characters of the movie. He brings to our consciousness the fact that the world, too, is ill with the threat of dying. Where is the lover of the world, and the support for the world in its decline? It's certainly not in the policeman (read America?)

investigating the death of Martha (Tilda Swinton) who has chosen to euthanise herself with her supportive friend in the "room next door". The religious, moralising crank of a policeman is determined to have Ingrid (Julianne Moore), in the "room next door", incriminated for conspiring with Martha in her murder.

Where in the world is the supportive, understanding friend, as Ingrid learns to be throughout the movie, for the world in its state of sickness? An altogether challenging and thought-provoking question.

So that's me speaking, Anna Bianchi. Come along and add your voices to (optional) future movie discussion over a coffee shop lunch.

Friday 12th December 10.30am - Two Prosecutors (involving a dangerous journey in Stalin's USSR)

Friday 19th December 10,30am - Prime Minister (regarding Jacinda Ardern as PM of NZ)
Remember morning tea is at 10am

Further information: Mercury Cinema web page https://themercury.org.au/

or from Anna Bianchi 0438 390 337

(Ed: At \$10 a film, this is remarkable value!)

