



Combined Probus Club of St. Helena Inc.

Incorporation No: A00048111V

Fellowship, Friendship and Fun

August

# Newsletter

**Monday**  
**18 August 2025**

(entry from **9:30am**)

**Please do not attend if  
unwell**

**General Meeting  
10:00am**

**Guest Speaker**  
**Mark "Squiz" Squirrell OAM**

## Venue and Meetings

**RSL Greensborough**  
**111 Main Street,**  
**Greensborough**  
on the 3rd Monday of each  
month, 10:00am, unless  
otherwise advised

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**Club Website**  
[https://www.probussouthpacific.o  
rg/microsites/sthelenacombined](https://www.probussouthpacific.org/microsites/sthelenacombined)

**Next Meeting**  
Monday 15 September  
At 10:00am



## President's Message

Welcome to the August newsletter, which is more enjoyable than opening the morning newspaper and being bombarded with tragic and violent news stories.

As I write this, the sun is shining brightly and I have recently seen some wattle trees in bloom – good signs indeed of what is ahead.

To say that Pat single handedly produces a fabulous newsletter has never been more true. A big thanks to Pat for producing this edition under extremely difficult circumstances - and with only one hand (one *finger*, actually)! Having given all those at the last meeting quite a scare, Pat is recovering slowly at home with the assistance of her lovely daughter, Jill (over from New Zealand). The road to recovery is going to be a long and painful one for Pat, but her stoicism is shining through - no surprise to those who know her well.

Our Christmas in July lunch at the Montmorency/Eltham RSL saw 63 of our members enjoying some bright music, lovely morning tea and lunch, and as always when we are together, a lot of friendly chatter and laughter.

Speaking of good food, 40 of us had a wonderful time at Swipers Gully Restaurant this month and enjoyed a delicious 3 course dinner prepared and served by the students of Eltham College. As has been the case in the past, our meals were top quality and the students did a great job honing their "front of house" skills. Let's be honest here, anything we don't have to cook for ourselves is good, and this certainly didn't disappoint.

**Kaye**

Contributions for  
September issue to  
Pat Cartwright  
by Wed 3 September

### ***Vale***

#### **Joan Davies**

Died 26/07/25

It is with sadness that we say good-bye to Joan, who was, with Jack, a Foundation Member of this club and enjoyed many Probus activities over the years.  
We extend our sympathy to Jack and the family.



## **BIRTHDAYS**

Trevor Cameron      0455 281 740



To Pat Agius, Sue Ciravolo, Marie Daye, Fred Harrington OAM, Wendy Lewis, Una Macklin, Sue McDonald, Doug Munro, Ian Murton, John Shewan and Jill Wallis.

## **GUEST SPEAKERS**

Fred Harrington OAM    0417 116 304    fred.harrington@techinfo.com.au

### **AUGUST – MARK 'SQUIZ' SQUIRRELL OAM**

Mark's tenure with the military provided him with the skills and courage to succeed amongst adversity and turmoil. It was the perfect grounding for a career as an International Aid Worker. In addition to this, Squiz has taken the concept of being motivated at work to an all new high. He was inspired by his organisation, the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP), and the impoverished people that it feeds, to climb to the top of the world in order to raise awareness of the global hunger crisis. After a gruelling six-week ordeal, Squiz raised the WFP flag on the summit of Mount Everest

***Fred***



*thank you*

to everyone for your assistance  
and kindness in the aftermath of  
my tumble last meeting.

Pat C

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## A LITTLE BIT OF BUSINESS

### REVISED CONSTITUTION AND STANDING RESOLUTIONS

#### MOTIONS ON NOTICE

#### 18 August 2025 meeting of the Combined Probus Club of St Helena Inc.

- a. That members, by special resolution, hereby adopt the Recommended Constitution provided by Probus South Pacific Limited replacing any current Constitution of the Club.
- b. That members hereby adopt the attached Standing Resolutions replacing any current Standing Resolutions of the Club.

**Note:** the Standing Resolutions are attached to the August meeting agenda.

### REGISTRATION FORM FOR OUTINGS, ACTIVITIES AND TOURS

- Another reminder that **every** member and non-member participating in meetings and activities is required to complete one of these forms.
- **This form is not optional.** It is required as part of Probus National Insurance Program.
- The form also includes an important section for updating contact details.
- Please lodge your form with the Membership Officer, Neville Jenkin, as soon as possible.
- **Note: As shown on the form, the emergency contact person listed should not be a member of the Club.**

### PAYMENTS MADE AT A PROBUS MEETING

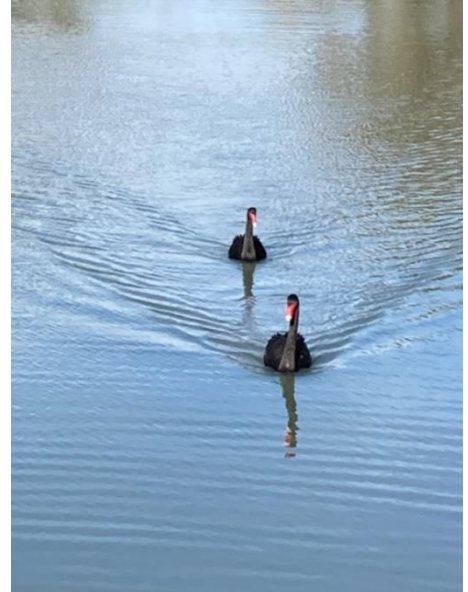
Cheque is accepted or Cash **PROVIDED THE EXACT AMOUNT IS PAID**, as change is not able to be provided. Two pink slips are required, **each completed with your name and the details of the event.** One slip will be stamped and returned to you as your proof of payment.

**Entry payment made at the door by visitors and non-members is \$5 (no pink slip required).**



## OUT AND ABOUT

### AUGUST WALK – Laurimar Wetlands



*Fresh air, Nature, gentle walk and conversation*

### COUNTRY CHRISTMAS IN JULY

*Just two cowboys having a rockin' good time*



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## **SWIPERS GULLY RESTAURANT**



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## WALKING GROUP

Garry Solum 0417 274 421

[garrysforklift@hotmail.com](mailto:garrysforklift@hotmail.com)

### **AUGUST – Wednesday 20 at 10:00am – Lower Eltham Park**

We will meet at Lower Eltham Park (near miniature train)

Map reference 21,10 H

From there we will wind our way to **Second Home Café** for refreshments and return alternate route.

Hope to see you there.

**Garry**



## STRATHALLAN GOLF

Don Gowers 0474 209 278

Any member interested in a relaxing nine holes of golf, followed by a social cup of tea/coffee, please join our regular group of Probus members **EVERY** Tuesday at the Strathallan Golf Club, 100 Main Drive Bundoora. Our normal tee off times are between 8:00 and 8:30. New players - please phone or e-mail.

**Don**

## GARDENS

Jan Baker 0438 194 400 [stujanb@bigpond.net.au](mailto:stujanb@bigpond.net.au)

### **OCTOBER – Thursday 02 at 10:30am - Ivy Lea Garden**

**\$25**

1 Wild Duck Way, Whittlesea

This is a private garden and morning tea is included.

Lunch afterwards at the Royal Mail Hotel Whittlesea or the Whittlesea Bowling Club - TBA.

Click on this link to access the booking form for **Ivy Lea Garden** or contact me.

<https://forms.gle/PuZ4768z7WHdXUA76>

15 September - Bookings due

15 September meeting - Deadline for cheque/cash payment, using a pink slip (cheque preferred or correct money)

25 Sep - EFT payment deadline, using Payment Code **IVY** [Surname, initial]

**Jan**

## DINE OUTS / ACTIVITIES

### **NOVEMBER – Monday 03 at 2:30pm – CUP EVE AFTERNOON TEA** No charge

Westerfolds Park. Enter from Main Gate on Fitzsimons Lane, Templestowe. Follow the roadway through the parklands to the Red Stringy Bark picnic shelter (the usual shelter, between the large play area and the toilets) Melway 33F1

**BYO drinks plus a “share plate” for a communal afternoon tea plus some gold coins for Cup Sweeps.**

To have an idea of attendance, please click on this link to access the **Expression of Interest** form for **Cup Eve Afternoon Tea**

<https://forms.gle/STRpyPw4ceqot895A>

31 October - Expression of Interest due

**Wendy Lewis**

0407 680 036

[wendy.lew@bigpond.com](mailto:wendy.lew@bigpond.com)



## DINE OUTS / ACTIVITIES

### SAVE THESE DATES



#### **NOVEMBER – Thursday 06 – PIYADA THAI MACLEOD**

72 Aberdeen Rd, Macleod

**Alyson & Bruce Lohrey** 0456 773 487 [bruce.lohrey40@bigpond.com](mailto:bruce.lohrey40@bigpond.com)

#### **DECEMBER – Thursday 11 at 12 noon to 4:00pm – CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**

Heidelberg Golf Club, 8 Main Road, Lower Plenty

**Sue & Phil Ciravolo** 0408 993 523 or 0409 940 468 [ciravolo@netspace.net.au](mailto:ciravolo@netspace.net.au)

#### **JANUARY – Thursday 8 at 9:30am – SLICES AT DOREEN BRUNCH**

1/80 Hazel Glen Drive, Doreen

**Jan Baker** 0438 194 400 [stujanb@bigpond.net.au](mailto:stujanb@bigpond.net.au)

## THEATRE

Heather Wilson 0409 137 043 [mrsraw48@gmail.com](mailto:mrsraw48@gmail.com)

- **A Booking Form is required for EACH person attending.**
- **Theatre outings are primarily for Probus members, then friends (provided they are Seniors).**

Pre-Payment is required for all **Theatre** and should be paid into the **Trip Account**  
See details on the Payments Page of the newsletter.

#### **AUGUST – Wednesday 27 at 1:00pm – “Annie”**

Princess Theatre, 163 Spring Street, Melbourne

These seats will be in the **Stalls**.

Bookings and payments were due 16 June.

#### **FEBRUARY – Wednesday 11 at 1:00pm – “Anastasia”**

**\$72**

Regent Theatre, 191 Collins Street

Click on this link to access the booking form for **Anastasia** or contact me.

<https://forms.gle/A3UqGubFG9GZxhnQ6>

17 November meeting - Deadline for cheque/cash payment, using a pink slip  
(cheque preferred or correct money)

17 November - EFT payment deadline, using Payment Code **ANA** [Surname, initial]

**Heather Wilson**



## TRIPS and TOURS

Phil Ciravolo 0409 940 468 [ciravolo@netspace.net.au](mailto:ciravolo@netspace.net.au)

### **SEPTEMBER – Thursday 18 at 10:00am**

#### **OPTION 1 – Eltham Cemetery and Eltham Courthouse and lunch at Eltham Hotel (own cost) FULLY BOOKED**

Location - Eltham Cemetery enter car park via Metery Road, Eltham

10.00 am start at the **Cemetery**, which will be for approx. 1.5 hours, then to the **Courthouse** for a 30 minute tour, after which we will adjourn to the **Eltham Hotel** for lunch around 12.30 pm (own cost).

Please note we are limited to **20 members at the Cemetery and Courthouse**.

Please click on this link to access the booking form for **Eltham Cemetery and Eltham Courthouse and Lunch at Eltham Hotel**

<https://forms.gle/MLc16K1NchLbC5Qm8>

#### **04 September - Bookings due**

**NOTE: Limited to the first 20 members to register on-line or with Phil.**

**Cost:** Donation to Eltham District Historical Society (there is a donation box at Eltham Courthouse).

Lunch at own cost

#### **OPTION 2 – Lunch only, at Eltham Hotel at 12.30 pm (own cost)**

Location - Eltham Hotel 746 Main Road, Eltham

Given there is a 20-member limit on the tours, some members may wish to join us for lunch only.

So, should you wish to attend for **lunch only**, please complete the following booking form for **Eltham Hotel Lunch**:

<https://forms.gle/5mR1xA1BAUno4de7>

#### **04 September - Bookings due**

Once you have completed the form for one person you will have the option to click on "submit another response" to add another person. Please remember each person attending needs to complete a separate booking form for each activity.

### **NOVEMBER – Thursday 20 - 10:00am to 2:30pm – Beleura House and Garden Tour**

1 Tallis Drive, Mornington

**\$58**

This is a beautiful historic house with a lovely garden - simple morning tea / coffee and light lunch (sandwiches and a dessert) included. The \$58 does not include transport. We would need to car pool, and likely leaving from Greensborough around 8.30 am to get to Mornington by 10.00 am.

We park at the Mornington Golf Club, Tallis Drive and Beleura will transport us to the property in 2 mini-buses. Trip is only 3 minutes away. The limit is 36 members. I encourage you to check out the website for more details <https://beleura.org.au>

Click on this link to access the booking form for **Beleura House and Garden Tour**, or contact me:

<https://forms.gle/G4zpmcfGHM9QzQot7>

20 October - Bookings due

20 October - Deadline for cheque/cash payment, using a pink slip (cheque preferred or correct money)

03 November - EFT payment deadline, using Payment Code **BELEURA** (Surname, Initial)

**Phil**



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## CARAVAN and CABINS GROUP

Chris Kelly, 0417 571 588, [chrisnshirl@bigpond.com](mailto:chrisnshirl@bigpond.com) and David Wright 0438 740 353

### **OCTOBER – Tuesday 21 to Sunday 26**

#### **Moama Riverside Holiday Park**

Corner Cobb Hwy & Shaw Street, MOAMA, NSW 2731

Phone: **03 5482 3241**

Web: [www.moamariverside.com.au](http://www.moamariverside.com.au)



The park has a fire pit that we intend to utilise. Plans are being discussed on that front. The people at the park have offered to provide the meat for a BBQ for one of our communal BBQ dinners – probably Thursday evening. More on that next month.

Seats have been reserved (and paid for) for two river cruises. One cruise provides lunch at Morrisons winery (21 members) and the other cruise is a 60 minutes cruise on the Murray (24 members). We have booked dinners at two pubs and golf at a 9-hole course in Moama.

At the moment we have 49 members heading to Moama and an empty waiting list.

### **MARCH 2026 – Tuesday 17 to Sunday 22**

#### **BIG4 Ingenia Holidays Queenscliff Beacon**

78 Bellarine Highway Queenscliff, Victoria

Phone: **03 5258 1133**

If you wish to join the group, please ring the park and mention **Group Booking No 56390** and make an appropriate booking. Please then advise **Chris Kelly** of your booking.

At the moment we have 46 members heading to Queenscliff and an empty waiting list.

Regards

***Chris Kelly & David Wright***

**Convenors – Caravan and Cabin Group**

0417 571 588

## YOUR COMMITTEE FOR 2025/26

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### **Appointed Officers**

<b>Assistant Treasurer</b>	John Wallis	0408 889 158	<a href="mailto:jandjwallis@netspace.net.au">jandjwallis@netspace.net.au</a>
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	Ralph Green	0411 139 245	<a href="mailto:rebgfound@gmail.com">rebgfound@gmail.com</a>
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	Chris Kelly	0417 571 588	<a href="mailto:chrisnshirl@bigpond.com">chrisnshirl@bigpond.com</a>
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### **Sub Committees and Organisers**

<b>Caravan and Cabins</b>	Chris Kelly	0417 571 588	<a href="mailto:chrisnshirl@bigpond.com">chrisnshirl@bigpond.com</a>
	David Wright	0438 740 353	<a href="mailto:davidawright47@icloud.com">davidawright47@icloud.com</a>
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<b>Assistants</b>	Lyn Lighton	0413 725 577	<a href="mailto:llighton@optusnet.com.au">llighton@optusnet.com.au</a>
<b>Strathallan Golf</b>	Don Gowers	0474 209 278	<a href="mailto:dgowers01@yahoo.com.au">dgowers01@yahoo.com.au</a>
<b>Theatre</b>	Heather Wilson	0409 137 043	<a href="mailto:mrsraw48@gmail.com">mrsraw48@gmail.com</a>
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**Dine Outs and Activities** Please refer to the newsletter for the organisers each month

**Membership Attendances:** It is important that members ensure their names are marked off the attendance list at the door when entering each month. If you do not have your name marked off the attendance list, you will not be covered by insurance so please keep this in mind. Attendance at not less than six meetings per club year is required to retain your membership, subject to leave of absence in cases of sickness or on other reasonable grounds. Members not attending meetings and failing to submit an apology for three meetings in the club year, 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March, will be deemed to have relinquished their membership, which will be terminated and the member notified accordingly.

**Apologies:** If you are unable to attend a meeting please submit an apology to  
**Lorraine Jelley** 0419 547 941  
[ljelley@hotmail.com](mailto:ljelley@hotmail.com)

**Welfare:** Please advise **Jan Spiden** if you are ill or know of another member who may not be well so the club can keep in contact and offer support. The Road to Recovery may be mentioned at a Probus meeting, but medical condition details are not made public without prior approval of the member.

## MY BOOKINGS FOR UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Activity Date	Activity	Bookings Due	Booked
Thu 18 Sep	Trip: Eltham Cemetery & Courthouse Tours & <u>Eltham Hotel Lunch</u>	4 September	
Thu 18 Sep	Dineout: Eltham Hotel Lunch	4 September	
Thu 02 Oct	Garden: Ivy Lea Garden	15 September	
Mon 03 Nov	Cup Eve Afternoon Tea	31 October	
Thu 20 Nov	Trip: Beleura House & Garden	20 October	
Wed 11 Feb	Theatre: <i>Anastasia</i>	before 17 Nov	

## PAYMENTS FOR UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Activity Date	Activity	Deadlines for payment		EFT Payment Activity Code	Cost
		Meeting	EFT		
Thu 02 Oct	Garden: Ivy Lea Garden	15 Sep	25 Sep	IVY	\$25
Thu 20 Nov	Trip: Beleura House & Garden	20 Oct	03 Nov	BELEURA	\$58
Wed 11 Feb	Theatre: <i>Anastasia</i>	17 Nov	17 Nov	ANA	\$72

Pre-Payment for Activities (trips, tours, dine-outs, theatre, activities) should be paid into the **Trip Account**:

Account Name: Combined Probus Club St Helena Inc **Trip Account**

BSB: 033053

Account Number: 386630

**Reference (mandatory):** Activity Code Surname Initial (or initials if two with same surname)

Payments of Annual Subscriptions (1 April to 31 Mar), Pro-Rata Annual Subscriptions and Club name badge and Replacement Club name badges should be made into the **General Account**:

Account Name: Combined Probus Club St Helena Inc **General Account**

BSB: 033053

Account Number: 386622

**Email notification:** Email address of current Treasurer **mrraw49@gmail.com**

**Reference (mandatory):** SUBS Surname Initial (or initials if two with same surname)

(or for example: BADGE Surname Initial)

Note: Annual Subscription is \$35

**All other payments are into the Trip Account.**



## FUTURE OUTINGS and ACTIVITIES

**Weekly: Strathallan Golf every Tuesday**

**\*\*\* ANY CHANGES TO ACTIVITIES WILL BE ADVISED AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE \*\*\***

**Wearing your name badge is required at club meetings and suggested for social functions**

AUGUST 2025			DECEMBER 2025		
Mon	18	Probus Meeting	Thu	11	Dineout: Christmas Luncheon
Wed	20	Walk: Lower Eltham Park	Mon	15	Probus Meeting
Wed	27	Theatre: <i>Annie</i>	Wed	17	Walk: tbc
SEPTEMBER 2025			JANUARY 2026		
Mon	15	Probus Meeting	Thu	08	Dineout: Slices at Doreen Brunch
Wed	17	Walk:	Mon	19	Probus Meeting
Thu	18	Trip: Eltham Cemetery & Eltham Courthouse & lunch Eltham Hotel or Dineout: Eltham Hotel Lunch	Mon	26	Australia Day Function
OCTOBER 2025			FEBRUARY 2026		
Thu	02	Garden: Ivy Lea Garden	Wed	11	Theatre: <i>Anastasia</i>
Wed	15	Walk:	Mon	16	Probus Meeting
Mon	20	Probus Meeting	Wed	18	Walk:
Tue-Sun	21-26	Caravan and Cabins: Moama Riverside Holiday Park, Moama			
NOVEMBER 2025			MARCH 2026		
Mon	03	Cup Eve Afternoon Tea	Wed	11	Walk: note change of date
Thu	06	Dineout: Piyada Thai Macleod	Mon	16	Probus Meeting
Mon	17	Probus Meeting	Tue-Sun	17-22	Caravan and Cabins: Big 4 Ingenia Holidays Queenscliff Beacon
Wed	19	Walk:			
Thu	20	Trip: Beleura House & Garden			

### BOOKING AN ACTIVITY AND PAYMENTS FOR ACTIVITIES

#### • STEP 1 – BOOK

**Note: this STEP 1 is required before undertaking STEP 2!!!!**

Each activity has its own Booking Form. Click on the link in the newsletter. **A separate booking is to be submitted for each person OR** book direct with the organiser.

#### • STEP 2 – PAY

EFT payments are made to the Trip Account; one payment per activity, quoting the advertised EFT Payment Activity Code and showing Surname and Initial (or initials, if for 2 people) **OR** pay at a Probus Meeting by cheque or correct cash and submitting two Pink Slips, filled out in full.