



# The Probus Club of Grovedale Marshall Inc.

Club Number N9004163

Newsletter

November 2025

## Apologies



**If you are unable to attend a meeting, please phone or send a message to Wendy Poyner on 0488 435 702 or email her at [mwpoyner@hotmail.com](mailto:mwpoyner@hotmail.com)**

Management  
Committee Meeting

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
December 2025  
Waurn Ponds Hotel  
Café,  
1154 Princes Hwy,  
Waurn Ponds  
10.00am



Members Monthly  
Meeting

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>  
December 2025  
Grovedale  
Community Hub  
Heyers Road 9.30 for  
10am start.

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## From the President's Desk



How gratifying it is for your Prez to be able to welcome new members to our little club, when asked of one of the ladies what prompted her to seek membership...her answer was simply "I heard that there is a lot of fun here". That encapsulates exactly what I have been trying to achieve since I became President.

Our monthly meeting attendance numbers have been getting better each month...we must be doing something right!

Until next time I leave you with the following dose of Terry type wisdom.  
"Carrots are good for eyesight. Ever seen a rabbit wearing glasses?"

Cheers,  
Terry

## Annual Fees information for members and prospective members

Membership fees are again unchanged and were ratified at the March 2025 Annual General Meeting and are \$45 per annum for existing members and \$75 for new members to join (this includes the cost of your badge and the annual membership fee). A schedule of reduced fees applies for new members joining during the year.

Annual fees are payable **before the end of April** each year. They can be paid using direct payment (EFT) to: Grovedale Marshall Probus account. Bendigo Bank. BSB 633 108 Account Number 1560 52813. Please make sure you put your name and the reason for the payment in the reference field so that the Treasurer can correctly identify the payee and the reason for the payment.

## Lunches



20th November lunch at 12pm at Jugni Asian Fusion restaurant at Wauru Ponds shops. Lunch special of curry, rice, naan bread and riata. They also have Chinese meals.

27th November lunch at 12pm at The Grovedale Hotel, 236-258 Torquay Rd, Grovedale.



Friday December 5th Christmas lunch onboard the Hygeia. All will meet at the Hub no later than 10.50am ready to leave at 11am.

Two buses are booked so far and can be changed if necessary.

To be included in an activity or lunch it is imperative to sign the list on the back table for that event as we must book in advance. A reminder is sent the weekend before, when changes can usually be made. Please do the right thing and let Shaaron know on 5241 5729 on [s.glynn@sageadvice.com.au](mailto:s.glynn@sageadvice.com.au) if you wish to add your name to a list or remove it if you are unable to go to lunches or outings.

**A very warm welcome to our new members Gayle Dowling and Marianna Clennett.**



## Activity of the month (1) - MG Museum of the Marque



On Friday 24th October, those members who describe themselves as “rev heads” enjoyed an amazing visit to the "MG Museum of the Marque". This is a private museum located in Belmont and owned by Ray and John Abikhair. The museum displays over 40 MG cars manufactured between 1914 and 2000 to tell the brand's story.

Ray is a sprightly 88-year-old who after serving us morning tea, regaled us with the history of many of the beautiful cars.

This collection is possibly the largest and most comprehensive collection of MGs in the world.

## Activity of the month (2) - Werribee Zoo



On Thursday 30th October, our Werribee Zoo outing was attended by 22 members in 6 cars.

Grateful thanks to all the drivers even though a few got lost getting there. We had a wonderful day with perfect weather and saw many interesting animals (including some very sleepy meerkats).

This outing to be done again in future.

## Grovedale Marshall Probus Book Club meeting



Pam Simpson is the convenor of the book club, and she prefers that you contact her (rather than Shaaron) on [pjsimpson49@hotmail.com](mailto:pjsimpson49@hotmail.com) or 0447 088 238 for further information.

The next book club meeting will be on Friday 21st November at the Glynn's house, 11 Jean Place. Grovedale. 1pm.

On Friday 19th December there will be a Xmas lunch at Shaaron and Lawrence's. This was done last year, and it was a great success. Menu is organised in advance, and everyone brings something to contribute. We even managed to talk about books in the afternoon.



## Geelong Arts Centre Delightful Days and Matinees 2025 (next show 26<sup>th</sup> November)



Tickets for each show are \$24 per ticket. Suitable stalls will be selected to ensure that all members sit together. There is easy access to the stalls. There is a complimentary morning tea at 9.30am and all the shows start at 11am.

The last matinee for the year is on Wednesday 26th November "The Songbirds" at Geelong Art Centre Morning melodies. Coghlan and Robertson harmonize and soar through a mix of classical and contemporary favourites, including music from Bernstein, Irving Berlin, Paul Simon, Cole Porter, Puccini and Adele. All tickets have been sold for this show. Any other members wishing to go should book their own tickets. Shaaron will advise where the group will be seated.

## Geelong Arts Centre - Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 2:00pm



110 minutes, including 20-minute interval.

Led by internationally acclaimed Master Illusionist Anthony Street, prepare for breathtaking illusions that will leave you wondering if Christmas magic might just be real. Soaring vocals will fill the theatre with the spirit of Christmas, while our cast of incredible dancers and a jaw-dropping cirque aerial act bring the stage to life in a flurry of wonder, skill, and glittering costumes.

From high-flying feats to touching moments that capture the true meaning of Christmas, and a very special visit from Santa Claus himself, this is a show that will warm hearts, inspire smiles, and create cherished memories for the whole family.

Shaaron has booked tickets, and some members have also booked their own. We have 22 people going, members and guests. Any other members wishing to go should book their own tickets. Shaaron will advise where the group will be seated. Seats are either \$69.90 or \$59.90 depending on location.

## Seeking nominations for committee and volunteer positions for the Annual General Meeting in March 2026.

Head office has asked all clubs to start thinking about our next annual general meeting even though it is four months away. As you know, it takes quite a lot of willing hands to run a club such as ours, so if you can lend a hand, please consider nominating for one or more of the following positions. Nominations are welcome for all positions, even if someone has already expressed interest. Please return your nomination form to the Secretary by February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026.

### Executive Committee Positions

The following executive roles will be open for election at the March AGM.

- President: Lawrence has indicated he will nominate.
- Vice President: Open for nominations.
- Treasurer: Sue has indicated she will nominate.
- Secretary: Open for nominations. This role also includes:
  - 1) Public Officer (responsible for lodging the annual report to Consumer Affairs Victoria)
  - 2) Managing minutes and correspondence

### Continuing and Other Committee Roles

- Newsletter Editor & Web Master: Anne has indicated she will nominate.

- Membership Officer: Sue will nominate, including organising Christmas in July & December lunches.
- Social Activities Organiser: Shaaron will nominate to continue to organise social events including coffee mornings, lunches, and Morning Melodies.
- Speaker Seeker: Position is open; can be shared by more than one person.

#### Other Volunteer (Non-Committee) Jobs

These roles are open to all members. Members may take on more than one responsibility if they wish.

- Welfare Officer
- Official Photographer
- Multi-day and mystery trips organiser
- Signing in at meetings and organising lunch after meetings
- Raffle ticket seller
- Book Table organiser
- Morning Tea Angels (on a roster system: one to organise, several to help)
- Book Club co-ordinator

#### **Your smile for the day**



"Have you gone mad?! Get your head in the car!"



Is it an emergency?