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# PROBUS BORONIA NEWSLETTER

## JULY 2025

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello fellow Probus colleagues,

Well Winter is very much upon us and particularly the frequency of windy days is peculiar.

Nevertheless, it doesn't prevent our membership from getting together and enjoying the outdoors and sharing experiences. **Do read your newsletter via email or hard copy at the desk at the meeting.**

Last Sunday over half the membership attended a Seniors Day at the Cranbourne races. It was a great day had by all and many are keen to repeat the day in 2026. Coffee at Forages was also a lot of fun. Our bi-monthly lunch was an excellent location with a quality meal at the Royal Hotel, Ferntree Gully. The walk at Koolamara Water Reserve Park provided a small group with an opportunity to chat and exercise. It would be pleasing to see more members attend this monthly activity as there are so many natural locations for us to enjoy within the City of Knox and regionally.

More good news is that we have visitors who are becoming members this July month meeting. I am pleased to report that **Julie and Rob Duke** and **Debbie Pike** will be inducted on Thursday 10 July. We are very happy to welcome them as new members and wish them a long future with our club and share in the joy of our meetings, activities and outings.

Finally, as we are a club and care for all our members, please be aware to communicate with the committee if any of our members or visitors are experiencing ill health, difficulties or serious medical conditions so we can be productive and supportive in any capacity.

Keep in mind our principles of **FUN, FELLOWSHIP and FRIENDSHIP**.

I will see you all on **Thursday 10 July at Boronia Bowls Club**. Please arrive by 9.40am for 10am start.

Kind regards  
Keiran

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*I want to share with you – the three sentences that will get you through life.  
Number one, 'cover for me', number two 'oh good idea, boss and number  
three 'it was like that when I got here*  
*Homer Simpson*

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*Thanks to the office of Jackson Taylor MP for providing the printing of this Newsletter*

## REMINDER

**Next meeting – Thursday 10th July – 10am SHARP!**

**Everyone must sign in on entry to the meeting** - NOTE – this is required for insurance purposes

**Also, don't forget to bring along your coffee cup for morning tea**

If you are unable to attend a meeting, please send your apologies to be recorded, to the Secretary at [sec.boroniaprobus@gmail.com](mailto:sec.boroniaprobus@gmail.com) or text 0467 203 587



## JUNE HAPPENINGS

***Our Surprise Guest Speaker was our very own President Keiran***

*Keiran entertained us with the history and some fascinating stories and controversies of the awarding of the Archibald Prize.*

*Celebrating Shirley Barrow's  
Milestone Birthday in June*



### July Birthdays

*Kay McAloney*

*Debbie Pike*

*Helen Bone*

*2nd*

*7th*

*29th*



***Our July Guest speakers are – Dr Ron & Dr Carlyn Sproston***

Ron & Carlyn are both retired teachers and authors of the book “The Lost of the Loch Ard” which tells the dramatic story of the Loch Ard shipwreck and the survival of the “Loch Ard Peacock”.

### JOKE OF THE MONTH

**Q.** Do you remember the days when we had PYE televisions. They only had 2 channels.

**A.** Four and twenty.

### RIDDLE OF THE MONTH

What has 4 letters, sometimes has 9 letters but never has 5 letters.

### DID YOU KNOW!

Wearing a necktie could reduce blood flow to your brain by up to 7.5 percent.

*Is that why a lot of corporate types have dissipated intelligence?*

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## ACTIVITIES AND OUTINGS

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### **Walking Group**

#### ***Ringwood Lake – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August***

General parking can be accessed from the entrance on Mt Dandenong Road, just before the AMPOL service station. There is a walking circuit that is approximately 1.1km long, given this is a short walk in the middle of winter perhaps a hot coffee afterwards might be nice.

#### **• *SOUTHSIDE RACING AT CRANBOURNE OUTING – Sunday 22nd June***

*A very happy and lively group of 20 converged in the Champions Room at Cranbourne Race Course for an afternoon of horse racing, betting and High Tea. We had a great spot with a bird's eye view of the finishing post to see our horses either win or not!*

*Thanks to the friendly and helpful staff who helped to make it a great afternoon of fun and fellowship.*



#### **• *HEALESVILLE BUS OUTING – Thursday 31st July***

We have a Knox Community Bus from 9.00 – 4.00pm on Thursday 31 July 2025.

It is a 21-seater and therefore once we fulfill the seating capacity, others will be on the waiting list should any member be absent on the day or prior to event.

Schedule:

- 9.00am Depart car park near Boronia
- 9.40am Arrive Mont de Lancey homestead
- 10.00am Tour of homestead and surrounds with possible blacksmithing, woodturning and machining.
- 11.30am Drive to Healesville
- 12.00pm Lunch at Healesville RSL
- 1.30pm Retail therapy and street walk of Healesville township
- 2.30pm Drive to Chocolatier - Yarra Glen, Yarra Valley Dairy Yarra Glen
- 4.00pm Arrive at Boronia

Max 21 persons for outing. Cost - \$15 bus fare, \$15 Homestead tour, own expenses - lunch, retail therapy, Chocolatier and Yarra Valley Dairy.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monthly Walks 10.00 am	Coffee & Chat 10.30 am	General Meeting Boronia Bowls Club 9.45am for 10.00am	Outings
Host: Kerrie	Host: Helen		Host: Helen
No walk in July due to the Xmas in July outing	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> July  Miss Florence 17 Alpine Street FTG	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July Guest Speakers Dr Ron & Carlyn Sprostyn The Loch Ard Shipwreck	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July Christmas in July Mulgrave Country Club Fully Booked <b>Payment must be made by 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>
Host: Keiran			Host: Keiran
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> August <b>RINGWOOD LAKE</b> - . 1.1km walking circuit General parking accessed from entrance on Mt Dandenong Rd, just before AMPOL s/stn	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> August  Café Brood 1226 Burwood Highway UFTG	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> August  FUN ACTIVITIES DAY	Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> July Community Bus Outing to Healesville, tour of Mont De Lancey  Bus cost \$15, Tour \$15
			Host: Kay
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept Lewis Park Circuit Meet at Lewis Park Football Ground	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept Bees Knees Café Shop 2/854 Burwood Highway FTG	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept No Speaker FOOTBALL THEME DAY	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> August 11.00am NGV – French Impressionism Exhibition Followed by lunch at Chloe's Dining Room at Young & Jacksons Fully booked

*Please indicate your interest in any of the outings, on the attendance boards  
at the General Meeting*

### • **NGV – FRENCH IMPRESSIONISM EXHIBITION**      **Thursday 7th AUGUST**

Meet at 9.00am at Boronia Station to catch the 9.35 train to Flinders Street.

- A group booking of 12 tickets has been purchased at \$38.70 each for entry at 11.00am
- Lunch booked at 1.15pm at Chloe's Dining Room at Young & Jacksons, at own cost

***This outing is fully booked – payment must be made by 10<sup>th</sup> July.***

A waiting list will be available should anyone booked is not able to attend.

## *DIARY DATES*

- **MINI GOLF AT MORACK GOLF COURSE – Thursday 4th September**
- **CHRISTMAS BREAKUP – Thursday 11th December**  
**Fortnums Restaurant - Sassafras**

*More details to follow next month*