

ARMSTRONG CREEK PROBUS Club Inc

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Rotary club of Grovedale Waurn Ponds July 2025 Newsletter

President's Report - July 2025

Hello and a very warm welcome to you our members. June has been a month of positive momentum for our club, with several exciting developments:

- **New Club Secretary**: Please join me in welcoming Bob McGill as our new Club Secretary. Bob brings a can do attitude and we're thrilled to have him on board.
- Membership Cards & Name Badges: The membership cards for those who joined us back in March have finally arrived. Additionally, we've received the first batch of name badges, which we distributed at our July meeting.
- **New Member Inductions**: This month, we had the privilege of inducting our first two new members. It's a significant milestone in the journey of our new club, and I'm honoured to have played a part in welcoming them.
- **First Dining Out Event**: We held our inaugural dining out event with lunch at Doc Hughes in Torquay. It was a wonderful opportunity to connect and enjoy each other's company in a relaxed setting.
- Walking Group Restarted: Our walking group has resumed, providing members with a chance to get active and socialise in the great outdoors.

Your committee has been working diligently to bring you new opportunities to socialise and have fun. Looking ahead, I've had discussions with the committee of another club, and there's the possibility of joining them for a fun activity. Stay tuned for more details! Thank you for your continued support and involvement. Together, we're building something special.

David Wilson

President

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Paul Harrison

Guest Speaker Co-ordinator

Barb Pipkorn / Di Hunter

Dining Out Co-ordinators

Liz Edge

Walking Activity Officer

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Trips & Tours Officer

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Recent and Future Club Activities

Dining Out Group @ Doc Hughes, Torquay

23 The Esplanade, Torquay Wednesday 9th July

Contact: Barb Pipkorn / Di Hunter

Book Club

Sullies Kiosk

3/33 Central Blvd, Armstrong Creek

Thursday 10th July 1pm

Contact: Kerry Wilkins

Walking Group @ Warralily Village

15th July 10:00 am

Meet in the carpark behind the Vets

Contact: Liz Edge

Sunday July 20: Melbourne - Labassa Mansion

guided tour of house interior.

Cost: \$25 or \$20 concession.

Contact: Sandra Dunoon

Coffee morning @ 9 Grams

101 Unity Dve, Mt Duneed

Tuesday 22nd July 10:00 am

Contact: Rod McMaster

Monday July 28: Pivotonian Cinema

Movie Jane Austen Wrecked My Life

11:00am Level 1, 4 Verner St, South Geelong

Tuesday August 5: Grovedale Hotel Trivia night

Tuesday nights are Parma Night

7:00pm Torquay Road, Grovedale

Free to play trivia. Drinks at usual prices

Contact: Sandra Dunoon

Guest Speaker—August 8th

Jesse Cerejo

Biyal-A Armstrong creek Library

Facilities available

Dining Out Group @ Sawyers Arms, Newtown

2 Noble Street, Newtown

Wednesday 13th August

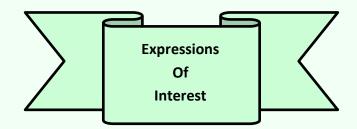
Contact: Barb Pipkorn / Di Hunter

Monday August 25: GPAC comedy show

'The Grandparents Club 2'.

Cost: 72.50 or \$67.50 concession

Contact: Sandra Dunoon



Knitting and Crotchet Club

Please indicate preferred day of the month

Contact: Lynda Pocervina TEXT 0419 304 831

Gin or Whisky Tasting

Ceres Distilling Company 36/8 Lewalan St Grovedale

This will be on a Saturday at around 1:00pm

Cost will be \$30 for Gin or \$40 for whisky

Various food options are available

Contact: Rod McMaster TEXT 0409 530 117



Next meeting dates/times:

8/08/2025, 10:00am

12/09/2025, 10:00am



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Guest Speaker Segment



For those who missed this month's meeting, you missed what I can only describe as the most engaging and entertaining speaker to date. Lorraine Smith was a secondhand bookshop owner and now first time author.

Lorraine tells a fantastic story of the

discovery of a 16th century parchment found in an old copy of Alice in Wonderland on the shelves of her bookshop and it's journey from rural England to Warrnambool Victoria. The story is quite a tale of discovery, authentication and family history of the original owners. Last but not least the journey of the parchment back to a museum near where it all began.



Events Reports

Luncheon at **Doc Hughes** Torquay.

The first of our regular dining out events was lunch at Doc Hughes. It was attended by 9 members. A lovely time was had getting to know each other, while sharing good food, nice wine and warm drinks, pleasant conversations. The staff were accommodating and pleasant. We would encourage others to come along.





An unexpected bonus for two of our members Barb and Jacque as they reacquainted, after realising that they were work colleagues in years gone by.









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Flying Brick Cider Co.

I am also reliably informed that Friday 18th July saw a very successful luncheon at the Flying Brick Cider House on Bellarine Highway Wallington. Eight members attended enjoying good food and good company.











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Attendance Reporting

Please note: For insurance purposes if you will not be in attendance at any meeting please email your apology to armstrongcreekprobus@gmail.com with "Apology meeting date xx/xx/2025" in the subject line or notify the Attendance Officers at the meeting prior to the one you will be absence. We cannot accept any apologies from friends on the floor during meetings.

IMPORTANT

General Committee Correspondence

Any none urgent communications for the committee outside of meetings should be emailed to armstrongcreekprobus@gmail.com thank you.

Participation in group activities

As a courtesy to the organisers and other members, if you put your name down to take part in an activity, please be sure to let us know if you will not be able to attend on the day. This will mean activities can start on time. Please contact the organiser directly.

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