



ARMSTRONG CREEK PROBUS Club Inc

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September 2025 Newsletter

President's Report – September 2025

Hello and a very warm welcome to you our members. September was a month of consolidation with things settling into a steady rhythm.

Time for us to start thinking about recruiting new members and how we celebrate Probus month in October. October is also seniors month with this years theme being Connect, Create, Celebrate. If you would like more information click [here](#) or visit the City of Greater Geelong website and you will find the link on their home page.

As mentioned last month our colleagues in the Torquay Jan Juc club are holding a learn to play Pétanque session during Seniors month on Thursday 23 October, 2pm – 4pm at Orungal Court Play-ground, Torquay. They have invited us to join them, so if your calendar is open, it's an opportunity to learn the game. Now that we have our own set of boules stay tuned for our get together to play and socialize.

David Wilson
President

Management Committee

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Rod McMaster
Vice President

Barb Pipkorn
Secretary / Public Officer

Jacqueline Harrison
Treasurer

General Committee

Kerry Wilkins
OHS / Welfare Officer

Leanne Molony
Attendance / Membership
Officer

Sandra Dunoon
Activities Co-ordinator

Paul Harrison
Guest Speaker Co-ordinator

Di Hunter
Dining Out Co-ordinator / Secretary assistant

Liz Edge
Walking Activity Officer

Vacant
Trips & Tours Officer

OUR HOME BASE



Meeting Day / Time: 2nd Friday of every month at 10:00 am

Meeting Venue: Armstrong Creek East Community Hub, 46 Central Blvd, Armstrong Creek VIC 3217

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Recent and Future Club Activities

Walking Group @ Warralily Village

7th October at 10:00 am

Meet in the carpark behind the Vets

Contact: Liz Edge TEXT 0414 818 148

Lunch @ Barwon Heads Hotel

1 Bridge Road, Barwon Heads

Wednesday 8th October 12:30 pm

Contact: Di Hunter

Book Club

9 October, 1pm

In a members home

Currently reading "The Ruin"

By Devla McTeirnan

Contact: Kerry Wilkins on 0419396947

For more details

Walking Group @ Warralily Village

21st October at 10:00 am

Meet in the carpark behind the Vets

Contact: Liz Edge TEXT 0414 818 148

Knitting and Crotchet Club

21st October at 1 pm

Armstrong Creek East Community Hub

Contact: Lynda Pocervina TEXT 0419 304 831

Coffee morning

Tuesday 28th October 10:00 am

Contact: Rod McMaster

OTHER EVENTS

Gin or Whisky Tasting

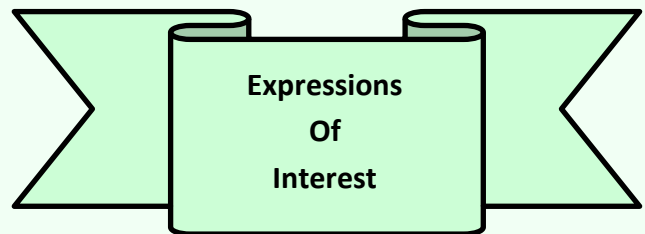
**Ceres Distilling Company 36/8 Lewalan St
Grovedale**

This will be on Saturday 4th October 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



A Celtic Christmas

by

A Taste of Ireland

Thursday 18th December

7:30 pm at The Play House

[Book Here](#)

Trivia @ The Grovedale

Fortnightly at the Grovedale Hotel

30th September, 14th October

Contact: Sandra—geit1166@gmail.com

For more information



Next meeting dates/times:

10/10/2025, 10:00am

14/19/2025, 10:00am



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Guest Speaker Segment

September's speaker was Detective Senior Constable Simon Keogh of Geelong Cyber Investigation unit. Simon has been in the police force for 37 years with the last 19 in the CIU. Simon spoke about the various scams that seek to obtain information from individuals for monetary gain. In 2023/24 year there were some 675 thousand Australian victims of scammers. They lost in the vicinity of \$200 million which equates to some \$4,000 a minute. More than half were investment scams and the balance being romance/relationship scams, bank imposters and other scams.

Phishing scams arrive by text or email and look official, but there is usually a tell tale spelling error or font change somewhere in the text. Simon advised we should never click on links in emails, but go to the official websites or ring the organization on their published number from the phone directory. We should also change our passwords regularly, have a different one for each organization and use 2 factor authentication if available.

Finally if you are subject of a scam, report it on the government scam watch site, with the bank if it involves your bank and you can get help from ID:Care for identity theft.

Events Reports

Luncheon at **The Wharf Shed** Eastern Beach.

A small group attended lunch and had a pleasant time sharing good food and the outlook over the water front. A good time was enjoyed by all.



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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.

Committee Directory

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