



# The Probuscan

*Newsletter of the PROBUS Club of Surf Coast Anglesea  
Sponsored by Torquay Rotary*

## October 2025

**NEXT MEETING – Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 9:30 am, Anglesea Hotel**

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is fun to get away but nicer to be home. Denise and I had a wonderful trip last month to Queensland and NSW. A great rest. Many thanks to John for running the September meeting.

Do not forget we have more events and activities planned with our annual camp coming up on the 14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> October, will be a lot of fun. If you have not signed up for the Werribee Rose Farm and Mansion trip on the 18<sup>th</sup> November, speak to Kathy at the meeting, spots on the bus are limited. Remember we are always looking for new members, if you have someone interested bring them along to a meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the next meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> October. Remember if you cannot make it, let us know. Cheers Steve.

### MEMBERSHIP

The September meeting saw 47 members attending, with 10 absentees and 19 apologies. We also welcomed two prospective members – Pam Saunders and Marie Pirota.

### COMING UP

- **October Meeting – Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> October. 9:30 am**  
Guest Speaker – Ben Coyle
- **Annual Camp – Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October**  
Mount Gambier
- **October Birthday Dinner – Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> October 6:00 pm**  
Rose's Chinese Restaurant, Anglesea **Please note Change of Date**
- **Werribee Rose Farm / Werribee Mansion - Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> November**  
Bus trip
- **Delightful Days & Matinees – Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> November. 11:00 am**  
Song Birds

## SPEAKERS



I really enjoyed our speakers last month.

We all know Sue Anderson but the story about the bits of her life that we didn't know was terrific. I can't imagine living in a fire station, or barracking for the Doggies for that matter. Sue has lived a full and interesting life. Thanks Sue.



Then Michele Meehan spoke about the impact the fashion industry has on the environment. Some of the statistics were horrifying. Her talk was titled 'ReDress' and she inspired us with the need to repair, reuse, and renew clothing.

The month our Club Speaker is James Murray, who was a lawyer and the Guest Speaker is Ben Coyle, who some of you may know. His talk is titled 'Jack of All Trades, Master of Some.'

## BIRTHDAY DINNER    **NB: Change of Date**

Our dinner was planned for the Tuesday but Rose's is closed Tuesdays so Kathy has changed it to Wednesday. We hope you can come.



WHEN:            Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> October. 6:00 pm

WHERE:          Rose's Chinese Restaurant, Anglesea

*October Birthdays:* Sue Blackbell, Lynn Bunning, Yvonne Burnell, Annette Dwyer, Carole Jones, Beryl McCasker      *Wishing you lots of fun and good times.*

## WERRIBEE ROSE GARDEN / WERRIBEE MANSION



Thank you to Lynn Bunning who has organized the bus trip to the Werribee Rose Garden and the Werribee Mansion on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> November.

We are planning a morning wander through the Rose Garden, lunch at the Café and then a tour of Werribee Mansion in the afternoon. Entry to the Garden is free but the self-guided tour of the Mansion is \$8.00

We still have two seats left on the bus so if you'd like to come, please sign up at the October meeting. The bus will collect you from your house if you wish. If we have more people interested than seats on the bus, a couple of us can also car pool.

## LIONS CLUB MUSIC

The Lions Club is again presenting Morning Melodies at the Anglesea Hotel, on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> November. It will be a special themed Christmas Show.

Please see attached flyer.

## DELIGHTFUL DAYS AND MATINEES



The Delightful Days performance last week was the best of the year in my opinion.

It was the story of Elvis Presley and had us all bopping along with the energetic singer, joining in the songs and 'dancing in our seats.' Fantastic, and we got a bonus 25 minutes of performance which we loved.

The final Delightful Days matinee for the year is called Songbirds. Gorgi Coghlan and Anna-Lee Robertson will perform a mix of classical and contemporary favourites including music from Irving Berlin, Bernstein, Paul Simon, Cole Porter, Puccini and Adele.

We usually car pool and arrive in time for morning tea. Lunch afterwards is optional.

WHAT: **Songbirds**  
WHERE: The Playhouse, Geelong Arts Centre  
WHEN: Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> November. Performances commence at 11:00 am.  
Complimentary tea, coffee, and morning tea treats before the show.  
COST: \$28.00

As always, we will need to get in a.s.a.p. as tickets sell quickly.  
Could we have final numbers by Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> October please.

If you would like to attend, please sign up at the October meeting and pay \$28.00 into the Probus Bendigo bank account asap. Don't forget your name and 'GAC tickets' in the reference section.

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## CHRISTMAS LUNCH      **SAVE THE DATE**

What?? Did I read Christmas?

Yes, we know it's only October but we have started planning for the annual Christmas lunch and ask that you to put it on your calendar now. It is held instead of the regular meeting for December.

WHEN: Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> December  
WHERE: Anglesea Hotel  
COST: \$50.00 per head

Two-course lunch; reverse raffle for treats and Christmas Hamper; games and prizes.

## AND NOW FOR SOME OFFICIAL STUFF

Probus South Pacific Ltd. (our governing body) have amended the Constitution and Standing Resolutions of the organization. We are governed by the Constitution and in addition we are required to adopt Standing Resolutions, which basically are our own internal management rules.

Over the past few months, your Committee has been reviewing the Recommended Constitution and the Recommended Standing Resolutions on your behalf. We now propose that the members adopt both documents. This will be done by taking a vote in favour, at the November meeting.

At our October meeting we will explain the process and then send you a copy of both documents. We ask that you review them ready to vote at the November meeting.

Adopting the Recommended Constitution requires 75% of members being present and voting (this is 57 people). If you know you will be absent from this meeting you may vote by proxy. Proxy forms will be available at the October meeting and will be attached to the email with the documents to be considered.

## **ARCHIBALD PRIZE VISIT**

We loved some, we disliked some, lots were in between. Some we scratched our heads at; some we were inspired by and others we marveled at the detail. But we all agreed it was well worth the visit.





## PROBUS CLUB OF SURFCOAST ANGLESEA

### GENERAL MEETING 15<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

Our meeting today is being held on the lands of the Wadawurrung people and I acknowledge them as Traditional Owners of this land.

I pay my respect to their elders past and present and extend that respect to all First Peoples today.

#### **John Robert's Comments**

John, standing in for President Steve, welcomed those present and reminded everyone of International Probus Day on October 1<sup>st</sup>, October being the 40<sup>th</sup> Seniors' Festival with many free activities, and 25/9 to 27/9 being Jewish New Year. He also congratulated Anglesea Football Club on its' 1<sup>st</sup> Premiership since 1999.

John welcomed two prospective members: Pam and Marie.

**Minutes** for the last General Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> August, were circulated with the September Probuscan. May I have a Mover and Seconder for those minutes please?

Moved: John Roberts

Seconded: Sue Anderson

#### **Reports**

- **Treasurer:** John Roberts assured those present that the probus finances are healthy with over \$4,000 in the bank.
- **Outings and Activities:** Sue Rowe filled in for Kathy McLennan who is on a cruise.  
On 24<sup>th</sup> September there is an outing to the Archibald Prize Exhibition.  
On 1<sup>st</sup> October an outing to Delightful Days & Matinees  
The Birthday Lunch will be held on 28<sup>th</sup> October, at Rose's Chinese Restaurant, Anglesea.  
Lynn Bunning enthused everyone with details of the planned visit to the State Rose Garden (6 acres and 5,000 blooms) and the mansion at Werribee. A free bus for 11 people can be funded through the Shire with a door-to-door service. There is no charge for the Rose Garden, but a visit to the mansion would cost \$8:80 for a self-guided tour.
- **Membership:** Lyn Elsbury reported that we currently have 76 members, with 6 non-active members. Today there were  
47 present                      19 apologies                      10 non-attendees
- **Camp:** Heather Batson updated information about the camp at Mount Gambier. Three evening meals have been booked. And she will have the itinerary completed soon.
- **Footy Tipping:** Sue Anderson delighted in awarding the prizes for this year's footy tipping.  
1<sup>st</sup> Sue Rowe                      2<sup>nd</sup> Barry Clark                      3<sup>rd</sup> Kaye Adamson and Kayleen Axelson

#### **Club Speaker:**

Sue Anderson was introduced by Liz Gielewski, and shared her very interesting "The Story of Me," bringing many memories to the fore for others present.

Sue joined Probus in 2005 and has been a very active member, taking on many official positions. Sue's father was a member of the metropolitan Fire Brigade and for many years the family lived in various Fire Stations, beginning at the historic Eastern Hill, and moving through Camberwell, Ivanhoe, Newport and Altona, to name a few.

Sue was born on 5<sup>th</sup> March 1946. She married Jeff in 1967, and they rejoiced in the births of three daughters: Megan, Sally and Melanie. Three grandchildren have now become part of the family.

In 2000 Jeff retired and the family moved to Airey's Inlet. Unfortunately, Jeff did not keep good health and in 2011 needed to begin dialysis three times a week in Lorne. A team of volunteers from

Probus and the Men's Shed drove Jeff for these visits, which was greatly appreciated. Jeff passed away nine years ago.

Sue's advice is to seek out your old photos, photograph them with your phone and have them printed at Office Works and enjoy the memories they rekindle.

**Birthdays:** Pauline Andrewartha, Susan Clarke, Lyn Elsbury, Kathy McLennan,  
Liz Gielewski, and Richard Fowler

**Guest Speaker:**

Michele Meehan was introduced by Liz Gielewski. Michele now lives in Airey's Inlet following a career in nursing and Parenting Matters. Her passion is summed up in the title of her talk, 'ReDress', and she inspired us with the need to repair, reuse and renew clothing and other material assets. Michele, herself, has not purchased any new clothes for six years and was able to demonstrate items that she has re-purposed, rather than consigning to landfill.

The statistics Michele shared were daunting.

The Fashion industry is the 3<sup>rd</sup> greatest source of world greenhouse emissions. Three fifths of all clothes purchased end up in landfill within 12 months. 35% of the microplastics in the oceans come from synthetic clothes washed in washing machines. 62% of all clothing is synthetic. Australians, on average, purchase 14.8kg of clothing each year.

What can we do?

Refuse to buy more clothes, rather reuse, repair, repurpose, rent, loan or swap, and seek other ways of enabling 'sweat shop workers' to earn a living.

**Draw Special Effort** - donated by Marg Russell. Donor for next meeting. Kaye Adamson

**Next Meeting** Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October, at Anglesea Hotel

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