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Meetings: Waurnd Ponds Hotel Bistro. Next Meeting: Monday 7th September 2026

Lunch after the meeting at the Waurnd Ponds Hotel

Wise words from the President:

I am sitting at the desk with the sunshine pouring in as I write this. I love this time of the year even if my sinuses don't! September is also always an exciting month, at least for Cats supporters! Fingers crossed!

We welcome our secretary back from his Greek sojourn. Thanks to Tric Alldis who stepped in while Lloyd was away.

As usual there's plenty of great activities planned for September and beyond. When you sign up make sure you take note or photograph the details. It's easy to forget what you have signed up for. If any need payment, please do that sooner than later so that when group leaders need to pay, they are not out of pocket. Pay into our account with the activity and your name.

Next month we will be celebrating 50 years of Probus with some 70's themed activities. Please bring along something from the seventies and we will have show and tell! I am deciding between a couple of wedding presents (not one of the four Corningware casseroles, two electric can openers or 3 36-piece entertainer sets of glasses though). There will be a small 70's themed trivia quiz too so maybe study up a bit. It was really good fun doing the questions.

Dressing up is not needed for October, I know you will all be breathing a sigh of relief, I certainly am! As it's a party though, please wear your best party clothes! Lots of bright colours, 70's inspired patterns maybe, or you could give the old Probus colours an airing again!

Maureen is busy collecting our memories of the 70's. If you are a bit stuck on what to write or even just how to get started, Maureen and Loretta are offering a Work Shop on Friday 18th September at 10.00 in the side room at the Hotel to get you started. I found once I got going it was difficult to stop. Those years between 15 and 25 were incredibly full and set the course for the next 50. I kept wondering as I reminisced - How did we do it all without mobile phones and the internet? Ha Ha! I think the fun and joy may have been in the anticipation and not the instant result or gratification.

This month we welcome Anne and David Watts. Please give them a warm welcome.

Happy Spring,

Kristine Barker

Birthdays in September: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!!!!!!

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| • Robyn Schepers | 1 September |
| • Barbara Pook | 2 September |
| • Bronwen Starkey | 2 September |
| • Shirley Williams | 14 September |
| • Anne Parnell | 15 September (BIG 0) |
| • Peter Fairnie | 16 September (BIG 0) |
| • Robyn Williamson | 16 September |
| • Maureen Zampatti | 18 September |
| • Ann Burwood | 22 September |
| • Karin Wagner | 24 September |
| • Irene Morgan | 29 September (BIG 0) |
| • Linda Mayfield | 30 September |

INTERESTING FACT for SEPTEMBER A wickedly extravagant prize of a packet of black jelly beans for the person who can give an ad lib, off the cuff description of the Mpemba process!!

- The Mpemba Effect is where, under specific conditions, hot water can freeze faster than cold water!
- Butterflies taste with their feet
- The Eiffel Tower grows up to 15 cm in the summer heat AND
- Chef hat folds symbolize 100 ways to cook an egg.

OTHER STUFF TO KNOW IN SEPTEMBER

October is Seniors Month. Free train travel and activities abound from a variety of Clubs, Sporting/Hobby based host free or low cost Come and Try activities. A great way to see what else is on in our community and State.

Hats off to Liz Fisher who has the unenviable job of balancing our Monthly calendar to ensure there are no double bookings, are fuel efficient and are value for money. She does an amazing job!

Norfolk Island trip: Kristine will announce more details at the meeting! The final costing and itinerary is in! Time to firm up numbers.

Out and about: Jo Curran and Vicki Webster

An Outlet Shopping Tour has been organized for Thursday 29th October. Catch the train at Waurin Ponds station to Southern Cross at 8.30 am. The bus will pick up and visit 10 outlets (list of outlets will be available at the sign in sheet for you to indicate your preferred shops). The cost is \$52.00 per person (bring a friend as we need at least 31 attendees.) BYO lunch to save costs and there are plenty of toilets at the shopping centres

September: Thursday 24th 2026 @7.30pm The Eagles Greatest Hits GPAC Play House. PLEASE NOTE:

This has been rescheduled to 12 November 2026

October : Friday 16th at 7.30pm Babba:The ultimate experience of Abba. This replaces Casey Donovan performance which is booked out.

Wine Appreciation Group:

Tuesday 8th September 2026 4.30 pm. 4 Ruthven Street Newtown- A Taste of Spain.

Tuesday 13 October 2026 4.30 pm

Walking Group: Ray and Helen

Friday 11th September 2026. 9.30am Pickers Café , Federal Mills. North Geelong

Friday 9 October 2026 9.30am Waurm Ponds Creek. Coffee at the Coffee Club.

Book Group 1

Thursday 10 September 2026 1.00pm. Waurm Ponds Library

Thursday 8 October 2026 1.00pm Waurm Ponds Library

Book Group 2:

Thursday 13 September 2026 @ 18 Vaughn Ave. Armstrong Creek

Thursday 8 October 2026 1.00pm 343 Roslyn Road. Highton

Garden Group: Mary Westcott

Tuesday 15th September 2026. Drysdale Arid Garden 106 Princess Street Drysdale. Coffee at Café Zoo, High Street, Drysdale.

Tuesday 20 October 2026 10.00 am Ocean Grove Nature Reserve Grubb Road. Wallington.

Coffee Group:

17th September 2026 10.00am Change of Venue. Paddock Bakery, Federal Mills, North Geelong.

15 October 2026 10.00am Skinny Dippers Café, 2 Lambert Street, Newtown

Craft Group:

22nd September 2026 10.00am Waurm Ponds Hotel

27 October 2026 10.00am Waurm Ponds Hotel

Dine Out: Carmel Conoley and Jackie Devidal

23 September 2026 12.30pm Mavs Restaurant 73a Little Malop Street .Geelong

21st October 2026 12.30pm Geelong Yacht Club Eastern Beach Geelong.

Cards and Games:

Thursday 22 September 2026 1.00 pm Waurm Ponds Hotel

27 October 2026 10.00am Waurm ponds Hotel

Getaway Group: Ray and Jenny Pitcher.

No excursion planned for November. Next will be to Mildura in 2027, a 6-7 day trip which allows for overnight stays to and from for those who don't wish to make a long drive. More details later .

Out and About with a Difference Kevin Taylor and Loretta Winstanley

6th August 2026 Art Gallery. Geelong . Discovering the Impressionists. Meet in Foyer at 10.00am for tickets. Please note NO FOOD unless for diabetics, water bottles only Few chairs for resting. Coffee at the Court House café.

11 November 2026 4.45 pm Tour and Dinner at Little Creatures Brewery. 221 Swanston Street Geelong. Cost includes tour and dinner (pizzas). **Please note change of date!!!**

1970's Writers Workshop

Friday 18th September 10.00am Room behind Waurin Ponds Hotel Café. Sign up sheet available at the meeting.

Walter Lindrum Challenge (Pool Tournament for all types of players)

Tuesday 8th September (First Tuesday of the Month) at 1.00pm at Kevin and Pauline Taylor's home @ 343 Roslyn Road Highton.

October 6 2026 as above

Welfare:

Get well soon for those who are feeling poorly! Spring is upon us and the weather will improve!

Please note, in order to help the Treasurer and Group Leaders, please pay money owing for planned activities into our bank account within a couple of days of indicating your wish to attend.
