



Waurnd Ponds Deakin Combined Probus Club Inc

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Meetings: Waurnd Ponds Hotel Bistro. Next Meeting: Monday 5th October 2026



Wise words from the President:

Welcome to Probus Month!

We are celebrating 50 years of Probus at this month's meeting. It's a chance to air out those Probus colours or even better your bright glad rags. Continuing the theme of remembering 1976 and the 70's we would like you to bring along some memorabilia from your life in the 70's. Something from the cupboard, your wardrobe, or maybe a photo. We will have some sharing time around your table and time to browse other's treasures at Morning teatime. There will also be a chance to contribute to the future of our club with suggestion boxes at each table – ideas for activities, outings, guest speakers are most welcome.

Then it's on with your thinking caps for a fun 70's Trivia Quiz- a heads up to study up on 70's TV, music and events. The emphasis is on fun not knowledge!

The tradition of Fashion On The Fields will continue next month at our meeting with a parade before morning tea, so don your races attire or hat.

It makes me sad to have to write on behalf of the Committee that some members have made things very difficult and embarrassing for group leaders to do their job. When you sign up for an activity please make note of it with a photo on your phone or bring a diary along. No shows because you forgot or very late cancellations make it difficult when bookings are required. Everyone understands things happen especially when we sign up a while ahead but please let leaders know as soon as you can that you can't attend.

Kristine Barker

Birthdays in October

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!!!!!!

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| • Terri Foot | 3 October |
| • Stella Lam | 4 October |
| • Pam Fairnie | 4 October |
| • Paula Mills | 5 October |

- **Mary Quelch** **13 October**
- **Rhyllis Kennedy** **17 October**
- **Richard Geddes** **20 October**
- **Peter Wills** **24October**
- **Susan Smith** **25 October**

INTERESTING FACT for October

Agatha Christie managed to poison 80 victims in her novels. 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 poisons and ways they were administered.

OTHER STUFF TO KNOW IN OCTOBER

1. There have been several changes to activities times and dates because of Geelong Cup Day and changes to GPAC performances. Please print off the October Calendar and put it on the fridge to remind you of the dates.
2. Alternatively please use your phone to photograph the activities you sign up for. Your Group Leaders go to a great deal of trouble to book activities and it is humiliating for them and the Probus Club when there are many “no shows” with no prior apologies.
3. The Christmas Lunch and Meeting will be held on Monday 7th December at the Waurm Ponds Hotel. The cost will be \$40 per head and please bring your money in an envelope with your name on it to the November meeting
4. Fashions on the Field will be held prior to Morning Tea at the November meeting.
5. October is Probus Month celebrating 50 years of Probus. Please wear bright or Probus colours and bring some 1970s memorabilia for display

Day Trips Jo Curran 0407 321 528 and Vicki Weiser **NOTE CHANGES TO ARRANGEMENTS**

An Outlet Shopping Tour has been organized for Thursday 29th October. The bus will pick up from the Waurm Ponds Hotel at 7.30am. You will visit 10 outlets, BYO lunch to save costs. Coffee is available at or near several outlets

Dine Out Carmel Connoley 0418 500 920 Jackie Devidal 0412 228 489

CHANGE OF DATE

14th October 2026 12 noon Geelong Yacht Club. Due to the previously advertised date being Geelong Cup Public Holiday we are dining out a week earlier.

Combined Out and About with a Difference and Dine Out Group:

Wednesday 11 November 2.45 pm Tour of Little Creatures Distillery.

There are 32 steps to climb after donning safety glasses and vests to the first floor. The tour continues back on the ground floor for a tasting paddle.

Tour is \$33.00 payable before November meeting. Please pay into the Club Bank Account, giving your name and "Little Creatures" in the description.

Then sojourn at 4.45pm to the Canteen at Little Creatures for the Dine out part.

Members are welcome to just sign up for the Dine Out at 4.45pm.

Theatre Group: Robyn Williamson 0431 720 755

Friday 12th November 2026: 7.30pm The Eagles Greatest Hits

Wine Appreciation Group: Gayle Doolan 0419 000 213

Tuesday 13 October 2026 4.30 pm Cheap and Cheerful vs NicenPricey

Walking Group: Ray Pitcher 0407 543 716 and Helen Willis

0409 568 079

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

Friday 13th November 2026 9.30 am Barwon River Newtown . Coffee Barwon Edge.

Book Group 1 Sue Grigg 0408 442 102

Thursday 8 October 2026 1.00pm Waurm Ponds Library

Thursday 12 November 2026 1.00pm Waurm Ponds Library

Book Group 2: Tina Mackay 0492 047 974

Thursday 8 October 2026 1.00pm 343 Roslyn Road. Highton

Thursday 12 November 2026 1.00pm 81 Apex Avenue Belmont

Garden Group: Mary Westcott 0412 076 299

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

Tuesday 17 November 2026 10.00am Geelong Community Garden 212-216 Swanston Street Geelong
Coffee Mitre 10.

Coffee Group: Christine Geddes 0418 505 556

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

19th November 2026 Fork and Flower Bellarine Highway Moolap. 10.00am

Craft Group: Marion Daw 0419 388 619

27 October 2026 10.00am Waurm Ponds Hotel

24th November 2016 10,00am Waurm Ponds Hotel

Cards and Games: Sue Wood 0419 030 216

27 October 2026 1.00pm Waurm Ponds Hotel

26 November 2026 1.00pm 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 .

Walter Lindrum Challenge (Pool Tournament Fun)

Please note the Change of Date for October

Tuesday 13th October at 1.00pm at Kevin and Pauline Taylor's home @ 343 Roslyn Road Highton.

3 November 2026 1.00 pm 343 Roslyn Road Highton:



Christmas Heads Up

Christmas is not that far away and Christmas food and decorations have been in the shops for a month already!

Christmas Meeting – Monday 7th December

- Our traditional KK will happen again at our Christmas Meeting in December. Kris Kringle will distribute gifts (\$10.00 value) . Please wrap your gift and label it Male, Female or “Non Binary” to place in KK's sack for distribution.
- Christmas Lunch will follow our December meeting. The cost is \$40 and money needs to be paid at the November meeting – CASH in a named envelope. If you have any dietary requirements please note them on the envelope too. Final numbers are to be in on 30th November so no refunds after that date.
- Happy Hour In The Park Friday 11th December 4.00pm Balyang Sanctuary

The Committee is investigating a footy tipping competition for 2027 More later

Any ideas for Guest Speakers for 2027 . Please speak to Dennis Barker