

'PROSAYE'

NEWS BULLETIN of the **STRATHFIELDSAYE COMBINED PROBUS CLUB Inc.**

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Secretary: Joe Van Dillen

Treasurer: Robyn Weeks

Membership: Robert Coppa

Strathfieldsaye Probus Website: <http://probussouthpacific.org/microsites/strathfieldsaye/Home>



NEXT MEETING: Thursday 13th August at 10 am 2026

at the Community Church, 920 Wellington St., Strathfieldsaye

GUEST SPEAKER: Daryl Fleay: local resident and wildlife photographer, Daryl will share his beautiful photos and love of local wildlife.

Enquiries: Cheryle Blair

LUNCH AFTER THE MEETING: Farmers Arms Hotel, 1027 McIvor Highway, Junortoun.

Enquiries: Kaye Lewis

Please put your name on the list at morning tea so the venue can be notified of numbers.

EDITOR:

Carolyn Bartlett, strathprobus@yahoo.com

Please have all information for the next bulletin by the 25th of the month.

For the information of the members of the Strathfieldsaye Combined Probus Club Inc.

Morning Tea Assistance 	Gwen Hardacre, Yvonne Campbell, Kay Lewis and Margaret Lougoon												
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

President's Report July 2026

Hi to you all.

How time flies, it seems no time at all since I wrote my last report. I am pleased to tell you that we now have our Vice President. Maurie Taylor has kindly stepped forward and taken on the roll. We also have our male Welfare Officer in Geoff Crawford. I thank you both. Our Christmas in July, was quite successful. We had 68 members present. September will be 'Dress in Your Favourite Football Colours' etc. October will be 'Mad Hatter Day', with mad or fancy hats, scones for morning tea. We have started a card group and hoping for more members to come along. We are meeting on the Tuesday after our monthly meeting at 1.30. This day could change. We will meet at my place for August.

When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.

From your president Dorothy

Treasurers Report:

I'm pleased to report we now just have the one bank account, the General Account. A reminder for people who have put their name on the 50th Birthday celebration that you can pay your \$35, into the bank or at August Meeting.

Robyn Weeks

Membership Report:

We have had two recent resignations, which has left the club with a verified number of members of 118. This will allow another 2 people from the "Waiting List" to be inducted in September. I expect a further 3 members to be added to the "Waiting List" after the August meeting.

Enquiries: Robert Coppa

Welfare Report:

We now have a male, Geoff Crawford, to join the Welfare Team. Thank you Geoff for stepping in to help.

If you know of someone needing support, please get their permission before phoning Sandra or Geoff, as some people like to keep their issues private.

Enquiries: Sandra Sharman and Geoff Crawford

Prosaye Editor

It's great to have some contributions from other members this month. Thank you for your input. If you are at a club event and see something interesting, take a photo and write a small note to go with it.

Prosaye is written in Calibri (font) size 13. It helps when you are sending items if it can be sent in this format. I can then, fingers crossed, cut and paste it directly into the newsletter, thus saving me a lot of retyping and reformatting.

You will find my email address at the front of this newsletter. I am also happy to have your contributions to the Book Exchange, Joke Corner and Thoughts for the Month.

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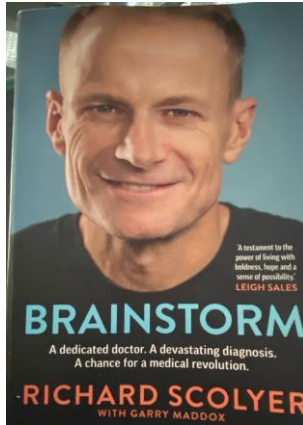
Enquiries: Carolyn Bartlett

Book Exchange.

If you have books at home that you have read and would like to move on and obtain some free reading material make use of our very busy book exchange.

Please see **Kay Campbell** at the meeting.

If you have read and interesting book, send me a picture and short synopsis.



This book was suggested by Cheryle Blair. It is an in depth account of his journey with brain cancer and what he went through to provide the research along the way to ensure others might benefit from his experience. There is so much more to his story than was evident in the media coverage.

Social Activities - June 2026

Enjoy the "Fun, Fellowship, and Friendship" (and food) of Probus, by joining our social activities. A particular congratulations to the organisers of our outings. They go to extraordinary lengths to find suitable venues, checking out: parking and other events in the area that might make this difficult, mobility access, numbers the venue can hold, catering for dietary concerns, affordability and deals for larger numbers.

When attending Strathfieldsaye outings and activities, please wear your badge and carry your medical card. Please make sure you update it regularly with current information. Please make sure you have filled out and handed in the Registration Form for Outings, Activities and Tours.

Craft



Wednesday 5th August at 11.30 where Joan Rogan will be your host.

Bring your own lunch, cuppa provided. Bring your craft work, or just bring yourself for a relaxing day with a lovely group of ladies. Many of the ladies make hats, scarves and blankets for the homeless, beanies for people in the cancer ward, and items for other charities.

Enquires: Maaike Honeychurch & Joan Rogan

Wednesday Weekly Walks (WWW)

Meet every Wednesday at 8.30 am at the Strathfieldsaye P.O.

Our Wednesday Weekly walks are still going strong, even though the mornings are cool and crisp. We're all enjoying the walks, cuppa and friendship. We walk for 45 mins to an hour. Afterwards we have a cuppa from the bakery. If you would like to join us, come along. If you want more information, call me. **Enquiries: Yvonne Flynn**



Monthly Walks



No Monthly Walk this month due to the trip to Thales

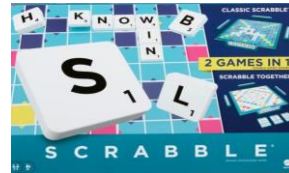
Enquiries: John Mooney

Scrabble

Thursday 27th August at 1.30

Maaik Honeychurch will be your host.

Enquiries: Joan Rogan & Maaik Honeychurch



Cards : 500

Tuesday 18th August

Dorothy will be your host.

The game being played is 500.

More players are welcome.

Enquiries: Dorothy Jalland



Family History Group



Monday 17th August at 10.30am at the Bendigo Library.

Meet at 10.30 in the cafe for a cuppa, and catch up.

At 11.00 move upstairs to commence work on your own family histories. Assistance is available from the members of the Genealogy Group. Bring your own lunch or purchase at the cafe.

Next dates for your diary are :

Monday 21st September, Monday 19th October

Enquiries: Carolyn Bartlet

Morning Tea



Monday 24th August, 10.00 am at Strath Village Country Kitchen,
Strath Village Shopping Centre Food Court, Kennington.

These mornings are very popular, and a good time to have a chat and get to know other people in the club.

If attending place your name on the list provided at the meeting, one name per line please.

Enquiries: Leah Barducci

Dining Out



Sunday 23rd August at the Foundry Hotel, Golden Square.

366 High St., Golden Square.

Gwen will be away so Joan Rogan is stepping in. Joan will be your contact for this event and will have the attendance list.

If attending place your name on the list provided at the meeting, one name per line please.

Enquiries: Gwen Hardacre & Joan Rogan

Wine Appreciation

Sunday 16th August at 12 noon -12.30 pm

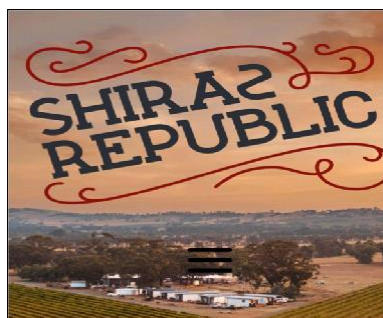
Shiraz Republic Winery

507 Hamblin Rd Toolleen

If attending place your name on the list provided at the meeting and pay at the meeting,

one name per line please.

Enquiries: Athalie Ayson



Morning Melodies

Thursday, 20th August: Tom Jones and friends

The Bendigo Club, 22 Park St., Strathdale, (3rd Thursday of each month).

Doors open at 10am, morning tea begins at 10.30, \$15 for morning tea (scones jam and cream, and as much tea and coffee as you want), or \$28 to include morning tea and a two-course lunch.

This week we saw a lovely lady who was a fill in because of a late cancellation. She did a wonderful job of performing Queens of Country.

Next Month we have Tom Jones and Friends. I still have some vacancies, so come let me know at the next meeting (before hand or at morning tea) with your money in hand.

Upcoming shows:

17th September: Elvis Tribute Show 15th October: Cash & Co

19th November: Dolly and Friends 17th December: Christmas Show with Natalie Jay

If attending place your name on the list provided at the meeting and pay at the meeting, one name per line please.

Enquiries: Yvonne Flynn

Champagne Afternoon Tea



Wednesday September 16th at 2pm

The Farmer's Arms Hotel is offering a "Champagne Afternoon Tea" on Wednesday September 16th at 2pm. The cost is \$39.50, to be paid on the day.

If you would like to attend, please sign up at the August Meeting. Numbers to be finalized by the end of August.

Enquiries to Tara Coppia

Caravans and Cabins: Echuca in Spring!

Monday 12th to the 16th of October

Echuca Holiday Park 8 Crofton St Echuca

Tel 54 822 157 email: echuca@nrmaparks.com.au

Enquiries: Lindsay Gronow (0429 957 427)

PS. Lindsay is on holidays at the moment

The Itinerary to date is:

Monday: Arrive in Echuca - BBQ evening meal

Tuesday: 10.30 Walking Tour of the wharf area \$9

Lunch: Echuca Hotel (Senior's meal)

1.30 Boat ride on PS Pevensey \$29.50

Dinner: Pizza Night

Wednesday: 10.30 MV Kingfisher Barmah

Wetland Cruise \$46 NB because the boat only holds 25, they will run two cruises for the day. At this stage there will probably be one cruise in the morning and one on the afternoon, so you will be free for the other half of the day.

Lunch: Barmah Hotel

Dinner: TBA

Thursday: Games morning

Lunch: BBQ

In the afternoon we can go to the Beer Shed but need 10-15 for them to open up, or have a free afternoon.

Diner: RSL Moama (courtesy bus)

Friday: Travel home at your leisure

If people that are not booked into the park want to come some of the activities, on any day, please put your name down or email me, so I have numbers for bookings.

Cheers from Sunny Queensland!

Helen and Lindsay

No further information available at the time of printing

Trips, Tours and Walks

Thursday 27th August : Tour of Thales, Finn Street Bendigo .

Meet at 10:30am @ Guard House gate to sign in and be fitted high vis & protective gear. Please advise me ASAP if you cannot attend as we have people on the waiting list. **Note: no monthly walk.**

Tuesday 15th September: Shepperton Trip to Art Museum

Coach to leave from IGA Strathfieldsaye car park at 8:00am
Degas to Picasso and the Archibald's are on display. Trip booked for the day with return to view the **Move Museum at Kialla**. Cars Buses Trucks etc. and Vintage Clothing and accessories displayed. **Cost approximately \$85 plus lunch. Deposit \$50 required by 14th August with balance by 7th September.**

Thursday 1st October: Probus 50 Year Combined Dinner

Held at Chasers Dog Track at Lords Raceway. Come and enjoy the company of members of other Bendigo Clubs to celebrate this milestone. **Cost \$35, Must be paid by 10th September.**

Tuesday 17th of November: Mystery Tour

7:45am Sharp, leave from Bgo Rail station: public transport at own expense. Booked for 31 names so far, room for more. **Price of tour approx. \$70** light lunch and morning tea etc. provided. **Note \$40 Deposit required by 17th August and Balance by 8th October.**

Wednesday 9th December: My Fair Lady Musical

Coach will leave from Strathdale Hall in Crook St at 8:00am and Kangaroo Flat Station at 8:15am. Returning to Bendigo approximately 6:30pm. This tour is combined with other Probus Clubs in the area. **10 Bookings for Final payment of \$110 due by 8th October.**

Wednesday 2nd December: Fiddler on the Roof Musical

Little interest so far will gauge further interest at meeting. This will also be combined with other Clubs. We have some seats available. **Cost \$165 with \$50 deposit required by 10th September.**

Future Events

- ▶ Early New Year, Boort area. I.e. Paul Haws Yung Balug Museum, Spanner Man & Serpentine Wool Shed or possibly Olive World.
- ▶ Luncheon at hotel on Melbourne rail line. i.e. Woodend or Riddles Creek.
- ▶ Swan Hill, trip this is in the early planning stage but likely an overnight trip.

Your feedback is welcome on any future events, please contact any team member.

- ▶ NB : Please deposit all monies into the General Account. **PLEASE** make sure you say who is depositing the money and what it is for.
- ▶ **Probus Registration Form for Outings, Activities and Tours** to be completed by all non-members attending Probus Functions.

John Mooney

T & T & Monthly Walks

Enquiries: John Mooney

Team: Pat Tobin, Joan MacBean, John & Kay Campbell
& Leanne Mooney

'Around the Traps

Welcome and Induction of New Members

Several new members were inducted at the July meeting: Joan Conheady, Jill Dalgarno, Brendan Delaney, Jenny Delaney, supported by their sponsors.

We welcome you to the club encouraging you to join in the Fun, Fellowship and Friendship (and the food).

We hope you enjoy renewing old friendships and making new ones.



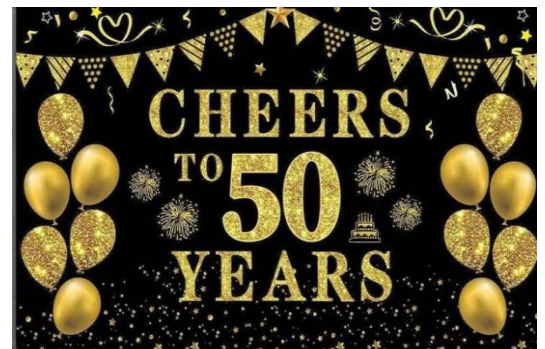
Coming up! 50th Anniversary of Probus

Early planning has already begun for a combined celebration with other Probus Clubs. Put the date in your diary!

Thursday 1st October at 12 noon for a 12.30 lunch.

Venue: Chasers Function Centre, Lords Raceway, Junortoun.

Cost: \$35 per head. Final numbers and payment due by 10th September



"fun, friendship and fellowship in retirement".

Joke Corner

Courtesy of Greg Willis

"A young couple booked in at a small country hotel for a weekend. When they had settled the husband said he wanted to take a small walk around the town, but his wife said she preferred to stay in the room and go to bed early. The man left the room and his wife got into bed. She had just settled down when a train thundered past the hotel. The vibration was so bad that it shook her out of bed and dumped her on the floor. She sent for the manager and complained. The manager listened to the complaint from the woman, who was now back in bed, but couldn't believe that the vibration was as bad as she said it was.

"Get in here with me" said the woman, indicating the bed "and see for yourself"

The manager did so and the two were in bed there together when the woman's husband returned, took in the scene and shouted "What are you doing in bed with my wife"

The manager shrugged "You're not going to believe this" he sighed",

"but we're waiting for a train"

Again, from Greg

What is Celibacy?

*Celibacy can be a choice in life,
Or a condition imposed by
circumstances.*

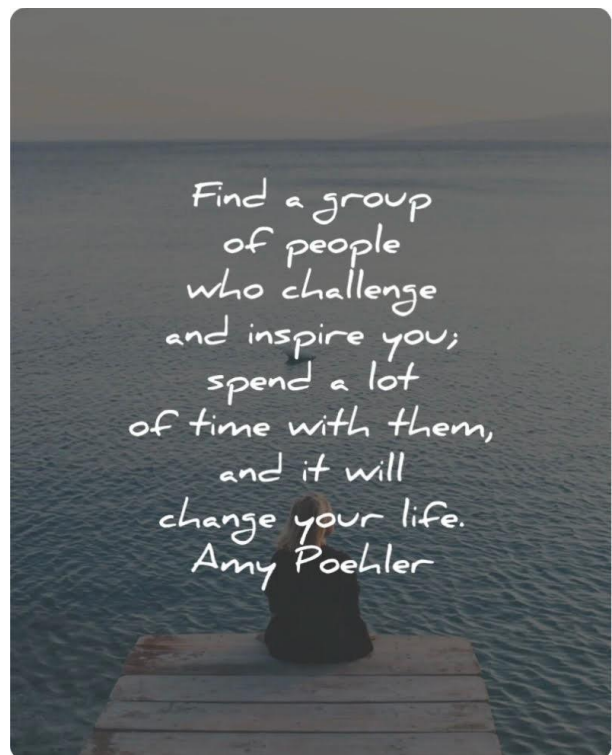
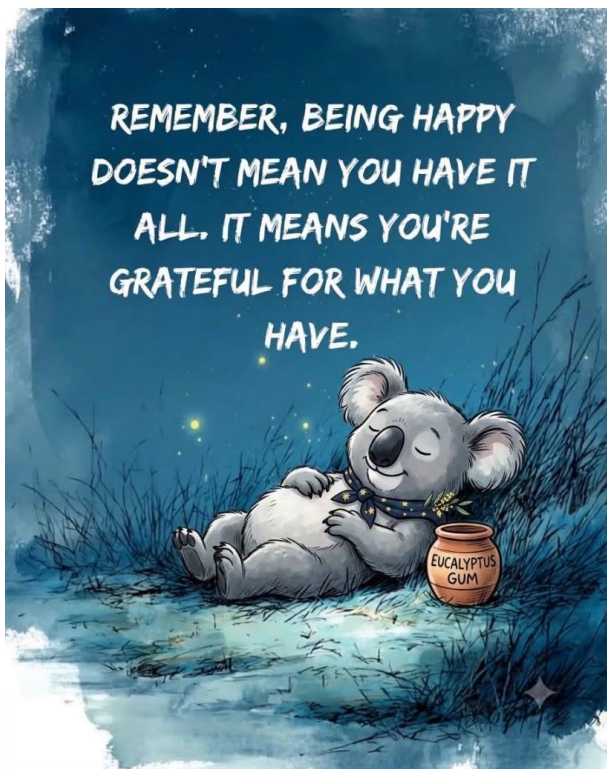
*While attending a Marriage Weekend,
my wife and I, listened to the
instructor declare,
'It is essential that husbands and
wives know the things that are
important to each other..'
He then addressed the men,*

*'Can you name and describe your
wife's favourite flower?'*

*I leaned over, touched my wife's
hand gently, and whispered
'Self-raising, isn't it?'*

And thus began my life of celibacy

Thought for the Month:



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