Glenfield Combined Probus

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Club Meetings: Held on 3rd Monday of every month @ 10am Glenfield Memorial Hall

Next Meeting:

Monday 16th November 2026

Club's Bank Details:

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SPEAKERS FOR THIS MONTH:

Main: KIRSTEN McKENZIE - AUTHOR

A BRIEF NOTE ABOUT OUR MAIN SPEAKER: *Our guest speaker for November is Kirsten McKenzie. Kirsten is an accomplished NZ author who has had numerous books published. Kirsten's books have always rated highly on the Amazon listings. Kirsten has led an exciting life full of adventures, many of which she will no doubt share with us.Kirsten grew up in a family antique shop business and has had a deep love of history and historical events, from childhood, and this has featured in much of her writing.Upon leaving school Kirsten joined the NZ Customs Service and served as an officer in Auckland for many years before eventually leaving to join the ranks of motherhood. She and her brother took over the running of the family antique business and during this time she experienced being the victim of an armed robbery.Life after Customs enabled Kirsten to seriously embark on her writing and she has experienced much success as an author. Kirsten has just recently returned from the UK, to where she travels annually to do volunteer work for the Vindolanda Trust on the Roman archaeological sites there.*

Mini: ROD JONES

Tea Duty for November: Eileen McVicar & Joyce Wright

Duties: Set up a table in the hall with plates of food, sugar, milk & spoons. In the kitchen, set out the cups & saucers & a few drinking glasses. Make the tea and coffee when the main speaker is close to finishing. A courtesy reminder will be made to rostered tea duty members a few days before the meeting. If you are unable to do this duty, please let Joyce know on 02041375063 or email joycewright@hotmail.co.nz

Important Dates for your Probus Diary

November 2026

Monday 2nd – **Coffee Morning** 10am @ Mitre 10 Glenfield (Coffee Shop), 15 Poland Rd, Wairau park

Wednesday 11th **Ethnic Lunch** 12.00pm @ Pasha Turkish Restaurant, 444 Glenfield Road, Glenfield

Monday 16th **Probus Meeting**: 10am War Memorial Hall, Hall Road, Glenfield.

Wednesday 25th **Christmas Lunch** 12pm at the Bays Club, Browns Bay

No Sunday Lunch this month

Monday 30th **Book Chat** 2pm @ Shirley's, Waterford Retirement Village Apartment

Upcoming Events

December 2026 / January 2027

Monday 7th **Coffee Morning** 10am @ Mitre 10 Glenfield (Coffee Shop), 15 Poland Rd, Wairau park

NO LUNCHES IN DECEMBER

Next Probus Meeting: Monday 18th January 2027 10am War Memorial Hall, Hall Road, Glenfield

Monday 25th January Book Chat 2pm @ Shirley's, Waterford Retirement Village Apartment

URGENT!! COMMITTEE POSITIONS TO BE FILLED AT OUR MARCH AGM – SECRETARY, AND NEWSLETTER WRITER. These positions are vital for the communication between the Committee and members. Please seriously consider volunteering for one of these roles, even for 1 year.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW PROBUS MEMBERS BETTER? WHY NOT COME TO ONE OF THE LUNCHES SHOWN ABOVE. YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT FIRM FRIENDSHIPS CAN BE MADE FROM EATING & CHATTING!

If you would like to attend one of the lunches and have not put your name on the list, then please phone Adrienne on 021 1644445



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Please make yourselves known to our newest members. We all know how difficult it is when joining a new group, so please introduce yourself to them



PLEASE PASS THE WORD!

WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS, BOTH MALE & FEMALE (RETIRED OR SEMI-RETIRED) TO JOIN THE CLUB. THEY ARE WELCOME TO VISIT

EVENT CINEMAS ALBANY

Special Seniors Morning Tea screenings with morning tea before the film starts!

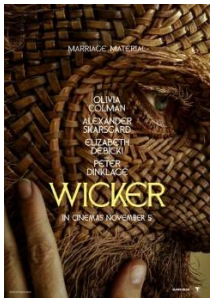
WEDNESDAY 4th NOVEMBER - TIME: 10am morning tea | 10:30am film commences



PRESSURE

Pressure follows Allied leaders and meteorologists in the tense 72 hours before D-Day, weighing whether to launch the invasion or delay based on volatile weather forecasts. It offers a gripping, behind-the-scenes look at decision-making under immense stakes. Worth watching for its ensemble cast led by Andrew Scott and Brendan Fraser, tight scripting, and intense atmosphere, it has earned praise as a smart, emotionally charged WWII drama.

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Wicker R16

On the outskirts of a village by the sea, lives a Fisherwoman; smelly, single and perpetually ridiculed. One day, fed up with her stuffy, small-minded neighbors, she commissions herself a husband to be made from wicker. In an otherwise conservative town, this unconventional romance sparks outrage, jealousy and chaos.
Cast: Ella Bruccoleri, Olivia Colman, Elizabeth Debicki, Peter Dinklage, Richard E. Grant, Alexander Skarsgård

SILVERBRIDGE – 18th NOVEMBER

THE BRIDGEWAY



EFF CHOPIN, A SONATA IN PARIS

After leaving Poland to settle in Paris when he was 21, Frédéric Chopin quickly caused a stir in high society, turning heads and luring crowds with his transcendent piano compositions, becoming the talk of the art world. With his music, he conjured the romantic soul of Paris's decadent nights like no other composer who came before him. When disease started spreading in his lungs and his health quickly began deteriorating, Chopin felt the ticking clock of mortality, which spurred him to create some of his most resonant and poetic works in the last years of his short life. Lead actor Eryk Kulm embodies Chopin with the whole spectrum of characteristics that can also be ascribed to the composer's music: bold, dramatic and provocative, yet tender, reflective and soulful.

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CHRISTMAS LUNCH

12pm WEDNESDAY 25th NOVEMBER, AT THE BAYS CLUB, BROWNS BAY

NAMES & PAYMENT BY OUR 16TH NOVEMBER MEETING

Christmas Plated Menu

$30.00 per head / $35.00 non members

Soup of the Day

Bread Rolls & Butter

Honey glazed Champagne Ham

Served with crushed pineapple & mustard

Chicken Breast with a Creamy Mushroom Sauce

Steamed Seasonal Vegetables

Rosemary Roasted New Baby Potatoes

Roasted Pumpkin

Roasted Kumara

Christmas Pudding

Laced with Warm Brandy Custard

Fruit Salad



Ghoultide at Castle Dracula – TheatreWorks Christmas Pantomime

Get ready for a monstrously good time with *Ghoultide at Castle Dracula* – a hilarious pantomime packed with comedy, colourful characters, mischief and festive mayhem!

Count Dracula has turned over a new leaf and is trying to bring up his three adopted monster children, Wolfie, Frankie and Zombie, while making peace with the villagers. But when the wicked Count Trumpescu arrives in disguise with a mysterious potion and a cunning plan, trouble is brewing at Castle Dracula!

With mistaken identities, mischievous monsters, unexpected surprises and a Christmas Eve showdown, will the villagers and monsters learn to trust one another – and can Christmas be saved?

A fang-tastic festive treat for the whole family!

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Committee Members for 2026/2027

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WELFARE: Please let a committee person know if you are aware of any Member who is unwell



If you are having a BIRTHDAY this month, we wish you a very HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! – celebrate well & enjoy your Special Day to the full!!

Our Moto

"Fun & Friendship in Retirement"



Have you any suggestions for an outing that you would like your committee to consider for the future? Then please tell us by emailing **glenfieldprobus@gmail.com**