

President Ponders

Desne Harris

Good morning, everyone
The weather has been so sunny lately so I hope that you have been able to take advantage of it.

At this morning's meeting we will have the pleasure of meeting Olwyn Grant, the secretary of Auckland Probus. I am looking forward to saying hello and asking her about her branch. I hope some of you will also have the opportunity to speak to her.

We, the committee, have been discussing the need to have trips. The surveys that you filled out have been excellent - the response was good and the ideas you put forward were positive. You can expect outings to be held during the year.

Once again, I remind you all to take care of yourselves. Give a thought to Hugh Ashford, who has been in hospital.

Regards *Desne*



Congratulations

Congratulations to Fay Vizor and Thelma Paterson who each received the Honorary membership award for many years of service to our club. And Roger Munro who received his ten-year service pin.

The Combined Probus Club of Glen Eden

May 2026 Newsletter
Club Registration Number 59160

Coming Events

22 May	**SOCIAL MEETING** - Glen Eden Community & Recreation Centre
29 May	**NO MEETING - 5th Friday**
5 June	**COFFEE CATCH UP** - Kings Plant Barn, Universal Drive, Henderson
12 June	**OUTING -** Mid Winter Christmas Lunch
19 June	**COMMITTEE MEETING**
26 June	**SOCIAL MEETING** - Glen Eden Community & Recreation Centre
3 July	**COFFEE CATCH UP** - Expresso Cafe, New Lynn. By JB's HiFi
10 July	**OUTING -**
17 July	**COMMITTEE MEETING**
24 July	**SOCIAL MEETING** - Glen Eden Community & Recreation Centre

Trip Notice

12 June 2026

Mid-Winter Christmas Lunch

at LaRosa Italian Restaurant

16 Captain Scott Road, Glen Eden

12 noon to 2.30 pm

The set lunch special is $32 per person. Please pay this directly to the restaurant on the day. The set lunch includes garlic bread and a choice of one main meal from the set lunch menu, a glass of house wine or Peroni tap beer or a soft drink. Please note that any extras such as side dishes, desserts and coffee are not included in the set price Please make your own way to the restaurant. Parking is available in the shopping centre off Oates Road. If you are arriving by public transport, the restaurant is a short walk from Glen Eden train station. Heather Wawryniuk will be taking names for the lunch. If you would like to come along please let Heather know by Monday, 8 June.

Heather Wawryniuk 027 572 9993

New members warmly welcomed

Meetings at The Glen Eden Community and Recreation Centre War Memorial Hall at 44 Glendale Road Glen Eden at 10am on the 4th Friday each month

Speaker Report





At our last meeting we introduced Natalie Ramm from Pawsible Service Dogs who train highly skilled service dogs to provide functional daily tasks and support individuals living with a range of physical, neurological, medical, and other disabilities within New Zealand. They believe people who could benefit from the partnership of a service dog should have the opportunity to access one, and we work to reduce the financial and social barriers that may limit this access. Pawsible Service Dogs, focus on how a service dog can make a meaningful difference for a person, rather than defining our work by specific disabilities. What is most important to them is creating meaningful partnerships: because together anything is Pawsible .



Next Months Speaker

Introducing next month's guest speaker- **James Duncan,** Tramway Project Manager for MOTAT.



He has been with MOTAT for an amazing 48 years. His favourite part? The trams! My full-time role with MOTAT is looking after the tramway track & overhead. James grew up in the 1960s and 1970s, when a large, extensive electric trolleybus system served Auckland. These vehicles fascinated him as a child, and thus began a passion for electric street transport. At age 15, he joined the Tramway Division at MOTAT and has now been an active volunteer member of the tramway for 49 years. He's been a tram conductor, managed MOTAT's tram system for many years, and even wrote the guide used to train all MOTAT tram drivers.

Coffee Catch Up



Friday June 5th
from 10 am
At the Kings Plant Barn,
Universal Drive, Henderson
For tea or coffee, nibbles and a chat.

The 2026/27 Committee

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Annual Fees - 2026-27

Annual Fees now due.

Joining fee $12, Single $40, Couple $75

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Now here's a final thought -

"The only impossible journey is the one you never began"