The Probus Club of Grovedale Marshall Inc.

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Next Management Committee Meeting

Wednesday 4th November at
Waurn Ponds Hotel Café,
1154 Princes Hwy,
Waurn Ponds
10.30am

Next Members Monthly Meeting

Thursday 12th November at
Grovedale Community Hub,
45 Heyers Road.
9.30am for 10am start.

Book Club

The next book club meeting will be on Friday 16th October at 1pm at the Glynn's house,
11 Jean Place. Grovedale.

Apologies

If you are unable to attend a meeting, please phone or send a message to Margaret Letson on 0400 112 851 or email her at margaretletson7@gmail.com

Please let Shaaron know on 5241 5729 or s.glynn@sageadvice.com.au if you wish to add your name to a list or if you are unable to go to lunches or outings.











Lunches

Thursday 22nd October lunch at 12pm at the Peninsular Hotel, 195 Bellarine Hwy, Newcomb.

Thursday 19th November at 10am, there will be a visit to an exhibition of vintage cars at the home of Ken Batson, 135 Waurn Ponds Drive, Waurn Ponds. This will be followed by lunch at the Waurn Ponds Hotel at 12.30pm. Please let Shaaron know if you wish to do the lunch only.

Thursday 26th November trip to Sorento by ferry. The charge for foot passengers is $34 return concession if booked on your behalf by Sue or $36 if paid at the terminal. A list will be provided for you to add your name. This day out includes an optional lunch at the Sorento Terminal. Lifts to Queenscliff are available.

Thursday 3rd December at the Fyansford Hotel. Xmas in December has been booked for 12pm and will be an ordinary lunch with no entertainment scheduled this year. Members can choose between one of two menus at different prices but will be asked to pay $20 each regardless.

Thursday 21st January 2027 lunch at 12pm at The Spinx Hotel, 2 Thompson Rd, North Geelong

From the President's Desk



Is there a better way to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Probus movement than our BBQ lunch after this month's meeting? I think not.
Friendship: Just about everyone at the meeting joined the lunch, chatting and just being together.
Fellowship: So many members joined in making it all happen, cooking, putting out food etc. out, clearing up, washing and drying and helping each other.
Fun: Lots of laughs and smiles.

The atmosphere was just brilliant and a fitting reward for all the hard work and organisation Sue Howard and Ann Shelper put into it. Terry Lane took on the bulk of the cooking duties despite being without a leg to stand on – that is, one leg not being able to be stood on for very long! Thank you to all who pitched in.

We are very fortunate that the Grovedale Community Centre room, kitchen and outside BBQ areas were available.

Lawrence Glynn
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GUEST SPEAKER OF THE MONTH
Dale McIntyre
BlazeAid

We were privileged to welcome Dale McIntyre as this month's guest speaker representing BlazeAid.

Dale is a long-term CFA volunteer and nearly lost 4 properties in January this year, when a grass fire tore through parts of Streatham, Carranballac and Skipton, destroying at least a dozen homes in the region.

After that he became determined to help any way he could. This led to him starting a BlazeAid branch at Skipton, where volunteers (many from all around the world) partner side-by-side with property owners to clear fallen trees, repair or replace damaged boundary and paddock fences, and help restore rural infrastructure.



Dale explained that beyond physical labour, volunteers stay for months in disaster-affected regions to lift community morale, host social events like "Farmer's Nights," and support local economies. Anyone can volunteer for a few days, weeks, or longer; no prior fencing experience is required, and base camps provide meals and camping or shelter facilities.



Dale's fascinating and inspiring presentation was followed by a round of applause and many members expressed very favourable comments.

BBQ in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Probus in Australia

Following the October monthly meeting of the Grovedale Marshall Probus Club, 48 members gathered at the Grovedale Community Hub to enjoy a magnificent display of food on a glorious spring day.

We are indebted to Sue Howard and Anne Shelper for their spectacular efforts in providing all the delicious home-made salads and for purchasing meat, fruit and all the other necessities that contributed to the event. Also to Terry Lane for manning the BBQ and cooking all the meat. Thank you also to all those of you that helped with the washing up and man-handled the furniture. Plus we must never forget to thank Carmel Sanderson for her expert photography.



Thank you Anne and Sue



Thank you Terry















Timboon Bus Tip

Thursday 29th October a day trip to Timboon has been booked.

Members are to arrive at the Grovedale Community Hub at **8-15am** for an 8-30am departure arriving back in Geelong by about 4pm. This is a 57-seater bus. 55 members (including 11 Winchelsea Probus members) have signed up for the trip, and the bus is now full, therefore bookings are closed. A waiting list will be established if there are any more interested members.

We are reserving some seats on the bus.

6 rows behind the bus driver will be for the Winchelsea Probus Club - so we won't be held up too long picking them up and 3 Rows as you get on the bus, for individuals with specific needs. Please ensure that you take your seat behind these reserved seats.

BUS

Door side	Drivers side
Graeme & Kathleen	Winchelsea x 2
Laurel & Bev	Winchelsea x 2
Wendy & Merv	Winchelsea x 2
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GEELONG ARTS CENTRE
Morning Melodies



On Wednesday 21st October from 9.30am at the Geelong Arts Centre, members are booked to hear Bernadette Robinson's performance of her medley "They Sang At Carnegie Hall". All pre-purchased tickets have been sold. Contact Shaaron Glynn if you would like to be put on a stand-by list for any member who is unable to go.

From the soaring operatic brilliance of Maria Callas to the soulful depth of Billie Holiday, the glamour of Judy Garland, the passion of Edith Piaf, and the powerhouse vocals of Shirley Bassey and Dolly Parton – these iconic women have helped shape the legacy of this revered New York institution.

In They Sang At Carnegie Hall, acclaimed performer Bernadette Robinson (Songs For Nobodies, DIVAS) pays tribute to these extraordinary artists. Through her remarkable vocal range and theatrical storytelling, Robinson brings their voices and personas to life in a captivating performance. This is a celebration of artistry, history, and the enduring power of song – a chance to relive the magic of the women who made Carnegie Hall a global symbol of excellence.