



GLEN IRIS PROBUS CLUB

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Glen Iris Probus Club was formed at the St James Anglican Church on 21st February 2025.

Upcoming Events

Sept 14th:

Morning Melodies - Arts Centre

Sept 16th:

Book Club -2.30pm @ The
Pantry

Sept 18th: Post Meeting lunch -
Venue TBA

Sept 30th:

Casual Dining night - Lina's
Restaurant Glen Iris @ 6.00pm

Oct 16th: Post Meeting lunch -
Venue TBA

Oct 21st:

Book Club -2.30pm @ The
Pantry

**October 23rd: Tram Boat
Lunch - Please note change of
date**

October 26th:

Morning Melodies - Arts Centre

President's Report

Hello my fellow members as I reside for a brief time in sunny beautiful Noosa. Elizabeth and I are holidaying for a week with my brother in law and sister in law.

The glorious weather and the smiles on everyone's faces, both staff and holiday makers is infectious and does lift my spirits. I love Melbourne but it can be a bit dreary at this time of the year.

Thankfully our Christmas in July function at Rose cottage was a great success - especially because you all contributed with warmth and humour to make it so. The charm of Rose cottage made it a perfect choice, although the hills of our childhood memories are very different.

Thanks to Barb Olney's hospitality for an excellent time in her lovely home for our Happy hour.

The club's activities and planning continue almost seamlessly because of the talented, energetic Glen Iris Probus committee for which, as President, I am very grateful.

More sunscreen and cheers

Peter



Link to the club's website

General Enquiries: glenirisprobus@gmail.com

Club website: <https://probussouthpacific.org/microsites/gleniris/Welcome>

DISCOVER PROBUS

Discover new interests and unlimited possibilities in retirement

Glen Iris Probus Club

Venue: St James Anglican Church
Venue address: 1461 High Street, Glen Iris VIC 3146
Date/Time: Meeting held on the 3rd Friday of every month at 10.00am

We welcome new members.
To find out more information contact: Bronwyn Fitzgerald
Phone: 0419 355 737 Email: bronwynchambers@gmail.com

Be a part of a social club to meet new friends, hear from guest speakers, enjoy activities and outings.



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President	Peter Webster	0413 590 548
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Guest Speaker

Dr Rod Graham : Veterinarian

Before founding **Village Vet - Toorak** in 1994, Dr Rod spent 20 years as a **Yarra Valley** horse vet. Today, he operates under a clear clinic policy: "We are in the business of helping owners care for their pets."

As a non-practising law graduate, he credits his legal background, in part, for his unique listening skills. It taught him to look beyond just the animal in front of him and truly listen to the owner to uncover the bigger problem.

This evolution from veterinary **science** to the empathetic **art** of care is beautifully detailed in his book, *Snippets of a Vet's Life: The Early Years*, available on Amazon.



Ten Minute Speaker: Glenn Allan

Calendar

August

Mon	3 rd	Probian Pedallers
Wed	5 th	Craft and coffee Jack's House Cafe, 1398 High Street 10am
Thurs	6 th	Committee meeting Mae Cafe 10.30am
Mon	10 th	Pop-up brunch Foxx Cafe 1491 Malvern Rd Glen Iris 10am
Tue	11 th	Movies Holy Days, Palace Balwyn
Mon	17 th	Morning Melodies Victorian College of the Arts Music Theatre Showcase: Echoes of Broadway
Wed	19 th	Book Group, The Pantry, Glen Iris Rd, Glen Iris 2.30
Fri	21 st	Club meeting St James Church Hall 1461 High St Glen Iris 10am .
		Lunch Venue TBC
Wed	26 th	Ros Argent & Glynis Allan on Wednesday 4.30pm to 6.30pm - Address on sign up sheet
Fri	28 th	Walk n' coffee 10am Hartwell along the train line, coffee at the Fordham Milk Bar
		Card Group Private home - Anne Williams 2- 4pm



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September

Wed	2 nd	Craft and coffee Jack's House Cafe, 1398 High Street 10am
Thurs	3 rd	Committee meeting Mae Cafe 10.30am
Mon	7 th	Probian Pedallers
Mon	14 th	Morning Melodies Silvie Paladino: A Life On Stage
Tue	15 th	Movies
Wed	16 th	Book Group, The Pantry, Glen Iris Rd, Glen Iris 2.30
Fri	18 th	Club meeting St James Church Hall 1461 High St Glen Iris 10am .
Fri	25 th	Walk n' coffee 10am Venue Contact Peter Baird for this month's walk location Card Group Private home - Anne Williams 2- 4pm
Sat	26 th	Grand Final Day
Wed	30 th	Casual dining @ Lina's restaurant: 32 High St Glen Iris.

GROUP LEADERS

here are the group leaders and their emails should you want to join their group or ask some questions:

Book Club: Swap and Share: Ros Argent rmargent@outlook.com

Bike Rides: Ian Phillips: iphillip987@gmail.com

Cards: Helen Hardman: hhardman54@gmail.com

Casual Dining: Ros Argent: rmargent@outlook.com

Walking Group: Peter Baird: lindapeter.baird@outlook.com

Peter Dalrymple p.dalrymple@bigpond.com

Movies group: Lana Levi: lanalevi@y7mail.com

Culture vultures: Vicki Jacks: lawrievicki@me.com

Theatre Club: Ursula Craigie: ursula.craigie@gmail.com

Craft N Coffee: Julie Wurf: jayb.wurf@gmail.com

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT - AUGUST 2026

We were very pleased to welcome several visitors at the July meeting – Howard Rose, Margaret Bell, Janine Hurley and Philip Nesci. A sincere welcome to our visitors!!! We are very pleased to welcome Howard Rose as a new member who will be inducted with Greg Noonan at the August meeting.

We are pleased to be welcoming various enquiries regarding our club from prospective members. The recruitment campaign for new members seems to be working! I am delighted that a number of you have encouraged friends and relatives to attend as reflected in visitors attending recent meetings. If you have any friends or relatives who are interested in joining our club, I am more than happy to provide them with information regarding our club.

My email is bronrchambers@gmail.com

or text/phone 0419355737.

Bronwyn Fitzgerald

Membership & Welfare



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We have formed a Travel Committee!

The wonderful members who have joined me are: John Elligate, Ruth Kivela and Barb Olney. We will look over the data from the questionnaire and start to put together a day-trip. We" start small and work our way up!

We'd like to have a Travel Agent on board, too - so if you have a connection with a TA who could help us with bookings, costs etc we'd love to build a relationship with them. Please send details to eddawill@gmail.com.

Edda Williams

Christmas in July at Rose Cottage

A very successful afternoon was had and I think everyone enjoyed the venue and food. Lunch was enjoyed around an open fire with 28 attending.

Peter did a great job of organising a quiz with prizes to be shared at each table.

The staff were very accommodating and welcoming.



Many thanks to Rosemary
for organising this event.



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Meeting Matters

We encourage everyone to

- * Arrive between 9.30 and 9.45 (for a 10am start) to sign in, and have a chat with members and any newbies.
- * Please remember to wear your badges to all Probud meetings and other Probud activities.

* **Please notify Membership if you are unable to attend any Club meeting or if you need to leave the meeting early. I can be contacted on bronrchambers@gmail.com or text/phone 0419355737**

- * Remember to carry your Medical Cards for all Probud activities. In the event of a medical emergency, your medical card would facilitate the delivery of accurate medical information to paramedics and enable us to contact your next of kin in a timely manner.

Setting up and packing up the room - All offers of help accepted

It would be appreciated if everyone could assist in both setting up and packing up the room.

When packing up please place chairs according to the pictures on the walls

Can we please remind everyone to switch their phones to silent during meetings

Behind the Urn: **Helen Vollmer**, and **Ally Turner** Please arrive at 9.30 to set up etc

- **Dates you need to be included on the calendar – last day of the month. Calendar is sent out on the first of the month**
- **Final day for items for inclusion in the next newsletter: second Wednesday of the month**

Please email Julie at jayb.wurf@gmail.com





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Probus
SOUTH PACIFIC

28 July 2026

Dear Management Committee

Recently we provided all Clubs and Associations with the 2026-2027 Certificate of Currency for the Public & Products Liability component of the Probus National Insurance Program.

A summary of the coverage provided for Personal Accident, Public & Products Liability, Association Liability and Club Money for approved Probus activities is outlined in the attached Insurance Coverage Summary [here](#).

We encourage you to share this information with Club members.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Yours in Probus friendship,

Silvana Martignago

Chief Executive Officer

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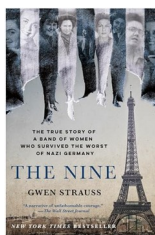
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Book Club:

Our like minded readers enjoyed lively discussion this month about the books they have recently enjoyed. Although our preferred genres are varied it is interesting to hear peoples thoughts. A slow burn or race to the end? Thought provoking, character engagement or a mystery plot right up until the very last page?

If you are looking to change things up or new ideas for your next read - ask a member of our group. We keep a spreadsheet with information about books that we have discussed.



Looking for your next read?

The Nine by Gwen Strauss

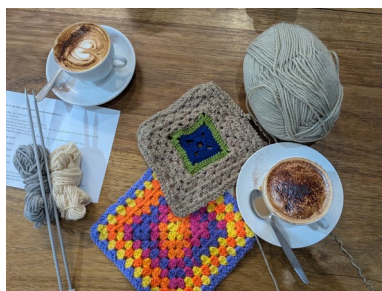
Casual Dining:

A lovely day at Rose Cottage for all those that were able to attend AND a lovely drive through the Dandenong hills on a sun drenched day to boot. Win Win! Thanks, Rosemary, for organising.

Our next dining night out is in September at Lina's Restaurant Glen Iris. Keep an eye out for details on the What's App. A sign on sheet is available at the meeting. Thanks to Shirley and Dennis for organising this one.

Special Event:

Unfortunately the date for our **TRAM BOAT** day out has been changed. Please revisit the sign on sheet and confirm your interest. We need a minimum number of 30 people for this event to happen so your early notice is appreciated. This will be a combined Friday walk and Casual Dining event for anyone involved in those groups.



Craft and coffee

First Wednesday of the month at Jack's Place 1398 High Street Glen Iris. Bring your small craft project and join us for coffee. Can't knit or crochet? Don't worry we can teach you. Or if you are at a loose end – just come for a coffee and a chat.

Best parking behind the Glen Iris Vet on the corner of High Street and Horace Street.



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Movie Club



Our August movie outing at the Palace Theatre, Balwyn was a delightful road-trip ride back to the 1970's. Holy Days, set in New Zealand, is a story of three nuns who are trying to save their convent home being redeveloped while they get sent to retirement homes. A great adventure for the nuns and the little boy they have been helping to come to terms with the death of his mother.

It was a small crew this month after a record attendance in July for the movie Glenrothan, a family drama set in the beautiful Scottish Highlands.

I'm sorry for those who are unwell and I hope you are better soon. Happy for those who have travelled to warmer climates!

Looking forward to the next movie adventure outing!

Lana Levi