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

October

Wed 21st Happy Hour - Hosts Marley & Peter Harries.

Fri 23rd Combined casual dining and Walking group – a day out in Williamstown

Mon 26th

Morning Melodies

Wed 28th Tipping Point audience – Docklands

Sat 31st "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels" at the Malvern Theatre Company 8pm

President's Report

Sadly we note the death of Rod Goode, a founding member of the club and an enthusiastic supporter of Glen Iris Probus. On behalf of all members we send loving thoughts and caring wishes to Joan, Rod's wife, and a fellow member of the club.

Our book group will be presenting a 10 minute talk on the joys of their literary forays for the day's meeting. Next year we are hoping to involve all our special groups in 10 minute presentations.

Our November meeting is being sponsored by the Stonnington Council and the talk organised by Victoria police. Micheal O'Brien - a current serving police officer - will be speaking on personal safety. Council will be promoting the talk to the general public to increase attendees and to promote our group. Please welcome any new faces on the day.

I would also like to acknowledge the Community Grant that we received from the City of Stonnington and the importance of that to support our club activities during the 2026/2027 financial year. Thanks to our Treasurer Ian Kinder for his work on getting the Grant on our behalf.

My last reminder for the special Christmas December meeting to be held at Riversdale Golf Club on Friday 4 December. Money to be paid at the October meeting.

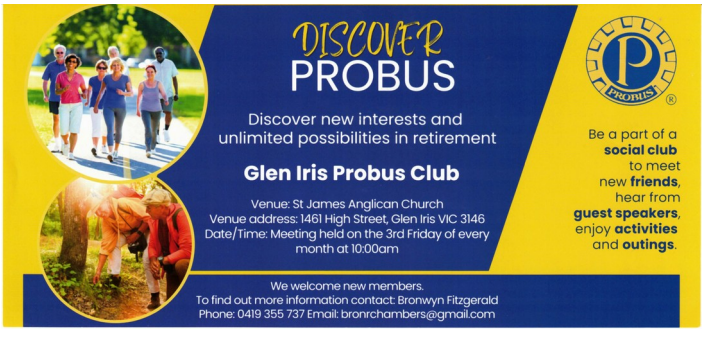
I wish everyone the best over the next month. I will miss the footy season, go Lions, but I know many of you are passionate about the Spring Racing Carnival.

Peter

Link to the club's website

General Enquiries: glenirisprobus@gmail.com

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



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	Lana Levi
	Joan Goode

Financial Report

The club received an injection of funding from Stonnington Council Annual Community Grant for $1,427 for the 2026/2027 financial year.

The grant allocated is to support three specific club activities & requirements.

- Contribution to monthly venue hire at St James
- Contribution to our club's Christmas lunch to be held at the Riversdale Golf Club
- Purchase of club A frame sign to be displayed at monthly general meetings

MEMBERSHIP REPORT - OCTOBER 2026

It is very pleasing that our visitors are rapidly transforming into new Probus members! How lovely to welcome Margaret Bell and Lorraine Elsley as new members at the September meeting …. and there is more!!! At our October meeting we will be inducting Megan Cripps, Cate Gyura, Marley Harries and Janine Hurley as new members. A massive welcome to all these new members and this will take our total membership to 61!!! .

We are pleased to be welcoming various enquiries regarding our club from prospective members. The recruitment campaign for new members seems to be working! 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.

Don't forget to complete your medical cards and have them with you at all Probus activities.

Badges – Many thanks to "Team Allan" (Glenn and Glynis) for doing such a super job on badge repairs! Any new badges ordered will have magnetised backs.

Bronwyn Fitzgerald

Membership and Welfare

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Guest Speaker Ken Bennett

Ken could, like other members, be a 10 minute speaker. However, those who know him appreciate that 10 minutes is not sufficient for Ken to ramble on about his multi-facetted life. He will give us an insight into his days in radio, and some of the personalities he met along the way.

Ten Minute Speaker: Our Book club

Calendar

October

Thurs	1st	Committee meeting Mae Cafe 10.30am
Mon	5th	Probian Pedallers
Wed	7th	Craft and coffee Jack's House Cafe, 1398 High Street 10am
Tue	13th	Movies
Wed	14th	Book Club -2.30pm Venue TBA
Fri	16th	Club meeting St James Church Hall 1461 High St Glen Iris 10am .
		Post meeting lunch Venue TBA. Check the Casual Dining What's App for more info
Wed	21st	Happy Hour - Hosts Marley & Peter Harries. Address details per sign on sheet
Fri	23rd	Combined casual dining and Walking group – a day out in Williamstown
Mon	26th	Morning Melodies I Am Woman: Bold, Brassy and Iconic
Wed	28th	Tipping Point audience - Docklands
Fri	30th	Card Group Private home - Anne Williams 2- 4pm
Sat	31st	"Dirty Rotten Scoundrels" at the Malvern Theatre Company 8pm. Contact Ursula Craigie for more details or book online

November

Mon	2nd	Probian Pedallers
Wed	4th	Craft and coffee Jack's House Cafe, 1398 High Street 10am
Thurs	5th	Committee meeting Mae Cafe 10.30am
Mon	9th	Morning Melodies - Teddy Tahu Rhodes and Georgia Wilkinson:
		A Little Glamour and a Lot of Joy
Tue	10th	Movies
Wed	18th	Book Group, The Pantry, Glen Iris Rd, Glen Iris 2.30
Fri	20th	Club meeting St James Church Hall 1461 High St Glen Iris 10am .
Wed	25th	Casual dining,
Fri	27th	Walk n' coffee 10am Venue Contact Peter Baird for this month's walk location
		Card Group Private home - Anne Williams 2- 4pm

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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

Bike Rides: Ian Phillips:

Cards: Helen Hardman:

Casual Dining: Ros Argent:

Walking Group: Peter Baird:

Peter Dalrymple

Movies group: Lana Levi:

Culture vultures: Vicki Jacks:

Theatre Club: Ursula Craigie:

Craft N Coffee: Julie Wurf:

Travel: Edda Williams:

Happy Hour: Julie Ashby j

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 Probus meetings and other Probus activities.

* **Please notify Membership if you are unable to attend any Club meeting or if you need to leave the meeting early.**

* Remember to carry your Medical Cards for all Probus 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: **Greg Scott** and **Peter Baird** Please arrive at 9.30 to set up etc

Final date for items for inclusion in the next newsletter: Wednesday 11th November

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Activities Report

Recent activities

MORNING MELODIES:
In September a group of members were fortunate to see Australian musical theatre star Silvie Paladino in a performance filled with music and stories of her remarkable journey in the spotlight. From her breakthrough in *Les Misérables* in Australia and L**o**ndon's West End, to standout roles in *CATS*, *Miss Saigon*, *Mamma Mia!*, *Chess*, *Passion*, *Fun Home*, *Cinderella* and *Sunset Boulevard*, Silvie is renown as one of the nation's most versatile performers.

Don't forget to sign up or chat to Anne Williams if you are interested in the 2027 season of Morning Melodies.

HAPPY HOUR

Dynasty Wine Bar proved a successful venue for our September Happy Hour. Cosy environment, comfortable chairs and easy to chat. Tick Tick Tick! Many thanks to Marley and Peter Harries for offering to host our next event in October. Address details as per the sign on sheet. A big thank you to Julie Ashby who has offered to co-ordinate our monthly Happy Hour events. Julie's contact details can be found on the sign on sheets or the volunteer to host sign on sheet. We are always very grateful for our leaders, welcome on board.	

Upcoming Activities

WILLIAMSTOWN:
Casual Dining group is combining with Friday walking group for a day out at Williamstown on Friday 23rd October. For anyone interested, please meet on the Williamstown platform at Flinders St Railway Station in time to catch the 10.50am train to Williamstown. Once arriving in Williamstown, we will enjoy a walk to the pier and find some lunch together. Really - who can go past fish and chips by the pier?? Sign on sheets available.

TIPPING POINT:
We have been invited to join the audience for the filming of season 4 of Tipping Point at

THE DOCKLANDS STUDIOS - 476 DOCKLANDS DRIVE, DOCKLANDS
There are various dates available through Oct, Nov & Dec. Tickets are able to be booked individually via the Eventbrite website.

https://www.eventbrite.fi/e/
If you book a date or there is a date that interests you, let me know. Others may be interested in attending same day. So far we have interest in 28th October morning session and a late November date. Jump on the link and have a look.

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CHRISTMAS LUNCH:

FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER @ RiVERSDALE GOLF CLUb

Money now due. $70.00 pp.

Please pay at our club meeting or see the newsletter for direct transfer banking details.

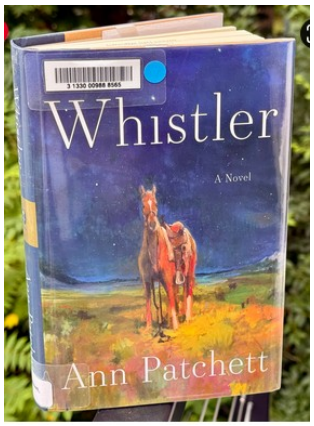
SENIORS FESTIVAL STONNINGTON:

Unfortunately, we missed out on gaining a table at the trivia afternoon but there are still plenty of activities on offer. Jump on the Seniors Festival in Stonington website and take the opportunity of trying something new.

BOOK CLUB:

How long should you give a book you are not enjoying? Is it okay to ditch a slow burn? Every reader has a different strategy—whether it is three chapters, 50 pages, or 100 pages. Yet, all readers agree on one thing: it is completely fine to move on when a book fails to interest you. Reading is meant to be a pleasure, not a chore. Put the book down and find a better choice.

Looking for your next read? Whistler by Ann Patchett 💯



MOVIE GROUP SEPTEMBER OUTING

Practical Magic 2

Sandra Bullock and Nicole Kidman put on a great show in this movie with lots of fun, laughter, and plenty of magic spells. As well as still helping people from their local town they are trying to unravel a family curse. If they are successful the women in their family will finally be able to have lasting romantic attachments.



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Let's wrap up the year with some fun and cheer.
Good food, great company and a few surprises!

The Reservations Sheet will be available at the October Meeting and we will be taking payments.

Christmas lunch cancellations by November meeting

Bendigo Bank Community Bank Malvern East	Glen Iris Probus Club Incorporated BSB 633 000 ACC:228438453

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Walking Group

Malvern Gardens – with coffee afterwards at Georgios.
Winter is obviously behind us!



Margaret Bell and Lorraine Elsley induction



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