



NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2022

Probuss Club of Ballarat South Inc.

President's Report

Hi All,

A great monthly meeting was held last week, more than 80 members attended to participate in October Fest fun time. You could say it was an upside down meeting. Well done Lynne P for pulling it all together.

Robyn's "Who am I" was also very interesting and informative especially the Western District emphasis.

I must thank all members who stayed back to assist in cleaning up the venue.

During the month gone excellent outings occurred, Narrapumelap and the Malmsbury car journey to name but two. Later this month the Macedon Tugurium Garden trip is on. Please check this newsletter for info on this one.

It was a welcome sight to see members who have been unwell or had medical interventions back at our last meeting. I am sure we will see more members at meetings as we go towards Christmas, including the northern returnees.

Updating Standing Resolutions (Club bylaws) - the committee is working towards the Christmas meeting to ratify any changes.

Please note that payment for the Christmas Function is requested and is \$38 pp. Let's make it a full house as last year.

As always stay safe and healthy.



Ian C



Those attending Tugurium Garden, Dicksonia Rare Plants Nursery next Wednesday **please note that \$20 payment is now due** for the garden guided tour and morning tea.

Some members have been receiving spam emails. This advice comes from your committee, please take note:

- ⇒ Take care with all emails and only open the ones you are sure of
- ⇒ Beware of suspicious emails from Club members
- ⇒ Do not click on links in emails
- ⇒ If you wish to contact a member and you are not sure of the origin of an email, telephone them and speak to them in person.



Our Christmas meeting will be held on Thursday December 8 at Ballarat Golf Club. Cost is \$38pp for a 2 course lunch. RSVP and payment due by 16th November. Your invitation is attached to this mailing.

REQUEST FROM TREASURER HANK

It would be greatly appreciated if members of couples could pay separately. The treasurer has accounts for every individual member and separate payments will allow us to get the most from our accounting program.



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What a great time we had at our Octoberfest. We have many talented and creative members



Hello Probus People

I am a sad couch potato. I was not always like this, I can only sit here and think what might have been if my name had been "Danger", "Isaac" or "Joel". My story starts with my ancestors. I was told that they were the famous and wealthy American family – Mr and Mrs Russet-Burbank who were enticed to this area by a Mr McCain. They were promised good volcanic soil, plenty of sunshine and water, just what any quality potato needs. However, when I completed an "ancestry" DNA test, it turns out that I do not belong to the Russet-Burbank family, but instead a common hybrid "chip" variety. History has it that my father was known by the name of "Salty" Chips and my mother was "Crinkle cut" Chips. I never knew my parents as they went travelling when I was just a seed. I was promised that if I grew up to be a big potato I would be able to travel and stay at expensive hotels, visit the best restaurants, etc. So far I have only been put in a truck, taken to Ballarat along with thousands of others and put in a shed. The shed is air conditioned but it is cold and very crowded. I was offered a part in a movie, but my agent advised against it as the movie was called "Frozen". I passed on the offer.

My sadness increased this morning when the man operating the scales asked me my name. When I said "Fission Chips" he laughed and so did all the other potatoes in the shed. I didn't think I had said anything funny and if I wanted to be famous, I would have taken the movie part.

I only ask that when you sit down for your senior's meal of "flathead tails", you spend a short time reflecting the story behind the chips on your plate.

Regards
Fission Chips

This gem is the work of one David K





MEETINGS

NOVEMBER COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday 7th 9.30am at Sebastopol Bowling Club.

NOVEMBER CLUB MEETING

Thursday 10th 9.30am for 9.45am start at Masonic Centre, Barkly Street.

GREETERS: Lorraine and Serge M

KITCHEN: Gaye and David K, Bernice M, Ian P and Betty F

BIRTHDAYS

Those celebrating birthdays in November are invited to coffee at Azzuri on **Monday 7th November at 2pm**. **RSVP to Ian C by Thursday 3rd** so a table can be booked. Partners and friends are also welcome to come along.

Happy Birthday in September to Robyn C, Ian D, Frank H, Geoff H, Diane J, Joy N, Liz V and Marjorie W.

CYCLING GROUP

Contact Peter N

9.15am for 9.30am on Wednesdays (weather dependent)
Cyclists meet at Windmill Drive with coffee on completion of the ride. All welcome.



A pirate walked into a bar, and the bartender said, "Hey, I haven't seen you in a while. What happened? You look terrible."

"What do you mean?" said the pirate, "I feel fine."

"What about the wooden leg? You didn't have that before."

"Well," said the pirate, "We were in

a battle, and I got hit with a cannon ball, but I'm fine now."

The bartender replied, "Well, OK, but what about that hook? What happened to your hand?"

The pirate explained, "We were in another battle. I boarded a ship and got into a sword fight. My hand was cut off. I got fitted with a hook but I'm fine, really."

"What about that eye patch?"

"Oh," said the pirate, "One day we were at sea, and a flock of birds flew over. I looked up, and one of them pooped in my eye."

"You're kidding," said the bartender. "You couldn't lose an eye just from bird poop."

"It was my first day with the hook."

BUSHWALKING

Probus Bushwalk

Contact Ross and Margaret W

There will be no bushwalk on Tuesday 8th November as many of our bushwalkers will be away.

Probus 2-Hour Bushwalk Tuesday November 22nd

Contact John V

Details of this walk are to be advised.



Our intrepid bushwalkers on a recent walk in the Lerderderg state park.

CARDS

Contact Barry W

There will be no cards in November as half of the card players will be away.

Get ready for a major day in December. Details will be notified in next month's newsletter.

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE:

Payments to the club should be made online or direct credit to our bank account

BSB 063870 Account No 10239604

Please follow these requirements:

1. In reference box please put your **name first always** (can be Hank P or Ian C etc)
2. State what is being paid for.
3. Pay for **each person** separately and one item or event at a time. **Don't combine payments for different persons, items or events.**

Other people or friends may pay for you (separately please) but use the name of person for whom the item is to be paid.

These guidelines will greatly assist the Treasurer to keep the accounts as simple as possible.



COFFEE GROUP

Contact Ruth F

Tuesday 1st November 10.30am at Espresso District at Midvale.

Thursday 17th November 2.00pm at Boatshed, Wendouree Pde.



With dwindling numbers, is it time to reduce Coffee catch-ups to once a month? Ruth is collecting people's opinions, let her know your thoughts.

Ruth would like to pass on the organisation of Coffee group to someone else next year. Please talk to her if you are interested.

CRAFT GROUP

Contact Heather D

Date: Friday November 18
12noon

Venue: Home of Denyce
Bring your lunch.



BOWLS

Contact Neil D

The Probus Club of Colac intends to resume its annual bowling tournament next year on Monday January 23. Details are not yet finalized, but interested bowlers may like to note the date in their calendars so they will be free on that day.

CANASTA

Contact Denyce M

Next meeting will be on 24th November 2022 at York Street Church of Christ, 410 York Street, Ballarat.

Time: 1.30 – 4.00pm. Everyone is welcome (including learners). Please notify Denyce if you are attending this event.

Cost: \$5 per person to cover venue hire and refreshments.

GOLF

Contact Kelvin J

Next golf day is Friday 4 November 2022 at Buninyong. 9.30am hit-off. Lunch at Bakery Café. All welcome.

TRAVELLERS TALES

Contact Judy F

Next Travellers Tales will be on Monday 21st November at 1.30pm at home of Judy F. There will be a sign-up sheet at the next meeting.

Lunch venue after November Club meeting is at the Robin Hood Hotel, 33 Peel St. 12noon.

BOOKCLUB (Evening Group)

Meets 4th Thursday.

Contact Margaret W. Library Contact: Ann D

Date: Thursday November 24

Time: 7.30pm

Book: "The Holiday Murders" by Robert Gott

Venue: Home of Kathy H

BOOKCLUB (Daytime Group)

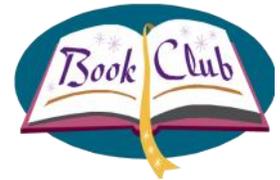
Meets 4th Monday. 1.30pm

Contact Kathy P

Date: Monday 28th November

Book: "Daughter of the Hunter Valley" by Paula J Beavan

Venue: Barkly Square



OUTINGS

Tugurium Garden, Wednesday October 26th. The garden is the creation of Stephen Ryan, former host of Gardening Australia 2009- 2011.

8-10 Centenary Ave, Macedon.

▪ TIME - 10.30am

▪ COST - \$20 payable by direct transfer by October 17. Members are asked to pay individually, not as a couple. Includes guided tour, morning tea of cake, plunged coffee/tea to be served on arrival. Stephen will then give us a guided tour of his garden.

▪ LUNCH (own cost) – 12.30pm at The Macedon Lounge, 40 Victoria St, Macedon. After lunch we can explore Stephen's nursery Dicksonia Rare Plants, 686 Mt Macedon Rd, Mt Macedon

▪ Members can email Robyn C their intention to take part .

People are to organise own car pooling. Allow 1hr 15 mins travel time via Bacchus Marsh/Gisborne

Werribee Park Mansion and Victoria Rose Garden

Gate 2 K Road Werribee South

When: Thursday 3rd November

Time: 10.30am

Cost: \$7.20

Self guided tour

Audio tour is available at additional cost \$6.80 per person for hire of headsets

Lunch: 2 cafes to choose from.

CONFIRMATION of numbers by Thursday 27th October

Organise own car pooling, or contact Cathryn.

Contact: Cathryn O by txt or email



Activities over the past month



39 members enjoyed their visit to Narrapumelap at Wickliffe.



Members braved the wet and enjoyed a day out visiting Malmsbury and Taradale.

More Conflicting Proverbs

Clothes make the man.
Don't judge a book by its cover.

Nothing ventured, nothing gained.
Better safe than sorry.

What will be, will be.
Life is what you make it.

What's good for the goose is good for the gander.
One man's meat is another man's poison.

The more, the merrier.
Two's company; three's a crowd



Date	Meet at	Coffee
Nov 4	Boatshed Restaurant	Boatshed
Nov 11	Common Ground	Common Ground
Nov 18	North Star Hotel	North Star Hotel
Nov 25	Lake Esmond	Treehouse Café Golden Point

STROLLERS

Contact Alan E

Half hour stroller walks start at 10.00am on Fridays. If it's wet we will still meet for coffee and a chat.

HOOR WALKS

Contact Raelene & Ian D
9.30am start.

Date	Meet at	Coffee
Nov 4	Specialist School Farm, Norman St	Farm Café
Nov 11	Woolworths Car Park, Lucas	Lucas
Nov 18	Adult Playground, Morton St	BYO
Nov 25	De Soza Park, Buninyong	Buninyong

Cycling is on every Wednesday at 9.30am. Meet at Windmill Drive.		
Tuesday Nov 1	Coffee group 10.30am	Details page 5
Thursday 3rd	Werribee Park Mansion & Rose Garden outing	Details page 5
Friday 4th	Golf at Buninyong	Details page 5
Friday 4th	Strollers and Hour walks	Details above
Monday 7th	Committee meeting 9.30am	Sebastopol Bowling Club
Monday 7th	Birthday Coffee at Azzuri	2pm
Thursday 10th	Club meeting 9.15 for 9.45am start	Masonic Centre, Barkly Street.
Friday 11th	Strollers and Hour walks	Details above
Thursday 17th	Coffee group 2.00pm	Details page 5
Friday 18th	Craft group 12noon	Home of Denyce
Friday 18th	Strollers and Hour walks	Details above
Monday 21st	Travellers Tales 1.30pm	Details page 4
Tuesday 22nd	2 hour bushwalk, details tba.	
Thursday 24th	Canasta 1.30pm	Details page 5
Thursday 24th	Evening Book club	Details page 5
Friday 25th	Strollers and Hour walks	Details above
Monday 28th	Daytime Book club 1.30pm	Details page 5
THURSDAY DEC 8	CHRISTMAS BREAKUP	