

COMBINED PROBUS CLUB OF BLACKBURN SOUTH INC.

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The Club meets at 10.00am on the first Wednesday of every month (except Dec and Jan.)
at the City of Whitehorse Horticultural Centre, 82 Jolimont Road, Forest Hill.



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President	Mary Burton	9722 1249
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Outings		
Events Co-Ordinator		
Publicity Officer		

Diary Dates

Next Meeting	Wednesday 3 rd May
Coffee Club	Every Friday 3.00 pm
Golf	Every Friday 9.30 am
Discussion Group	Monday 15 th May
Bistro - Café Oggi	Wednesday 24 th May
Lilydale Theatre	Wednesday 12 th July
Bulletin Deadline	Friday 26 th May

Hello,



Once again, my thanks to Ree for stepping in and conducting the April Meeting. It's good to know that should the need arise a member is always willing to help. Holidays from time to time are a necessary way to refresh and re-energise one's self but, enjoyable as they are, I don't like to stay away from family, friends and familiar surroundings for too long. Autumn is well and truly with us, and Melbourne is looking spectacular with the changing colour of the leaves and foliage. I think this is my favourite time of the year.

Please give the following important notice your attention as it concerns the future of the club.

URGENT NOTICE: - We have 67 active members in the club yet NOT ONE NOMINATION to fill the positions of Vice President and Secretary. Without these positions being filled in the near future our club will not survive next year. By law, we cannot continue.

Secretary: - John Hally our temporary Secretary has been in the position of Secretary for the last eight consecutive years plus three years previously. I think you will agree that this is above and beyond what can reasonably be expected of anyone. John is more than willing to discuss what is involved and assist anyone who takes up this position.

Vice President: - We also need a Vice President to understudy the President's role and ensure that the club will have a leader next year. The Vice President's duties are to assist and support the President and familiarise themselves with the responsibilities of the President.

If you really care about the continuation of our club, help to stop it from folding and volunteer your service.

AFTER MEETING LUNCH - Sofia's Restaurant, 299 Burwood Highway, Burwood East.

BIRTHDAYS – MAY

Best wishes to the following members:

Ron Rivett 3 rd	Sue Needham 4 th	Vin White 4 th
Graeme Brookes 6 th	Lorna Moncrieff 13 th	Rod Needham 16 th
Denis Hawthorne 26 th	Keith Booth 29 th	Mary Rasmussen 30 th .



VALE

William (Bill) Jackson

10th. September 1936 to 1st April 2023

Police Chief Superintendent (Rtd.) Club President 2008

A Club member since September 1998

SECRETARY'S REPORT - John Hally 0411 314 218

MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING: Our next Monthly Meeting will be held at the Whitehorse Horticultural Centre, 82 Jolimont Road, Forest Hill on Wednesday, 3rd May commencing at 10.00 am.

CORRESPONDENCE: Probus South Pacific Ltd has advised that Capitation Fees for this year are set at \$16.75 per member and are due and payable by 30th April.

TREASURER - Bob Grierson 9887-1431

Club Bank Account: BSB 633-108 Account No 151023272
(PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF BANK A/C)
Make sure that your name is registered with the deposit.

WELFARE - Ree Dowling 0410 478 304

Like yourselves, when we catch up with members at the meeting or events, I hear about members who are attending medical appointments etc. which reminds us how important catchups are and keeping smiles on faces. Humour is the best medicine!!!!

The colder weather has already triggered the relentlessness of Covid. Despite our now five vaccines, we are still vulnerable.

Keeping ventilation awareness is a priority at our meetings and the selection of outings.

We are seeking portable Ventilators at the hall (not just for our club) with the Whitehorse Council which would alleviate the problem and we can stay warm.

GUEST SPEAKERS - Beryl Pakes 9897 3454

May - Colin Neave

Colin will give us a most interesting talk as he recounts facets of his very extensive career in law, consumer affairs, and government administration. He served as Chairman of the Commonwealth Consumer Affairs Advisory Council from 1997 to 2013 and was President of the Administrative Review Council. He was honoured with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals for his contributions as an ombudsman and his work in resolving issues. In June 2005, Colin was recognised for his service to public administration and the banking and finance industry, and was appointed as a Member of the Order of Australia.

During his talk, Colin shares his journey from working at Myers part-time in 1958 to serving as the Chief Ombudsman of the Financial Ombudsman Service, Chairperson of the Legal Services Board of Victoria, the Australian Banking Industry Ombudsman, and Vice Chair of the Australian Press Council.

He has held many other high-level positions in public sectors in several areas, including Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department, Managing Director of the Legal Aid Commission of NSW, Secretary of the Victorian Attorney-General's Department, and Director-General of the South Australian Department of Public and Consumer Affairs.

June - Vonda Fenwick

Vonda recently retired as CEO of South East Melbourne Manufacturers Alliance (SEMMA). She will share how SEMMA provided members with a voice and participation in decisions regarding critical needs and the chance of greatest success for an innovative and sustainable manufacturing community.

ROSTERS - MAY to JULY

Before the meeting would all volunteers please read their copy of the "Monthly Meeting Volunteer Procedures" and bring that copy to the meeting.

MEETING VOLUNTEERS ROSTER

Before Meeting Set Up and After the Meeting Pack Up & Lock Up

May	Colin Sando	Mike Bampffield
June	Mike McGorlick	Harish Shah
July	Alan Hunter	Nelson Knight

Welcome and Directing to Sign-in Desk

May	Dennis Birt	Christine Hunter
June	Bruna Rosaia	Catherine Pratt
July	Keith Hawthorne	Kath Hawthorne

Attendance Recording

May	Alan Hunter	Keith Wickins
June	Gilly George	Cushla Appleby
July	Joyce Wickens	Keith Wickens

Mentor to Visitors

May	Chris Stott	Warwick Stott
June	Dot Browne	Lois Cheevers
July	Val Nixon	Dot Thompson

Morning Tea Team

May	Keith Booth	Gerry Burton
June	Ken George	Rolf Arnoldi
July	Sue Needham	Jenny Birt

Please arrive for duty by 9.15 am

If you are unable to attend Roster Duty, please initially try to exchange with another member; failing that, please contact Mary Burton ASAP - 0458 866 991.

DISCUSSION GROUP - Chairperson - Bill Wallis 0458 805 866.

Monday 15th May at 2.00 pm **All are welcome.**

Meeting will be held at the home of Harish Shah,
12 Chippendale Tce. Burwood East. Mob. 0430 380 806

FRIDAY COFFEE: MOON & SPOON,

Every Friday afternoon, 3:15pm, Level 2, Forest Hill Chase Shopping Centre

DINEOUTS

Christmas in July:-

The Committee have decided that Christmas in July should be cancelled this year because in winter time the Covid Virus is most active and people are more vulnerable.

One of our members Lois Cheevers has put forward an alternative suggestion i.e. aA Spring Carnival Lunch close to Cup Day. This will be discussed at the next Committee Meeting and details will be published in the June Bulletin.

It is pleasing to have members put forward ideas and suggestions.

Bistro - Ree Dowling 0410 478 304

Oggi Restaurant - Down to earth Italian Restaurant



'Italian-European- Australian favorites to suit every palette.'

Address: 1 Lakeside Drive, East Burwood. (Off Burwood Highway from corner with Springvale Rd)

Wednesday 24th May.

Time 6 pm – Ordering from 6.15 pm (as mentioned at our meeting)

Menu: A La Carte

Bar: Full access (no BYO)

Access: Easy and drop off at entrance ramp.

Parking: Ample – around the restaurant

OUTINGS

Play: Switzerland

A Thriller by Australian writer Joanna Murray-Smith

Venue: Lilydale Athenaeum Theatre (Stylish old theatre)

Date: Wednesday, 12th July

Time: 7.30 pm for 8.00

Address: 39 – 41 Castella Street, Lilydale

Cost: \$22.00 (if 10+ group) otherwise concession \$25.00

Parking: At the venue & on the street.

Good seats are available at present.

Contact Ree if interested on 0410 478 304

'Somewhere in the Swiss Alps, grand dame of crime literature Patricia Highsmith lives with an impressive collection of books, and a somewhat sinister collection of Guns and knives. She finds solace in her solitude, her cats and cigarettes. But when a mysterious international visitor arrives at her perfectly secluded home, her love of fictional murders becomes a dangerous reality.'

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