

COMBINED PROBUS CLUB OF BLACKBURN SOUTH INC.

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The Club meets at 10:00 am 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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Events Co-Ordinator	Sandra Knight	0409 551 029
Guest Speakers	Beryl Pakes	9897 3454
Welfare	Ree Dowling	0410 478 304
Outings		

Diary Dates

Next Meeting	Wednesday 3 rd April
Discussion Group	Monday 15 th April
Arthurs Seat Outing	Wednesday 17 th April
Mens & Ladies Lunch	Wednesday 24 th April
Showbiz Cinema	Wednesday 8 th May
Bistro Evening	Wednesday 22 nd May
Mens & Ladies Lunch	Wednesday 26 th June

Coffee Club Friday 3:00 pm weekly

Bulletin Deadline Friday 26th April

Presidents Message: -



Our Club was granted Official Accreditation on 5th April 1989. Today's meeting marks the 35th Anniversary of that day!

A new Managing Committee was appointed at the AGM held on 6th March 2024.

The new office bearers are as follows:

Past President	Mary Burton
President	Harish Shah
Vice President	Sandra Knight OA
Secretary	Gilly George
Membership Liaison	John Hally (John was our Club Secretary (from 2016)).

Following officers are staying on for a further term:

Treasurer	Bob Grierson (since 2017)
Bulletin Editor	Nelsa Counsell (since 2015)
Guest Speaker	Beryl Pakes (since 2022)
Welfare	Ree Dowling (since 2023)
Club Services	Kath Thompson (since 2023)

Seven of the committee members are the past presidents of our Club.

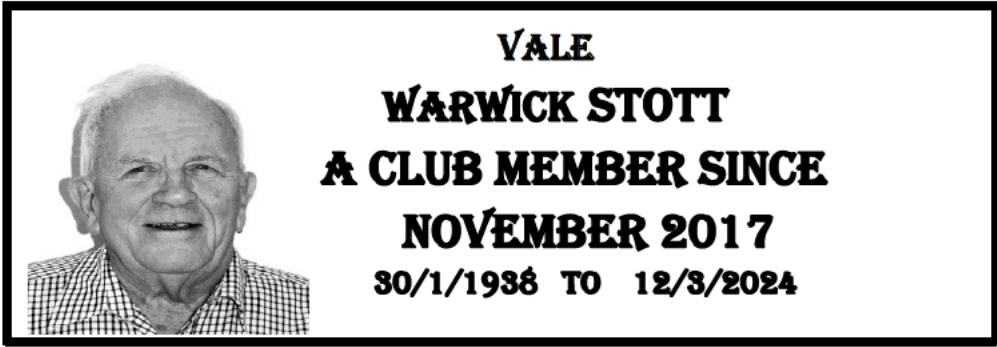
The new Committee certainly has experience.

The proverbial 'Ball' is now in the members' court! We need to increase member participation in club activities. That calls for energetic activity leaders. Do you have it in you? Would you like to organise a new activity?

Or re-start a dormant one? Are you saying 'Yes'? Then step forward, see me and tell me what you can do. I promise that you will have a good time and so will the others. Let us make our Club great again!

AFTER MEETING LUNCH

Venue:	The Burvale Hotel (Bistro)
Address:	Cnr Burwood Hwy and Springvale Road (Enter the car park from Burwood Hwy)
Time:	From 12:15 pm



BIRTHDAYS - APRIL

Best wishes to the following members
 Sibylle Ahrens 17th Gerry Burton 20th.

MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING: Our next Monthly General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd April 2024, at the Whitehorse Horticultural Centre, 82 Jolimont Road, Forest Hill commencing at 10:00 am.

CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

MEETING VOLUNTEER ROSTER: April – June 2024

Would all volunteers please read their copy of the 'Monthly Meeting Volunteer Procedures' and bring it to the meeting.

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

April	Rolf Arnoldi	Glen Knight
May	Vic McNamara	Mike Bamfield
June	Col Sando	Gerry Burton

Welcome and Directing to Sign-in Desk

April	Jaya Shah	Nelson Knight
May	Bev Sutherland	Christine Hunter
June	Sandra Knight	Ron Henderson

Attendance Recording

April	Denis Hawthorne	Kath Hawthorne
May	Alan Hunter	Vin White
June	Keith Wickins	Glen Knight

Mentor to Visitors

April	Ken Pakes	Bruna Rosaia
May	Lois Cheevers	Eric Sutherland
June	Catherine Pratt	Joyce Wickens

Morning Tea Team

April	Ree Dowling	Beryl Pakes
May	Val Nixon	Ken George
June	Dot Thomson	John Hally

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 this, please contact: SANDRA KNIGHT 0409 551 029

GUEST SPEAKERS - Beryl Pakes 9897 3454

April's speaker is Casey Olori from Australian Unity. She will give us hints on how to deal with My Aged Care.

In May, we will have Darren Arnott. He has written a book, No Regard for the Truth, which was shortlisted for the Victorian Community History Awards 2020.

Other Probud Clubs say he is most entertaining.

WELFARE: Ree Dowling 0410 478 304

We see that some members are less able to do all they would like to do. At the meetings and other events members share how they are going with each other. This is part of the fellowship.

If any member is aware that assistance can be given to others, please let us know.

One way that I see that we can all be aware of is sharing driving.

Also, members who would appreciate a lift just ask or check in with me to help arrange this.

We are all entitled to enjoy whatever is arranged for the club.

I hope the Bunny brings some treats & joy at Easter!!

DISCUSSION GROUP - Mike Bampfield 0413 007 528

Next Meeting: Monday 15 April 2 pm (3rd Monday each month)

23 Myriong Ave, Vermont South

At the last meeting, we once again set about solving a variety of international, national, state, and local issues, with solutions that are all on time and on budget! Some serious issues discussed included city protest marches holding up traffic, the nuclear/coal vs wind/solar debate, and the Israel/Gaza conflict. However, there were also laughs aplenty when we recalled old TV shows and comedians who entertained us years ago when no-one was offended and we all just "got on".

The meeting was followed by a relaxing and enjoyable afternoon tea.

New members are most welcome to attend the next Discussion Group on 15 April.

Everyone attending should register at the next Club meeting for seating and catering purposes.

DINEOUTS & OUTINGS

MENS & LADIES LUNCH - Contact: Kath Thompson 0418 390 875

BOX HILL GOLF CLUB

Date: Wednesday, April 24th at 12:30 pm

Address: 202 Station Street, Box Hill

A La Carte Menu - Order & pay at the counter.

Bar: Full

Access: Entrance ramp available.

Venue: Spacious

[Kath has organised seating to be away from the doors so there are no draughts.]

Parking: Available within the grounds.

Sign in required.

BISTRO EVENING - Contact Ree Dowling 0410 478 304

DORSET GARDEN HOTEL:

Date: Wednesday, May 22nd at 6:00 pm

Address: 355 Dorset Rd, Croydon

Menu: Broad choice. Order at the table

(Names taken when ordering - so ease of payment later)

Bar: Full

Spacious Venue: Group area - dedicated room off bistro lounge

Access: Direct from the car park. No steps

Parking: Ample

MEN'S & LADIES LUNCH - Contact: Kath Thompson 0418 390 875

CLUB RINGWOOD

Date: Wednesday, June 26th at 12:30 pm

Address: 523 – 535 Maroondah Highway, Ringwood

Menu: A La Carte

[Table service, but each member pays as they leave]

Bar: Full Access: Entrance ramp. Spacious Venue:

Parking: Ample. One at the rear - off Oban Rd, another one at the front at the Oban Rd intersection lights – bear left

OUTING: - Contact: Ree Dowling 0410 478 304

ARTHURS SEAT EAGLE

Date: Wednesday, April 17TH

Time: 11.30 - Meet at Base Station -Lower car park

Address: 1085 Arthurs Seat Rd, Dromana

Gather for a trip on a Gondola lift from the Base Station to the summit, then lunch in café Eagle & return.

Gondola trip to Station. Accessible to all.

Cost: \$28 FOR RETURN TRIP – concession. Pay at the venue.

Lunch/Snack: The Eagle Café located within the Summit.

Plenty of options. (Gluten Free & Vegetarian available)

Parking: Free (Consider car-pooling)

Gondolas: Regular trips. They hold eight people maximum.

Each direction takes 15 minutes. They are enclosed and fully accessible.

Windows can be open or closed depending on the weather.

Beautiful Autumnal panoramic view of Melbourne Port Phillip Bay / Mornington Peninsula.



OUTING: Contact: Ree Dowling 0410 478 304

FILM - WICKED LITTLE LETTERS

Date: Wednesday, May 8th, 2024

Time: 10:30 am (Meet at the cinema at 10:15 am)

Showbiz Cinemas

Pinewood Shopping Centre, 41 Centreway, Mount Waverley

Cost: Film followed by 'Basket Lunch' in the cinema \$20.00 (Pay on the day to Ree)

[A 1920s English seaside town bears witness to a farcical and occasionally sinister scandal in this riotous mystery comedy.

Based on a stranger-than-fiction true story, WICKED LITTLE LETTERS follows two neighbours: deeply conservative local Edith Swan (Olivia Colman) and rowdy Irish migrant Rose Gooding (Jessie Buckley).

Numbers must be finalised with the Cinema on May 7th.

Parking: Designated Cinema Parking - opposite Coles

(You must collect a parking voucher from one of our members in the car park and display it on your dashboard. The voucher covers film & lunchtime.)

Access to cinemas: Suitable for all.



Harish after being presented with the Presidents Collar by acting President Ree Dowling

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