

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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Diary Dates

Next Meeting	Wednesday 1 st October
Keeping Active	Friday 11.30 am weekly
Showbiz Cinemas	Tuesday 7 th October
Showbiz Cinemas	Thursday 9 th October
Darts	Friday 10 th October
Discussion Group	Monday 20 th October
Pentridge Prison	Thursday 23 rd October
Men's & Ladies Lunch	Wednesday 29 th October
Showbiz Cinemas	Wednesday 12 November
Mini Golf	Wednesday 19 November
Coffee Club	Friday 3.30pm weekly
Bulletin deadline	Friday 24 th October



President's Message:

Happy Probud Month to all of you, and to celebrate the event we are having cake for morning tea, and if you would like to wear the Probud colours of Blue and Yellow that would add to the celebration. This is also an opportunity to bring along a friend who may be interested in seeing how Probud runs. Don't forget to look at all the activities that are running this month. If you don't usually join in then now is the time - just put your name on any or all of the lists and come along and join in, it is always fun and a good way to get to know fellow club members.

We will also be holding a BBQ in early November at Strathdon House. I know many members have missed these opportunities to socialize. As you are aware we are unable to have a BBQ at our regular meeting place but there are BBQ's not too far away at Strathdon House, which we are planning to use.

Looking forward to seeing you all in your finest blue and yellow at the next meeting. Please note that the after-meeting lunch will be held at:

Asian Garden

9/348 Mountain Highway
Wantirna.

Cheers

Sandra Knight



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Just a note to let you know that the next Probus Meeting will be held on 1st October at 10.00am at the Horticultural Centre in Jolimont Rd, Forest Hill. Hope you will be able to attend our meeting. I would very much like to take this opportunity to thank Lindsay Borgas for undertaking the secretarial role whilst I was overseas. Lindsay did an excellent job, and I thank him very much for all his efforts and hard work.

We will be inducting a new member this month. Elaine Kendler is joining us, Elaine is known to some of the members as one of the organisers of the exercise classes which a number of our members attend on Friday mornings at the Vermont South Club. Please say hello to Elaine and welcome her to our club. Elaine is the 316th member to be inducted into the club since it was founded on 1/3/1989. (according to the records I have).

We welcome all visitors and hope that your visit with us is an interesting and enjoyable one for you.

Please advise me if you are unable to attend our next meeting and I can record you as an apology.

See you in October

Thanks

Gilly

MEETING ROSTERS__ OCTOBER – NOVEMBER 2025

BEFORE MEETING – SET UP/ AFTER MEETING - PACK UP & LOCK UP		
October	Mike McGorlick	Col Sando
November	Jurgen Ahrens	Nelson Knight
WELCOME & DIRECTING TO SIGN IN		
October	Lorraine Hally	Jan Roche
November	Hazel Hoellmueller	Bruna Rosaia
ATTENDANCE RECORDING/COLLECTION OF NAME TAGS		
October	Glen Knight	Gerry Burton
November	Bob Grierson	Alan Hunter
MENTOR TO VISITORS		
October	Mary Burton	John Hally
November	Terry Roche	Ree Dowling
MORNING TEA TEAM		
October	Val Nixon	Jenny Birt
November	Ree Dowling,	Phil Colbert
Buddy for Sheilah	October	Ree Dowling
	November	Jenny Fackrell

**BEFORE MEETING
WOULD ALL
VOLUNTEERS
PLEASE READ THEIR
COPY OF 'MONTHLY
MEETING
VOLUNTEER
PROCEDURES' &
BRING THE COPY TO
THE MEETING.**

**(If you don't have one,
please collect one
from Gilly.)**

**Please arrive at
9:00am to set up for
your task**

If unable to attend
Roster Duty please try
to exchange with
another member.

TREASURER - Harish Shah 0430 380 806

Bank Account BSB 633-108 Account No 151023272

Make sure that your name is registered with the deposit. Thank you

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Best wishes to the following members

Kathleen Thompson 3rd	Jurgen Ahrens 12th	Dennis Birt 13th
Shirley McGorlick 13th	Jenny Fackrell 17th	Nelsa Counsell 21st
Vic McNamara, 24th	Sandra Knight 29th	



GUEST SPEAKERS - Dot Thomson 0459 535 987

October - Mayor of Whitehorse – Andrew Davenport
November - Dave - Guitars for Veterans

DISCUSSION GROUP - Mike Bampffield 0413007528

Next Meeting – 2-4pm MONDAY 20th October 2025

Venue – Vermont South Bowls Club, 30A Livingston Rd, Vermont South.

Once again, the group enjoyed a friendly discussion about what's happening in the world locally. The topics included the upcoming Footy Finals and how the game has changed over the years, the Government's machete ban, city protests on weekends, the Charlie Kirk killing in the USA, and fish shaped soy sauce containers banned in S Aust. A prospective new club member Ashley Simmons was welcomed into the group and we enjoyed his contribution to the discussions. As always, the meeting concluded with a pleasant afternoon tea and social chat.



IMPORTANT REMINDER – due to the start of the summer bowls season, the Discussion group will be meeting on the **3rd Monday of the month, commencing 20 October.**

BOOK CLUB - Gilly George 0408 801 624

Book Club will not be held for the rest of this year; we will start again in February. I have been asked to change the date from the day before the meeting so I am looking at having it on the Tuesday following the meeting which will be on the 10th of February. More details to follow.



OUTINGS.

PENTRIDGE PRISON - COBURG - Ree Dowling: 0410 478 304

Car sharing

H-DIVISION (National Trust)

Date: Thursday, October 23rd

Tour time: 10.30am. (Drive takes approximately 45mins - 1 hour)

Tour: 90 Minutes Guided & Audio Tour (Transcripts available)

Cost: \$35:00 (Concession) Payment by October meeting

Due to the heritage nature of the building, access to the upstairs of H-Division is by stairs only. However, the guided tour is in the downstairs area. There are plenty of benches, chairs and 2 couches to allow for seating during the tour.

Also, an accessible route is provided as required.

Parking: dedicated under Pentridge Shopping Centre. Escalator up to Ground floor.

Toilets are available here.

We will meet at the escalator and move to the Tour Point.

Map: will be provided at October meeting.

LUNCH: 'Brew Dog Brewery' part of the precinct.

Our Booking 'The Den' (Ramp available) At own cost

Please try to take a member with you. Not everyone is up to driving.

OUTINGS

Morack Public Golf Course – Mini Golf

Ree Dowling 0410 478 304

Come & join in a game together Lots of fun & skill!!
Enjoy 18 holes of putting experience!!

Date : Wednesday, November 19th at 10.30 am

Address : Morack Rd & East Rd, Vermont South.

Parking : Plenty available & easy access

Cost \$11.50

Lunch to follow at Morack Club House (At own expense)

You don't have to play. Come and cheer us on & join us for lunch



SHOWBIZ CINEMAS

Ree Dowling 0410 478 304

FILM DOWNTON ABBEY The Grand Finale

Historical Drama created by Julian Fellows

When Mary finds herself in a public scandal and the family faces financial trouble, the household grapple with the threat of social disgrace.

Date: Tuesday, October 7th 2025 (Minimum not required)

Time: 10.30am (Cinema opens 10.00am)

Address: Pinewood Shopping Centre

41 Centreway, Mount Waverley

(Car Passes provided in car park)

Cost: \$22.00 Film followed by 'Basket Lunch' in the cinema.

(Pay on the day to **Catherine**. **(Exact money required.)**)

FILM - BUT ALSO JOHN CLARKE - Documentary

An intimate tribute to the late, great satirist written and directed by his daughter Lorin Clarke. It uses recorded conversations to tell the story in John's own words.

Although born in New Zealand, John made his name as a comedian and political satirist in Australia after arriving in the 1970s.

Date: Thursday, October 9th 2025

(15 Minimum required)

Time: 10.30am (Cinema opens 10:00am)

Venue, cost etc. same as above

FILM - THE TRAVELLERS:

Drama director by Australia's Bruce Beresford.

Poignant, Funny, Heartwarming

Actors: Bryan Brown, Susie Porter, Luke Bracey

Date: Wednesday, November 12th 2025

(Minimum not required)

Time: 10.30am (Cinema opens 10.00am)

Venue, cost etc. same as above

COFFEE AND A CHAT

Every Friday at 3.30pm at the Moon and Spoon, Forest Hill Chase, 2nd floor.

All are welcome to come along and join this friendly group.

Great catch-up time



LADIES AND MENS LUNCH – Kath Thomson – 0418 390 875

Wednesday 29th October at 11.45

Box Hill R.S.L 26. Nelson Rd, Box Hill.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATORY LUNCH
WEDNESDAY, December 3rd 12:00 - 3:00
Organizer: Ree Dowling ~ 0410 478 304

Venue: CHIRNSIDE PARK COUNTRY CLUB 68 KINGSWOOD Dr. CHIRNSIDE PARK	Menu: 3 course Christmas Roast lunch. Cash Bar available (Dietary needs - please see Ree asap) Cost: \$45
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Onsite parking & ease of access
Please place your name on list at the Monthly Meeting.
Need a lift: add to the list or see Ree
Pay by **November 19th** (50+ members required)

TRIPS

CASTLEMAINE TRIP Sandra Knight 0409 551 029
13th – 15th November

Self-Drive Castlemaine trip including Stream Train ride is fully booked and a deposit is due in September
\$110 per person with remaining money due October.



BRIGHT CHALET Sandra Knight 0409 551 029
Date 13th – 17th April (5 days) Cost \$795.00

Bus trip will pick up and return Forest Hill area
This will be a very picturesque time to visit Bright and the accommodation at the itinerary looks fabulous.
There will be a board along the bench to put your name down as an expression of interest. Itineraries will also be available on the bench.



KING ISLAND TRIP - Sandra Knight 0409 551 029
4 Days 3 nights

Date to be announced

This trip would be run by Trade Travel.
Please put your name down if you are interested in coming along.
Hopefully by the meeting I will have more information for you all.

DARTS **Ree Dowling 0410 478 304**

Friday 10th October

(Second Friday of the month). At 10.15am
Held at the Vermont South Club, Livingstone Rd, Vermont.
Anyone interested in darts please pop your name on the sheet.
All levels accepted, give it a try and have some fun and friendship
and a good laugh.



CLUB MEMBERS - KEEPING ACTIVE

Come and enjoy our 'Roll Back the Clock' Program

Time: 11.30 – 12.30 Fridays Weekly

Venue: Vermont South Bowling Club. 30a Livingstone Rd
Vermont South

Helen – our qualified and very experienced leader
organizes a suitable, interesting & fun program for retirees.
The hourly sessions are split into 2 sections.

An engaging and instructive visual presentation related to
all aspects of health & positive living followed by activities
to benefit flexibility, strength and general movement.

There are always fun activities involved.

Enjoy a free cuppa and chat to follow.



MELBOURNE CUP DAY

4th November 11.30 start.

Vermont South Bowling Club have invited our Club to join them for their Cup Day Event.
\$5.00 entry for non-bowling attendees to enjoy all the day's activities.

More details at October meeting.



Thank you to John Mullahy MP, State Member for Glen Waverley District, for assistance with printing of this publication. If you require assistance with State Government or community matters, please contact John's office.



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