

PROBUS CLUB OF ELTHAM NORTH INC.

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NEWSLETTER – MAY 2025

Next General Meeting: Thursday 1st May 2025. 10.00 AM at GREENSBOROUGH. R.S.L.

Office Bearers

PresidentSecretaryTreasurerRossIanStephen

"President's Message"

Daylight saving has now ended, resulting in darker mornings and earlier evenings. We can anticipate cooler weather for those who prefer it.

I extend my warmest greetings to all members as we embrace the vibrant season of autumn, as the golden hues settle over us, I hope you are all enjoying the crisp mornings, cosy afternoons and the beauty this season brings. Autumn always reminds us to slow down, take stock, and appreciate the simple pleasures, like good company, hearty laughter and shared memories. May this season inspire us to continue nurturing the bonds that make our club a welcoming and supportive environment.

We have just celebrated Easter, a time of renewal and reflection. I hope it brought joy to you and your families, along with perhaps a few too many Easter Eggs.

We also acknowledged Anzac Day, honouring the courage and sacrifice of those who served and continue to serve. It's a solemn yet proud time for all Australians, as we all take a moment on April the 25th to reflect on our shared history and Gratitude.

On a livelier note, Julie and I are heading to the Koroit Irish Festival! From the lively Irish Bands to the quick footed dancers, the energy is contagious. If you feel inclined you could have a go at the potato peeling and eating competitions. (Our grandson won the potato eating last year). The Greenest eyes and the reddest hair contests bring out some colourful characters too, (natural or not we won't tell).

Our club continues to thrive through the dedication of our members and the diverse activities we enjoy together. Whether it's participating in group outings, engaging in discussions, or simply sharing a cup of coffee, each interaction strengthens the fabric of our community.

Renovation work at The Greensborough R.S.L. is progressing and will be completed by April 23, allowing the Bistro to re-open. Consequently, the May General Meeting and May Committee Meeting will return to the Greensborough location.

Warm regards in friendship Ross.

JUDY'S CROCHET RUGS.

Judy would appreciate any donations of wool to enable her to keep making the rugs which are regularly donated to charity.

ATTENDANCE FOR APRIL.

Members – 71 Attendance – 44 Apologies – 16 Visitors – 1 Pending members – 3 Please – If you are unable to attend the General Meeting, make sure an apology is noted by our door keepers Betty, Diane or our Secretary Ian.

DOOR KEEPERS FOR 2025.

Betty and Diane.

MAY MORNING TEA HELPERS.

The morning tea helpers for this month are: Betty and Rae. CONVENOR: Diane

WELFARE OFFICER.

Please let Faye know if you are aware of an illness being experienced by any of our members. Faye or Nola

TRADESPERSON REGISTER: Ron.

Need a tradie? Ron has details of member recommended tradespeople available. Contact Ron as above for more information.

MAY BIRTHDAYS, HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO.

CAROLE, SUE, BARBARA, PAULINE,

TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT TABLE.

Please contribute to our take it or leave it table.

Everything donated and left on the table at the end of the meeting is passed to Vinnies (or maybe Savers - depending how much time I have available).

Convenor: Betty

GARDENING:

Here are 10 jobs for the garden patch and patio to add to your May to-do list.

- **Plant** nectar-producing native plants, such as grevillea, bottlebrush and melaleuca, which will attract honeyeaters to the garden.
- Liquid-feed cyclamen every two weeks with a flower-promoting fertiliser to encourage healthy growth for the winter flowering period.
- · **Prune** olive trees after the last of the fruit has been harvested.
- Sprinkle sulphate of potash around the root area of fruit trees to enhance cropping and resistance to diseases.
- Tidy hedges and edges now, and they'll stay looking good all through winter.
- · Scrub or pressure-clean mossy paths.
- **Harvest** ripe crab-apples, and find recipes for turning the fruit into jelly, refreshing juice or a sweet accompaniment to meat dishes.
- Plant calendula in the vegetable patch to attract pollinators and other friendly insects.
- . **Sow** winter herbs, including coriander, dill and parsley.
- **Pot up** hippeastrum bulbs, and keep them in a warm indoor spot to encourage showy late winter blooms.

Botanica Festival 2025 - Sunday 18th May 2025 10am-3 pm Rippon Lea Estate 192 Hotham Street, Elsternwick

A celebration of our natural environment, gardening and sustainability.

Darebin Hard Rubbish Heroes <u>www.darebinhardrubbishheroes.org</u>

A very comprehensive website giving an A to Z listing of where to rehome unwanted items that will be recycled / upcycled and saved from landfill.

Banyule Waste Recovery Centre

307-325, Waterdale Road, Bellfield Victoria 3081 ·

(03) 9490 4222 Has a recycle bin for used clothing.





They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the Morning,

We will remember them.



MAY SPEAKER.

Speaker for May General Meeting will be Richard Olive.

Richard is a Melbourne boy and a passionate, life-long Hawks supporter. He graduated in Civil Engineering from the University of Melbourne in 1964, before embarking on a globe-trotting career in dams - both in hydro power and mining industries.

In 1889, a modest little dam near the industrial town of Johnstown Pennsylvania failed by over topping, resulting in a huge loss of life. It remains one of the greatest disasters in US history, but the incident was effectively swept under the carpet and is largely forgotten.

CONVENORS: Bob & Helen



Convenor: Winston

SNOOKER, BILLIARDS, DARTS.

DATE: 14TH - 28th May 2025.

TIME: 10 AM to 12 Noon.

VENUE: Greensborough R.S.L.

Please place your name on the list on the back

table at the General Meeting.

"From your Librarian"

"When I took over from Eric I was surprised at how many books we have, too many to fit in the available storage at my home so I have done a small cull of the older volumes. I now have 9 boxes and I will bring a different 3 boxes each month. I also have a small box I have labelled Donations, if you wish to add new books can you put them in this box so I can keep track of what we have; and paperbacks only please, NO HARDCOVER, they are too big and too heavy (your Op Shop will take them)

Cheers and Happy Reading Robert."

Robert will be away for a couple of months, in his absence Winston has taken over as Libarian. Thank You to Winston for Volunteering.

SCENIC WALK.

MAY: 2nd Thursday Activity.

DATE: 8th MAY 2025

MEET: 10.00 for 10.30

LOCATION: Meet at Lower Plenty Football Ground.

Para Road. Entrance just North of Rattray Road.

WALK: South along the Plenty River towards Main Road.

BYO: Morning Tea. Don't forget water and a hat. LUNCH: 12.00 pm at the Montmorency Eltham R.S.L.

16 Mountain View Road Montmorency.

Convenor: Paul (deputising for Stephen who will be away on a holiday)

May: Third Thursday Outing.

DATE: 15th May 2025

TIME: 11.00 am

Activity: Tour of the Hellenic Museum.

Cost: \$12.00 Per Person for Seniors payable on the day.

Lunch: The Mint Restaurant 318 William Street Melbourne.

Train times to be advised closer to the date.

Convenor: Julie

May: Fourth Thursday Outing.

DATE: 22th May 2025

TIME: 10.30am

ACTIVITY: Morning Tea at home.

VENUE: Giselle home.

Maximum 10 People.

Convenors: Rae

Betty Giselle

MAY: FIFTH THURSDAY OUTING.

DATE: 29th May 2025

TIME: 12.00 pm. ACTIVITY: Lunch.

LUNCH: Phoenix and Co. 1/285 Diamond Creek Road Plenty.

Convenor: Julie

CITY THEATRE.

Lord of the Rings a Musical Tale.

COMEDY THEATRE.

MAY 14TH 2025.

MATINEE 1pm

Pre show Brunch is at Anda 11.30AM.

Cnr Spring and Lonsdale St.

Exit Train at Parliament Station Restaurant is

Directly opposite.

HERE YOU COME AGAIN COMEDY THEATRE.

JULY 16[™] 2025.

NOTE TIME 2.00 pm.

Payment of Tickets Due May 9th, 2025.

Convenor: Catherine





LOCAL THEATRE AND CONCERT EVENTS 2025. ELTHAM CONCERT BAND



29th June 2025 - Concert at 3.30pm Eltham Community and Reception Centre

\$16.50 PP Please see Kathy for Payment. Catch up before Concert at Small Plates 9 Arthur Street Eltham. 1.30 pm

12th October 2025 - Concert at 3.30pm Eltham Community and Reception Centre. List will be at the May General Meeting



Legends of Brass Sunday 3rd August at 2.00 pm. List at May General Meeting. Last Night of the Prom. Always a foot tapping experience.

At Ivanhoe Centre.

For any information on the shows contact Kathy



Our second play for the year at Heidelberg Theatre Company Sunday 4th May at 2.00pm. Single Tickets \$23.00PP Our Second play for the year at the Heidelberg Theatre Company PLAY 2: The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night- time

Christopher Boone is an extremely clever and intelligent young man, whose mild autism sometimes makes it difficult for him to understand what is unfolding around him. But when he finds his neighbour's dog Wellington murdered in mysterious circumstances, Christopher turns detective. His investigation takes him on a very surprising and challenging journey.

"A beautiful, eloquent, dazzlingly inventive show about the wonders of life." Winner of the 2013 Olivier Award for Best New Play.

SOLD OUT For this performance

Lunch prior to Theatre Hunters Lane Café, 76 Turnham Avenue Rosanna at 12 Noon.

ACTIVITIES CALENDER.

MAY 2025.

1st General meeting. At Greensborough RSL.

4th Heidelberg Theatre Co. The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time. 8th Walk and lunch.

14TH Snooker darts and Billiards.

14th Lord of the Rings a musical tale.

15th Third Thursday outing, Hellenic Museum.

22nd Fourth Thursday activity. Tea at home Giselle's House.

28TH Snooker darts and Billiards.

29th Fifth Thursday outing Phoenix Restaurant.

30th Committee meeting.

JUNE 2025.

5thGeneral meeting. At Greensborough RSL.

11[™] Snooker darts and Billiards

12th Walk and lunch.

19th Third Thursday outing Ten Pin Bowling.

25[™] Snooker darts and Billiards.

26th Fourth Thursday activity.

27th Committee meeting

29th Eltham Concert Band.

JULY 2025.

3rd General meeting. At Greensborough RSL.

9TH Snooker darts and Billiards.

10th Walk and lunch.

16th Here you come again musical.

17th Third Thursday outing.

23rd Snooker darts and Billiards.

24th Fourth Thursday activity.

25th Committee meeting.

30th Morning Melodies a country

Christmas in July.

AUGUST 2025.

3rd Legends of the Brass

6TH Snooker darts and Billiards

7th Birthday Meeting. At Greensborough RSL.

14th Walk and lunch.

20th Snooker darts and Billiards.

21st Third Thursday outing.

28th Fourth Thursday activity.

29th Committee meeting.



New Inductees April General meeting.

New Club Members Inducted at The April General Meeting.

Colin, Angela, Keith.

Each gave an interesting quick talk on who they are and their interests.

Welcome to our Club.

Probus Bank details.
Account name: Eltham North Probus Club.
Westpac BSB 033091 A/C No. 144077

DEADLINE FOR JUNE 2025 NEWSLETTER Wednesday 14th May 2025.

AT Greensborough R.S.L.
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A day out at Alowyn Gardens





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