



# PROBUS CLUB OF ELTHAM NORTH.

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## NEWSLETTER – MAY 2026.

**Next General Meeting: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2026.**

**10.30 AM at GREENSBOROUGH RSL.**

### OFFICE BEARERS



President:

Ross.



Secretary:

Dianne.



Treasurer:

Paul.

### “PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE”

Wishing all mothers a very Happy Mother’s Day!

This month offers a special opportunity to recognise and celebrate the care, strength, and love that mothers and mother figures bring into our lives each and every day. Whether through quiet support, wise guidance, or endless patience, their impact is deeply felt and truly appreciated. We hope your day is filled with joy, recognition, and well-deserved appreciation. Thank you for everything you do.

Our April General Meeting featured a “mix and match” format, where members were allocated different tables. This proved to be a wonderful way for newer members to connect and get to know others in the club. We’ve received very positive feedback, and we’re pleased to share that this format will return in July and October.

Looking ahead, our Sydney and Blue Mountains seven-day tour begins in just a couple of weeks. With door-to-airport and return transfers included, it promises to be a smooth and enjoyable travel experience.

April has also been an active month for our club:

- Our Second Thursday scenic walk took us along Sweeney’s Lane, followed by lunch at Montsalvat.
- On the Third Thursday, members enjoyed a tour of the Australian Tapestry Workshop, followed by lunch at the Limerick Arms Hotel.
- Our Fourth Thursday lunch was held at Urban Grooves Restaurant.
- For the Fifth Thursday, we will celebrate the Probus 50-Year Anniversary with a Picnic in the Park, joined by other Probus Clubs in our area.

It’s wonderful to see such strong participation and enthusiasm across all our activities. We look forward to many more shared experiences in the months ahead.

Regards 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: 83 Attendance: 55 Apologies: 24 Visitors: 2

Please – If you are unable to attend the General Meeting, make sure an apology is noted by our door keepers Betty M., Diane O, or our Secretary Dianne .

## **DOOR KEEPERS FOR 2026.**

Betty M and Diane O.

## **MAY MORNING TEA HELPERS.**

The morning tea Helpers for this month are Enid and Neil.

CONVENOR: Diane O.

## **WELFARE OFFICER.**

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

## **TRADESPERSON REGISTER:**

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

## **MAY BIRTHDAYS, HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO.**

**CAROLE S, SUE W, MICHAEL, BARBARA T, PAULINE.**

## **TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT TABLE.**

If you have anything you no longer need and feel someone else may be able to make use of the item, please bring it along and place it on the table.

If you see something on the table you would like, feel free to make it yours.

No money changes hands during the process and any items left on the table at the end of the meeting will be taken to Vinnies Op Shop.

So – clean out your cupboards and let's all enjoy the give and take!

**Convenor:** Betty L.

## **MAY SPEAKER.**

Our speaker in May will be Colin, a valued member of our club. Colin will be presenting on safety in the home—an important topic, as many accidents occur in everyday household settings.

## NOLA'S GARDENING TIPS.

What should I do in my garden in May? • Clean up fruit trees and destroy any rotting fruit. • Collect fallen leaves, add to compost or use as mulch. • Prepare spots for planting bare root roses and deciduous trees over winter. • Plant broad beans into unused vegetable beds to be dug in when mature as a green manure crop. • Cut back perennials such as sedums, gauras and asters that are looking unruly following summer-autumn flowering. • Fertilise your camellias and daphne. • Empty your vegie beds by digging in decayed organic matter (cow or sheep manure is ideal) – or grow a green manure crop, such as broad beans, barley, peas or oats, for cutting and digging in later. • Sharpen secateurs for pruning next month. • Clean algae from paths and steps to prevent accidental slips over winter

**BOTANICA 2026:** A celebration of our natural environment, gardening and sustainability: Sunday 10th May 70 years of the National Trust in Victoria. Outdoor markets, garden tours, plant sales, bird tours, orchid display, demonstrations and more. Rippon Lea Estate 192 Hotham Street, Elsternwick 9656 9889 10am – 3pm Adults \$15, concession \$12, Child 3-15 \$9, Family 2 adults 2 children \$40 Please note that the Tea Rooms are open for takeaway hot and cold drinks, ice cream, and biscuits. Sandwiches and cakes will be on offer when available. Takeaway drinks and food can be enjoyed on the main mansion veranda where tables and chairs will be provided to soak up the beautiful views of the garden.

**WELFARE:** A Special Cheerio : To all those who haven't been well lately. We're thinking of you and hope that you'll feel much better soon. Unwell or in need of a "Cheerio" ? Please contact: Faye 9439 7968 or Nola 9499 5181

Military Websites of Interest:

1st CSR (104 Sigs) – [www.1csr.au104.org](http://www.1csr.au104.org)

3 Combat Sig Regt History Room – [www.3combatsignalregiment.com](http://www.3combatsignalregiment.com) this is the old 103rd Sig

Sqn. Contact [Wayne.pops.carter@gmail.com](mailto:Wayne.pops.carter@gmail.com)

104 Sig Sqn Vietnam & beyond – [www.au104.org](http://www.au104.org)

Apprentice School/Army Apprentices Association – [www.austarmyapprentice.org](http://www.austarmyapprentice.org)

APPVA – [www.peacekeepers.asn.au](http://www.peacekeepers.asn.au) this is Australian Peacekeepers & Peacemakers Veterans Association

Australian Defence Force – [www.defence.gov.au](http://www.defence.gov.au)

Australian Centre for PTSD – [www.acpmh.unimelb.edu.au](http://www.acpmh.unimelb.edu.au)

DVA – [www.dva.gov.au](http://www.dva.gov.au)

Friends & Families of the First AIF – [membership@ffaif.org.au](mailto:membership@ffaif.org.au)

Honours & Awards – [www.pmc.gov.au/government-its-honour](http://www.pmc.gov.au/government-its-honour)

Legacy – [www.legacy.com.au](http://www.legacy.com.au)

National Vietnam Veteran's Museum (Australia) – [www.vietnamvetsmuseum.org](http://www.vietnamvetsmuseum.org)

Pronto in Vietnam – [www.pronto.au104.org](http://www.pronto.au104.org)

RASigs – [www.army.gov.au/rasigs/](http://www.army.gov.au/rasigs/)

RASigs Associations – [www.rasigs.com](http://www.rasigs.com) this site gets you into all of the Associations.

## Notice.

As Catherine will be away for the next two meetings, please don't bring your donations of plastic bottle caps and tablet bubble packs.

## HALLS GAP AND GRAMPIANS TOUR - FOUR SEATS STILL AVAILABLE.

There are four spots still available for our trip to the Grampians in October. If you and/or your friends are interested in joining us, please contact Betty, details below.

DATES - SUNDAY, 25th OCTOBER TO WEDNESDAY, 28th OCTOBER 2026.

COST - \$1,125 PER PERSON TWIN/DOUBLE

\$1,350 PER PERSON SINGLE

NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT OF \$200 PAYABLE BEFORE MAY GENERAL MEETING

If you would like a brochure/booking form, please ring or email me and I will forward this to you.

Thanks for your interest,

Betty L.

## SNOOKER, BILLIARDS, DARTS.

DATE: 13<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

TIME: 10 AM to 12 Noon.

VENUE: Greensborough R.S.L.

Please place your name on the list on the table at the General Meeting.

**Convenor:** Winston.



## GAMES GROUP 2026.

**MAY: TUESDAY GAMES DAY.**

Date: 5<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

Venue: Meeting Room, Eltham CFA, 909 Main Road, Eltham.  
(Enter via the side door).

Parking: There is 3 hour parking across the road and up the hill from the CFA  
and also in the lower car park at Coles Supermarket.

Time: 10.00AM to 12.00PM

Cost: No Cost.

Lunch: If you wish to have Lunch, there are several Restaurants in Main Street.

**Convenor:** Neil and Christine .

## SCENIC WALK

- MAY:** SECOND THURSDAY.  
**Date:** 14<sup>th</sup> MAY 2026.  
**Meet:** Somerset Drive Viewbank meet in Banyule Flats Car Park.  
**Time:** 10.30 for 11.00 AM start.  
**Walk:** Main Yarra trail where the Yarra and Plenty Rivers meet.  
**B.Y.O.** Morning tea. Don't forget your Hat and Water.  
**Lunch:** Four Leaves café 37 Greville Road Rosanna.  
**Convenor:** Stephen.



### MAY : THIRD WEDNESDAY OUTING.

**Note day change to Wednesday.**

- DATE:** 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026.  
**TIME:** 10.30am.  
**Activity:** Fish and Chip Tramboat cruise to Williamstown.  
**Cost:** \$55.00 PP.  
**Lunch:** Gourmet Fish and chips served on board.  
**Convenor:** Julie S.

### MAY : FOURTH THURSDAY ACTIVITY.

- DATE:** 28<sup>th</sup> May 2026.  
**TIME:** 12.00 pm.  
**VENUE:** Old England Hotel 459 Lower Heidelberg Road Heidelberg.  
**Activity:** Lunch.

PLEASE PLACE YOUR NAME ON THE LIST ON THE REAR TABLE –  
WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE SOME NEW MEMBERS AT OUR GATHERING.

Convenors: Rae, Betty L, and L Giselle.

# Local Theatre and Concert Events 2026

Looking for something to do on a Sunday. Lunch with Probus Friends then enjoy Theatre or Concert Event.



Get ready for an exciting line-up of local theatre and concert events coming your way in 2026. Throughout the year, venues across our area will host a diverse range of performances, from classic dramas and vibrant live concerts by local artists. , there's something for everyone to enjoy. Here's a roundup of upcoming local theatre and concert events to add to your calendar. Any Local Theatre or Concert Events information or payments please contact

Kathy S.

Heidelberg Theatre Company,  
Girl on a Train, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2.00 PM  
preceded by lunch at Hunters Lane Café.

## Theatre Performances

Heidelberg Theatre Company (In 74<sup>th</sup> Year of productions)

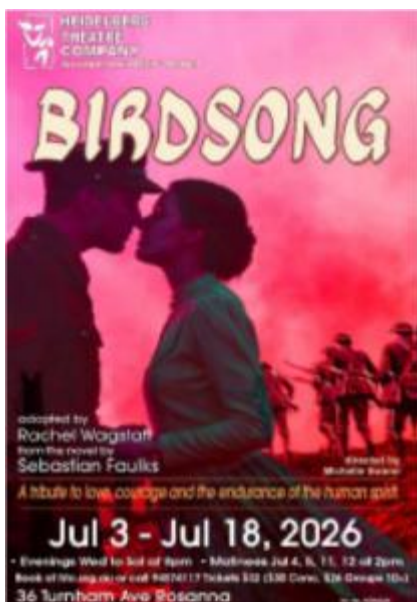
36 Turnham Avenue

Rosanna. (Opposite The Rosanna Railway Station)

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 2.00 pm. Lunch at 12.00pm at

Hunters Lane Café, 76 Turnham Avenue Rosanna

Our third play for this year is Birdsong



## ABOUT THE PLAY

Utterly raw, emotional and powerful, *Birdsong* is a beautiful and haunting story about one man's journey through an all-consuming, illicit love affair and into the horror of the First World War.

Set alternately between the Battle of the Somme and the French village of Amiens, the play ebbs and flows between tender love story, the-warming heart camaraderie of the soldiers and the harsh Realities of war once seen never forgotten.



## ELTHAM CONCERT BAND

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2.30pm** Place your name on the List at May General Meeting  
 Eltham Community and Reception Centre Price \$16.50pp Lunch at Eltham Hotel 12.30pm  
 Before the show. Wonderful uplifting music and enjoyable afternoon tea after the concert.

**Legends of Brass \$35.50PP List at May Meeting. This is a very busy popular event.**

**LEGENDS OF BRASS**

# LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS

**Sunday 2 August 2026 2:00 PM**  
 The Centre Ivanhoe,  
 275 Upper Heidelberg Road, Ivanhoe

The 15th Annual Last Night of the PROMS  
 Legends of Brass with  
 - Victoria Welsh Choir  
 - PLC Pipe Band

*Our most popular show of the year. Come along and have a ball as you sing,  
 wave flags and stomp your way through a fabulous afternoon concert.*

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## CITY THEATRE.



. **Pretty Woman**, July 29th 2026 Regent Theatre Show  
Booking agents have allocated us brilliant seats.



September 2<sup>nd</sup> Six Wives of Henry V111, Comedy Theatre, 1pm show. Tickets \$80  
**Money due my account Thursday June 25<sup>th</sup>** List on rear Table.



September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Neil Diamond Musical.

Princess Theatre, 1pm Show, **\$90.00 Money due 10 July.**

List now closed for Neil Diamond.

Thankyou 🙏 Regards Catherine 🌸

**Convenor: Catherine C.**

My Fair Lady Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2pm show, tickets \$70 expressions of interest waiting list , as all tickets went the same day.

Nola has the list if anyone is interested, I will see what I can do when I get home.



Monday December 7<sup>th</sup>  
Christmas Melodies.

Hamer Hall, 1pm show, list now  
closed.

**Convenor: Catherine C.**

*Wishing all the Mothers  
Grandmothers  
and Great  
Grandmothers  
a very happy*

*Mothers Day.*

## Activity Calendar.

<p><b>MAY.</b>  3<sup>rd</sup> Heidelberg theatre company production of a girl on a train preceded by lunch at Hunters Lane Café  5<sup>th</sup> Games Day at Eltham CFA.  7<sup>th</sup> May General meeting at Greensborough RSL.  13<sup>th</sup> Snooker billiards and Darts.  14<sup>th</sup> Walk and Lunch, The main Yarra trail.  19<sup>th</sup> Games Day at Eltham CFA.  20<sup>th</sup> Third Wednesday activity Fish and Chip cruise to Williamstown.  27<sup>th</sup> Snooker billiards and Darts.  28<sup>th</sup> Fourth Thursday Lunch. Old England Hotel.  29<sup>th</sup> Committee meeting.  31<sup>st</sup> Eltham concert Band.</p>	<p><b>JUNE.</b>  2<sup>nd</sup> Games Day at Eltham CFA.  4<sup>th</sup> June General meeting at Greensborough RSL.  10<sup>th</sup> Snooker billiards and Darts.  11<sup>th</sup> Walk and Lunch,  16<sup>th</sup> Games Day at Eltham CFA.  18<sup>th</sup> Third Thursday activity.  24<sup>th</sup> Snooker billiards and Darts.  25<sup>th</sup> Fourth Thursday Lunch.  26<sup>th</sup> Committee meeting.  30<sup>th</sup> Games Day at Eltham CFA.</p>
<p><b>JULY.</b>  2<sup>nd</sup> July General meeting at Greensborough RSL.  8<sup>th</sup> Snooker billiards and Darts.  8<sup>th</sup> Morning Melodies Christmas in July at Montmorency RSL.  12<sup>th</sup> Heidelberg Theatre Company production of Birdsong  14<sup>th</sup> Games Day at Eltham CFA.  16<sup>th</sup> Walk and Lunch,  22<sup>nd</sup> Snooker billiards and Darts.  23<sup>rd</sup> Fourth Thursday Lunch.  28<sup>th</sup> Games Day at Eltham CFA.  29<sup>th</sup> City Theatre, Pretty Woman.  30<sup>th</sup> Fifth Thursday activity.  31<sup>st</sup> Committee meeting</p>	<p><b>AUGUST.</b>  2<sup>nd</sup> Last night at the Proms.  5<sup>th</sup> Snooker billiards and Darts.  6<sup>th</sup> General meeting at Greensborough RSL.  11<sup>th</sup> Games Day at Eltham CFA.  13<sup>th</sup> Walk and Lunch,  19<sup>th</sup> Snooker billiards and Darts.  20<sup>th</sup> Third Thursday activity.  25<sup>th</sup> Games Day at Eltham CFA.  27<sup>th</sup> Fourth Thursday Lunch.  28<sup>th</sup> Committee meeting.</p>

### Probus Bank details

Account name: [Probus Club of Eltham North Inc.](#)  
Bendigo Bank BSB 633000 A/C No. 233562602

**DEADLINE FOR JUNE 2026 NEWSLETTER.**

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

TO

Ross.

**NEXT MEETING: 10.00am Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June. 2026.**

**At the Greensborough R.S.L.**

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## Photos of the Australian Tapestry Workshop tour.

