



# **GLEN EIRA COMBINED PROBUS CLUB INC.**

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## **NEWSLETTER No. 290 JUNE 2021**

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### **A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT**

**GOOD NEWS** Yes we are able to meet for our June dine out (**IF** you have booked in with Phyl) and the June general meeting will go ahead with Bev Brock as speaker.

Your committee had no option but to meet via a video conference this month – see the report below. However, it made me reflect on how impossible it would be for our club to function without technology. Computers, mobile phones, email, our club web site and members Facebook page and of course “QR codes” have kept us safe and our club and the Bentleigh club alive. For those who are prepared to “give it a go”, Probus will use the help provided by the Government to give us safe opportunities to learn to cope with these things.

Brian Cooney

### **THE TREASURER’S REPORT**

As at the end of May 2021 Bank Statement

<b>General A/C (1)</b>		<b>Outings A/C (2)</b>
Opening Bal End Apr	\$6166.57	\$1179.39
Income	\$460.00	\$00.00
Expenditure	\$0.00	\$0.00
Closing Balance	\$6626.57	\$1179.39
<b>Grant A/C (3)</b>		
Opening Balance		\$2350.00
Income		\$35.00
Closing Balance End May		\$2385.00
Total Cash at Bank 31 May 2021		\$10,190.96

#### **General Income figure relates to:**

Members Dues \$460.00

#### **Grant Income figure relates to:**

Members Due to be T/F to Gen A/C \$35.00

Glen Eira Combined Probus Club Has 83 Members.  
**We currently have 52 Financial Members**

### **PROBUS GAMES DAY**

The next Games Day will be held on Monday 12th July commencing at 2pm at Pam Ryan’s home:

2/11 Wallace Avenue Murrumbeena

Please put your name on the list at the June meeting as numbers are limited.

### **MEMBERS ONLY FACEBOOK GROUP**

The Facebook group page has some videos from past outings, jokes and some great pictures.

If you are on Facebook please join us and help spread the joy.

Search for GEC Probus on Facebook or call Maureen on 0418 868 439 for an email invitation.

### **DINE OUTS**



The next Dine Out will be on Wednesday 16th June at **Granger Cafe**, 49 Grange Rd, Caulfield East commencing at 12.30pm. If you wish to come along please give Phyl a call as numbers are limited.

### **BIRTHDAYS**



The following members are celebrating their Birthday in **June 2021**:

Lorraine Staggard, Judy Reardon, Yvonne Pattison, Reva Same, Pam Melland, Erica Windmiller and Pauline Petersen.

**We wish you all a very Happy Birthday**

## **PROBUS SOUTH PACIFIC NEWS SITE**

HQ Probus produces a regular newsletter with various items of interest including active retirees.

<https://probussouthpacific.cmail19.com/t/r-l-jkitdhtd-oeaniii-y/>

## **Digital learning free and in your home.**

We all know that the digital age is here. You need to book online to go to Church and check in electronically when you get there. It can all be a bit challenging. I am reminded of the line from the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical *Oklahoma* – “...and then I put my ear to a Bell telephone and a strange woman started in to talk”. We’ve come a long way since then.

It’s good to see our taxes at work and the Federal Government is keen for us to have the opportunity to learn more about this new world. It funds training so that seniors can enjoy being online and stay safe. We have reserved a session of this program for our club exclusively, so you will be in the (digital) comfort of friends while you learn and have some fun at the same time. You can use a desktop computer, laptop, or tablet. The screen on your phone would be too small. And you need data. The session runs for about thirty minutes, and the tutors are local and very experienced in teaching and assisting seniors.

This is a golden opportunity and one not to be missed. For more information and to reserve your place, follow this link.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/digital-learning-learn-how-for-free-tickets-147485891271>

You will then receive your ticket and all the information you need. If you have any further questions please call Brian or Maureen on 9568 0258.

## **XMAS IN JULY – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

Our special Christmas in July lunch coach outing will leave from the Bentleigh club. Please be there around 8.30am so you don’t miss the bus. We will have morning tea and a speaker at Lifestyle communities and lunch at the Hastings club. We will be back around 4pm. Yes provided there is room on the coach, your friends are also welcome on this outing. **BUT you need to let Helen Evans know that you want to attend and pay your money ASAP but by 25 June, please.** We need to advise our numbers to the venues.

It can take up to 10 days from when you post a cheque to us to when your bank will recognise the payment from your account. To pay either send a

cheque to our PO Box (your phone number on the back of the cheque please) or pay into our trip account: Your \$40 cost will be refunded if another Covid lockdown means we have to cancel.

## **Christmas in July Banking Details**

Account Name: Glen Eira Combined Probus Club  
BSB: 633 000 Account No 148 231 038

## **HAMPER**

As a treat, for our Xmas in July outing, Phyl is arranging a raffle hamper for us. Donations of small, special items, such as soaps, special biscuits, or chocolates etc would be much appreciated. Please bring them to the 25 June general meeting for Phyl to collect.

## **GUEST SPEAKERS**



Our guest speaker for June is **Beverley Brock.**

Bev is a former teacher and partner to Peter Brock for 28 years. Bev shares the messages from her life experiences with great passion.

Our speaker for July is **Joanne Lambie** from Staying in Touch.

## **COMMITTEE MEETING 11 JUNE**

We had a productive catch-up last Friday on the video conference and a bit of fun too. We noted the good response to both member renewals (thank you); and Xmas in July progressing well (25 replies so far). That will be our dine out for July. We also discussed the PAV meeting and options to help members deal safely with Covid impact. Helen is already looking at options for a day outing for us in September!!

## **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Thank you to the 52 of the 83 members who have already paid their renewals. If you have a problem please contact our Treasurer Barry as we need to finalize the renewals in June. Cheques can be sent to our club PO Box, (phone number on the back please) BUT please do not send cash. It can take up to 10 days from when you post a cheque to us to when your bank will recognise the payment from your account.

When paying **do not forget** to include “dues” and your family name in the description box or ask the teller to include that with your deposit details. That way we can record your payment.

## **MEMBERSHIP BANKING DETAILS**

A/C Name: Glen Eira Combined Probus Club  
BSB: 633 000 Account No: 141 557 710

### **Joke of the month from Vera**

A man is at work one day when he notices that his co-worker is wearing an earring. This man knows his co-worker to be a normally conservative fellow, and is curious about his sudden change in "fashion sense." The man walks up to him and says, "I didn't know you were into earrings." "Don't make such a big deal out of this, it's only an earring," he replies sheepishly. His friend falls silent for a few minutes, but then his curiosity prods him to say: "So, how long have you been wearing one?" Ever since my wife found it in my truck..."

### **NEXT MEETING**

Our next general meeting will be on the 25<sup>th</sup> June. Due to COVID the door will not open before 10.30am

The formal meeting will get underway after the tea and coffee break (around 10.45am) so there is no need to rush. Lunch orders will be taken during morning tea break.

The usual reminder for Probus Insurance purposes is to sign the "early departure book" if you are leaving the meeting early.

The following month's meeting will be held on the 23rd of July.