



ARMSTRONG CREEK PROBUS Club Inc

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November 2025 Newsletter

President's Report – November 2025

Hello everyone and welcome to our final newsletter for 2025. It's been a big year and a lot has happened, some of it rather quickly and at other times a bit slowly.

On reflection we have had several changes to the committee and the gradual increase in both the number of and frequency of activities. The guest speakers have been amazing and for that we must give a big thank you to Paul for sourcing such great speakers sharing their journeys or providing information and inspiration to get us out there in an active way.

A reminder that we are holding a social gathering for December in place of our formal meeting. Our secretary Barb will shortly be sending out an email with details of this event. It will be an opportunity for everyone to sit and have a chat without the formal meeting requirements.

Everyone should now have received an invite to join our new Facebook page. Please use it to communicate with us and each other, share pictures of your adventures.

If you will be unable to join us in December, please have a safe festive season and we will see you in the new year. Best wishes to all.

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Sandra Dunoon

Activities Co-ordinator

Paul Harrison

Guest Speaker Co-ordinator

Di Hunter

Dining Out Co-ordinator / Secretary assistant

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Trips & Tours Officer

Walking Activity Officer



Meeting Day / Time: 2nd Friday of every month at 10:00 am

Meeting Venue: Armstrong Creek East Community Hub, 46 Central Bvd, Armstrong Creek VIC 3217

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Recent and Future Club Activities

Trivia @ The Grovedale

Fortnightly at the Grovedale Hotel
28th November, 7pm earlier if dining
Contact: Sandra—geit1166@gmail.com
For more information

Lunch @ Venue TBA based on demand

Wednesday 10th December 12:30 pm
Contact: Barb Pipkorn by TEXT 0419 224 239

Book Club

2nd Thursday of the month at 1pm.
Next book discussion Thursday December 11.
Contact: Kerry Wilkins TEXT 0419396947
For more details

Knitting and Crotchet Club

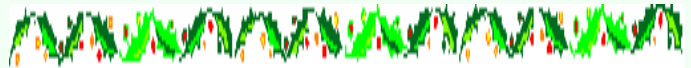
16th December at 1 pm
Armstrong Creek East Community Hub
Contact: Lynda Pocervina TEXT 0419 304 831

Walking Group

Due to resignation of current organiser and the Christmas period the walking group will be suspended until the new year.

Coffee and Chat

With the next session falling on 23 December it is likely this will not take place and the organiser will notify you by email of the first session in the new year or any other changes.



A Celtic Christmas

by

A Taste of Ireland

Thursday 18th December

7:30 pm at The Play House

[Book Here](#)

Expression of Interest for a Paint and Wine event.

Guided painting, options are 2 or 3 hour events and two companies offering at Geelong and Torquay.

See Expression of Interest sheet.

Probus event organiser Sandra Dunoon

TEXT 0409 530 116

Planning for the New Year will be under way before you know it so if you have any suggestions for dining venues, things you would like to hear about or other outings you would like ... PLEASE PLEASE LET US KNOW! You can do this by email, in person or now on Facebook.



Next meeting dates/times:

13/02/2026, 10:00am

13/03/2026, 10:00am



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Guest Speaker Segment

Lorraine Smith returned to regale us with her tales out of Africa and her stunning photos of the people, wild life and scenery. Once again Lorraine wove an engaging story of their travels in Southern Africa and the difference between the tours that cater to the masses viewing with dozens of other travelers and the private tours that enable a more 'intimate' encounter with the wildlife away from the crowds. From the big cats to elephants, antelope and wildebeest they were all there.



Lorraine may be back in 2026 to take us on a journey to India!

Events Reports

Luncheon at **Mr Grubb** 255 Grubb Rd, Wallington.

A small group attended lunch and had a great time sharing stories and a beverage or two.



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Attendance Reporting

Please note: For insurance purposes if you will not be in attendance at any meeting please email your apology to armstrongcreekprobus@gmail.com with "Apology meeting date xx/xx/2025" in the subject line or notify the Attendance Officers at the meeting prior to the one you will be absence. We cannot accept any apologies from friends on the floor during meetings.

IMPORTANT

General Committee Correspondence

Any none urgent communications for the committee outside of meetings should be emailed to armstrongcreekprobus@gmail.com thank you.

Participation in group activities

As a courtesy to the organisers and other members, if you put your name down to take part in an activity, please be sure to let us know if you will not be able to attend on the day. This will mean activities can start on time. Please contact the organiser directly.

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