



ARMSTRONG CREEK PROBUS Club Inc

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April 2026 Newsletter

President's Report

Welcome everyone to the latest newsletter. By now you have all heard about my visit to Government House for the Governor General's reception celebrating the Probud 50th anniversary in Australia. Throughout the year we are encouraged to celebrate the event in our club activities. If you have suggestions how we might do this then please speak to a committee member. Work is well underway to start the card and mahjong groups, so by the time you read this we hopefully will have held our first group sessions and formulated the regular games times. Finally thank you all for continuing your membership and the trust you have placed in the committee to deliver the fun and fellowship you are seeking.

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OUR HOME BASE



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

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

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Recent and Future Club Activities

Happy Hour

Monday May 4th at 4 pm at Rod and Sandra's home.

We are looking for a venue (preferably with minimal or no cost) where we can our own drinks and food. If any members know of a suitable venue please contact Sandra Dunoon.

Trivia @ The Grovedale

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

Weekday Lunch: Sailors Rest

3 Moorabool Street Geelong
Wednesday May 13th at 12:30pm
Contact: Di Hunter TEXT: 0417479750

Weekend Lunch:

Sunday May 17th at 12:30
Barwon Heads Pub
1 Bridge Rd. Barwon Heads.
Contact: Di Hunter TEXT: 0417479750

Book Club

May 28th at 1pm
Contact: Kerry Wilkins TEXT 0419396947
For more details

Movie Afternoon

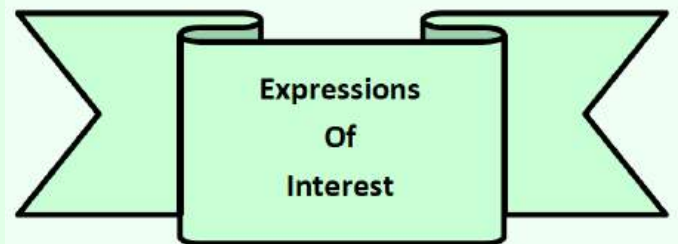
Tuesday May 5th at 1:30
Readings Cinema
Film: 'The Devil Wears Prada 2'
Contact: Kerry Wilkins TEXT 0409530116

Coffee morning @ 9 Grams

101 Unity Dr, Mt Duneed.
Tuesday May 26th at 10:00 am
Contact: Rod McMaster TEXT 0409 530 117

Knitting and Crotchet Club

May 19th at 1 pm
Armstrong Creek East Community Hub
Contact: Lynda Pocervina TEXT 0419 304 831



Creative workshops in Resin Artwork

2 ½ hours duration in Ocean Grove.
Cost: approx. \$95
all materials provided.
Contact: Sandra Dunoon TEXT 0409 530 116

May						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31					1	2
3	4	5 Ladies Movie Afternoon	6	7	8 Club General Meeting 10am AC East Community Hub	9
10	11	12	13 Club regular dining out	14 Club Committee meeting 1 pm Club Armstrong	15	16
17	18	19 Knitting & Crotchet 1pm	20	21	22 Newsletter Published	23
24	25	26 Club coffee morning 10am	27 Card / Canasta Group 2 pm	28 Probus Book club 1pm	29	30



Next Meeting dates/times:

08/05/2026 10:00am

12/06/2026, 10:00am



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Guest Speaker Segment

Our speaker for April was Eric Faulkner. He presented an informative and knowledgeable account of the building, sailing and sinking of the Titanic. He shared some Irish jokes and had the audience captivated with his wealth of knowledge about all things Titanic. Very enjoyable.

Thank you Eric.

May—Lorraine Smith returns with her Tigers in India presentation.



Event Reports

Knitting and Crochet Group

Here is a picture of our first donation to Our Village - Geelong Mums.

We are continuing to knit or crochet 20 cm squares. We are trialling making fidget blankets to be donated to local aged care facilities.



Lunch

Lovely meals, the pork ribs were popular. Sandra can attest to the pleasure of the Lemon Meringue Martini Cocktail, just like having a liquid dessert.

Trivia Night

This event is continuing Tuesdays fortnightly. The team is not doing so well but is not on the bottom.

The Mahjong and Canasta games have begun. A great learning experience for all who participated. David and Don Gould were run away winners at Canasta.

Book Club

The group discussed the book 'The Floating Brothel' by Sien Rees. The book was based on the recollections of a former convict ship's officer. The book gave factual information on many destitute British subjects and their fate after being convicted, their time in jail and shipboard to Australia's first colony. Enjoyable discussion but the book was a slow read with too many histories recounted.

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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/2026” in the subject line or notify the Attendance Officers at the meeting prior to the one you will be absence.

Note: We cannot accept any apologies from friends on the floor during meetings.

Leave of Absences need to be requested on the appropriate form and approved by the committee, please speak to attendance officer Leanne for more information.

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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