



# Probud Club of Melbourne North Inc

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## President's Message

Hello everybody

What wonderful sunny weather we have been having.

Spring is certainly on its way. Trees are in full blossom, and each morning I hear the birds twittering in the trees. Love it.

It has been a quiet month on the entertainment scene.

We had a wonderful day on August 12, touring through Overnewton Castle.

What a history lesson.

Our tour guide who is a family member of the

owners was a walking text book. So interesting. And the castle was marvellous.

Certainly a trip down memory lane. The high tea provided was very tasty.

I am sure all of the members who came enjoyed it thoroughly.

I do hope you have all managed to avoid the winter chills. Keep warm.

In friendship,

Sue Olszewski

## Guest Speaker

The speaker for the August meeting is Ross Kimber.

Ross is a retired primary school teacher. One of his interests is travelling and he has chosen to tell us about his adventures in Antarctica.

## July Speaker

### A window into the world of ballet costumes

Our July Speaker was Strathmore resident Ailsa Woodyard who was enthusiastically questioned about the costuming of the ballet world. Ailsa is a costume designer, known as a costumiere, with the Australian Ballet Company. She joined the company 25 years ago after she left school. Her career has taken her to many venues, including the Royal Ballet in London, and into the world of film and TV. She brought along costume samples as well as dresses she designed and made.



## August Birthdays

Sandra Denahy, Mary Sullivan, Judy Jien, Jenny Outten, Darcy Smith, Gail Willaton

## Overnewton Castle



Twenty four members enjoyed the outing to Overnewton Castle in Keilor. The hour and a half tour included a lunch of soup and sandwiches. The castle, which was built by William Taylor, the original owner of the Keilor area and more (Taylor's Hill, Taylor's Lakes). The estate was more recently bought and restored by the eminent gastroenterologist Leslie Norton, and is home to his family and the event centre run by them

## Club website

Lin Rigby looks after the Probus Melbourne North website.

The website address is: <https://melbnprobus.org>

The What's On page is: <https://melbnprobus.org/welcome/whats-on-test-trial/>  
then click on the blue *i* information symbol (for info on meetings, films or trips).

There are other pages, but the What's On page will give up to date information.

**Next meeting: Tuesday, August 26, 2025.**

**Deadline for the next newsletter will be September 16, 2025**