# Probus Club of Melbourne North Inc

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## President's Message

Hello everybody,

Haven't we had some beautiful weather. I don't like the cold mornings very much.

On Tuesday 6th October we were invited to a High Tea at Windy Hill to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Probus South Pacific. There were quite a few clubs from central, Moonee Ponds and the clubs that use Windy Hill as a venue for their monthly meetings. It was an enjoyable event, mixing with new people.

Today 14th October our club visited the Buda estate at Castlemaine.
What a wonderful experience looking back in time wandering through this original homestead and learning about the family that lived on the premises for more than 100 years. Lunch at the Cumberland Hotel was a wonderful ending to this tour.

"*Enjoy the little things in life, for one day you will look back and realise they were the big things.*"

Look forward to seeing you at our next meeting,

In friendship
SUE OLSZEWSKI
PRESIDENT

## September guest speaker – Meredith Nolan



Meredith Nolan was our September meeting speaker from Proactive Policing in Brunswick. Under Meredith's direction, Georgia their community liaison officer (right below) gave a presentation that contained much information on security and safety. Tahlia a police student joined in. Phone numbers to remember: **1**. The police STOPIT service: **Text STOPIT to 0499 455 455** to report unwanted sexual or anti-social behaviour seen on public transport.




Also, **2**. for information on Elder Abuse, contact **Elders Rights Advocacy on 1800 700 600 or (03) 9602 3066. 3**. The number for **Crimestoppers is 1800 333 000** to report crime anonymously and **4**. you can contact Victoria Police for non-urgent crime, lost property, or general inquiries by calling the **Police Assistance Line on 131 444.** There is help available.

## October Lunch / High Tea

To celebrate **the 50th Anniversary of Probus in Australia**, the Probus clubs that meet at Windy Hill held a joint High Tea lunch on Tuesday October 6th. All were welcomed, ate the very tasty spread, then listened to all the presidents giving a short speech on Probus and what it means to them. Sue was tremendous and spoke from the heart, she was without doubt the best speaker in the opinion of the Melbourne North table.







Kathy put in a great deal of work helping to organise the event and was deservedly mentioned in dispatches.



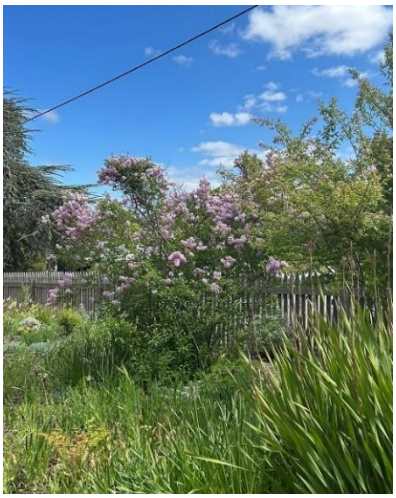


An enjoyable time was had by all.

## Buda Outing



Wednesday October 14th thirty-two club members appreciated an outing to Buda in Castlemaine followed by lunch at the Cumberland Hotel. The weather was lovely and the house was a trip back in time with all the beautiful belongings of a family that had lived there for 100 years.







Tree spurge - a frost-sensitive Euphorbia



Kaye and Zaza with the sundial







Many thanks to Maureen for another great outing.

## October birthdays

Lyn Smith, Thurai Thuraisinham, Lin Rigby, Bev Mason, Bev Cooper, Kaye Doolan, Jennie Williamson

## October speaker

There will not be a speaker at the October meeting as we will be honouring the **50th Anniversary of Probus South Pacific in Australia and New Zealand**. There will be a cake at morning tea and to continue the celebratory spirit we shall be having a short Trivia quiz with lots of prizes so everyone can enjoy having a go. Don't forget to bring a pen or pencil please.

## Club website

Lin Rigby looks after the Probus Melbourne North website. If you notice something is awry or out-of-date please let her know.
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 take you to the latest information.

## Next meeting is Tuesday October 27th

## Deadline for the next newsletter will be November 13th

November will be the last month that Ron Barratt compiles the newsletter. Our thanks go to Ron for the exceptional and professional energy that he has given to this endeavour. We are looking for a volunteer to carry on his work – if you can use MSWord you can do it, there is also a prepared template to follow.