



MARION PROBUS CLUB



APRIL 2025 “GRAPEVINE” 443

Postal Address: 262 Sturt Road Marion SA 5043

Meets at the Club Marion, 262 Sturt Rd Marion on the 1st Monday of each month at 10:30AM

WEB Address – WWW://marionprobus.com

NEXT MEETING ~ Monday 7th April 2025

April 2025 Meeting – – Peter McCarthy – South Australian zoos

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Remo Porcaro

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GUEST SPEAKERS: Graham Gurry

April 2025 – Peter McCarthy – South Australian zoos – Present and future. **PLEASE NOTE:** This is a Ladies/Partners – Special Ladies Meeting.

May 2025 – David Jarman – Volcanoes in Iceland

June 2025 – Don Loffler - Life in 1948 and the dramatic arrival of the Holden car

PLEASE NOTE:

April’s Meeting is a Ladies/Partners – Special Ladies Meeting.

Please book at the meeting if you are staying for LUNCH



PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Remo Porcaro

Another year has come and gone and they are going quicker than ever.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2025-6

PRESIDENT
REMO PORCARO
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Firstly I must especially thank the IPP, committee and the activities coordinators e.g. Graeme Hall, Garry James, Graham Brown, Bob Brammy Ian Millar, Max Bowden, Kevin Denton, Des Kelly, Phil Scherer, Brenton Coad, Terry Simpson, for the effort put in their responsibilities during the year and in the planning for 2025. (my apologies if I have left anybody out)

As a result of the AGM, held on the 3rd of March 2025, I was elected as President of your club, the Probus Club of Marion, along with the Vice President Malcolm Sparrow, secretary Neville De Young, treasurer Lou Leeuwrik and Max Murrie as assistant secretary.

I, together with the elected committee, thank you for the trust placed in us and will endeavour to always uphold the interest and the integrity of the club and, let's not forget, we will respect the member contribution and participation in assisting with suggestions on how we, as a whole, can make improvements in the administering of our club. The elected committee held its first meeting on the 28/03/2025 and all activities' managers contributed with their programs and outcomes and future activities, on that note, I invite all members **TO READ** the **"GRAPEVINE"** because it tells you all about the club activities, and after all, it is your club and its rewarding to keep up to date. Being my first report for the year I will not indulge and close until next time.



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Member for Gibson

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PROUDLY PRINTS
THE "GRAPEVINE"
THANK YOU, SARAH

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MARCH'S MEETING:

On Monday 3rd March the General Meeting was held followed by the Annual General Meeting. Remo Porcaro was inducted as the President for the next 12 months. Congratulations Remo.

Guest Speakers for the meeting were Terry Simpson & Remo Porcaro.

Terry spoke on his very interesting life's journey from Wollongong, NSW to settling in Adelaide.

Remo spoke about his family moving to Australia from Italy, then back home & again to Australia where they settled for good. While back in Italy Remo spent several years in the Italian Navy.



Murrie & Remo Porcaro

Remo Porcaro– Graham Gurry & Terry Simpson

Max



Back Row: Garry James – Graham Gurry – Graeme Hall – Graham Brown – Brenton Coad – Des Kelly – Phil Scherer – Max Murrie.

Front Row: Lou Leeuwrik – Remo Porcaro – Malcolm Sparrow – Neville De Young

BIRTHDAYS for APRIL 2025: Wishing you a HAPPY BIRTHDAY



MILLAR	GARY	04 Apr 41
LAVAR	PETER	05 Apr 45
BRAMMY	BOB	05 Apr 47
COLLINS	EDDY	08 Apr 48
CHARLES	JOHN	13 Apr 50
MARKEY	BILL	23 Apr 31

CARE OFFICER'S REPORT: Graham Brown

Bob Bagnall, Graham Thomas, Peter Loveday, Neil Lack, Bruce Stock, Geoff Stone & Gerald Brown are on the sick list.

Also, the Club's Care Officer is on the Sick List. After a stay in The F.M.C. & some time in Dawes Road Rehab Graham is home & doing well. It was great to see him at the Committee Meeting on Friday. Graham is not able to do his Care Officers position at present. Rusty Harris has put his hand up to assist with this duty. Thank you Rusty & best wishes to Graham.

SPECIAL LADIES REPORT: Phil Scherer - All reported well.

ACTIVITIES: Garry James

20 People attended the visit to THE MARION HERITAGE MUSEUM on Thursday 20th February. David Jarman was our Tour Guide & once again he did an excellent job telling the group all about Marion. We also had a delicious Morning Tea. The Tour was followed by Lunch at The Finnis Street Café. THANK YOU DAVID.

POSTPONED – The visit to the Noarlunga & Aldinga Airports on 20th March were postponed.

NEW DATE: Thursday 8th May – A BOYS DAY OUT.

WEST TERRACE HISTORICAL TOUR: Re scheduled for Thursday 12th June.

Wednesday 23rd April

Visit to

NEUTROG FERTILIZER

At Kanmantoo

There will be a Guided Tour with
Morning Tea

Times to be announced at April's
Meeting



The Experts' Choice.

COFFEE GROUP: 9:35 – 10:30AM Saturdays at SPARGOS

WALKING GROUP: Ian Millar - Mondays @ 9:00AM at CLUB MARION. It has been suggested that the group have a series of pre-defined walks. Feedback to Ian would be appreciated.

TEN PIN BOWLING:

Coffee & Cake

Morning

Members and Wives/Partners & Special Ladies: If you are free and looking for some company, the next Coffee & Cake morning will be on 3rd Tuesday of the month as usual at Spargo's Café, Level 1, Marion Shopping Centre -Tuesday 15th April 10:00AM until 12:00. Tables 44 &45 (adjacent to the Mall) are reserved for us.



The Conversation Group (Computer Group)

IT Conversations Group

Our next meeting for the IT Conversation (Computer) Group will be on April 4th when Emily from the Marion Council Library Seniors learning will be our guest with the topic of: **Technological Mixed Bag:**

How to Print at Home, Safely Navigate Facebook and Look Cool Wearing a Smart Watch

The session starts at 10.30AM in the upstairs room at Club Marion and will be finished by 12.30PM. All Probus members, Partners and Friends are welcome.

Coffee is available to purchase at the bar.

Dates to mark into your Diaries:

May 2nd – To be confirmed.

June 6th - Emily

July 4th – To be confirmed.

All Our and other Probus club Members, Partners and Friends are welcome.

See you there!

Regards Bob Brammy

Probus Club of Marion

IT Conversation coordinator.

Contact: brammy.bob@gmail.com or 0417126200

URGENT REQUEST: Please I am looking for ideas for guest speakers for our May and July sessions Can you or know someone who can assist our group.



DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS

**Don't Forget
To Turn Your
Clocks Back on
Sunday 6th April
@ 2am
As Daylight Saving
Finishes**

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Brenton Coad

- * Our total membership is currently 76 with 4 members currently non – active.
- *Welcome to the New Year in Probus and with a New Year beginning Membership Fees are now due.
- *\$45 for full Membership and \$15 for non-active Members\
- *Membership Fees can be paid directly to Marion Probus Club BSB 065-155 Account No 0090 1762 or to the Treasurer Lou Leeuwrik at our next meeting.
- *If there are any Members who wish to transfer to non-active, please advise me as soon as possible so that I can note the change
- *If any Members have a change in their contact details it is extremely important that you contact me directly so that I can make those changes to our records.

PROBUS CLUB OF MARION

Payment Options Please Note - E.F.T.

Payments

PROBUS CLUB OF MARION

Commonwealth Bank - BSB # 065 155 – ACC # 0090

1762

Cash & Cheque (Made out to – Probus Club of Marion) placed in an envelope & given to the Treasurer. Mark all transactions with your name & activity

April 2025

Calendar of Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
<u>Friday 4th April</u>	<u>10:30 – 12:30</u>	<u>IT Communications</u>	<u>Club Marion, Upper Function Room West</u>
<u>Mon 7th April</u>	<u>10:30 – 12:30</u>	<u>General Group Meeting</u>	<u>Club Marion, Upper Function Room East & West</u>
<u>Tues 8th April</u>	<u>9:45 – 12:30 for 10:30 start</u>	<u>10-pin Bowling Group</u>	<u>Club Marion, Carpark or direct to Zone, Noarlunga</u>
<u>Friday 11th April</u>	<u>10:30 – 12:30</u>	<u>Music Group</u>	<u>Club Marion, Upper Function Room West</u>
<u>Mon 14th April</u>	<u>9:00 – 11:00</u>	<u>Walking Group</u>	<u>Club Marion, Carpark</u>
<u>Tues 15th April</u>	<u>Coffee & Cake morning</u>	<u>10:00 – 12:00</u>	<u>Spargo's Café, L1 Westfield Marion</u>
<u>Mon 21st April</u>	<u>9:00 – 11:00</u>	<u>Walking Group</u>	<u>Club Marion, Carpark</u>
<u>Tues 22nd April</u>	<u>9:45 – 12:30 for 10:30 start</u>	<u>10-pin Bowling Group</u>	<u>Club Marion, Carpark or direct to Zone, Noarlunga</u>
<u>Thurs 24th April</u>	<u>Committee meeting</u>	<u>10:30 – 12:00</u>	<u>Shearing Shed, Club Marion</u>
<u>Mon 28th April</u>	<u>9:00 – 11:00</u>	<u>Walking Group</u>	<u>Club Marion, Carpark</u>

Music Report: Max Bowden.

The next meeting of the Music Group will be at 10.30 am on Friday 11th April and the theme will be "COUNTRY GALLS" which is the music and songs of female Country Music stars. Bring along two songs you would like to play and discuss but don't be deterred if you have nothing suitable because I will have plenty of CD's you can select from.

Relaxing atmosphere, good fun and entertainment assured and this is an ideal meeting for anyone who has not attended previously.

As usual everyone is invited including wives and partners. Coffee can be purchased for morning tea at 11.30 am and everyone is invited to join us in the Bistro for lunch after the meeting concludes at 12.30 pm.

Publicity and Marketing Report: Des Kelly.

FIND US ON:

Check out the Club's Face Book page

FACEBOOK

Saint Jude's Players' Report:

We will attend the play "Labour of love" on Thursday 10 April. Bookings will be taken at the February and

March meetings and tickets (\$21 each) will be available at the April meeting.

Dinner before at Charlie's Diner starting at 5.45pm.

The play Labour of love is about the interaction between British Labour MP David Lyons (who cares about modernisation and getting elected) and his constituency agent Jean Whittaker (who cares about principles and her community). The setting is in the Labour Party's traditional northern heartlands and takes place over 25 years from Kinnock through Blair into Corbyn – and beyond.

PROBUS CLUB OF MARION

MEETING DATES FOR 2025 /2026

VENUE – CLUB MARION – 262 Sturt Rd MARION 5043

MONTH	GENERAL Monday 10.30 am Meeting #	COMMITTEE Friday 10.30 am Meeting #	IT Conversations 1st Friday 10.30 am	MUSIC 2nd Friday 10.30 am
April	7th # 440	24th # 441	4th	11th
May	5th # 441	23rd # 442	2nd	9th
June	2nd # 442	27th # 443	6th	13th
July	7th # 443	25th # 444	4th	11th
August	4th # 444	22nd # 445	1st	9th
September	1st # 445	26th # 446	5th	12th
October	13th # 446	24th # 447	3rd	10th
November	3rd #447	21st # 448	7th	14th
December	1st # 448	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting
December	8th (Xmas Lunch)	In upstairs	Hills Function Rooms	East & West
January 2026	No Meeting	23rd # 449	No Meeting	No Meeting
February 2026	2nd # 449	20th # 450	6th	13th
March 2026	2nd (AGM) # 450	27th # 451	6th	13th

BRAIN WAVES:

1. Which colonial power ruled India prior to its independence in 1947?
2. _ What year was the Berlin Wall built?
3. _Which was constructed first, the Suez Canal or the Panama Canal?
4. _By what name is Leningrad now known?
5. _Who was the British Prime Minister during the Falklands War?
6. South Australia is the_____ largest state in Australia?
7. What type of Accommodation is the Adelaide Riviera?
8. What is the Name of the Longest river in South Australia?
9. Who discovered Kangaroo Island?
10. What is the name of the train that runs from Adelaide to Darwin?
11. Morocco is in which Continent?
12. Name the second driest continent in the World?
13. What date was decimal currency introduced into Australia?
14. Name the female Host of the 2025 TV Show “Australian Idol”?
15. What date is Mother’s Day in 2025?
16. Which English Sir has had No. 1’s in the 50’s, 60’s, 70’s, 80’s and 90’s?
17. How many UK number ones did The Beatles have in total?
18. Which 80s group, featuring Phil Collins, reunited in 2020?
19. What's the name of the 1957 musical prison drama starring Elvis Presley?
20. What was the public Holiday on the 10th March 2023 for?

WORD SEARCH:

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AUSTIN – BMW - CADILAC – CAR - CHEVROLET – DAIMLER – DIAHATSU - FORD – HINO – HOLDEN – HUDSON -HUMBER - ISUZU – LEYLAND - MAZDA – MINOR – MORRIS – NISSAN -RAM – RANGE ROVER - TOYOTA – VALIANT – VICTOR - VOLVO

BRAIN WAVES ANSWERS:

1. Britain (UK)
2. 1961.
3. Suez.
4. Saint Petersburg.
5. Margaret Thatcher.
6. Third
7. Motel.
8. Murray.
9. Matthew Flinders
10. The Ghan.
11. Africa.
12. Australia.
13. 14 February
14. Rickie – Lee Coulter
15. 11th May
16. Sir Elton John.
17. Seventeen
18. Genesis.
19. Jail House Rock.
20. The Adelaide Cup



PROBUS CLUB OF
MARION
GREAT OCEAN
ROAD TOUR
24th-28th Feb. 2025



The tour with 31 Tourers departed Club Marion on time for the 602 Km to Warrnambool via Naracoorte. We travelled with Sealink with “Coach Captain” Athol Larwood.

We had lunch at Naracoorte, with yummy Sandwiches supplied by Shaun’s Bakery.

We arrival at The Discovery Parks for the 4 nights’ accommodation. A B-B-Q- Tea was held in the Camp Kitchen.

Day 2 was full of activities. To Hopkins Falls, then Flagstaff Hill Maritime Museum for a guided Tour with Helen & Morning Tea. This was followed by free time in Warrnambool, then to Cheese World for Afternoon Tea with delicious Scones, Jam & Cream. To the Fletcher Jones Markets & home for a break. Dinner at The RSL Club & finished of the days entertainment with the Light Show at the Flagstaff Hill Maritime Museum before ending the day at 10.30pm. WOW!

Day 3 Again another long day travelling The GREAT OCEAN ROAD. We visited The Bay Of Islands, The 12 Apostles, Port Campbell, Wild Life wonders with another delicious Morning Tea, then to Lorne & home. The day was finished off with Dinner at The Bowls Club.

Day 4. This was a quiet day to Port Fairy via Tower Hill Wildlife Park to see the Koala’s.

Dinner at the Whaler’s Hotel & back to the Park for a Quiz Night & Raffle.

Day 5. It’s home time, departing at 8.00am for the 638 Km trip via Mt Gambier & Kingston, with lunch at The Crown Inn, arriving at Marion at 5.50pm.

Thanks to everyone that joined us on this memorable. Also to Des for the daily Facebook posts & to my beautiful assistant, Elaine, thank you both.

	<u>QUIZ WINNERS:</u>	<u>RAFFLE WINNERS:</u>
1st Prize:.	Graham Watts & Graham Sporn.	Graham Watts.
2nd Prize:	Joan Davies, Kevin Denton & Ruth Shaw.	Peter Laver.
3rd Prize:	Peter & Alice Laver.	Lou Leeuwrik
4th Prize:	John & Jenny Stewart	Jim Coombe.
5th Prize:	Lou Leeuwrik & Lynn Rosser	Jenny Kelly
6th & 7th Prize:		Sara Nakhasut

Dear Graeme and Elaine,

Thank you both for the time and effort you put into arranging the recent trip to Warrnambool, I thoroughly enjoyed it and highly commend you for the hours of research and bookings that you organised on our behalf.

I particularly loved Ellen’s talk and the Loch Ard experience and the short stop-over at Tower Hill, the rock formations were fascinating and the koalas a bonus. It would have been nice to have a boxed lunch and fruit box there as on one of the other days, which I also thought was brilliant and delicious. Once again, my thanks to you Graeme and Elaine, I’m looking forward to the Mildura trip already.

Best regards, Jenny Kelly.

Dear Elaine & Graeme,

We had a great time at Warrnambool & wish to thank you both for the hours spent where we should visit in this interesting area. All those who attended will have happy memories of this trip. Mildura will be a great place to visit & we are looking forward to this holiday.

Many thanks to you both. Ruth & Phil

DAY1:



GREAT OCEAN ROAD TOUR GROU

Day1: Arriving at Warrnambool.



DISCOVERY PARKS ~ WARRNAMBOOL
25 Pertobe Road Warrnambool. 03 5561 1514



Day 2:



HOPKINS FALLS



FLAGSTAFF HILL MARITIME VILLAGE



GRAEME with Tour Guide ELLEN



FLAGSTAFF HILL MARITIME VILLAGE

DAY2:



CHEESE WORLD & AFTERNOON TEA



THE GARDENS & THE CROWS COLOURED BENCH SEATS

DAY3:



THE BAY OF ISLANDS



THE TWELVE APOSTLES

DAY3:



WILDLIFE WONDERS MORNING TEA



LORNE

DAY4.



Tower Hill Wildlife Reserve

DAY4.

PORT FAIRY



AT PORT FAIRY LIGHTHOUSE & MUFFIN ISLAND

\$17 LUNCH MENU
EVERY DAY LUNCH (12PM - 2:30PM)
*Valid for Club Marion Financial Members Only

\$17 Schnitzel Night
TUESDAY & THURSDAY NIGHTS
Chicken or Beef Schnitzel | Includes all sauces | Toppings extra cost
*Valid for Club Marion Financial Members Only

WEDNESDAY'S
\$17 CURRY NIGHT
*Valid for Club Marion Financial Members Only

Join us at
C·L·U·B M·A·R·I·O·N
for

Delicious Dining
Bistro & bar with mouth-watering meals

Live Entertainment
Raffles, Tribute Shows and more

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