



# The Probus Club of Flagstaff Hill Inc

## Bulletin

9th May 2024

The Club meets at 9.45am on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Church of Christ, 179 Hub Drive, Aberfoyle Park

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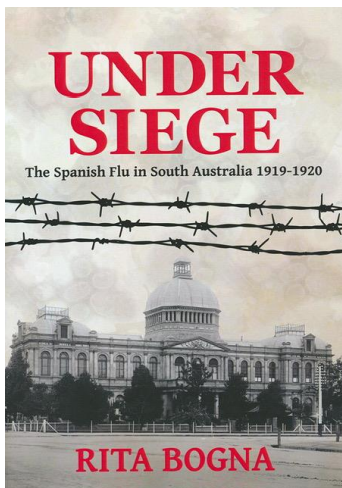
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### TODAY'S SPEAKER – RITA BOGNA



#### **Under Siege – The Spanish Flu in South Australia 1919-1920**

The Spanish influenza pandemic of 1918-1920 remains the deadliest global epidemic of infectious disease of all time. It killed between 50 and 100 million people and caused symptomatic illness in at least one-third of the world's population.

In this presentation, Rita will give us an overview of what happened when pneumonic influenza (as it was called in Australia) reached this State in January 1919.

Rita is a retired lawyer and the author of "Under Siege - The Spanish Flu in South Australia 1919-1920". She was the inaugural president of the Edwardstown Probud Club (2019-2021).

Copies of her book will be available for purchase (\$39 cash only). Partners are welcome.

### LAST MONTH'S SPEAKER



At our April Meeting, we had the pleasure of listening to Ian Miles, the Senior Metals Conservator at Artlab, talk about the background and logistics of the relocation of the Vickers Vimy at Adelaide Airport.

Ian walked us through the meticulous planning required to prepare and then move the aircraft. It was fascinating how many contingencies and issues the team had to work through to complete this delicate operation.

Details of Ian's hands on experiences kept our members captivated throughout his presentation.

### FORTHCOMING SPEAKER

The speaker for our June meeting is to be advised.

## PROBUS CLUB DIRECTORY 2024/2025

Chris Barber has produced Version 20 of the Club's Directory for the 2024/2025 year.

This can be viewed in the members area of the Club's website.  
Printed copies will also be available at the May General Meeting.

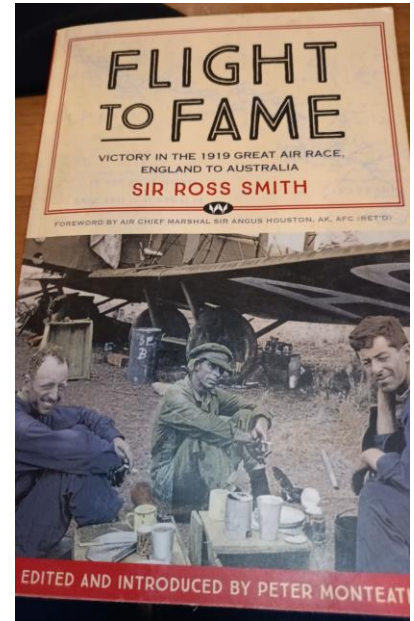
### A BOOK THAT MAY INTEREST YOU

After the presentation by Ian Miles at our April meeting regarding the relocation of the Vickers Vimmy at Adelaide Airport, our Vice President Tim Magor found the following book in the local library which may be of interest to members.

The book is "Flight to Fame" and was written by Sir Ross Smith. It gives a first-hand account of the epic flight in 1918 along with actual photos taken during the adventure.

It's a smallish book but well worth a read if you get the chance.

Remember in June we have an outing planned to visit the Vickers Vimy.



An out-of-towner drove his car into a ditch in a desolated area. Luckily, a local farmer came to help with his big strong horse named Buddy.

He hitched Buddy up to the car and yelled, "Pull, Nellie, pull!" Buddy didn't move.

Then the farmer hollered, "Pull, Buster, pull!" Buddy didn't respond.

Once more the farmer commanded, "Pull, Coco, pull!" Nothing.

Then the farmer nonchalantly said, "Pull, Buddy, pull!" And the horse easily dragged the car out of the ditch.

The motorist was most appreciative and very curious. He asked the farmer why he called his horse by the wrong name three times.

The farmer said, "Oh, Buddy is blind and if he thought he was the only one pulling, he wouldn't even try!"

### LAWN BOWLS

Our intrepid bowlers turned out for another sunny day at Happy Valley.

Darrell, Jonathan, Ern, Stephen, Jerry, Bill and Graham battled over bragging rights for quite a few ends.

As usual there was laughter, sledging and general banter amongst the players and we all enjoyed the day and each other's friendly company.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

<b>Opening Balance 20<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>\$3,329.05</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Morning Tea	136.05
Members Subscriptions (Cash)	280.00
Members Subscriptions (Internet)	140.00
Annual BBQ	60.00
<b>Total Income</b>	616.05
	<u>\$3,945.10</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Club DEFIB Donation	250.00
Church Hire (April – June 2024)	210.00
BBQ Refunds	20.00
BBQ Expenses	208.89
Probus Information Day (Reg'n)	68.00
Carton Copy Paper – Erin's Office	41.50
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	798.39
<b>Closing Balance 20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>\$3,146.71</b>

### FUTURE SPEAKER AND OUTING SUGGESTIONS

We welcome suggestions from Members for future speakers and outings. Suggestion forms are located on the sign in table at each meeting.

### MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS

5 members celebrate their Birthdays in May, so we wish a Happy Birthday to:

Doug Johns	4 <sup>th</sup>
Bryan O'Shaughnessy	7 <sup>th</sup>
Matt Jevnikar	12 <sup>th</sup>
Clive Tarrant	16 <sup>th</sup>
Neil Page	25 <sup>th</sup>

## For the Fallen BY LAURENCE BINYON

With proud thanksgiving, a mother for her children,  
England mourns for her dead across the sea.  
Flesh of her flesh they were, spirit of her spirit,  
Fallen in the cause of the free.

Solemn the drums thrill; Death august and royal  
Sings sorrow up into immortal spheres,  
There is music in the midst of desolation  
And a glory that shines upon our tears.

They went with songs to the battle, they were young,  
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.  
They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted;  
They fell with their faces to the foe.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.

They mingle not with their laughing comrades again;  
They sit no more at familiar tables of home;  
They have no lot in our labour of the day-time;  
They sleep beyond England's foam.

But where our desires are and our hopes profound,  
Felt as a well-spring that is hidden from sight,  
To the innermost heart of their own land they are known  
As the stars are known to the Night;

As the stars that shall be bright when we are dust,  
Moving in marches upon the heavenly plain;  
As the stars that are starry in the time of our darkness,  
To the end, to the end, they remain.



## DON'T FORGET

**Our next meeting is on**

# 13<sup>th</sup> June

# Our latest photography outing at Glenthorne National Park



Deep and meaningful discussion before setting off



Historical Farm Buildings



Checking out the Q&A Stations

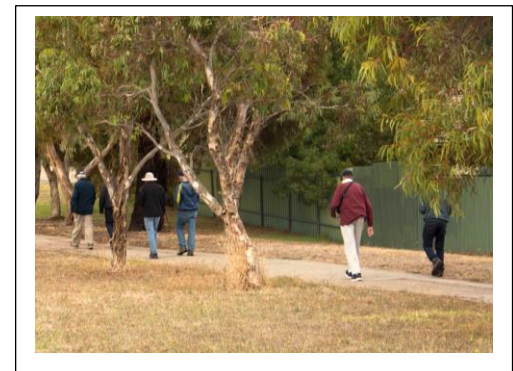


Another Q&A Station



Kids Playground

# And a few snaps from our Walking Group at Byards Wetland Nature Trail



## PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL DISTRIBUTION LIST

Below is a list of where we currently have our club's promotional material displayed. If you notice that any site has run out of material, please inform a committee member.

### The Hub

Library  
 Woollies' noticeboard  
 Honey Bee Cafe  
 Erin Thompson's office  
 SC community noticeboard  
 Barber shop  
 Baker's Delight

### Aberfoyle Park

Church of Christ  
 Canberra Drive Barber shop

### Flagstaff Hill

Barber shop  
 Foodland  
 Fish and chips shop  
 Star Liquor

### O'Halloran Hill

Foodland

**RABBITS JUMP AND  
 THEY LIVE FOR 8 YEARS.  
 DOGS RUN AND THEY  
 LIVE FOR 15 YEARS.  
 TURTLES DO NOTHING  
 AND LIVE FOR  
 150 YEARS.  
 LESSON LEARNED.**

RENEE CROUS

## A BLAST FROM THE PAST

# Ern shows his heart



CAN-DO ATTITUDE: Flagstaff Hill's Ern Dunning collects unwanted cans and bottles and recycles them to raise money for the Heart Foundation.  
 Picture: Keryn Stevens H0312485

### CHARITY | ALICE HIGGINS

FLAGSTAFF Hill resident Ern Dunning lives by the motto: If you don't use it, you lose it.

"If you don't use your feet, you lose them and if you don't use your brain, you lose that too," the 74-year-old says.

That catchphrase is what motivates the retired farmer to get out in the community and collect cans and bottles for charity – raising \$1700 for the Heart Foundation so far this year.

"I've got the gift of the gab. I can talk to anybody, anywhere."

Mr Dunning said he used to notice cans and bottles piling up at houses while he was door-knocking for the charity and de-



### OUR PEOPLE

cid he could turn that into cash for the foundation.

"I took a bit of notice of where they were and kept a note of who was throwing them out and went to that place to ask them if I could recycle their bottles and cans for the Heart Foundation.

"From there it just snowballed." Mr Dunning spends the last Sun-

day of each month collecting bottles and cans before sorting them and taking them to the recycling depot. He collects the 10c refund for each item and then passes it on to the charity.

"If I asked people for \$50 or \$60 for the Heart Foundation, they would tell me what creek to swim up. I would rather collect recyclables than ask people for money."

Now he regularly visits about 40 Flagstaff Hill households.

"You just never know when you might need to go to a heart doctor," he says.

Heart Foundation SA CEO Geoff Halsey said the funds raised by Mr Dunning would help the foundation save lives.

Back in 2010, our life member Ern Dunning was featured in the Advertiser for his efforts in raising around \$30, 000 for the Heart Foundation through can recycling.

Ern continues to do great work now recycling our member's newspapers and donating proceeds to the Club.

Well done, Ern.

## YES, I'M A SENIOR CITIZEN!

I'm the life of the party.....Even if it lasts until 8 p.m.

I'm very good at opening childproof caps..... with a hammer.

I'm awake many hours before my body allows me to get up.

I'm smiling all the time, because I can't hear a thing you're saying.

I'm sure everything I can't find is in a safe secure place, somewhere.

I'm wrinkled, saggy, lumpy, and that's just my left leg.

I'm beginning to realize that aging is not for wimps.

## FLAGSTAFF HILL MEN'S PROBUS CLUB COMMON INTEREST GROUPS

Group	Co-Ordinator	Venue	Date & Time
Beer Appreciation	Jerry Vallance 0477 797 003	Home of Jerry Vallance	
Morning Tea	Darrell Wise 0431 087 027	Honey Bee Café Aberfoyle Park Hub	Monday 20th May @ 10:00am
Gardening	Matt Jevnikar 0400 493 258		
Movies & Theatre	Chris Barber 0410 567 265		
Photography	Kym Pennifold 0401 122 353	Historic Old Reynella Walking Tour Reynella Neighbourhood Centre 162 Old South Road Old Reynella  Lunch at Crown Inn Old Reynella	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May @9:45am  Partners welcome.  Lunch at 12:30
Walking	Gerry Kradolfer 0459 505 201 Malcolm Keam 0413 239 950	Yellow Trail - Happy Valley Reservoir Beginning at the Main Entrance Afterwards a coffee can be enjoyed at a local coffee shop  BMX Nature Trail Majors Road O'Halloran Hill	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May @ 9:30am  Car Pooling from church at 9.00am. Partners welcome  Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June @9:30am
Book Exchange	Ian Woolley 0424 419 642	Club General Meeting	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday monthly between 9:15am and 12 noon
ROMEO	George Oram 0400 106 701  Ian Woolley 0424 419 642	Royal Oak Hotel Clarendon	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 12:15 pm
Wine Appreciation	Stephen Lockwood 0423 477 431		
Lawn Bowls	Bill Gates 0419 835 708	Happy Valley Bowling Club	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 10:00am