



PROBUS CLUB OF MOUNT ELIZA INC

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Founded 1985 Registration No. A0011403Y Meetings commence 9.45am second Monday of the month. If Public Holiday, then third Monday.

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Membership: John Roberts 9787 1322	House: Max and Bev Moloney 9787-6358
Bulletin: Deborah Fleiner 9775 2535	Welfare: Sonia Troy 9787 2146

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well we are off to a great start again for the year!

Thanks must go to **Barry Rawlings** for his “**History of the Club**” at the last meeting. It was very informative. We had a communication issue with the video presentation on submarines during the talk by the main speakers **Max Bryant** and **Dave Hoare**, which I will look into and try to resolve so that it doesn't happen again. I gave a talk at the Shares Group about my 2 years as a day trader but not without early technical issues at Norwood House who had NBN issues.



Catherine and the events team are up and running. Approximately 20 members enjoyed the film “**The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society.**” This followed a read of that book by the book club.

Le Bouchon was thoroughly enjoyed by members and thanks goes to **Cathy Toft** for arranging the outing. Please try to support the team with the events they are arranging for you. **Jane Long** has arranged a membership promotion at **IGA** for **June 9th**, and **John Fleiner** has organised a very comprehensive and interesting list of upcoming speakers.

Your committee has agreed to allow members to make payments online into the club's BSB/Account number. **Andy Troy** is looking into ways that will make this process streamlined and efficient. We need to update our payment choices for those who wish to use them, and we will put the information on how to proceed in to the Bulletin once it is all sorted.

You will notice friendly and smiley faces at the door – **Jane** and **Maxine** have agreed to support **John Roberts** with meeting and greeting at the door. This is a very important step in the process of ensuring a great welcome to all visitors.

Brian Mellady

OUR APRIL MEETING

Attendance: 56 Present: 10 Apologies: 3 Visitors 2 AWOL

President: **Brian Mellady** opened the meeting, welcoming back **Cathy Toft**. He also emphasized the need to increase membership during the coming year. Visitors were welcomed, and birthdays acknowledged.

Vice President: **Jane Long** asked for volunteers willing to put in some time at the Mt Eliza Sunday Market to promote the club and increase membership.

Secretary: **Brian Coughlan** proposed that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted. Moved: **Peter Long** Seconded: **James Malone**. Various pieces of correspondence were discussed.

Treasurer: **Andy Troy** reminded all that the annual subs of \$50 are now due.

Tours and Entertainment: **Catherine Johnson** advised that the sub-committee met and discussed ideas for the ensuing year. Proposed outings so far are:

Thursday 26th April – Mornington Cinema.

May – Day Tripper excursion to Gippsland.

July – Xmas in July

December – Christmas Lunch

Speakers: **John Fleiner** talked about today's speakers who were **Barry Rawlings** on the history of the club, and **Max Bryant**, about the Ottawa and the Maritime Museum. Next month's speaker is **Ms George McInroe** – Uber for Women.

Welfare: **Sonia Troy** reported that **Neil Gold** is in hospital, **Alan Moore** is in Mornington Rehab following surgery, and **Bill Lumley** is still at Ti Tree Lodge in Rosebud.



House: **Bev Moloney** thanked those members who brought along sandwiches and cakes etc. for a most delicious morning tea.

Fine Dining: **Cathy Toft** reminded members of the next outing on Saturday 28th April at 12.30 for lunch at Le Bouchon Restaurant, Balnarring.

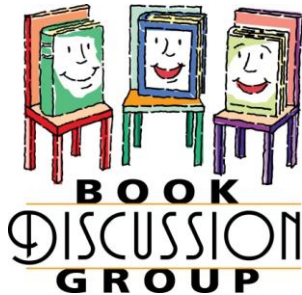
Golf: **Graeme Buckley** reported that on 26th March, the group played its first game with **Probus Central of Mount Eliza** at the **Frankston Golf Club**. There were 18 attendees altogether, meeting at 9am. After nine holes in near perfect weather they fired up the BBQ and opened the wine. It was not so much a competition, but an opportunity to get together with our fellow Probian from Mount Eliza and they have already planned a return game later in the year.



The **Ken McArthur Trophy** has been postponed until September due to a timing conflict with **Melbourne Probus Group**.

The next game will be at the **Frankston Golf Club** on **Monday 21st May** against the **Rotary Club of Frankston (Sunrise)** for an inaugural challenge match, so please mark the date in your calendar.

Investment Club: Lindsay Gordon deputizing for Max Batchelor stated that the state of the market is down and uncertainty prevails. The All Ords were down by 4.55%, however, the group is a bit better off by only being down by 2.5%. The current leader is Jan Marshall up by 16%, with Liz McDonald up by 14.7% and Diane Griffiths by 14.3%. The best performing stock is Magnum Gas and Power up by 100% and held by Andy Troy, Sirtex up by 68%, held by Liz, and A2 Milk up 64% held by both Diane and Jan.

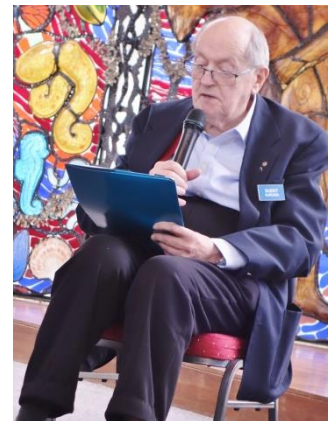


Book Club: The book for the month of March was **The Glass Canoe** by David Ireland and it did not provide the overwhelming enjoyment like last month's read. The Glass Canoe was simply about the characters that spent their frequent drinking time at their local 'watering hole' - The Southern Cross Hotel, in a working class suburb of Sydney. This was their territory and they were the tribe. We viewed them through the eyes of 'Meat Head' and saw the diversity of characters from the instinctive fighter, lover, sports statistician (who refused to use his brainpower for money, he held the Stop Go sign for work), follower, leader, philosopher and more. We understand the destructive draw of alcohol on them all. Women are seen as providers of sex or bar maids and are shown no respect. Written in the 70's Ireland introduces them, and we see a stratum of society that was real. We may not enjoy their existence, but it is recorded with skill, admirably descriptive prose and manages to be nonjudgmental.

It was a Miles Franklin award winner which looks for writing that is distinctly Australian.

Report by **Lyn Mellady**

Speakers: Today's 10 minute speaker was **Barry Rawlings**, who had prepared a most interesting talk about the history of Probus and about our club. He gave a brief overview of how the first Probus Clubs were formed in England in 1966, where retiring Rotarians wanted to continue their association and fellowship with their friends. He then went on to describe the formation of Mt Eliza Probus Club in 1985, (which was initially for men), under the auspices of Mt Eliza Rotary. Barry has enjoyed his years with the club, and has many fond memories of interesting meetings, fascinating speakers and enjoyable outings. He has also made a huge contribution to the club, and has held various positions, including that of President in 2000/1. Barry continues to be considered a very valuable member and I am sure his continued presence is greatly appreciated by all.



Our main speakers were **Max Bryant and Dave Hoare from the Victorian Maritime Centre (VMC)**. Max Bryant is President of the Victorian Maritime Centre based in Hastings. His talk focused on the vision of his organization which is to establish a world – class exhibit commemorating Australian service at sea in peace and war. The decommissioned submarine HMAS Ottawa was obtained by the VMC and is now on display at Crib Point. The VMC is encountering difficulties in finding a suitable mooring to display the refurbished former pilot ship Wyuna for historical and educational purposes.

David Hoare a retired sub mariner spoke of his experiences serving on submarines with the Royal Australian Navy.

(Thanks go to **Brian Coughlan** for this comprehensive report.)



FUTURE SPEAKERS

Today: Short: **Wendy Griffiths - Cuba**
 : Main: **George McEncroe - Shebah, Uber for Women**

June: Short: **John Cannon - A piece written by Bill Lumley**
 Main: **Rosie Clark - Councillor**

MAY BIRTHDAYS

9 Geunther Scheinbrecher 13 Heather Hooper 23 Debbie Fleiner
24 Mike Newman 26 John Fleiner



FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Tours and Outings Catherine Johnson 0413 928 312



Friday 1st June "The Lady of the Swamp" in Tarwin. BUS TRIP: **\$69** includes coach, morning tea, lunch & insurance (pick up from Mt.Eliza Uniting Church time to be advised).

Wednesday 25th July **CHRISTMAS in JULY Lunch** at 12:00 noon - **Norwood House** Nepean Hwy., Mornington. **\$52pp** includes table wines.

Friday 7th December **CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON** at 12noon-Mornington Golf Club. Price details available in July.

Fine Dining Cathy Toft 0457 314 923

Sunday 17th June FINE DINING 12:30p.m. Lunch at the **Pig 'n' Whistle**, 365 Purves Road, Main Ridge. **\$22** 2 course seniors meal or choose from Menu. **Car pool** available.



Coffee & Chat @ Degani's: **Tuesday 22nd May** at 10.30am. Meet up with friends at **Degani's** for half an hour (or more) & enjoy a relaxing tea or coffee and a chat. No need to book – just come along.

John Chambers 9775 4498

Lunch at Canadian Bay Hotel

All members are invited to join **Keith and Carol Spencer** for lunch at the **Canadian Bay Hotel** after the Monthly General Meetings. There is a specials menu that includes a glass of wine for \$23.50. Please let Carol know if you would like to attend by Morning Tea, so that she can make the booking.



Photo Competition: The topic for June is ships and boats. Photos are viewed and judged by popular consensus, and a prize awarded on the day. **SO BE IN IT!!**



Annual Subscriptions of \$50 per person are due now. Please bring your contribution and give it to the Treasurer at the next meeting.

Would any member who is unable to attend a general meeting please send their apologies to Membership Officer John Roberts Ph: 9787 1322 or email j_jroberts@hotmail.com

Next General Meeting: 9.45am on Monday 18th June 2018 at the Uniting Church, Canadian Bay Rd. Mount Eliza.

Next Committee Meeting: 9.30am on Monday 28th May 2018 at the home of Brian and Maxine Coughlan.

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