PROBUS CLUB OF MOUNT ELIZA INC

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Tours/Ent: Catherine Johnson 0413 928 312	Speakers: John Fleiner 9775 2535
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

Your committee has hit the ground running. Congratulations to the events team under **Catherine** who have a long program list for you. **Cathy's** fine dining takes us to the **Pig and Whistle**. Some members have enjoyed **Max's** super sleuth trip to the "**Lady of the Swamp**" and are still looking for the murderer. **John Fleiner** has an interesting list of guest speakers. Please do your best to attend and listen to the guest speakers who arrive during morning tea and see the size of the audience, but must surely be disappointed when a diminished membership sits down to their presentation.



Please provide more names and contact details for our **Favoured Tradies Database**.

If you are experiencing issues with receipt of emails from the club then, make sure that I get to hear about them and I will try to help you fix the problem. ISPs are tightening up on spam issues and this can cause us problems.

Brian Mellady

OUR MAY MEETING

Attendance: 53 Present 15 Apologies 9 Visitors 2 AWOL



<u>President</u>: Brian Mellady opened the meeting, and hoped that all the Mothers had enjoyed Mother's Day. He welcomed all visitors and acknowledged birthdays. He then told a corny joke. He also advised that he would be prepared to put together a list of reliable trades people if members could give him details, along with permission from the trades person proposed. This is following an idea put forward by **Robin Cooper**.

<u>Vice President</u>: Jane Long advised that a form would be sent round for volunteers to put their names forward for the membership drive on **Saturday 9th June** to be held outside **Ritches Supermarket**.

<u>Secretary</u>: Brian Coughlan proposed that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted. Moved: Peter Long Seconded: Lindsay Gordon. He then advised of the Bowel Screen Drive that was currently being promoted by the Rotary Club of Mount Eliza.

<u>Treasurer</u>: Andy Troy advised that the financial position of the club has improved since most of the annual fees have been paid. Payment by electronic means can now be made as long as the correct back account number is used and the reason for the payment recorded in the reference section. (Please see further in the bulletin for instructions). There is now petty cash available for small amounts that need to be reimbursed.

<u>Tours and Entertainment</u>: Catherine Johnson spoke of various proposed outings (please see details under Tours and Outings further in the bulletin). Bookings are essential for all outings so there were various boards on the table in the foyer for members to express interest. Proposed outings for later in the year include:

Fox Classic Car Collection with a tour of the **RAAF Base** sometime in August 2018 **Proud Mary Cruise** 2or 3 night leaving from Murray Bridge SA.

Norfolk Island package deal from Sydney. Probably November 2018

Expressions of interest are needed before bookings can be made.

Margaret McArthur then gave a short report on our Fine Dining Lunch at **Le Bouchon Restaurant** in Balnarring.

<u>Speakers:</u> Deb Fleiner deputizing for John Fleiner advised that today's speaker was George McEncroe the founder of Sheba, a female only ride share company. Next month will hopefully be Councillor Rosie Clark.

<u>Welfare</u>: Sonia Troy reported that John Fleiner was in hospital, as well as Estelle Gold and Robin Cooper. Roger Stretch is also unwell.

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

<u>Golf</u>: Peter Long standing in for Graeme Buckley advised that 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. A winter break will than take place, resuming on September 24th against Melbourne Probus.



<u>Coffee Mornings</u>: **John Chambers** requested that more men attend the coffee morning at Deganis, as quite often he is the only male present.

<u>Photobook Workshop</u>: Lyn Mellady gave a brief overview of the **Photobook Workshop** that she has agreed to run at her home for six people who are interested.

<u>Investment</u>: **Max Batchelor** expressed his gratitude to **Lindsay Gordon** for helping out whilst Max was away on holidays, and congratulated **Brian Mellady** for his excellent talk at the last Investment meeting on his experiences of being a Day Trader.



The share market is very fickle. It was down by 4.55% last month, however was now up by 4.8%. Due to the success of A2 Milk, **Jan Marshall** leads the group by being up 25%, with **Diane Griffiths** coming second with 23%. **Liz McDonald** is coming third with 20% from her investment with Sirtex. The nearest male is **Bob Graham** with 10%, the rest are way behind. Overall the group is ahead by 1.37%.

<u>Book Club</u>: Wendy Griffiths reported that last month's book was The Larrikin Priest by Sue Williams. It was agreed that the book was not very well written but the subject matter about Father Bob Maguire was quite interesting.



Inductions:



Today Hannalore Sommerville was inducted into the club. Hannah was born in Germany and spent her early life there. She became a qualified dental nurse and met her English born husband who she married on the Isle Of Wight. Her husband continued to serve in the British Army and they enjoyed many postings all over the world.



Speakers:



Our 10 minute speaker today was **Wendy Griffiths** who gave a very interesting talk about her trip to **Cuba** with her husband **Steve**. With the aid of photographs, Wendy described how Cuba has been stuck in a time warp since the 1950's. The infrastructure of the country does not support the influx of tourism, for example buses don't keep to a timetable and horse drawn vehicles are common. The collapse of the USSR, meant that all subsidies ended overnight, and the Cuban economy has suffered. Wendy concluded with the realisation that communism had failed the Cubans, and capitalism will now determine the new winners and losers.

Our main speaker today was **George McEncroe** an award winning comedian, entrepreneur and radio host who draws her viewpoints from her interesting life journey. She is now the CEO for **Shebah**, which is an all female Uber company, Australia's first ever female ride share business. Shebah offers a safe alternative for women and children who require transport. All Shebah drivers are female who have a current driver's licence and a road worthy vehicle. All have a "Working with Children" certificate.

Catching a Shebah means sitting in the front seat of the car without feeling vulnerable, no longer feeling limited by the time of day, knowing that a little one is in safe hands when you can't drop them off. Passengers no longer have to dread the end of the night and figuring out how to get home safe. Shebah will drive women and primary school-aged children, and boys up to 18 if accompanied by a female guardian.





Future Speakers

Today: Short - John Connon for Bill Lumley Long - Councillor Rosie Clark

July: Short - John Roberts

Long - Ian McCann from Mornington Cinema

Instead of paying by cash or cheque for fees and outings, the committee has agreed that payments can now be paid online. Please ensure that you complete the details in the reference box with your name and what it is for so that the Treasurer can reconcile it. As there are only 18 characters you may have to abbreviate eg Subs Flein, something that is easy to decipher, and send Andy an email detailing your transaction. Should there be any problems please contact Andy Troy by email brianptroy@gmail.com or by phone 9787 2146



Bank Account Details BSB 013 396 Acc 308637999

June Birthdays

16 Bill Lumley

17 Estelle Gold



Calendar

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Tours and Outings Catherine Johnson 0413 928 312

Thursday 12th July Photo Book Workshop with **Lyn Mellady** 77A Barkly Street Mornington. 1-3 pm NO COST. Limit 6. Please bring your own memory stick or CD.

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

Saturday 22nd September Fine Dining at **Ginseng** 450 Nepean Hwy Frankston. **\$45 pp** Choice of three courses. BYO.

Tuesday 2nd October RAAF Museum at Point Cook. \$67 pp Depart 9am with Daytripper Tours includes two course lunch at Werribee RSL. Minimum 20 passengers for this to be a viable proposition.

Wednesday 17th October Luv-a-Duc Class commences 11am in Port Melbourne. Transport will be by bus if sufficient numbers.



November 2nd-9th Norfolk Island 7 night trip, includes flights ex Melbourne. **\$1529 -\$1619** depending on accommodation preference. Need **confirmed** numbers **ASAP** in order to make the booking.

Sunday 25th November 7 day "Proud Mary /SA Tour" p/u and return Mt. Eliza Church. Details TBA.

Friday 7th December Christmas Luncheon at 12 noon Mornington Golf Club. Price details available in July.

Fine Dining: Cathy Toft 0457 314 923

Sunday 19th August Epicurean Red Hill 12 noon Details TBA.





<u>Coffee & Chat @ Degani's</u>: Tuesday 19th June 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.



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 9th July 2018 at the Uniting Church, Canadian Bay Rd. Mount Eliza.

Next Committee Meeting: 9.30am on Monday 25th June 2018 at the home of Andy and Sonia Troy

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