

# PROBUS CLUB OF MOUNT ELIZA INC

Po Box 667 Mt Eliza 3930

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

**Jane Long** suggested that our member's database be updated to include the dates that the member joined our Club. A great move, because we need to reflect from time to time on the length of service to the Club that members have given.

It is with sadness that we remember today the passing of **Margaret Kelly** who joined in April 1995. A lovely Lady and a valued member of our Club.

Jane continues to provide value to the Club and has Club name badge magnets for sale. These are very useful for the Ladies who can now protect their clothes from damage from the pin style name badge.

Christmas comes but once a year. No, not in Australia. It comes twice. Around 30 members enjoyed a turkey and ham lunch with a dessert of Christmas pudding. Unfortunately **Neil Gold** became ill before the meal and **Estelle** and he were admitted to Emergency. Thanks to Estelle and team for organising.

My families personal affairs have been impacted by health issues with our son in law in Brisbane. It is fortunate that we have a very strong team looking after the Club. Jane Long will take over my role in the event I cannot serve you.

I have to say the Club is very well served having members who are top notch experienced nurses in **Estelle, Maxine, Catherine** and **Sonia**. We are in good hands.



**Brian Mellady**

## OUR JULY MEETING

**Attendance:** 45 Present 22 Apologies 6 Visitors 6 AWOL

**President:** **Brian Mellady** advised that he is still waiting for his land line to be installed by NBN, so if any one wishes to contact him then they will need to ring his mobile phone. He then welcomed visitors and acknowledged birthdays.

**Vice President:** **Jane Long** has been following up potential new members, and reminded the meeting of the membership drive to be held at the Farmer's Market later in the year. She has also advised that she has ordered magnets that can be attached to the back of name badges, for those who do not wish to use the pins. These will be available for purchase.



**Secretary:** **Catherine Johnson** deputizing for **Brian Coughlan**, asked that the minutes of the previous meeting be moved and seconded.

**Treasurer:** **Andy Troy** presented the financial report, and noted that the photos are on display for members to vote.

**Tours and Entertainment:** **Catherine Johnson** announced that there are a number of proposed outings on offer, some of which require an expression of interest only, so that it can be determined if they are viable or not. The boards could be found on the table in the foyer. She then quickly read through the list.

**Speakers:** **John Fleiner** announced that today's main speaker was **Ian McCann** from **Mornington Cinema**, and was sure that he would be very entertaining.

**Welfare:** **Sonia Troy** advised that **Henry Hammond** is recovering from surgery and is now in rehab. **Alan Moore** is still interested in Probus and loves to receive the bulletin so that he can keep in touch with all of our activities. **Roger Stretch** is sadly not well at all, but remains cheerful.

**Bulletin:** **Deb Fleiner** advised that she and **John** will be travelling to warmer climes until October. **Brian Mellady** will be taking over the bulletin in her absence.

**Book Club:** **Catherine Johnson** reported that the book for June was "**Mornings In Jenin**" by **Susan Abduwala**. It is a fictitious story based on historical fact. Set in Palestine, it follows four generations of the Abulheja family through upheaval and violence in their homeland. The family has deep roots in Ein Hod, a tranquil village of olive farmers. When Israel declares statehood in 1948, the peace of Ein Hod is shattered forever: The entire community is forced to move to a refugee camp in Jenin. The members of the group enjoyed deep discussion and most liked the book.

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Book Club

**Investment:** **Max Batchelor** noted that last Friday saw the stock market being it's highest in ten years, sitting at 6335 points. The competition is showing interesting figures. The six Ladies in the group have collectively made \$83k for the year so far. The Men have lost \$13784.00. Nine Men are in the black and three are in the red!. **Diane Griffiths** is still leading with 30% increase, and **Liz McDonald** sitting at 27%. **Graeme Buckley** is leading the Tipping Comp. His prediction of 6350 points is close to the mark.



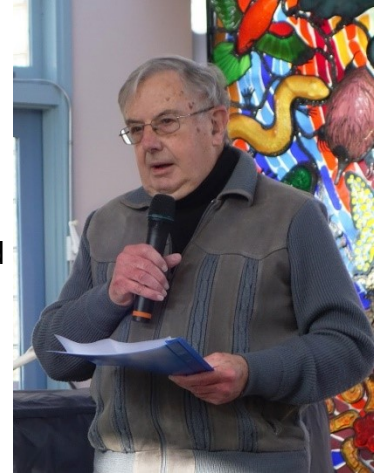
**Inductions:** Today the President inducted two new members.



**Mike Symes** spent all of his working life associated with the pathology industry that started in the Royal Melbourne Hospital. Mike talked about the working conditions of the time, and how far it has progressed. He worked in various positions, including being a Mortuary Attendant in a country hospital. He talked about the rudimentary computer systems, and how he worked on computer software to update the pathology industry.

**Paul Harvey** is a member of the **Rotary Club of Mt Eliza**. He is from the automotive industry, in the instrumentation and electronics area. He moved several times during his career, including to South Africa, and to Germany, where he stayed with his family for sixteen and a half years.

Paul and his wife **Pat**, who was meant to be inducted also, but was unable to attend due to ill health, are now both retired and enjoying spending time with their grandchildren.



**Speakers:** There was no 10 minute speaker today due to the inductions. The main speaker was well known local identity **Ian McCann** from **Mornington Cinema**.

Ian saw his first movie when he was a young boy and was immediately smitten with the movie industry. From that point he knew that his dream was to run a movie theatre. He collected memorabilia and watched as many movies as he could. Not only did he become a keen movie buff, he got a big thrill from watching the interaction of the audience to the film.



After working in television he got the opportunity to buy the Mornington Cinema, and with the help of his parents and his wife Tessa, was able to build the business. During the thirty seven years of running the cinema, Ian has had to contend with advent of video tapes and DVDs, and the recession in the 1980s.

He attributes much of his success to films such as “**Crocodile Dundee**”, “**The Man from Snowy River**”, “**Strictly Ballroom**”, which ran for forty two weeks, and “**Shine**” which ran for sixteen weeks.

Ian has met many famous people, and he told some amusing stories involving some of them. He demonstrated through his reminiscences that persistence has got him to where he is today.

Time got the better of Ian and he had to finish. He said he had only got to page 2 of his notes! Many members asked that he return one day to finish the yarn. **Bette Wilson** thanked Ian for his very amusing and interesting talk, and gave him a gift in appreciation. Incidentally, Ian knows Bette as she is a regular patron, as many of us are.

## ***“Hearing Better Now”***

An elderly man was having hearing problems and went to see a specialist. The doctor fitted him with some hearing aids that brought his hearing back to full strength.

After a few weeks the man came back to make sure the new equipment was working properly, which it was.

The hearing specialist said, “It all seems perfect. Your family should be delighted you can hear everything now.”

“Oh no,” the man responded. “I haven’t told any of them. I just sit quietly, listening carefully. I’ve changed my will four times.”



### **Future Speakers**

**Today:** Short - **No Speaker due to Inductions**  
Long - **Bob Date –Travel Photography**

**September:** Short - **TBA**  
Long - **Ken Pease - Author**

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](mailto:brianptroy@gmail.com) or by phone **9787 2146**



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# August Birthdays

3 Barry Rawlings 5 Beverley Moloney 6 Liz McDonald  
10 Andy Troy 11 Shirley Ingram 22 Ray Stodden  
24 Graeme Buckley 29 Lyn Mellady



## FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

**Tours and Outings** Catherine Johnson 0413 928 312

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

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October** Lunch at **Bambu Bridge Mornington**,

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

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October** **Steam Rail Geelong and return on Star Ferry**.  
Details TBA.

**November 2<sup>nd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>** **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 25<sup>th</sup> November** **7 day "Proud Mary /S.A Tour"**. p/u and return Mt. Eliza Church. Details TBA.

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December** **Christmas Luncheon at 12 noon** **Mornington Golf Club**.

**Fine Dining:** Cathy Toft 0457 314 923

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August** **Epicurean Red Hill** 12 noon Details TBA.





**Coffee & Chat @ Degani's: Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 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**

**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](mailto:j_jroberts@hotmail.com)**

**Next General Meeting: 9.45am on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at the Uniting Church, Canadian Bay Rd. Mount Eliza.**

**Next Committee Meeting: 9.30am on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at the home TBA**

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