

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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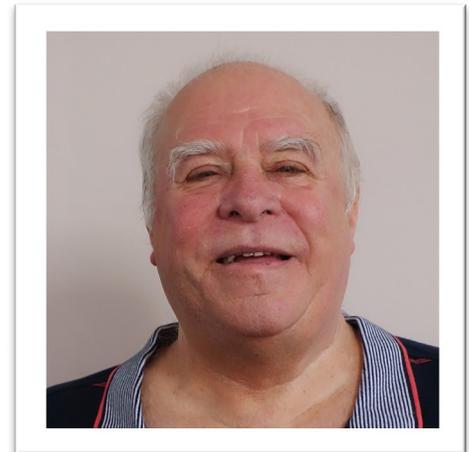
10th September 2018

| Committee Members 2018-2019 | |
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| President: Brian Mellady 0488 123 088 | V/President: Jane Long 9781 5479 |
| Secretary: Brian Coughlan 9775 3361 | Treasurer: Andy Troy 9787 2146 |
| 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

Our Club's standard of speakers continues to be exceptional. **Ian McCann** of the **Mornington Cinema** was outstanding in July and then in August we had **Bob Date** who gave a very professional talk on photography.

Congratulations to **John Fleiner**, who is always thinking outside the box about our great speakers and how they will entertain and inspire us..



Our numbers continue to grow and we are blessed with new members who demonstrate their past endeavours at the top of their class. I'm sure that these new members will be able to help us in committee when they are able. All of the avenues which **Jane Long** and team have tapped such as the "**Church Ministers News Letter**" and our website have raised new potential members.

At this time of the year many committee members have taken well earned leave and I will be no exception. Jane Long will take my place in September and October. It is a credit to our Club that members will stand up and help run the Club in these times.

Brian Mellady

OUR AUGUST MEETING

Attendance: 51 Present 21 Apologies 4 Visitors 3 AWOL

President: **Brian Mellady** greeted the members and welcomed visitors. He acknowledged August birthdays, and then called for the meeting to observe a minute's silence in recognition of the passing of **Margaret Kelly**.

Vice President: **Jane Long** advised that she now has the magnetic badges for sale at \$2 each.

Secretary: **Brian Coughlan** asked that the minutes of the previous meeting be moved and seconded, and that the magazines were available on the table in the foyer.

Treasurer: **Andy Troy** presented the financial report, and noted that as we have a few new members, some more fees will be coming in.

Tours and Entertainment: **Jane Long** standing in for **Catherine Johnson** advised that the boards for those that are interested in the outings could be found on the table in the foyer. Please see page 5 for details.

Speakers: **John Fleiner** announced that today's main speaker was **Bob Date** from **Frankston Photography Club** speaking on travel photography. Next month will be the author **Ken Piesse**.

Welfare: **Sonia Troy** reported that **Henry Hammond** is still recovering from surgery, and welcomed **Neil Gold** who has recently been in hospital.

Book Club: **Bob Stephen** presented the book club report. The book for July was "The Happiest Refugee" by **Anh Do**. This biography was an easy read, light hearted and enjoyed by all. The subsequent lunch had an Asian theme attached.

Golf: **Graeme Buckley** announced that on **Monday 24th September** the **Ken McArthur Trophy** will once again be challenged against **Melbourne Probus**. The game will be played at **The Frankston Golf Club**, commencing with coffee/tea at **9am**, with tee-off at **9.30am**. After nine holes, a BBQ lunch and drinks will be held, along with the presentation of the trophy to the winning side. Cost is **\$3** for members of the Frankston Golf Club, and **\$43** for non - members.



The Rotary Club of Frankston (Sunrise) is keen to meet again when the weather fines up for another friendly match, following the successful game last May. There was even talk of establishing a trophy for this event. However, there would need to be more interest in playing for this to be viable.

There will also be a return match against **Mt Eliza Probus Central** at **Bembridge Golf Course** later in the year with the actual date to be decided.

Investment: **Max Batchelor** reported the stock market had been performing strangely recently, and was the highest it has been for the last ten years, but still hasn't reached the level that it was ten years ago. The Friday before it was sitting on 6367, and has been bouncing around that level for a couple of months. The group has not been doing so well, only up by 2%, and with dividends 3.2%. **Diane** who is very conservative is still leading with 28.4%, and **Liz** who is also conservative is 27.2%. **Graeme Buckley** is still leading the tipping competition.



Inductions: Today President **Brian Mellady** inducted four new members.



Ralph Bayer has worked in the chemical industry most of his life and in the 1970's founded a small chemical company, and thus created a product called Seasonol. He still works in the industry even though he and his wife decided to retire in Mt Eliza several years ago.

Helen Andrews was born in London but went with her family to live in South Africa when she was nine years old. She married in South Africa but because of the unrest decided to move back to the UK. Helen could not settle in the UK so after 18 months moved back to South Africa seeking the warmth and the sunshine.

However, once again due to the Zulu unrest, she and her husband and daughter decided that Australia was a better place to live. Helen worked for a chartered accounting firm and for some private investors. The last ten years she worked as an exploration accountant for a gold mining company. After moving back again to the UK in 2001 she lived there with her second husband for eleven years, but returned to Australia with him five years ago determined to stay this time.



Pat Harvey was born and bred in Sydney and met her husband Paul fifty years ago. She and Paul lived in South Africa for two years and Germany for sixteen years.

Eleanor Roberts was born in Edinburgh Scotland, and originally came to Australia for two years with her then husband. She is a cartographer by trade and she wondered whether she would find a job in that profession. Eventually she found work at Mentone Offset. Eleanor is a member of the **Peninsular Art Society** and lives in Mornington.



Speakers: There was no 10 minute speaker today due to the inductions.



Our main speaker today was **Bob Date** from **The Frankston Photographic Club** and he spoke on Travel Photography. Bob is a passionate photographer, and he brought with him some samples of his work, along with a video presentation which was both fascinating and informative. Bob spoke about the importance of light and his preference for taking photos in the early morning or at dusk, the "golden hour", when the light is at its best. His explanations of how he took his shots were easy to follow, not too technical for the lay person to understand. Bob and his wife travel extensively each year, specifically to take photos. Over the years, Bob has downsized his cameras and equipment, with the emphasis on travelling light. He also backs up photographs every night on to three different mediums. He has won many awards and is recognised as one of the best in his field.



Future Speakers

Today: Short - **Peter Edkins**
Long - **Ken Piesse - Author**

October: Short - **TBA**
Long - **Reg Smith - Manufacturer**

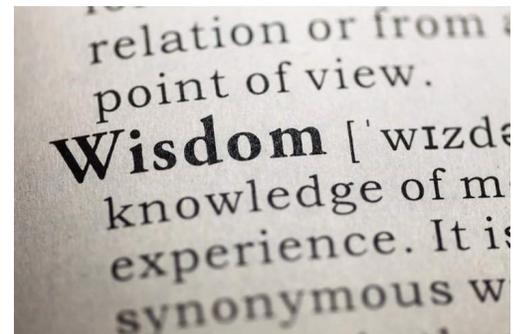
Instead of paying by cash or cheque for fees and outings, the committee has agreed that payments can now be paid online. Please ensure that you complete the details in the reference box with your name and what it is for so that the Treasurer can reconcile it. As there are only 18 characters you may have to abbreviate eg Subs Flein, something that is easy to decipher. **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**



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Words or Wisdom

Encourage your people to be committed to a project rather than just involved in it. You know the difference between involvement and commitment don't you? In a meal of bacon and eggs, the chicken is involved, the pig is committed
(*Richard Pratt*)



It's like the axe that's had two new blades and three new handles but otherwise is just as it was when grandfather bought it - (*Australian proverb*)

September Birthdays

5 Lorraine Astone 6 Neil Gold
11 Peter Edkins 13 Stephen Griffiths



FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Tours and Outings Catherine Johnson 0413 928 312

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.

Sunday 7th October Lunch at **Bambu Bridge Mornington**,

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

Sunday 28th October **Steam Rail Geelong and return on Star Ferry**. Details on the board.

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 /S.A Tour"**. p/u and return Mt. Eliza Church. Details TBA.

Friday 7th December **Christmas Luncheon at 12 noon** **Mornington Golf Club**. **\$38 pp**



Coffee & Chat @ Degani's: Tuesday 18th September 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

Next General Meeting: 9.45am on Monday 8th October 2018 at the Uniting Church, Canadian Bay Rd. Mount Eliza.

Next Committee Meeting: 9.30am on Monday 24th September 2018 at the home TBA



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