

PROBUS CLUB OF MOUNT ELIZA INC
PO Box 667 Mt Eliza 3930
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Meetings commence 9.45am second Monday of the
month. If it is a Public Holiday, then third Monday.



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Committee Members 2019 – 2020

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Secretary: Brian Coughlan 9775 3361

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Membership: John Roberts 9787 1322

Bulletin: Brian Mellady 0488 123 088

V/President: Mardi Malone 9775 3546

Treasurer: Andy Troy 9787 2146

Speakers: James Malone 9775 3546

House: Bev Moloney 9787 6358

Welfare: Sonia Troy 9787 2146

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is an honour to have been elected as your President for the coming year and I thank you all.

I am looking forward to working closely with all members to help promote a harmonious atmosphere within our club through fellowship, friendship and fun. I have several new ideas which I will introduce over the coming months for discussion and your approval. We are looking forward to the car rally this month and trust many of you will join in for a day of fun. Should any members have ideas about places to visit or events please talk to Catherine or myself.

Thanks to our outgoing President for his assistance.

It is my intention to endeavour to introduce as many new members as possible through increased awareness of Probis in the wider community. As your newly elected President I will make myself approachable to all. I look forward to working closely with the committee members to help promote a friendly welcoming atmosphere within our club.

I wish you and your families a happy and safe Easter..

Neil Gold



OUR MARCH MEETING

Attendance: 45 Present 23 Apologies 3 Visitors 6 AWOL

President: Brian Mellady welcomed Alan Moore who is our club's longest serving member. Alan joined in July 1988. Brian apologised to Estelle Gold that he overlooked mentioning the two Christmas functions Christmas in July and in Christmas December. in his President's report. Christmas in July was the one when Neil Gold decided he would leave early.

Vice President: Jane was an apology today so no report.

Secretary: Secretary Brian Coughlan asked that the minutes of the meeting 11th February be accepted..

Treasurer:

It was proposed that the Annual Subscription would be retained at \$50.00 and the Joining fee of \$20.00 would be reinstated, This was approved at the AGM.



We were reminded that Annual Subs are now due and payment next month (April) would be appreciated.

Tours and Entertainment: Catherine Johnson announced that there are a number of proposed outings as follows: - This list is printed at the end of the bulletin.

New Member Induction: President Brian inducted new member Bob Watson who was introduced by Bob Graham.

Bob thanked all members for approving his application to join PROBUS.

He was born in Sydney in 1932 in the heart of the Great Depression with 4 sisters and a brother. He attended Fort St. boy's High in Sydney. After receiving his Intermediate Certificate, his first job was with the Rural Bank NSW. After 5 years he was told by a Bank Inspector that he could go a long way. So he did. He joined the Army and moved to Portsea Vic. and attended the Officer Cadet School where he graduated in 1953. He expected to be sent to the Military Battle in Korea, but the situation was settled 2 weeks



before graduation. He was sent to Puckapunyal as Platoon Commander and to Company 21/c later.

After a couple of years he left the regular Army and Joined a company in NSW, Behr Manning. He continued in the citizen Military Forces for a further 8 years. He retired from the army as a captain. He returned to Melbourne to a new position in civilian life. A few months later he was promoted to GM of the company in NZ. He was there for 3 years then came back to Australia as GM and director of Australia, NZ and SE Asia.

A few years later he started his own business which was sold 5 years later. He then went into retirement at 47 years of age and travelled widely overseas. After that he tried to be a developer which was a bad move and he lost a lot of money and needed to replenish so he started another company with his wife, a company called Rehabilitation Home Help Services. This company was a major supplier of services to Workcover and the Motor Accident Board. Again fully retired he found himself and his wife running a Voluntary charity for mentally Challenged adults.

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Speakers: John Fleiner was an apology for today

Welfare: Sonia Troy advised that Bette Wilson – is troubled with back pain following a fall, but is recovering slowly and hopes to be back soon.

Len Christie – Recovering well from back op, But now has shingles (very painful)

Barry Wyatt – Has had many tests, but well now.

Bulletin: Deb Fleiner was an apology today.

House: Bev Moloney thanked those members who had contributed both with food and sandwiches and by helping with teas and coffees.

Book Club: Kay Stephen as discussion leader advised that the book club meeting was on

4th March. This month's book was "The House in Via Manno". The book



was set in Sardinia. The story is told by a Grand Daughter about her beautiful but slightly crazy Italian Grand Mother - Her Nonna. Nonna had

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married a man she did not love. And plagued by a strange illness she travels to a sanatorium where she becomes obsessed by a young

veteran who has lost his leg in the war and they become friends. For the first time in her life she feels that she is able to truly love. She returns to her home and never forgets her veteran and dreams of meeting him again. This is a charming story about the nature of love and passion. Seven attendees enjoyed the wonderful lunch that followed at the home of Jane and Peter Long.

.Golf: Graeme Buckley reported that on Monday April 15, the team will play Melbourne Probus at the Frankston Golf Club for our annual Ken McArthur Trophy match. The cost for those who are Frankston GC members will be \$3.00, and for non-members it will be \$43.00. The team will meet at 9 am for tea/coffee and biscuits and tee-off at 9.30 am. After nine holes, the winning team will be announced and Margaret McArthur has agreed to come along and present the Trophy and also join us for a BBQ lunch. Following lunch, members are welcome to play another 9 holes if they are sober enough! As this is a mixed event, all Probus members are welcome to join us for the day.



Investment: Max Batchelor noted that as a group we are doing extraordinarily well with some



*really splendid results. In spite of being down 0.4% on the week the All Ords is up **9.73%** since the start of the year but WE are up almost **13%** and 13.69% with the few dividends that have come through. John Fleiner is leading at +26.5% due mainly to big increases by Nanosonics and Viva Energy.*

Great going John. Bette (who we haven't seen this year) and Laurie are neck and neck close behind up almost 25% each. Everyone else is in the black which is a great result ...so far! As I mentioned last month, storm clouds are gathering on the international front but the old Ozzie ASX is battling on. Let's hope it keeps up in spite of the coming election, drought and falling house prices. Anyway that's enough negativity and let us enjoy it while it lasts.

Photo Competition: Andy Troy mentioned that the subject for the final is Photographers choice of photo including the one that won them the monthly comp if they wish.

Monthly Winners of the Photo Competition eligible for the final

Judy Crook	J & D Fleiner
N & E Gold	S & W Griffiths
C & C Hallam	P & J Long
J & M Malone	M & B Maloney
B & K Stephens	B & S Troy

Final to be judged in April with photographer's choice of subject. Previous winning photos would be acceptable.

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Recommended and Reliable Trades People.

If you know of a reliable tradesperson and can recommend them, then let the committee know and they can be added to the list. (With the permission of the tradesperson of course).

First Name	Surname	Company Name	Phone	Email	Skill/Category
Evan	Dowsett	JMP Home Services	0412 444 710	jmpservices@westnet.com.au	Small Job Specialist
Steven	Jones	Twin PeakTre Services	0421 784 455	twinpeak222@yahoo.com	Tree & stump removal soluti
Dave		Simplicity Air	0452 622 530		Air conditioning and electrici
John		Royal Flush	0419 344 997		Plumber
Jason		Focus	0407 395 872		Property Maintenance
			0418 333 576		Garage door repairs
Nicho	Salvatore	Conic Electrical	0409 422 198		Electrician
Martin	Maloney		0418 743 901		Electrician
Peter	Butterworth	Butterworth Decorating	0414 670 528	petemilly@iprimus.com.au	Master painter
Ivan		Ivans Carpentry	0408 535 710	ivansbuddy@hotmail.com	All carpentry work
Andrew	Jennings	Jennings Tree Care	0407 356 127	jenningstrecare@outlook.com	Tree Care and Removal (Arb



Happy Birthday

March Birthdays

3 James Malone

5 Keith Spencer

12 Lindsay Gordon

25 Jan Marshall

25 Eleanor Roberts





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**

Bank Account Details BSB 013 396 Acc 308637999

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AGM

As well as the 2019 - 2020 committee members being voted in, the auditor Bernie Edwards was named.

Andy Troy recommended the annual fees remain the same at \$50.00 and a joining fee be at \$20.00.



President Neil Gold, Andy Troy, V/P Mardi Malone, Secretary Brian Coughlan



Members enjoying lunch at Norwood House following the AGM.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES



Tours and Entertainment: Catherine Johnson announced that there are a number of proposed outings as follows:

Wednesday 24th April.....Our Club's Car Rally to Flinders
Arranged by Max.

Monday 20th May.....Probus Fellowship Day at
Mornington Races.

Saturday 22nd June....."Menopause", the musical at FAC.

Wednesday 24th July,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,Christmas in July at Norwood House.

Friday 26th July....."Yes, Prime Minister" at Mt Eliza Community Centre.

September.....A trip to King Island.

In Planning stage.....Lunch at Montalto Winery, Visit to Shrine of Remembrance, Queen Vic Markets, Cerberus Brass Band, High Tea on the High Seas, St. Andrews Brewery.

FINE DINING

Coffee & Chat @ Degani's: Tuesday 16th April 2019 at 10.30 am. 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



Photo Competition: The final subject for the 2018-2019 competition is Photographers choice of photo including the one that won them the monthly comp if they wish.

Next General Meeting: Monday 9.45am on Monday 13th May 2019 at the Uniting Church, Canadian Bay Rd, Mount Eliza.

Next Committee Meeting: 9.30am on Monday 29th April 2019 at the home of James and Mardi Malone.



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