

PROBUS CLUB OF MOUNT ELIZA INC

PO Box 667 Mt Eliza 3930 – <http://www.probusmteliza.club/>

Founded 1985 Registration No. A0011403Y

Meetings commence 9.45am second Monday of the month.

If Public Holiday, then third Monday.



Bulletin No. 416

5th December 2019

Committee Members 2019 – 2020

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Secretary: John Connan 9781 2636

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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

Dear Members,

The Christmas Luncheon at Norwood House was a roaring success. The food and wine were excellent, the service efficient and prompt and the decor beautiful. All in all, a great day thanks to Chris his wife and their staff.

I received a notice from Probusteliza South Pacific which contained a certificate congratulating our club on reaching its 35th anniversary.

I contacted Mornington News who will be sending a photographer and journalist to our General meeting on

Monday 9th of December. Photos will be taken as a group for those who will be attending the meeting and will be printed in the next edition of the local Mornington News.

Probusteliza PSL have requested we send a copy of the photograph so they can include it in the Probusteliza Active Retirees Magazine.

In addition, contact has been made with MP News, Community Events section with details of our club address, activities and events.

Due to an unfortunate accident, I was unable to attend the November 18th meeting but I am back, fit and OK.

Due to my accident I have been unable to report on the visit to Marengo Winery and Bee keeping information day. By all accounts I believe the visit was a success. (see page 6)

Thanks to Tim Acton for arranging this visit.

Once again, I appeal to members to consider making yourselves available to take positions on the committee by February 2020.



Neil Gold.

Minutes of November meeting

President: In the absence of President Neil, vice-president Mardi Malone called the meeting to order at 9.45 and welcomed members and visitors to the meeting.

Inductions: Maureen Nankervis was then inducted by Mardi.

Maureen moved to Mount Eliza seven months ago from NSW. A big move, in order to be nearer family and friends. Maureen was born in Geelong, lived for a number of years at Traralgon on a hobby farm where she learned to spin, and also took up Golf. After the retirement of her husband they moved to Tarooma in NSW.

Maureen lost her husband in 2006 and has six grand-children and six great grandchildren.

Apologies: Dorothee Boxall, Cathy Toft, Shirley Ingram and Henry Hammond. (Tim Acton had sent an emailed apology from Norway.)

Visitors: No visitors today.

Secretary: John Connan

Minutes of Meeting N° 415 held on 14th October, were accepted as a true and correct record.

Correspondence In: Nil

Correspondence Out: Nil.

Treasurer: Andy Troy

Andy reported that there had been little movement of funds. As at 30th October \$5,896 was available: \$3329 in Savings; \$2,667 in Cheque A/C.

Welfare: Sonia was pleased to report that there were no serious health issues, other than Neil, who had been released from hospital the previous evening, with no lasting injuries from his fall, but sore and bruised.

Membership: John Roberts

Present: 53 Apologies: 19 Absent: 4 Visitors: 4

Club Activities:

Coffee and Chat @ Degani's: Meet up with friends for half an hour or more and enjoy a relaxing tea or coffee and a chat. No need to book, just come along on the third Tuesday of the month. (17th December at 10.30). John Chambers 9775 4498

Golf: Graeme Buckley. Our game against Mount Eliza Probus Central on Friday, November 8th at Mornington Golf Club did not take place due to rain and hail. However, we met at noon and had a delightful special seniors lunch at the Golf Club.

Seven members from Probus Mount Eliza were outnumbered by 21 from Mount Eliza Probus Central. It was a great way to make some new friends and we didn't leave until around 3pm!

Our next match and lunch is scheduled with this group for early next year.

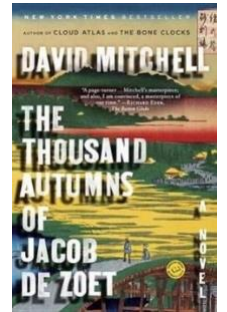
Investment: Max Batchelor. The group is up a hypothetical 24%, led by Paul up 104%; David 50%; Hermon 48%. In fact, the group portfolio is up 44%.

Book Club Meeting 4th November 2019

Attendees Bob, Brian, Catherine, Debbie, Jane, Kay, Lindsay, Steve and Wendy;

Apologies : Dorothee.

Discussion Leader: Debbie Book: "1000 Autumns of Jacob de Zoet" by David Mitchell.



At the turn of the 19th Century on the island of Dejima in Nagasaki Harbour Japan, a young Dutch clerk Jacob De Zoet arrives with 5 years to sort out the books of the Dutch East Indies Company that trades with the isolationist Japanese.

There are clashes of cultures and he has many adventures good and bad with all sorts of characters Japanese, Dutch and English .

Jacob falls in love with a Japanese woman which of course is forbidden at this time, this is a bitter sweet love story which provides the thread through the book from their first meeting till his death in the Netherlands as an old man. The book was pretty heavy going, not an easy book to read, dull in parts but exciting in others. Most of us who finished it enjoyed it, probably needed more time to read it.

Announcing a change of guard at the Book Club, Bob thanked Wendy for her service and will now take up the reins.

Bob Stephen

Tim Acton Radio Show "Tim's Top Temptations" for December and January

Sun 8th Dec. Picnic in the Park, French Island. A day of food, wine, music, koalas, Island produce and the ferry ride from Stoney Point and back. Picnic provided in the grounds of Mandalaye Park country property. All-inclusive package from \$54.00 and \$28.00 seniors conc. Contact 5257 4565.

Wed 11th Dec. Kirks Hotel, Mornington 8.00pm onwards. The Aust Welsh Male Choir performing special Christmas concert - restaurant fully booked but anyone can come along to hear the singing.

Fri 13th Dec. Frankston Arts Centre. "Spirit of Christmas" Show - star singers Roger Lemke and Roy Best and compere funny man Chris McKenna present a program of Christmas carols, lots of laughs and many surprises in 80-min show at 10.30am and again at 1.30pm. Tickets \$21.00 incl pre-show light refreshments.

- Sat 14th Dec. Mornington Peninsula Regional Gallery, Dunns Rd, Mornington. Opening day of exhibition "Sublime Sea: Rapture and Reality". The power and moods of the sea covered by paintings, sculpture, photography, film and the decorative arts. Running until 23rd Feb and tkts \$4.00/\$2.00 at door.
- Fri 20th Dec. At Portsea Village Resort on Point Nepean Road, a 3-course dinner and music in memory of Harold Holt, who drowned at nearby Cheviot Beach in Dec 1967. From 6.00pm, Tickets \$65.00 and contact phone 5984 8484.
- Fri 20th Dec. Frankston Arts Centre, 7.30pm for two hours. "Buddy Holly in Concert - 60th Anniversary Celebration". Scot Robin and The Crickets will perform over thirty of Holly's hit songs. Scot played the lead role in the smash-hit musical "Holly". Tickets: \$65.00/\$60.00 from FAC box-office 9784 1060.
- Wed 1st Jan-
Fri 10th Jan. The 2020 Peninsula Summer Music Festival. Nineteen high-standard concerts at a variety of locations on the Mornington Peninsula at varying times. Too many to list - for detailed program call 0422 978 248, email peninsulasummertime@gmail.com (or contact me!).
- Now 'til 25th Dec. I have to date found eleven Christmas Carol concerts being held on the Peninsula pre-Christmas, again too many for which to provide details but in date order they are: Hastings (6th Dec), HMAS Cerberus (6th Dec), Sorrento (8th Dec), Tyabb (9th Dec), Mt Eliza (Village Green 12th Dec), Red Hill and Somerville (13th Dec), Red Hill again (14th Dec), Mount Martha (15th Dec), Mornington (21st Dec) and Mount Martha again (23rd Dec). Details through MP Shire calendar or me (0418 310727).

TOURS, ENTERTAINMENT and FINE DINING as from 25th. November, 2019
Catherine Johnson

- Friday, 29th Nov 12noon. Our Christmas Lunch at Norwood House. (Kris Kringle gifts no more than \$20, please.)
- Sunday, 1st Dec 2pm. Navy & Police "Harmony Concert" at Frankston Arts Centre. \$25.00 Blue Ribbon + Rosebud & Frankston Hospitals fund raiser.
- Wed, 4th Dec 9:30am Tour of Jayco Caravan factory with Max Moloney.
- Wed, 8th Jan 1:30p.m. "Mamma Mia" at FAC. \$55 or \$50 concession.
- Sunday, 12th Jan. Shakespeare in the vines – "Macbeth" at Crittendens Winery

Wed, 5 th Feb. 12 noon	Lunch and garden tour at "Montalto Winery" \$49. car pool. Book early please.
Friday, 21 st Feb. 7p.m.	"Fawlty Towers" Dinner & Dance at FAC.
Monday, 16 th Mar.	with Mornington Probus 3-day Lakes Entrance trip. \$1,298. Indication of interest ASAP , please.
Tuesday, 17 th Mar.	"Moonlit Sanctuary" Pearcedale, Evening tour. Cost/Times TBA. Please indicate interest.
Thursday, 7 th May 7:30pm	"Spirit of the Dance" FAC \$89.90
Sunday, 17 th May	with Mornington Probus Club-10 Day trip to Mauritius, incl. return airfares, fully escorted, \$5,098 (s/s + \$750). Indicate interest ASAP .
Friday, 20 th Sept.	6 Day "Proud Mary" trip-Return airfares; 2 night on board, 2 nights Kangaroo Island, Adelaide accom. \$3,295 twinshare.
Tuesday, 21 st July	" CARMEN" live opera at Frankston Arts Centre. Time- TBA, Cost- TBA. Book in early. One show only in Frankston

10 Minute Speaker John Connan " A visit to South Africa in 2011 – a pictorial record

John presented a series of beautiful photographs of Southern Africa. The trip began at Victoria Falls where John and Ann took a helicopter ride over the falls. They continued to the Okavango delta, where the prolific bird life provided more photos, and on to Namibia and the sand dunes and rock paintings of that country. John was left with the impression that Southern Africa is **"In so many ways so like Australia – In so many ways so different"**

Guest Speaker: Anne Connan "My time as World President of the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women"

Ann began by saying that this was the third time she had spoken to Probus about aspects of her time as World president. Ann was elected in 2011 and served until 2015. She said that she was very surprised to be elected to the position, having thought, perhaps, that she might be elected to be a regional president.

Ann described the structure of the organisation, and went back through history to show how it has grown from modest beginnings to a powerful world-wide body able to effect change for good. She described the work done with young women in developing countries, the scholarships, the mentoring and the development of these young women into able administrators and agents for change.

Ann described the "Wear Black on Thursday" movement that began in Latin America as a protest by Grandmothers over the "disappeared", and grew to protest violence, rape and other crimes against women. Ann described how she wears a black t-shirt each Thursday with a message denouncing violence against women.

Following her presentation, Ann was presented with a token of appreciation by James.

Outing to Marengo Redoubt Winery



On Saturday November 16th, we joined with Mornington Probus in a visit to the winery for an afternoon of food, wines and Bees! We were made very welcome by Andy and Ros Thompson. We sampled the three wines on offer, Pino Gris, Chardonnay, and Pinot Noir, while enjoying a selection of canapes, meeting members from Mornington and chatting to each other. Lunch consisted of a pre-booked choice of Lamb or Salmon, both of which were delicious. This was followed by a selection of cheese and fruits.

After Lunch those who were interested listened to a fascinating illustrated talk by Andy about Bee keeping, while others enjoyed the extensive views around the vineyard.

Andy selected three volunteers to accompany him to the hives for a close look at Bee husbandry. This involved them dressing in protective clothing, which provided some amusement for the rest of us.



We were all very concerned for the health of Neil, our president, when he fell and cut his head, but he was immediately surrounded by nurses, who tended expertly to his immediate needs, and was soon whisked away in an ambulance for a check-up in hospital. Neil was back home by Sunday evening, with no serious damage done, thank goodness!



December and January Birthdays!

December

8th Beryl Vogwell
 10th Joan Baillie
 10th Bill Spencer
 12th Joyce Pollock
 14th Carol Spencer
 17th Peter Mattingly
 18th Henry Hammond
 19th Pat Harvey

January

6th Max Batchelor
 7th Bob Graham
 10th John Connan
 12th Barbara Trewartha
 21st Brian Coughlan
 28th Ron Vassil
 31st Wendy Griffiths

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	Category
Evan	Dowsett	JMP Home Services	0412 444 710	jmpservices@westnet.com.au	Small jobs
Steven	Jones	Twin Peak Tire Services	0421 784 455	twinpeak222@yahoo.com	Tree/Stump re
Dave		Simplicity Air	0452 622 530		Aircon/ Electrics
John		Royal Flush	0419 344 997		Plumber
Jason		Focus	0407 395872		Prop. Maint.
			0418 333 576		Garage dr reps
Nicho	Salvatore	Conic Electrical	0409 422 198		Electrician
Martin	Maloney		0418 743 901		Electrician
Peter	Butterworth	Butterworth Decorating	0414 670 528	peternilly@primus.com.au	Master Painter
Ivan		Ivan's Carpentry	0408 535 710	ivansbuddy@hotmail.com	All Carpentry
Andrew	Jennings	Jennings Tree Care	0407 356 127	jenningstrecare@outlook.com	Arborist
Dave & Jemma		Perfection Reflection	0488 800 252		Window clean'g



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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,
A/C: 308 637 999**

Next General Meeting:

Monday 9.45am on Monday 9th December 2019 at the Uniting Church, Canadian Bay Rd, Mount Eliza.

Next Committee Meeting:

9.30am on Monday 23th December 2019 at the home of Catherine Johnson, 2/23 Cerberus Rd, Baxter, 3911

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