

PROBUS CLUB OF MOUNT ELIZA INC

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Meetings commence 9.45am second Monday of the month. Public Holiday, then third Monday.



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Remember: The next meeting is on Monday 20 March as this Monday is a holiday. It will be the AGM.

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23

Dear Fellow Probians,

I would like to think that this year has been one of growth and innovation for the Probis Club of Mount Eliza. Our membership has grown from 57 to 68 members throughout the year. We inducted 14 new members, namely Marija Stanford, Theresa Weiss, Roger Henderson, Ian McInnes, Janice Drummond, Hugh Drummond, Kay Mackie, Marion Wright, Barb Kemp, Les Kemp, Carolyn Kent, John Kent, Margaret Puttman and Bob Brunton. Michael Leyden re-joined as a member.

During the year, 5 former members passed away, namely Barbara Trewartha, Heather Hooper, Joan Baillie, Laurie Baillie and Johanna Roberts. Those on our current list were Bill Joynson, Bette Wilson and Judy Crook. In May, it was my honour to bestow Life Membership on John Chambers. John was Treasurer in 2010, 2011, 2012; Secretary in 2013, 2014; Vice President in 2015; President in 2016 and Treasurer in 2020.

We held three membership drives during the year in May, June and October. As a result of these drives, we were able to induct several new members into our Club.

In December, we celebrated Joyce Pollock's 100th birthday. On behalf of the committee, I presented her with a bouquet of flowers at our Christmas lunch held at The Ranelagh Club.

My thanks go to the members of the committee for this year. Jan Marshall worked as a tireless Vice President and Dine-outs co-ordinator. In addition to arranging the three membership drives, she organised numerous lunches, dinners and special events such as the Changeover lunch in May, Christmas in July lunch and our Christmas lunch in December.

I am grateful to Lindsay Gordon who stepped in as Treasurer (replacing John Fleiner), having just completed a year as President.

Deb Fleiner did her usual outstanding job as Secretary. Her efficiency in preparing for every general and committee meetings and subsequently having the written reports sometimes on the same day was amazing. Margaret McArthur continued on from last year arranging ten minute and hour speakers. She provided a great variety of very interesting speakers throughout the year.

Shirley Ingram continued so capably with the task of Welfare; Gwen Woods with House and re-introduced fresh food since the start of Covid restrictions; Liz McDonald with some outstanding tours with Daytripper and more recently Lamble Tours; Di Horscroft with some innovations to the Bulletin (monthly calendar,

Member Profile, famous birthdays) and Max Maloney took on the role of Membership from Colin Turpie and was extremely busy welcoming members and visitors in addition to the new member induction paperwork. My thanks also go to the Activities co-ordinators. Max Batchelor for his tireless work with the Probus Investment Group; Bob and Kay Stephen for the Book Swap table; Catherine Johnson for her reports on the Book Club activities; Jane Long with the 500 group; and I enjoyed arranging the Probus Golf matches and winning back the Ken McArthur Trophy.

Thanks also to the unsung heroes in Stephen Griffiths looking after sound and projection; Bev Maloney for assisting Gwen with House preparations; Chris Hallam for always offering his services as a back-up; Jane Long for organising our Trivia events.

Finally, I would like to say how enjoyable the experience was for me throughout a “normal” year free of Covid and I wish Jan every success in her reign as Probus President.

Graeme Buckley President

Vale:

ELIZABETH ANN GRAHAM. 18.5.36 – 7.2.23

Ann’s years of suffering finally ended on 7th February. Her stoic attitude hid her pain from her family and friends. Dearly beloved wife of Bob. Daughter of Arch and Bessie Campbell, sister of Mary. Mother to Ross, Diane, Elizabeth. Much loved and a loving Grandma to eight grandchildren.

No funeral, but a celebration of life is to be held on Friday 24th March, 2.30pm - 4.30pm at the Canadian Bay Club, Canadian Bay Road, Mt Eliza. Please contact Ann’s daughter Elizabeth (Libby) at foyst1966@gmail.com or text 0418102461 by 17th March if you wish to attend.

Drinks and some finger food will be provided so please let them know if you have any specific dietary requirements and they will try to accommodate.

Speakers:

There will be no speaker this month as it is the AGM. However....

ADVANCE NOTICE!

I am excited to announce that we have a very busy Australian actor to speak to our next meeting on 10 April! He has had many leading roles including ‘Buddy’ in ‘The Buddy Holly Show’, and Mitzi in ‘Priscilla Queen of the Desert’, has sung in opera, is the author of four books and is currently producing and directing a film in Queensland.

Most important of all, he is the son of one of our members: Marija! So, invite your friends to hear and meet this most gifted entertainer: JEREMY STANFORD, whose topic is “Buddy and Beyond”.

Margaret McArthur

Dine Outs:

Sunday 19 March. 2.30pm High Tea at The Rose Garden, Mornington. HOST: Jan Marshall
Pay treasurer, Lindsay Gordon. \$40 pp.

Thursday 20 April. 12 noon. Lunch at ‘Amazing Aromas’, Main Street, Mornington.
Indian restaurant, opposite Westpac Bank HOST: LizMcDonald

All event sheets will be on the desk at the Meeting.

Jan Marshall

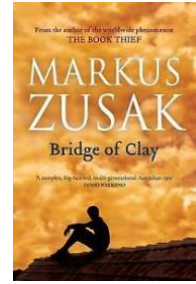
Book Group:

“Bridge of Clay” by Markus Zusak tells the story of five boys whose mother dies of cancer and six months later, their father deserts them and is, henceforth, known by the children as “Murderer”, not for any heinous crime rather for his abandonment of the already traumatized children. He returns several years later seeking help from the boys to build a bridge over a river near his home. Only the fourth son, Clay, joins him in the venture. This gives us one of the several interpretations of the title.

This was our first book after the long Christmas break and it was a delightful surprise. Beautifully written, if sometimes leaping from one event to another.

Our members rated it between eight and ten out of ten, indicating it “our favourite book ever” to date.

Catherine Johnson



Golf

We will compete against Melbourne Probus for the Ken McArthur Trophy match on Monday 27th March at the Frankston Golf Club. Cost is \$53 for non-members and \$3 for members. We play 9 holes followed by prize/trophy presentation and BYO lunch. I will take names of intending players today at the tea break.

The Probus Club of Mount Martha has approached us regarding the possibility of renewing our golf competition for the Zwar-Templer Trophy. This trophy originated between the two clubs in 1993 and was played twice a year until 2016 at which time Mount Martha was unable to continue due to a shortage of golfers. I sincerely hope that we can revive this competition.

Graeme Buckley

INVESTMENT GROUP

The Investment Group met again after the General Meeting on the 13 February. The share market started the New Year with a bang but began losing momentum in February.

Our investment group as a whole is doing well with a gain of 8.62% compared to the ASX All Ordinaries Index gain of 5.38%. The individual leader of the competition on February 10 was Andy with a return of 19.5% in six weeks helped by the continued market support for rare earths and lithium stocks. Second was Alan with a gain of 14% and in third place Max with a gain of 12.4%.

It is interesting to note that the Group Portfolio chosen by all members was the only portfolio in the red for the month. You cannot trust a committee to get things right!

Our next meeting will be after the AGM on the 20th March where John Kent has volunteered to give a presentation, subject yet to be decided.

After the meeting we retired to the Sandbar Café for further discussion and an excellent lunch.

Lindsay Gordon.

Trips:

Adelaide (7-14 May) is well into the planning stages.

Deposits are required (\$200). This will be a lovely holiday so please talk to Liz if you are interested. Travel by the Overland will be a great experience.



Photos from Liz McDonald:
'Some of the wonderful
places we visited
during our stay at Foster'

Squeaky beach





March

- 2 Rhonda Vincent
- 5 Sonia Troy
- 12 Lindsay Gordon
- 25 Jan Marshall

April

- 5 Colin Turpie
- 9 Kay Stephen
- 11 Len Christie
- 12 Christine Hallam
- 29 Jane Long

Famous April Birthdays:

- April 1 William Harvey, explained the circulation of the blood
- April 2 Alec Guinness, actor,
- April 7 William Wordsworth, poet: 'I wandered lonely as a cloud...' etc.
- April 16 Charlie Chaplin, Hollywood film actor (born in UK)
- April 18 Malcolm Marshall, West Indian cricketer
- April 20 Adolf Hitler, no explanation necessary!
- April 21 Charlotte Bronte, writer of Jane Eyre, Vilette & Shirley
- April 30 David Thompson, Canadian explorer, hence Thompson River in BC.

(Why is there a gap between the 1st and 2nd birthday for both months? I have no idea! Ed)

This Month's Calendar: March/April.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 12	13 Labour Day Holiday	14	15	16	17	18
19 High Tea at the Rose Garden 2.30.pm	20 Probus AGM9.45am	21	22	23	24 Wake for Eliz. Graham, 2.30pm Canadian Bay Club	25
26	27 Golf against Melbourne Probus	28	29	30	31	April 1
2	3 Book Group @ Deb Fleiner's 11am	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 12 noon 'Amazing Aromas' Mornington	20	21	22

Recommended and reliable Trades People.

First Name Surname	Company Name	Phone	Email	Category
Mick		0499216723		Handyman
Greg Hunter		0488 203 014	mteliza.vic@hireahubby.com.au	Handyman
Don McDonald	Progress St. Mornington	5975 7700		Automotive specialist
Steven Jones	Twin Peak Tree Services	0421 784 455	twinpeak222@yahoo.com	Tree/Stump re
Dave	Simplicity Air	0452 622 530		Aircon/ Electrics
Jason	Focus	0407 395872		Prop. Maintenance.
		0418 333 576		Garage door 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 cleaning
Jeff Dawson	Fussy Window Cleaning	0403 850 653	dawsonjeff32@gmail.com	Window cleaning
Mt Eliza Shoe Repairs,	Safeways Arcade	0404 787 604		Watch and shoe repairs
Mark Garvey	New Vision Plumbing Solutions	0414 904 464	mark@newvisionplumb.com	Plumber

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).

A big thank you to
Terry White for their
continued & valued contribution



Probus Club of Mount Eliza Bank Details

BSB 633/000 A/c No: 1793 84045

When making a payment, please enter in the reference box sufficient information for the Treasurer to identify who is making the payment AND what it is for. Space is usually restricted to only 18 characters so you may need to be creative (eg Smith-Subs). The last four digits of your phone number could also help. When the transaction is completed, send an email to the Treasurer with the details.

PAYMENTS in CASH

From now on any cash payments are to be the exact amount, and to be presented in a sealed envelope with the person's name, amount and purpose written on the front. No change will be given, please use online banking if you can!!

If there are any problems, please contact Treasurer Lindsay Gordon

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