

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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PRESIDENT'S Message – 1st June 2023



Dear Probians,

My thanks to all members who covered for our 6 committee members while they were away in Adelaide. You all did very well.

Our Treasurer – Lindsay Gordon. Thankfully, he is at home, looking and feeling better. We will all be delighted to see him again at Probust but only when he is fully recovered.

At our last meeting **Anne Connan** gave a great informative 10-minute talk on 'Legacy' – an agency which helps veterans' families carry on with their lives after the loss or injury of their loved one.

I must thank you all for making my friend Josephine McCoy feel so comfortable. On leaving our General Meeting & Investment Group last month, she suddenly stopped and said 'I have never met such a lovely group of people'. I was pleased to hear such a lovely compliment.

Our **Max Batchelor** must be congratulated on his **12 years of service** running the '**Investment Group**'. Henry Hammond was President and suggested to Max that he take on this role. I was "new", assisting 'Outings' & taking photos of our various Activities for the Probust Magazine. Max said Jan "are you going to join us?" All these years later I cannot thank Max enough for his tireless work in running our Investment Group with such detail & insight of the Stock Market. Its highs, and lows, Covid 19, climate change, and, of course, his splendid sense of humour /jokes.

Max has created a lovely informative group. We each select 5 shares [real] to invest in, and allocated \$100,000 [hypothetical] to spend. We all take a turn to discuss one of our shares over the year, which generally creates a good friendly discussion in which we are all able to contribute a valid comment. Then we go off to lunch which happens at the 'Sandbar Café' in Mount Eliza Way. Thus, we are can continue to enjoy the company & food!

I know at some stage **Max would like to take a back step. To let someone else take over the reins.** Max would, of course, be available to guide whenever necessary. I hope someone within our group would be willing to take up the role, or a Probian Member as Max did all those years ago. Sharing the role is a possibility, of course.

Jan Marshall, - President.



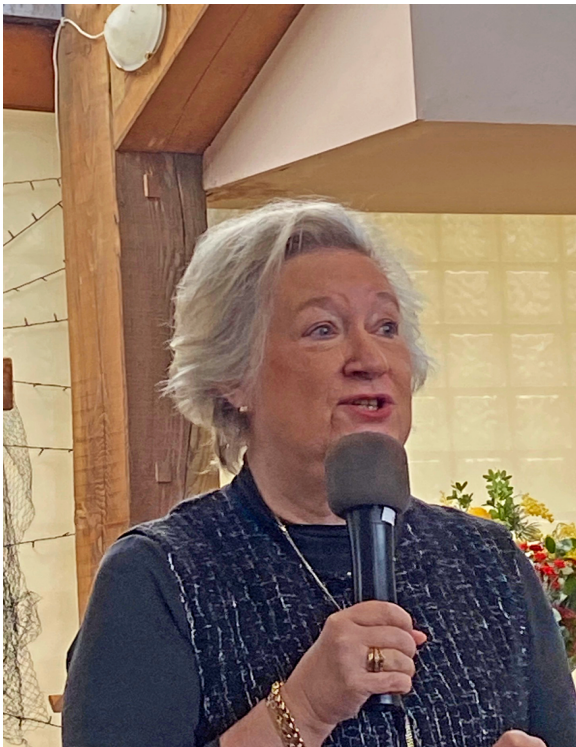
You are welcome to join me for Coffee & Chat at 10:30 on Thursday, 22nd June 2023 at 1001 Nights, Mount Eliza.

We had great fun last month.

Please put names on the "Events List" at the desk.

Jan Marshall

Guest Speaker



Our guest speaker in May was Andrea McCall. She gave a wonderful talk on The Life and Times of Agatha Christie. She really knew her subject, had read all of her books, and knew all about the TV series and films of Poirot and Miss Marple and other characters. She also included details of Christie's personal life, marriages, dramas and such. Andrea was an eloquent and enthralling speaker.

Deborah Fleiner

Future Speakers

The 10-minute talk this month will be given by a very esteemed early member, and former Club President of our club - **Henry Hammond**. The topic he has chosen is "My Introduction to Australian Poetry."

The Guest Speaker is also a highly regarded former President of this Club - **John Connan**, who has informed us on many topics in the past. This month he will present an illustrated account of his visit and work in the Cook Islands.

July - Barbara Wood will enlighten us about Fostering Children, and in August we will hear from humorous author **Liz Hinklin**, about her book "Kiss and Cry".

Margaret McArthur

Trips

Adelaide- 7th – 14th May 2023

After an early start we boarded the Overland for our journey to Adelaide. With a premium carriage to ourselves we settled down to enjoy the scenery and generous meal service.

The visit to the Adelaide Market was amazing the array of fresh produce spectacular. After a tour through such a pretty city we arrived at the Adelaide Cricket ground, joined a tour so very interesting.



Our hotel was very acceptable, dinner was promptly served restaurant quality with a main and delicious sweet.



Day 4 was a trip to Victor harbour, which included a lovely morning tea and free time. Most of us took advantage of the horse drawn carriage to the end of the pier.

A free day followed with some returning to the market and a tram ride to Glenelg.

Day6 - a tour of Carrick Hill - a beautiful home on 100 acres of bush land. The afternoon was spent in the lovely Adelaide Hills - Hahndorf and Beerenburg Strawberry Farm - Delicious.



Day 7 - We visited the Port of Adelaide with lunch at the Commercial hotel. There followed an inspiring tour of a restoration project. The clipper ship - the City of Adelaide was recovered from a swamp in Scotland and returned to Adelaide in 2014. It has been undergoing work by

Time to pack, early start with a taxi waiting to take us home. A delightful holiday, Adelaide is a lovely city and the weather very kind to us.

Liz McDonald

Reminders

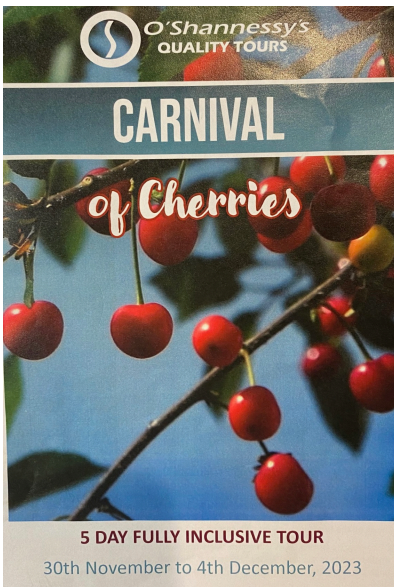
CHRISTMAS IN JULY

At the **Pig and Whistle** - 365 Purves Rd., Main Ridge Thursday **July 20th at 12 noon**, traditional Christmas lunch a cosy fire and great company.

Cost **\$50.00** to be paid on or before our 19th June meeting.

Liz McDonald 0407 034 053

Carnival of Cherries November 30th to December 4th



An iconic celebration of the Cherry!

Lunch in Benalla and then on to Wagga Wagga.

We will be visiting Young, for the festival, Leeton and the surrounding areas.

This is a wonderful holiday.

Luxury pickup from your home and return.

The cost is \$2,495.

Please contact Liz McDonald for booking arrangements

On 0407 034 053

Future Trips

Wednesday, 20th September 2023 – The Stokes Museum at Mt. Macedon. We will visit the amazing museum, then take a short coach drive for a 2-course Lunch. We will then return to Stokes' lovely gardens, before returning home. We will travel in a 50-seater Ventura Coach. The cost is \$84.00 p.p. Please advise whether you have any dietary needs. Please enter your names on the Event List at the desk.

Wednesday, 18th October 2023 – Puffing Billy. A 28-seater train carriage will take us to Lakeside for a 2-course Lunch. The coach will meet us there for the return journey. The Day Tripper Coach is for 28 people. The cost is \$90.00 p.p. Please advise whether you have any dietary needs. Please enter your name on the Event List at the desk.

Jan has enquired about the Ukraine Ballet. The performance will be at the end of June at Frankston Art Centre, \$97-00 for Seniors.

Jan Marshall

MOUNT ELIZA BOOK CLUB REPORT for June 1st 2023

The June meeting welcomed Bev Maloney to our Book Club, taking the place of Helen Begg who is in the process of moving from Mornington.

The book discussed was **The Inaugural Meeting of the Fairvale Ladies Book Club** by Sophie Green.

Unlike our Club it was held on a remote cattle farm in the Northern Territory. It is set in the 1970's and follows the lives of five very different women who come together and manage to connect in the remoteness of the bush through a Book Club.

The issues of love, divorce, relationships, racial inequality, domestic violence, infertility and friendship are all touched on.

We agreed it was a light easy read and lead us into some interesting discussion.

A lovely lunch was enjoyed at Jane's home.

Wendy Griffiths

Investment Group Report – 8th June 2023

Despite several of our members being absent on the trip to Adelaide we had a good attendance and a great relaxed and informal meeting on the 8th May in the Church meeting room following the regular Probus meeting. Club President Jan, with her background in science and bacteriology, gave us an interesting presentation on a new fertilizer based on the treatment of waste from poultry farms. The product is proving very successful and is in high demand in the horticultural and flower growing industry.

The Australian stock market, inline with almost all the world's markets, is performing quite erratically at the moment with inflation running rampant. The national reserve banks of the world are struggling to combat inflation by raising interest rates to dampen spending. This is causing great anxiety within the various markets worried that pushing interest rates too high for too long could tip the world into a global recession. It is possible that recession can be avoided but there is little wonder that investors are hesitant. On balance most of the commentators in Australia feel that we will once again be the "lucky country" and just scrape through. I hope they are right.

We are at the halfway mark with our group's annual investment competition. At the moment two ladies, Theresa Weiss and Liz McDonald, are running neck and neck with barely \$100 difference between them with a profit of 26% i.e., a hypothetical \$26,000 profit on their hypothetical investment of \$100,000 each. A wonderful position to be in considering the prevailing uncertainties.

We will be meeting again after this month's Club meeting. To get us started and provoke discussion longstanding member Maxine Coghlan will give us a little presentation on a topic she has researched.

Any member who would like to join us and see what we are about will be most welcome and may choose to join with us for a light lunch at the Sandbar café at about 1.30 when our meeting is over.

Max Batchelor: Convener.

Golf Update/June 2023

Our next golf match will be with Melbourne Probus at Frankston Golf Club on Monday September 18. This will be a friendly competition and the cost will be \$50 for non-members of FGC and no charge for members. As usual, we will play 9 holes followed by BYO lunch. Members are free to play another 9 holes after lunch if they choose to do so.

Graeme Buckley



June 2023

17th Estelle Gold
25th MacKie

July 2023

2ndMichael Leyden
2nd Helen Begg
7th.....Max Moloney
17th..... Margaret McArthur
17thDi Horscroft
19th.....Pat Anthony
23rd.....Chris Hallam
25th..... Catherine Johnson

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. Morningson	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
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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 633/000A/c No: 1793 84045

When making a payment, please enter in the reference box sufficient information to identify who is making the payment AND what it is for. Space is restricted so you may abbreviate (eg Smith-Subs). The last four digits of your phone number could also help. When done, email 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

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