

PROBUS CLUB OF MOUNT ELIZA INC

PO Box 667 Mt Eliza 3930 – <http://www.probusmteliza.club/>
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Meetings commence 9.45 am second Monday of the month.
If Public Holiday, then third Monday



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – 13th November 2023

Dear Probians

Welcome - In this changing world we want to offer you an interesting programme, draw strength and fun together, comradeship - the essence of bond and friendship.



The trip to the Puffing Billy Railway went well.

Rhonda Vincent will talk a few minutes about the day at this month's general meeting.



The "Archibald" outing organised by Gwen Woods was lovely. I thought the best collection in recent years.



Morning tea at "Chatty Cafe" went very well. New patrons joined our table, - (a lot younger than us!). Conversation flowed, gained insight both ways, much mirth, in a relaxed atmosphere. Food and service were great.

Vice President Bill Spencer organised 2 Membership drives in October. I joined for 2 hrs on the 28th - definitely good fun. Some prospective members were keen to join us at this month's meeting - Great.

Lunch at the 'Dava' Sunday 5th organised by Gwen Woods, quite a group of us went, good food & company.



Enjoy - Jan Marshall.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT- Bill Spencer

Publicity Campaign



During October we publicized PROBUS by setting up a display in the Mt Eliza shopping center.

Many thanks to Catherine Fulford of Savills Estate Agency for facilitating our use of the space and to "The Wall Sticker Company" for the posters.

This year we set up our display on two consecutive Saturdays, 21st and 28th October. I was on the stand both days to provide an element of continuity, and a big thankyou to the other volunteers; Catherine Johnson, Wendy and Steve Griffiths, Christopher Hallam, Kay Mackie, Jan Marshall, Bev Moloney and Bob Stephen.

Traffic was light on the first day (Nice sunny day!) but we still connected with a good few potential members. Some current and past members dropped by and said "hello", which was nice, and also a number of members of other PROBUS groups. We handed out 50 flyers.

Second day (cloudy, overcast) traffic was somewhat heavier and we handed out 72 flyers. Those that were left Bob Stephen took to distribute elsewhere.

I hope that the Publicity results in some new members, but we have certainly made sure a lot of people know where we are and what we do, and that they will be made very welcome!

Guest Speakers Report - Margaret McArthur

Rebecca and Ron from MORNINGTON LEGACY GARDENS spoke to us in October. They explained how a former golf course has been transformed into a beautiful area to remember our loved ones by planting a tree and watching it grow. A tranquil place to visit with family and friends and enjoy the environment. It is the first of its kind in the world, as the ashes are treated to become a nutrient, which is impregnated into the tree roots to assist its growth

In our 10-minute slot in November, Rhonda Vincent will describe our wonderful day out on Puffing Billy, for those of you who were unable to join us. Also Jan has a surprise to follow.

The November Guest is Sophie - as 'Little Miss Sorted' - who will assist us in sorting the necessary from the rubbish in our households - advice I think most of us need!

December - we will get into the festive season leading into Christmas with a bit of fun. PLEASE all wear something a bit Xmassy - even a bauble or a bit of tinsel will do. 🎄 🌲

Outings

ARCHIBALD PRIZE 2023

@ THE MORNINGTON PENINSULA REGIONAL GALLERY

John Roberts

I have been asked to make a comment on the Archibald - someone that has no knowledge on the subject except some I liked and many I did not.

Nine of us attended the Archibald showing on Thursday, the 12th September. It was a good day to see the pictures as the weather was wet and windy. There was quite a large number of exhibits and I am no art expert. I was interested to see a number of Aboriginal entries. They were trying their hand at painting in the European manner or imagining a person but not what I would call a portrait. I see the powers that be have given up stopping people from photographing the paintings. The only place you are now stopped is in a private exhibition.

I never did know who won this year. There was nothing indicated. I do know the packing room winner was the young comedian wearing a plastic headdress who died recently. I enjoyed the exhibition

Note from the Bulletin Editor - I did take my camera.



Here is Gwen and a couple of other visitors looking at the portrait of Noni Hazlehurst



Here is Shirley and her daughter strategically sitting in front of the winning portrait



This is John Roberts checking out "Breakfast at Ours" by Eliza Gosse. This dual portrait features Eliza Gosse and her husband and was painted on separate boards.

Tours/Events - Gwen Woods & Jan Marshall

Tuesday 21st November - Please join us for "**High Tea on the High Seas**". \$75.00 p.p. Our own lounge, a generous "high tea" including Champagne!

Pool cars 12-45 pm at Sorrento, journey to Queenscliff, we remain on board for return journey. Please pay Treasurer Lindsay Gordon at the desk.

Thursday 7th December - Xmas lunch 12 noon at Dromana Estate, Moorooduc Rd Tuerong. 2 courses followed by mince pies, Tea/Coffee \$50.00 p.p. I have booked for 50 and included Kris Kringle. Please add your name on the Event List at the desk.

Sunday 24th March 2024 "High Tea" at Mornington Rose Garden. \$45.00 p.p. 14:30pm for 32 guests. A return visit, by request of members.

Stop Press - Graeme Buckley

The Peninsula Kingswood Country Golf Club is holding a Twilight Social Lawns Bowls evening on Friday, 2nd February 2024. Registration is 15:30 and the start is 16:00.

At the December meeting I can take names for those who may be interested. The cost is \$10.00 for a sausage sizzle and bowls. The Club has 20 sets of bowls at no charge for those who do not have their own set.

This is an opportunity for non-members of PKCGC to experience the facilities of this members-only Club and they will be encouraged to stay for dinner in the Clubhouse.

I will make an announcement at the next meeting.

PROBUS BOOK EXCHANGE TABLE - Bob Stephen



We have on hand a range of approximately 60 Books at all times. These are mainly Novels covering Contemporary Fiction, Crime, Fiction, Historical Fiction, Romance fiction plus some Autobiographies, Biographies and true stories. These are turned over approximately every 3 months to keep the stock fresh. Any donations are gratefully received.

November birthdays



Maxine Coughlan	4th
Robert Stephen	6th
Janice Drummond	7th

BOOK CLUB REPORT for November 2023 - Catherine Johnson

Leigh Sales is a well-respected ABC journalist and it was her third book, "**Any Ordinary Day**" that was discussed by our members this month.

Notes on line describe this as "her intimate explanations of how ordinary people address sudden catastrophic events." Using her professional skills, she was able to access, and interview, several people including Stuart Diver, Walter Mikac, a religious minister, a priest and James Scott and to delve into their very personal experiences of trauma.

The book, not necessarily enjoyed, evoked much discussion and opinions gave it a 6.5 /10 score. Lunch, as ever was a 10/10!



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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: Tel: 9787 5132
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Recommended and reliable trades people:

Mick		0499 216 723	Handyman
Greg Hunter		0488 203 014	Handyman
Don McDonald	Progress St. Morningside	5975 7700	Automotive Specialist
Steven Jones	Twin Peak Tree Services	0421 784 455	Tree/stump removal
Dave	Simplicity Air	0452 622 530	Aircon/Electrics
Nicho Salvatore	Conic Electrical	0409 422 198	Electrician
Martin Maloney		0418 743 901	Electrician
Peter Butterworth	Butterworth Decorating	0414 670 528	Master Painter
Andrew Jennings	Treecare	0407356127	Arborist
Dave & Jemma	Perfection Reflection	0488 800 252	Window Cleaning
Jeff Dawson	Fussy Window Cleaning	0403 850 653	Window Cleaning
Mark Garvey	New Vision Plumbing Solutions	0414 904 464	Plumber
Shane	Bayplex Plumbing	0428 858 843	Plumber
Robert Webb	Renovate	0409 352 693	Garden Design & Renovate
	Mr. Gas Man P/L	5977 0006	Gas/Electric Heating
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Jesse	A.B. Arbor	0423066017	Trees and Stumps
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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).

The **next Committee** Meeting is **Monday 27th November 2023**.

The **next General** meeting is on **Monday 13th November 2023**.