

Beaumaris Waves

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658) prior to 7.30pm on Tuesday evening or *email to:* <u>bbprobus@gmail.com</u>. **Meetings:** The Club meets at 10.00am on the 3rd Wednesday

of the month at the Cheltenham Golf Club, 33 Victor Avenue, Cheltenham (off Weatherall Road).



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Editorial:



I have always had an interest in the printing process as my grandfather was a partner in a printing business in Spring Street in the early 1900s and the family name still adorns those premises. (See picture) So this month I have decided to play around with using different printing fonts in the newsletter. Several widely used fonts in the 19th century were **Courier for typewriters**

and Times Roman that was developed for the *Times* newspaper. More recently, Microsoft has spent millions on the development of the most suitable fonts for computer monitors, the result of which is its default Calibri Sans Serif font in *Word*, which I am using this month on the first two pages. As an experiment, I am using Arial Sans Serif on pages 3-4, and Times New Roman (with Serifs) on pages 5-6. The term "font" refers to the general shape of a character. Sans Serif fonts reportedly have slightly increased readability compared to Serif fonts; Serif fonts are those with the twiddly strokes at the ends of characters, e.g., Times New Roman. On the other hand, Serif fonts are supposedly more distinctive than Sans Serif fonts (those characters without strokes, e.g., Arial, Calibri), and are therefore easier to read. The Serifs purportedly serve as aids to the eye, moving you from one letter to the next in a smoother fashion. Confusing, isn't it? One rule I don't adhere to is the ideal length of a line being between 50-75 characters – typically there are 111 characters, including spaces, in lines in this newsletter. I'd be interested in your feedback on the readability of the different fonts I have used this month. Whilst Calibri is apparently the most widely used font, I prefer Ariel for its readability. Which do you prefer, and why?

This month's speaker: Following the AGM, Frank Spencer will give a presentation on "The Silk Road Wars."

The Speaker for Wednesday April 15 will be Sabine Ostrowski, Victorian Education Manager, Macular Disease Foundation Australia.



Vale Burke Tidex

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing of one of our esteemed Foundation Members, Burke Tidex. Burke was very involved in the inaugural meeting of the Club in May 2001 and was one of the eight volunteers on our first committee set up at that meeting. He played an active role on the Committee during the early years: he was the Program Officer in 2001; Vice-President and P.A.V Delegate in 2002; Public Officer in 2002-3; the third President of the club in 2003; and Treasurer from 2004-7.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Shirley and her family.

Welfare

Welfare Officer: Carol French (Ph. 9939 1941)

If you know of one of our members who is ill, hospitalised or would just like someone to call in and talk, can you advise our Welfare Officer so a card can be sent or a visit arranged.

March birthdays: We wish all the following members, good health and many Happy Birthdays – Marie Bolger; Wendy Crawford; Pat Farrelly; Sue Harding; Marie Keat; Dot La Canna; Ken Launder; Steve McColl; John Morgan; Ed Patrick; Gwen Secomb; Len Tolliday.

Interest Groups/Activities

Golf Club venue: See the calendar for dates

- Book Club (3rd Wednesday at 1.30pm)
- Craft Group (3rd Monday at 1.30pm)
- Mahjong (2nd and 4th Fridays at 2.00pm)

Convenor: Jan Storey (Ph. 9589 1096) Convenor: Helen Scott: (Ph. 879 75677) Convenor: Carole Hunter (Ph. 9584 1548)

Other venues

Coffee Catch-up: Starting in March, there will be two opportunities a month for members to enjoy each other's company over a coffee. The venue is the Rickett's Point Café, Beach Road, Beaumaris, and the dates are the second Tuesday of the month and the fourth Monday at 2.00pm. Get to know your fellow members at whichever of these informal gatherings suits you.

Lunches/Dinners

Convenor: Marie Bolger (Ph. 9583 0204)

- Meet at Arcobar (8 Arco Lane, Heatherton off Warrigal Road at the Europa shop, no. 444 Warrigal Road) for lunch on *Thursday 26th March* at 12.30pm. A cash deposit of \$20 at the March meeting will confirm your booking. If you are unable to come, please phone an apology and your deposit will be returned to you if notification is given 24 hours prior to the event.
- See the calendar for the venues/dates of the April lunch and the dinner in May, details of which will be advised at our monthly meetings.

Vale Christine Preston



We are sad to advise that Chris, who has been living in Queensland, has passed away after a lengthy illness. She was a popular member and played an active role in the Club as Day Tours Organiser 2009-12; Dine-out Convenor 2010; Activities Co-ordinator 2009; Membership Officer 2009-10; and Secretary 2015-2016.

Honorary Member was bestowed on Chris in 2018 in recognition of her contribution to the Club.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Brian and his family.

Walking Group (1st Monday)

Convenor: Ken Launder (Ph. 9584 1432)

Our walk on *Monday April 6* will be through a section of the 285 hectare Braeside Park which is made up of a series of diverse environmental communities. When driving east along Lower Dandenong Road the park is on your right hand side with the entrance directly opposite Sandleford Street (Melway 88 D8). On entering, parking is available in the car park close to the entrance (Swallow) or in the second car park a short distance further in (Kestrel). We will meet in the first car park at 10.00 am. Our walk will be in a southerly direction along the Howard Road/Wetlands trail which eventually connects with the Red Gum trail thereby returning us to our starting point. At the conclusion of the walk we will drive west along Lower Dandenong Road to Warren Road (adjacent to a group of shops) to go to the Soho Coffee House, 65 Warren Road, for refreshments.

Day trips

Cranbourne Gardens

Organizer: Liz Paige (0439 386 420)

A reminder that your bus leaves for the Cranbourne Gardens on *Friday 20 March 2020* at 9.00am from the Beaumaris Library and returns to Beaumaris about 4.00pm.

MARCH WALK

On a cool and sunny morning, a group of ten hardy Club members set out bright and early by train to Frankston where we enjoyed a morning coffee break. After coffee we continued by bus to Mount Martha, a trip of 45 minutes. From there we set out on the boardwalk along Balcombe Creek towards the Briars. We admired the murals and artwork decorating the pumping station and brightening up the bush. It was a beautiful walk through a remnant of the original bushland. We hope it can be conserved, protected and preserved. The walk whetted our appetites and we made haste to the nearest café where we enjoyed our lunch in convivial company. After lunch there was time to explore the shops, and all too soon, it was time to board the bus back to Frankston. While in Frankston, we were impressed by the magnificent and efficient new Railway Station and precinct. There we boarded the train for home. Another most enjoyable day! Thank you, Ken and Liz.

Helga Anderson

Port Arlington trip

Photos by Steve McColl and Editor

Twenty members of the Club enjoyed a smooth ferry trip from Docklands to Port Arlington on 28th February. Thanks to Liz Paige for organising a very pleasant day's outing.









Someone was lulled to sleep on the trip home!

February speaker



V-P Marilyn Hubbard thanks Linda Murray for her talk in February on Aged Care. Linda spoke about accessing aged care, costs and the laws and regulations. As always, it was a very interesting talk with lots of questions being asked by members.

Photo by John Morgan

Footy tipping competition

Would you like to join the Beaumaris Bay Probus Club Members' Footy Tipping Competition for 2020? This is named **The BBP Cup.** With the AFL footy season starting on Thursday March 19th, we need to know who are keen to join us for a season of nail biters, upsets and dead-set-certainties.

Entering the competition - There are three ways:

1. The easiest way is to let Marny know a password (should be a new one just for footy tips), your email account, your postcode and a birth year (or can be made up). Then you can be entered into the competition and Marny will let you know.

2. Or, register on line at **footytips.com.au** then follow the instructions to enter the competition. Go to your home page and click on the search competition tab. This will direct you to another web page where you will be required to enter The BBP Cup into the search field and then to a web page that will allow you enter the competition.

3. You can also access The BBP Cup by clicking on the following link: <u>http://www.footytips.com.au/comps/The_BBP_Cup</u>

The password to begin with to enter our competition is BeaumarisBay.

Previous members need to reactivate their accounts.

Entry Fee: A \$25 entry fee is required to enter The BBP Cup footy tipping competition. All payments are to be made directly to our Probus Club by cash, cheque or bank transfer with the cut-off date being April 18th. When making payment by bank transfer, please ensure that you enter your name or phone number in the remittance advice.

Rules

The rules of The BBP Cup footy tipping competition are as follows:

- 1. You will be required to enter tips for all games in every round of the 2020 AFL Premiership Season.
- 2. You will be required to enter a winning margin for the first game of every round (e.g. enter a winning margin in the first game of round 1 between Carlton and Richmond). This discriminates between members on the same number of winning tips.
- 3. Tipsters who do not enter their tips, will receive the lowest competition round score plus 2.

Prize Money will be allocated as follows:

- One monthly prize of \$20 will be awarded to the top tipster for the month;
- Then final prizes of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Last Place.

You can enter your tips (or make changes by editing your tips) at any time before one hour of the match starting. And you can also predict your winners weeks ahead (if you go on holidays, etc.)

Good luck for the season.

Marny at <u>baxter.marny@gmail.com</u>

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Calendar of Monthly Interest Groups and Activities

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		MARCH 2020		
9 Labour Day	10 Coffee catchup Rickett's Point (2.00pm)	11	12 Barefoot Twilight Bowls @ S'ham B.C.	13 Mahjong 2.00pm (Golf Club)
16 Craft Group1.30pm (Golf Club)	17	18 General Meeting (10am); AGM 10.15am; Book Group (1.30 pm)	19	20 Cranbourne Gardens day tour
23 Coffee catchup Rickett's Point 2.00pm	24	25	26 ArcoBar (Heatherton) lunch @12.30pm	27 Mahjong 2.00pm (Golf Club)
30	31			
		APRIL 2020		
		1 Committee (1.30pm)	2	3
6 Walking Group	7	8 <i>Billy Elliott</i> musical (1.00pm)	9	10 Good Friday
13 Easter Monday	14	15 General Meeting (10am); Book Grp (pm)	16	17
20 Craft Group1.30pm (Golf Club)	21	22	23 Lunch at Highett RSL	24 Mahjong 2.00pm (Golf Club)
27	28	29	30	
		MAY 2020		
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4 Walking Group	5	6 Committee (1.30pm)	7	8 Mahjong 2.00pm (Golf Club)
11	12	13	14	15
18 Craft Group1.30pm (Golf Club)	19	20 General Meeting (10am); Book Grp (pm)	21	22 Mahjong 2.00pm (Golf Club)
25	26	27	28 Dinner at <i>Sazios,</i> Black Rock	29
		JUNE 2020		
1 Walking Group	2	3 Committee (1.30pm)	4	5
8 Queen's Birthday	9	10	11	12 Mahjong 2.00pm (Golf Club)
15 Craft Group1.30pm (Golf Club)	16	17 General Meeting (10am); Book Grp (pm)	18	19
22	23	24 Mid-year lunch @ venue TBA	25	26 Mahjong 2.00pm (Golf Club)
29	30			