



Beaumaris Waves

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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

Have you had your first Astrazeneca “jab” yet? My experience with the process has been positive to date. I was fortunate in having a local medical clinic proactively offer me the vaccine early in the piece. I realise that it has not been a universally positive experience for everyone, with supply of the vaccine being a major factor. It’s been interesting how the protocols prevailing in one’s attendance at medical practices vary now that the restrictions on our behaviour have been relaxed by the Government, e.g., the wearing of masks. What has been your experience in the administration of the vaccine?



May birthdays: We wish the following members good health and many Happy Returns: June Ferguson; Carol French; Marilyn Hubbard; Neville Hunter; Emelie Josephs; Barbara Leung; Lyn Mather; Judith Saxton; Brian Seddon; Christine Simmons; Frank Spencer; Val Strauch; Judy Tindale; John Wood.

This month’s speaker: Frank Spencer will be speaking on his second book, *The Silk Road Wars*. “The Silk Road created a vast trading empire that made China the wealthiest of nations and the prize other nations strived to plunder.” Frank’s book is an historical novel that covers the Ming Dynasty in China from 1830 to 1914. Frank, a member of our Club, is a retired organisational psychologist turned author.

Annual subscriptions

A reminder that annual subscriptions are now due. The 2021 subscription for renewing members is \$30 (after applying a \$20 discount due to the impact of the Covid restrictions during 2020), and \$20 for In-active members. Payment by bank transfer is preferred - see account details on Page 1 and ***don't forget to include your name, e.g., Mary Smith subs. If you arrange payment in person at your bank, you will need to notify the Treasurer (Ilsa Schuller at ilsa.sch162@gmail.com) of the transaction number you have used (such as the last four digits of your landline phone number or last six digits of your mobile phone number)*** so she can determine from the membership records who has made the payment.

Activities

The following groups all meet at the Cheltenham Golf Club (see calendar for dates):



Book Group (Convenor: Jan Storey) meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 11.00 am.

- **Craft Group (Convenor: Helen Scott)** meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 1.30pm.
- **Mahjong** meets on the 1st and 4th Tuesday of the month at 2.00-4.00pm.

Lunches (Convenor Carole Hunter 95841548)

Our next lunch is at *Arcobar* on **Thursday 27th May** at 12.00 noon at the *Arcobar Restaurant*, 8 Arco Lane, Heatherton. Names to be given by 19th May with \$20.00 cash in envelope to secure your booking. The deposit will be returned to you at the restaurant. Cancellations may be made up to 25th May.

Day Trips (Convenor Geraldine McGann 0427416890)

Studley Park and Villa Alba Mansion

We have planned an outing to Studley Park on **Thursday 3rd June** at 10.30am for a short walk along the Yarra River with lunch at *Studley Grounds Café* (at Studley Park Golf Club) and a guided tour of Villa Alba Mansion. Cost is \$30.00 which includes entrance to mansion and deposit for lunch which will be returned to you at the café. Payment to be made by 20th May. Numbers for the mansion are limited to 20 so the first 20 will have priority.

Theatre (Convenor Marilyn Hubbard): Moulin Rouge

We have obtained some tickets (\$80) to *Moulin Rouge the Musical* on **Wednesday 10th November** at 1.00pm. Payment to be made by the July meeting. Speak to Marilyn if you are interested.

New New New!! Ladies Petanque (Convenor Marilyn Hubbard)

By popular demand we have decided to start up a ladies Pentanque group on Wednesday mornings except for the General Meeting on Wednesdays. This group will be separate to the men although played at the same venue (Beaumaris Oval on the southern end accessed from Victor Avenue). Play will commence on Wednesday 2nd June with some coaching by Steve McColl. Contact Marilyn Hubbard (0412336440) for more information.

Geraldine McGann

Walking Group (Convenor: Ken Launder; Email: klaunder@bigpond.com)



Remember the controversy during the building of the so-called "skyrail" on the Cranbourne/Pakenham rail line? On **Monday June 14** we will walk under the Caulfield to Carnegie section of the rail line along the concrete path laid as part of the construction. We will be able to see for ourselves what redevelopment of the area has taken place and if the locals have benefited in any way. Catching the 10.46 am train from Cheltenham (10.39 am Mordialloc, 10.41 am Parkdale, 10.43 am Mentone) and travelling in the last carriage we will arrive at Caulfield at 11.05 am. From the station we will walk a short distance to the start of the Djerring Trail which goes through to Dandenong. The walk to Carnegie is a relatively easy walk over flat terrain. On reaching Carnegie we will be able to have a look at the station, extend the walk for a short distance further along the trail or maybe have a look at some of the local shops in Koornang Road before having lunch at the Rosstown Hotel at approximately 12.30 pm.

Mid-year lunch

This year the mid-year lunch will be at the Beaumaris Motor Yacht Squadron on **Thursday 24 June** at 12.30pm.

Bookings with payment for this event will be taken at the May General Meeting or I can be contacted on 9589 5597. The cut-off date for payment is June 10. The cost is \$40.00 and includes a two-course meal of Roast Duo of Beef and Pork followed by Sticky Date Pudding. Bread rolls and water will be on the table. Drinks are not included and are available from the bar.

We encourage members, if possible, to use our new on-line booking system (it is not difficult) or direct bank transfer. Banking details are at the top of the newsletter. When making a bank transfer please state your name and reference the event, i.e., Midyear lunch. Cash in envelopes will be accepted at the monthly meeting. Please state dietary requirements when booking.

Helga Anderson

Welfare

It is pleasing to see more members returning to the club well and happy after our months of lock down and uncertainty. This month we celebrate Mother's Day. By the time you read this newsletter Mother's Day will have passed. I hope all you mothers and grandmothers enjoyed a beautiful and relaxing day with your family.

Some of our members have recently undergone surgery or have otherwise been unwell. I wish them well and a speedy recovery.

Helga Anderson

"Happiness is a butterfly, which when pursued, is always just beyond your grasp, but which if you will sit quietly, may alight upon you." *Nathaniel Hawthorne*

Petanque (French) or Bocce (Italian) or Bowls (English)

A few months ago, at the height of the Covid Crisis, a few of the Club's men decided to form a group that would play the ancient game of Petanque (or Bole) on the Beaumaris Reserve, just behind U3A and the Beaumaris Library.

The game has been played for centuries and involves throwing or 'launching' an orange-sized, 3/4 Kg 'shiny' steel ball, as close as possible to a walnut-sized little red ball, called a 'cochonnet'. Typically, four or more players form two competing teams.

Each player gets two balls to throw per game, and the match is won by the team that wins 13 games first. Each match usually lasts 30 minutes and after an hour of play, we adjourn to the Concourse for coffee and a muffin and to 'chew the fat' for 30 more minutes.

The game sounds simple and it is simple. What makes it attractive to the players is the interaction between the various team members. The ribbing, the banter, the cajoling, (threatening to 'get sent to the knackery' if you don't 'make that shot', etc., Ha-ha), the 'well done' praise, the camaraderie, the empathy for the player stuck on a losing streak.

It is not just a game, it becomes a lesson for life, it is all about the joy of interacting with your Fellow Probian's and the 3 F's - Fun, Fellowship and Friendship.

Geoff Bakes, Petanque Reporter

Life memberships

Special Resolution for Granting Life Memberships 2021

As per clause 3c (ii) of the Constitution, the Committee approves the nominations of Jocelyn Besly and Laurie Gwillim for Life Membership, and recommends at the monthly General Meeting on 19th May 2021:

“That Jocelyn Besley and Laurie Gwillim be awarded Life Membership in recognition of their outstanding service to the club.”

Moved: Graeme Storey

Seconded: Faye Wegat

Record of service of the nominees

Since joining the Club in 2001, Jocelyn and Laurie have both been very active in its activities over many years in various rôles in the Club (as below) which they have performed with distinction and are each worthy of the award for their individual contributions:

Jocelyn Besly’s rôles (with some overlapping):

- Secretary 2003;
- Vice-President 2003;
- President 2004;
- Historian 2005-7;
- Activities Convenor 2005-8;
- Meet, Greet & Eat Convenor 2006-8;
- Extended Tours Convenor 2007-12;
- Day Tours Convenor 2009;
- Genealogy Group Convenor 2016.



Laurie Gwillim’s rôles (with some overlapping):

- Historian 2002-4
- Cinema Convenor 2002-5;
- Theatre Convenor 2003-8/2011;
- Dine-out Convenor 2005;
- Vice-President 2009;
- President 2010.



Calendar of Monthly Interest Groups and Activities

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MAY 2021				
10	11 Book Grp (11.00am)	12 Petanque	13	14
17	18	19 General Meeting (10am)	20	21
24 Craft Group (1.30pm)	25 Mahjong (2.00pm)	26 Petanque	27 Arcobar lunch	28
31				
JUNE 2021				
	1 Mahjong (2.00pm)	2 Petanque (am); Committee (1.30pm)	3 Studley Park day trip (incl lunch)	4
7	8 Book Grp (11.00am)	9 Petanque	10 Deadline to pay for Mid-year lunch	11
14 Queen's B'day; Walking group	15	16 General Meeting (10am)	17	18
21 Craft Group (1.30pm)	22 Mahjong (2.00pm)	23 Petanque	24 Mid-year lunch @ BMYS (see p.3)	25
28	29	30 Petanque		
JULY 2021				
5 Walking Group	6 Mahjong (2.00pm)	7 Petanque (am); Committee (1.30pm)	8	9
12	13 Book Grp (11.00am)	14 Petanque	15	16
19 Craft Group (1.30pm)	20	21 General Meeting (10am)	22	23
26	27 Mahjong (2.00pm)	28 Petanque	29	30)
AUGUST 2021				
2 Walking Group	3 Mahjong (2.00pm)	4 Petanque (am); Committee (1.30pm)	5	6
9	10 Book Grp (11.00am)	11 Petanque	12	13
16 Craft Group (1.30pm)	17	18 General Meeting (10am)	19	20
23	24 Mahjong (2.00pm)	25 Petanque	26	27
SEPTEMBER 2021				
		1 Petanque (am); Committee (1.30pm)	2	3
6 Walking Group	7 Mahjong (2.00pm)	8 Petanque	9	10
13	14 Book Grp (11.00am)	15 General Meeting (10am)	16	17
20 Craft Group (1.30pm)	21	22 Petanque	23	24
27	28 Mahjong (2.00pm)	29 Petanque	30	