



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).

Apologies: Please ring or text SMS to Faye Wegat (0409 265 503) prior to 7.30pm on Tuesday evening beforehand or by **email to:** bbprobus@gmail.com.



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President's message

Hello Fellow Probians,

Although this may say something about our bodies, it shouldn't stop us from being involved in life. We are only as young as we feel, isn't that so?



Until we have achieved the desired level of double vaccinations, there seems to be more negative attitudes and behaviours around us than we would like. However, it is within our control to stay positive and enjoy and share what we have to offer with others.

With the current level of unrest in some sectors of our community, I offer the following comments to those members within our society who feel hard done by. Maybe they should view the video using the link below, then revisit their own situation. It really brings one back into focus and help appreciate how fortunate one is. To view the video clip with audio: position your cursor over this hot link (<https://youtu.be/Y76hSxoxClq>) and then double click.

With our General Meetings and activities still on hold, I will be running regular Zoom meetings and encourage you to join with me; it's a great chance to catch up with fellow members, have a laugh and to share your experiences during this challenging period and be brought up to date with what your committee has been working on.

I also remind you of our website at <https://beaumarisbay.org.au> which is a great source of information and also has a wonderful trivia challenge to test your knowledge. I am sure Christine Simmons (the Web administrator) would welcome input from you on some of the projects you have undertaken during Covid.

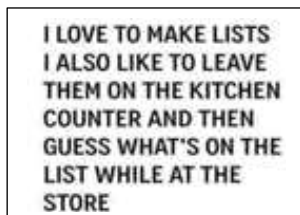
As if we have not had enough challenges this year, we were presented with an earthquake a week or so back. Luckily, I can report no damage and hope you can do the same. It was a funny sensation and it would be interesting to hear of the varying degrees of its magnitude depending on which area you were in at the time. I was sitting in a Pathology Clinic in the Concourse Beaumaris and only felt a tremor a bit like a Mexican Wave, however, when I returned home (not that far from the Concourse), I was informed that although the strength of the quake was very strong it only caused a couple of photos to fall over and the ceiling fan to shake quite vigorously.

It's quite disappointing that our arranged outings for this year have been put on hold, however, this does give us something to look forward to further down the track. Speaking of outings, your committee would like to hear from you some suggestions for the type of outings, activities or functions to be considered for inclusion into our programs. Without input from the members, the task of planning becomes very difficult. Please give it some thought and come back to your committee with some suggestions.

It is looking likely that we will be enjoying some relief from the current restrictions before long, and, hopefully, not that far down the track, we can start meeting together, although I am guessing it may be in smaller numbers.

With the commencement of daylight saving there may be more opportunities presented to us for a get together. There has been a suggestion put forward to the committee for a twilight BBQ in a local park, with the boys doing the cooking, thus allowing the girls to relax and catch up over a beverage of choice. With spring now with us and, providing the numbers stack up, this might be what is needed to get us back into gear.

This is what is happening to me. Is it Covid related or a sign of the times?



Something else to leave you with: If you found \$50 in a parking lot, what would you do with it? I know what I would do, I would be like our saviour and turn it into wine.

Steve McColl

Notices

Next month's meeting (November 17): Whether we have a General Meeting in November will depend on the current lockdown being lifted in time and the subsequent easing of any restrictions on indoor gatherings imposed by the Government to limit the transmission of COVID. You will be informed in due course whether the meeting will go ahead.

October birthdays: We wish the following members good health and many Happy Returns: Geoff Bakes; Marny Baxter; David Bruce; Joan Fry; Johanna Lobert; Helen Lockett; Geraldine McGann; Carolyn McManus; Helen Muter; Mary O'Toole; Liz Paige; Brian Preston; Marilyn Scott; Margaret Soding; Jan Storey; Fay Woodrow.

Activities

The following groups all meet at the Cheltenham Golf Club, **COVID lockdown restrictions permitting**. See the 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 (Convenor: Carole Hunter)** meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 2.00-4.00pm.

Day Trips

Panorama Gardens and Wildlife Sanctuary

Hello Everyone

Sadly, as the COVID restrictions are still dragging on, we have had to cancel our trip to Panorama Gardens and we won't be able to do it this year. However, we are still hoping to have the trip early in the New Year. My apologies for any inconvenience this may incur.

Geraldine McGann

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

In order to have a better chance for this walk to finally go ahead I have put the date forward one week to **Monday November 8**. when our walk will be in Tatterson Park in Keysborough. We will meet at 10.30 am on the corner of Springvale Road and Marriot Drive, Keysborough (Melway 88 H12). Parking is available in Marriot Drive and the surrounding streets off Marriot Drive near our starting point. After walking to the park, we will then follow the path to

Cheltenham Road before returning to our starting point. From here we will drive out onto Springvale Road and into Gardenworld where we will visit the café. If the café is not open due to restrictions, we can perhaps drive to another coffee shop to be decided on the day.

On **Monday December 6**, as our last walk for the year, I am hoping that we can walk from Caulfield to Carnegie along the “Skyrail” path and afterwards have lunch at the Rosstown Hotel. More details in the November *Waves*.

For your information - there will be a twilight walk on both 3rd January 2022 and 7th February 2022.

The Doll’s House

This excursion has been postponed until further notice from the National Trust. I will let all those who have paid to attend know when I have further information.

Moulin Rouge

We have paid for this event but the tickets won’t be issued until within 72 hours of the date. This is probably because, in case of a cancellation, there won’t be the need to reissue them. We will have to wait to see what is in store for us by then.

Marilyn Hubbard

Zoom Meeting – October

At our Zoom Meeting on the 4th October, we enjoyed a short quiz designed by President Steve which generated a lot of laughs and tested our memory. Steve was very pleased to see many of our members join the Zoom meeting, get a laugh from the quiz and share earthquake experiences. The quiz winner was Marilyn Hubbard with Geraldine McGann as runner-up, congratulations to both.



Marilyn was the quiz winner



Geraldine was the runner-up

Editor’s note: Well done, Steve, on organising a thoroughly researched and entertaining quiz.

BBQ at Cheltenham Park

The Committee invites you to join them at Cheltenham Park (off Park Road) on **Thursday 11 November** at 5.00pm for a BBQ. BYO everything. Come and join us for the first time in a long time. (This assumes, of course, that the COVID restrictions permit such public gatherings.)

Xmas lunch

The relaxation of the Covid rules is beginning to look more promising and we are hopeful that our Christmas lunch will go ahead and if there are limits on the numbers the venue is permitted to accommodate.

For those who have booked please pay by the 31. October. Payment is \$55.00 pp and can be made either by Bank transfer to our Probus account number BSB: 033-033 Account no.: 170138 or by our new online booking system. Please don't forget to state your name and what the function is for.

Helga Anderson

Welfare

“A kind word is like a Spring day”. (Russian Proverb)

This glorious spring weather lures us to the great outdoors to enjoy the fresh air and sunshine and lift our spirits. I am grateful for my garden to keep me busy. We are ever hopeful that this lockdown will end soon so that we can mix and mingle again.

This month we have two special birthdays to report: Margaret Soding is celebrating her 90th birthday and David Bruce celebrates his 91st. We congratulate them and wish them well. Best wishes also to our other members celebrating their October birthdays.

Regrettably, some of our members have been unwell and in hospital. We wish them well and a speedy recovery.

Wise words from his holiness the Dalai Lama: “If you think you are too small to make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito”.

Helga Anderson

Phillip Island trip 2022

The Committee has endorsed an excellently researched proposal by Geoff Bakes for a four day/three-night trip to Phillip Island in April 2022. In brief, participants would self-drive to Phillip Island where accommodation can be booked in well-appointed cabins at the Amaroo Park in Cowes. There are a number of interesting activities available on the island, not least of which is the world-famous Penguin Parade. Further details as they come to hand. In the meantime, check out the Park's Web site at: amaroopark.com.au.

Seniors Festival

Victorian Seniors Festival has started and runs through to the end of October with activities online. The program can be accessed on Seniors Online (www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au).

Technology bits 'n bytes

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Teaches the absolute beginner who has never used a computer before, right through to the competent user who needs a little extra help. They assist you with buying technology, security and internet to suit your needs and budget. They visit you in your own home to discuss your needs, take you shopping to help you purchase your equipment (when not in lockdown), then set it up in your own home and get it ready for your learning and enjoyment.

For information or a copy of their booklet containing all their sessions, call on 9596 4547 or email enquiries@stayintouch.net.au.

FREE ZOOM WEEKLY SESSIONS FOR SENIORS

FREE TECH TIP TUESDAYS FOR SENIORS AND OVER 50s

Free Virtual Zoom Meetings for Seniors from the comfort of your own home

You need to register for these free Stay in Touch sessions



Tech Tip Tuesdays

FUN FREE weekly group session for seniors
12.30-1.00pm - zoom meeting from home

Be Connected (www.dss.gov.au/seniors/be-connected-improving-digital-literacy-for-older-australians) is a Government website for seniors with step-by-step instructions on computer courses and internet management. It is aimed at increasing the confidence, skills and online safety of older Australians in using digital technology. This includes free help on:

- using a digital device
- being safe online
- sending emails
- using Facebook and other social media
- shopping and banking online
- using myGov to access Medicare, Centrelink and the ATO sharing photos with family, and much more.

Beaumaris Bay Probus Club Activities

COVID restrictions permitting

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
NOVEMBER 2021				
1	2 Melbourne Cup	3 Petanque (am); Committee (1.30pm)	4	5
8 Walking Group	9 Book Grp (11.00am)	10 Petanque; <i>Moulin Rouge</i>	11 BBQ @ Cheltenham Park (5.00pm)	12
15 Craft Group (1.30pm)	16 Mahjong (2.00pm)	17 General Meeting (10am)	18	19
22	23	24 Petanque	25	26
29	30			
DECEMBER 2021				
		1	2	3
6	7	8 Xmas lunch @ BMYS (12 noon)	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27 Xmas Day Holiday	28 Boxing Day Holiday	29	30	31
JANUARY 2022				
3 New Year's Day Holiday – Walk TBA	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26 Australia Day	27	28
FEBRUARY 2022				
	1	2	3	4
7 Twilight walk	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28				
MARCH 2022				
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14 Labour Day	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	