

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:** sec.beaubay@gmail.com



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President Geraldine's message:



On our recent journey to Queensland, we passed through some very interesting towns. We stopped at Cowra in NSW and were amazed at the history of the 1944 mass breakout of some 400 Japanese prisoners of war who escaped from the local detention camp which resulted in 235 deaths, including four Australian guards.

It reminded me of when I was young, two Italian boys arrived at our farm. Mario and Bill had come to Australia in 1941 in search of adventure!! War broke out and all the Italians were rounded up and interned in camps, and, in their case, it was Tatura in Victoria. After the war they were released to work on farms and other industries. So, Mario and Bill had been sent to us. They were set up in a cottage which was on the property, and they helped with the farm work in return for meals and washing.

One boy was a bit lazy but the other was very good with his hands and made items of metal work into kitchen utensils for my mother. She in return was very kind to them and made them extra cakes and biscuits and gave them other little luxuries. They stayed for about 18 months, and I am not sure what happened after that. We were led to believe that they returned to Italy.

Editor's note: The award-winning Japanese Garden at Cowra built to commemorate the Japanese POWs killed in the 1944 breakout is well worth a visit.

Notices

Speaker: Instead of a speaker this month, we will have Suzy McKellar, a cabaret style entertainer.



September birthdays: We wish Good Health and Many Happy Returns to: Carol Booth; Di David; Anne Duffy; Loyce Gibson; Marie Ilton; Robyn Kennedy; Resi McGrath; Margot Ryan; Jenny Stevenson; John Strauch; John Tindale; Judy Tindale; Joan Tomlinson.

Welfare: If you know of any of our members who is ill, hospitalised or would just like someone to call and talk, can you advise our Welfare Officer (Lyn Mather 0424 220 286) so a card can be sent, or a visit arranged.

Activities

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



On **Monday October 3** (the day after the commencement of daylight saving and the Victorian Seniors' Festival), we are going to make use of free public transport to travel to Castlemaine to have a walk around the historic town and visit a café for lunch.

We will catch the 8.39am train from Mordialloc; 8.41am Parkdale; 8.43am Mentone; 8.46am Cheltenham; 8.48am Southland; 8.50am Highett or 8.52am from Moorabbin, which will arrive at Southern Cross at 9.30 am.

YOU WILL NEED TO BRING BOTH YOUR MYKI AND SENIORS' CARDS.

Please regroup (as soon as possible after arrival) at the bottom of the escalators on the Spencer Street ground level concourse where we will check the large, illuminated departure board for country trains to determine from which platform our train to Castlemaine (on the Bendigo line) will be departing. At 9.55am we will meet again on the departure platform before boarding the train.

On arrival in Castlemaine at 11.33am we will walk to the visitors' centre (see map provided on the day) to commence an approximately hour-long circular walk in the historic town before having lunch in a local café.

There are two possible trains to catch for the return to Southern Cross depending on how long you wish to spend in Castlemaine after having lunch – these are the 2.49pm (arriving Southern Cross at 4.24pm) or 3.49pm (arriving at Southern Cross at 5.30pm).

To help with selecting a cafe for lunch, please let me know, as soon as possible, but before Thursday September 29, if you will be coming on the walk.

Mah-jong



As Mah-jong is now being held every Tuesday (at 1.30pm at the Cheltenham Golf Club), Jocelyn Besly is no longer able to be the Convenor. Phyl McLean has very kindly offered to take up the position. It is important to have an idea of numbers who are attending, so please let Phyl know (0430 037 485) if you will not be coming. We have

a keen group of players with some new people joining our ranks recently and we are happy to teach those who wish to learn the game.

Petanque



One could not have asked for a better morning than what was presented on the 7th September for the resumption of Petanque. We were greeted with sunshine and a dry surface to play on. Everyone looked refreshed after their winter hibernation and were in great spirits contributing plenty of banter and laughs.

It was very pleasing to see our new members, Morris and Lesley, together with Gary and Beryl, joining the group and really getting into the spirit of the game: friendship and fellowship. I look forward to seeing them as regular players.

I was also pleased to see a bowls stalwart, our own Neil McGrath return to Petanque, he was a very valuable member of my team and played some very good shots.

Hopefully spring will continue to present us with fine, dry mornings for our weekly get together. See you on the Piste.

Steve McColl

Lunch at Mordialloc HQ



I have taken the liberty of booking Mordialloc HQ (the old Stantons Pub in Main St., Mordialloc, on the hill) on *Thursday September 29* at 12 noon for lunch. They have quite a good selection of Seniors' meals at \$22 for two courses or \$24 for three courses.

Please indicate your interest by replying to sec.beaubay@gmail.com or by phone to Faye Wegat (0409) 265 503.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

Faye Wegat (Secretary)

Coffee, Chew 'n Chat



Come and join us on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 10.30am at the Rickett's Point Kiosk. Parking in the adjoining beachside car park is free for Bayside residents who have a parking permit. There's no need to book for this popular activity.

Reports



Thirty-five members of the Club enjoyed lunch in August at the *Tudor Inn*, Nepean Highway, Cheltenham. What a delight it was to see so many of our members join the committee for lunch, especially some of our newest members. There was great camaraderie among our members, and everybody joined in the conversations that were going on around them.

I did take a few photos but most of our members were too busy eating to be playful for the camera; however, the Editor captured us on video. (Follow the link to see the video: <u>Tudor Inn</u> <u>25 08 2022</u> <u>Trimmed.mp4</u>).

The food was very tasty and there were no empty plates that I could see. I appreciate the fact that members took the time to come and support the committee, and, of course, enjoy the company of their fellow members. It was a great day and there were still some of us talking at 2.45pm.

Faye Wegat



On 5th September, fourteen of us headed off to walk the Werribee River, mind you, not the whole length of it because it is 110 kms long.

We met on the train at 10am and I don't know how it happened but some of us ended up at the front of the train and some of us at the back. Anyway, we finally got together at Flinders Street Station and made our way to the correct platform to get the train to Werribee.

Upon arriving at Werribee, we picked up the trail along the river and started walking. It was lovely walking along the river, there were birds singing and as we walked further along, we saw some rapids, shame we didn't think to bring our canoes.

We extended our walk into Werribee's main thoroughfare and had lunch at a Pizza restaurant which was very nice, with lovely food and friendly service. The train trip home was uneventful, and Liz supplied us with a chocolate to keep our energy up.

Many thanks to Ken and Liz for organising the walk.

Faye Wegat

Tramboat cruise

A brief description of our day on the Tramboat; no-one did anything outrageous or funny, not even me, so the group in the photos below by Jenny Stevenson are all well behaved!

Twenty-eight of us set off at Victoria Harbour, Docklands, at 10.30am on September 8 to cruise part of the Maribyrnong River. Unfortunately, rain was threatening most of the day but thankfully held off. Not long after embarking and the Captain had upped anchors, we were served a delicious morning tea. (See middle photo.)

We cruised past the docks where the big ships are loaded and unloaded and up past the Flemington Racecourse to Poynton's Nursery at Essendon. There was some beautiful scenery along the way and some very expensive real estate.

After disembarking we made our way to the nursery and spent an enjoyable hour strolling around it. I've never been to this nursery before, and it was a real eye opener: it is huge with a gift shop and café.

We then hopped back on the boat and not long after we were served some very tasty sandwiches for lunch. You could also order a wine or beer if you wished for a small charge.

Upon arriving back to Docklands, we made our way to the train for the trip home. Everyone I spoke to thoroughly enjoyed the day. Thank you to Ingrid for organising it.

Faye Wegat



Golf Clubhouse closure

The clubhouse of the Golf Club will be closed for the last week of November and the first week of December whilst a major tournament is being conducted at the neighbouring Victoria Golf Club. The facilities of the Cheltenham Golf Club are being made available to the tournament's organisers for these two weeks.

Bridge, any one?



A Bridge group is being organised by Margot Ryan and Lesley Cotterill. Lesley has agreed to be the convenor and if you are interested in playing, you can phone her on (0401) 281 168. We will meet once a month from 1.30-3.30pm on the third Tuesday at the Cheltenham Golf Club.

Fun and games

This year we are welcoming back a Melbourne tradition by having a Melbourne Cup Sweep. The sweep will be run by Peter Pahl. He will conduct a \$2 sweep and a \$5 sweep with names and money (cash only) to be taken at the September General Meeting. Please support Peter and have a bit of fun too.

Also, as you all know, we are coming up to the AFL finals and we would love to see you sporting your footy colours at the September General Meeting. We will have some small prizes donated by Penny and Steve McColl. The committee would love to see you in your favourite footy team's colours and having a bit of a laugh (as pictured below). Will the Bombers' supporters be so happy this year?



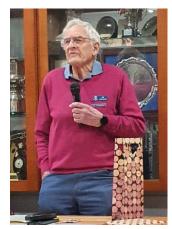
Let the Melbourne Cup go to your head ...





It's been some years since we have been able to dress up at the Golf Club for the Melbourne Cup. So, we're giving plenty of notice to the Ladies to visit their milliners for the latest in fascinators and for the (gentle) men to resurrect their hats. Our Club stewards will pass judgement on the best (or most original?) headgear at the October General Meeting.

August photo gallery



Jim Tomlinson chaired the monthly meeting



Jim inducted four new members (Beryl & Gary Strahan; Lesley & Morris Cotterill)



Guest speaker: Alex del Porto (Bayside Mayor)



General Meeting members



Jenny Stevenson and Pam Spencer enjoyed their craft work



Spring has sprung at last ...

BBPC Monthly Activities

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
SEPTEMBER 2022				
12	13 Book Group (11am); Mahjong (1.30pm);	14 Petanque (10.30m)	15	16
19 Craft Group (1.30pm)	20 Mahjong (1.30pm); Bridge (1.30pm)	21 General Meeting @ 10.00am	22	23 Grand Final holiday
26	27 Coffee (10.30am); Mahjong (1.30pm)	28 Petanque (10.30m)	29 Mordialloc HQ Lunch @ 12 noon	30
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3 Walk – Castlemaine (Seniors' Festival)	4 Mahjong (1.30pm)	5 Petanque (10.30m); Committee (1.30pm)	6	7
10	11 Book Group 11.00am; Mahjong (1.30pm)	12 Petanque (10.30m)	13	14
17 Craft Group (1.30pm)	18 Mahjong (1.30pm); Bridge (1.30pm)	19 General Meeting @ 10.00am	20	21
24	25 Coffee (10.30am); Mahjong (1.30pm)	26 Petanque (10.30m)	27	28
NOVEMBER 2022				
	1 Melbourne Cup	2 Petanque (10.30m); Committee (1.30pm)	3	4
7 Walk	8 Book Group 11.00am; Mahjong (1.30pm)	9 Petanque (10.30m)	10	11
14	15 Mahjong (1.30pm); Bridge (1.30pm)	16 General Meeting @ 10.00am	17	18
21 Craft Group (1.30pm)	22 Coffee (10.30am); Mahjong (1.30pm)	23 Petanque (10.30m)	24	25
28 Golf Club closed for two weeks	29 Mahjong (1.30pm) ?	30 Petanque (10.30m)		
	DE	CEMBER 202	22 * To be confirm	ned
			1	2
5 Walking Group	6 Mahjong (1.30pm) ?	7 Xmas lunch – BMYS (Booked)	8	9
12 Golf Club re-opens	13 Mahjong (1.30pm)	14	15	16
19 Craft Group (1.30pm)	20	21	22	23
26 Xmas public holiday	27 Public holiday	28	29	30
	J	ANUARY 202	3 * To be confirme	ed
2 NY Day holiday	3	4	5	6
9 Walking Group	10 Coffee catch-up	11	12	13
16	17	18 Lunch	19	20 Book Grp – Holiday reading
23	24	25	26 Australia Day	27
30	31			