

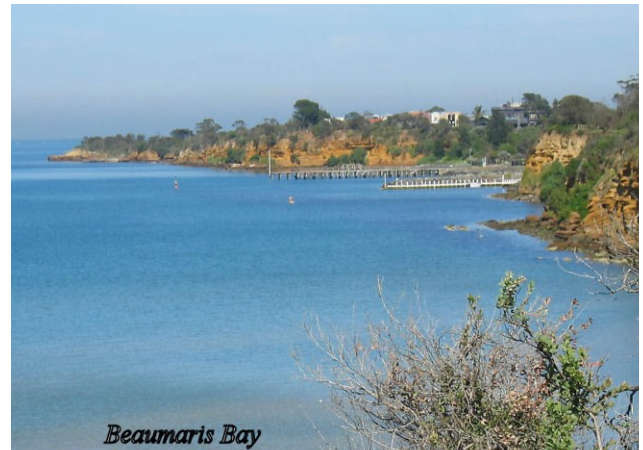


# Beaumaris Waves

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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 Margot Ryan (0427 436 693) prior to 7.30pm on Tuesday evening beforehand or by **email to:** [sec.beaubay@gmail.com](mailto:sec.beaubay@gmail.com)

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## President's message

Reflecting on where I think the Club is and where I think it should go, I am reminded what a good job Jim Tomlinson has done over the past year as President. As newcomers to the Club, Jim and Joan quickly assimilated into the Club and furthered its objectives.

As I mentioned at the AGM, our Club is doing very well compared to other Probus Clubs. We are financially secure, have a full Committee, conveners for our activities and many helpers in varying capacities. However, we must not get complacent. It is only a year or two ago that we could not fill a number of Committee positions, and we all know that if we do not have people taking up Committee positions, we will not have a Club. This is evidenced by the closure of a number of Probus Clubs in Bayside over the past year. The Committee believes our Club is progressing in the right direction and we will strive to continue the work that Jim oversaw and tweak some things where appropriate. The world is changing continually, so we need to adapt to it.

In March we had a BBQ at Jim and Joan Tomlinson's which was attended by more than forty members. It was a great success. Thank you to the volunteers for the food and organisation, and Jim and Joan for their hospitality.

Also, in March we had the Croquet evening attended by twenty-six members. Geraldine and Penny, together with a number of other helpers, put on an excellent spread. We had a great evening with some very enthusiastic players. I think we had more people there for the social aspect of the evening, but that's what the Club is for.

Should you have any suggestions for improving the Club, please talk to me or any member of the committee. Cheers, Mike.

**April birthdays:** We wish Good Health and Many Happy Returns to: Michele Backholer; Laurie Gwillim; Neil Howard; Jim Scott.

**April guest speaker** will be Pam Haigh who is a representative of Guide Dogs Victoria and is going to provide us with an insight into the challenges that living with low vision presents and what it is like living with a seeing-eye dog. Pam is not sure who controls who!

## Activities

**Walking Group (Convenor: Ken Launder; Email: [klauder@bigpond.com](mailto:klauder@bigpond.com))**

On **Monday April 8** our walk will be in a suburb of Melbourne that a couple of our members know well – Newport - which is on the Williamstown/Werribee train lines. We will catch the 9.59 am train from Mordialloc, 10.03 am Mentone, 10.06 am Cheltenham, 10.08 am Southland, or 10.10 am Highett in the last carriage. This train will take us directly to Newport where we will arrive at 11.03 am. From the station we will walk approximately 1.0 km (approx. 15 minutes) to Newport Lakes Park, a bushland oasis created from a former bluestone quarry and rubbish tip site, where we will walk through some of the parkland and around both of the lakes. We will then return to the station to catch a train back one station to Spotswood where we will go to the Spotswood Hotel (which is very close to the station) to have lunch at approx. 12.30 pm. Could you please let me know by **Friday April 5** if you intend coming and would like me to book lunch for you.

On **Monday May 6** we will meet at 10.30 am on the beach side of Beach Road opposite Marina Road, Mentone. If you have a Kingston Council Beach Parking Permit, free parking is available in the adjacent carpark. Otherwise, street parking can be found in Marina Road or on Beach Road.

Our walk will be south along Beach Road. At the new Mentone Lifesaving Club, we will climb to the upper level of the building to have a view over the Bay before returning to ground level and then walking down the ramp to join the beachside path stopping opposite Warrigal Road. On our return to the Life Saving Club, we will cross Beach Road at the traffic lights to visit Chain of Fools café for refreshments.

**JUNE 2024 WALK - ADVANCE NOTICE: WE ARE GOING TO PARIS!!**

***Paris: Impressions of life 1880 – 1925***

Venue: Bendigo art gallery

Date: Monday June 3.

Concession Gallery entry price is \$25.00.

This exhibition takes visitors on a journey through the lively and picturesque streets of historic Paris. The busy banks of the Seine, bustling marketplaces, grand boulevards, idyllic public gardens and the heady atmosphere of bohemian Montmartre are brought to life in more than 170 works of art and artisan objects from the renowned collection of the Musée Carnavalet which was founded in 1866.

## Walks (cont'd)

On **Monday June 3** we will travel by train to Bendigo leaving Southern Cross station at 10.06 am. If you have applied in the past to have the two free V-Line travel vouchers offered by PTV downloaded onto your Seniors Card, you can use one of these to cover the cost of your return travel. (#) Otherwise the Myki ticket return fare is \$5.30 .

On reaching Bendigo we will walk to the Shamrock Hotel for lunch - a 15-minute walk from the station and then an approximately ten-minute walk to the Gallery where we will have a booking for 2.00 pm.

If you wish to come to the Exhibition, please let me know by **Wednesday April 17** (the next Probus meeting) by giving me a sealed envelope, clearly showing your name, how many tickets you require and the amount enclosed. If at all possible, the correct money would be appreciated. Alternatively, you can deliver your envelope to the locked letterbox at Unit 2, 21 Gillman Street, Cheltenham by the due date.

Further information including suburban train times will be in the May Newsletter.

# If you wish to apply to receive your free vouchers please read how to apply at "PTV – free travel vouchers" as some future walks may involve V-Line travel.

## Lunches

The next lunch is on **May 23** at Mordy HQ (Nepean Highway, Mordialloc) at 12 noon. A la carte and Seniors' menus are available. Entry to its carpark is from Epsom Road as well as from Beach Road. The staff have requested that we order our meals one table at a time to facilitate the service of our meals. Names to Joy Meekings (0434) 558 437.

## Mid-year lunch

A booking has been made for the mid-year lunch at The Bridge Hotel in Mordialloc on **20th June 2024** at 12 noon. The cost per person is \$65 for a two-course meal of main and dessert, including a welcome drink of beer, wine or soft drink. Please register your interest with Faye Wegat on (0409) 265 503 or you can put your name down at the General Meeting. Payment is due by the 15th May General Meeting and can be made via a Bank transfer to the Club's bank account or via the Website.

## Annual subscriptions

Your annual subscription of \$70 (including Morning Tea) is now due and payable, either to the Club's bank account (details on Page 1) or to the Shop under the Members' heading on the club's Web site ([www.beaumarisbay.org.au](http://www.beaumarisbay.org.au)) - instructions for which are on the Shop Help Page.

# Croquet Night

What more could one ask for? A mild evening on Thursday March 21, a light breeze, very pleasant surroundings in which to enjoy a meal and an opportunity to promote what Probus is about, "Friendship, fellowship and fun." Our twenty-six members were greeted by Sandringham Croquet Club members, Ivy, Lyn and Andrew, who welcomed us and provided firsthand tutoring to some very challenging participants.

There was a lot of laughter as we novices endeavoured to achieve the task of hitting a medium size ball through a hoop that appeared to be smaller than the ball. Of course, there were some members who mastered this task very quickly. Our Past President managed to score a hoop from a very long distance (see Pic 1 below) and our Vice-President displayed a very strong aptitude for the techniques of the pendulum swing, although he seemed to be across all areas of the court.

One can only guess at what was happening on the court occupied by Wendy Crawford and Kathy Manallack as their constant merriment could be heard by the players on adjoining courts. Could you imagine these two sitting beside each other in a classroom, poor teacher!

Well-deserved awards were made by President Mike (Pix 2-4) to Wendy Crawford (Pic 2), Denise Hesline (Pic 3) and Julie Walsh (Pic 4). A special thanks to Geraldine McGann, Penny the Pav Queen and all the kitchen hands, who, I must say, were challenged in the preparation and presentation of the meal due to a very small kitchen. Well done, the final result was great.

Suffice to say, the evening was a great success, the weather gods were on our side, the venue was well presented and being in the company of friends and acquaintances is what it is all about.

**Steve McColl**



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# Easter Parade

(Some photos may have been digitally enhanced)



New President Mike



New Committee 2024



"In your Easter bonnet, with all the frills upon it."



Ladies' finalists



Pretty hat



Mystery winner



Best Men's winner, Bill



# BBPC Activities 2024

## APRIL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8 Walk - Newport	9 Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	10 Petanque (10.30am)	11	12
15 Craft Grp (1.30pm)	16 Bridge 1.00-3.00pm Mahjong (1.30pm)	17 General Meeting @ 10.00am	18	19
22	23 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	24 Petanque (10.30am)	25 <b>Anzac Day</b>	26
29 <b>Daylesford trip begins (to May 3)</b>	30 Mahjong (1.30pm)			

## MAY

6 Walk - Mentone	7 Mahjong (1.30pm)	8 Petanque (10.30am) Committee (1.30pm)	9	10
13	14 Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	15 General Meeting @ 10.00am	16	17
20 Craft Grp (1.30pm)	21 Bridge 1.00-3.00pm Mahjong (1.30pm)	22 Petanque (10.30am)	23 Lunch @ Mordy HQ (12 noon) – see p. 3	24
27	28 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	29 Petanque (10.30am)	30	31

## JUNE

3 Walk - Bendigo	4 Mahjong (1.30pm)	5 Petanque (10.30am) Committee (1.30pm)	6	7
10 <b>King's Birthday</b>	11 Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	12 Petanque (10.30am)	13	14
17 Craft Grp (1.30pm)	18 Bridge 1.00-3.00pm Mahjong (1.30pm)	19 General Meeting @ 10.00am	20 <b>Mid-year lunch Bridge Hotel</b>	21
24	25 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	26 Petanque (10.30am)	27	28

## JULY

1 Walk	2 Mahjong (1.30pm)	3 Petanque (10.30am) Committee (1.30pm)	4	5
8	9 Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	10 Petanque (10.30am)	11	12
15 Craft Grp (1.30pm)	16 Bridge 1.00-3.00pm Mahjong (1.30pm)	17 General Meeting @ 10.00am	18	19
22	23 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	24 Petanque (10.30am)	25	26
29	30	31 Petanque (10.30am)		

## AUGUST

5 Walk	6 Mahjong (1.30pm)	3 Petanque (10.30am) Committee (1.30pm)	8	9
12	13 Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	14 Petanque (10.30am)	15	16
19 Craft Grp (1.30pm)	20 Bridge 1.00-3.00pm Mahjong (1.30pm)	21 General Meeting @ 10.00am	22	23
26	27 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	28 Petanque (10.30am)	29	30