

# Beaumaris Waves

# The Combined Probus Club of Beaumaris Bay Inc. Reg. No. A0042553N

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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

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#### President's message:

It was very pleasing to see so many at our last meeting. Combined with our inductees and visitors it was one of our best attended meetings and showed the substantial growth of the club. Our speakers were from Highett Podiatrist, who reminded us all of the necessity of caring for our feet and the little things we can all do to help our lives. Penny McColl won the prize donated by Highett Podiatrist and I'm pleased to inform everyone she has had a truly lovely response from their staff. The introduction of a casual lunch after our meeting saw over 20 attend and I urge anyone interested to let Janette know. On the 23rd of April, Mike, Janette and I attended a meeting of the Bayside Probus clubs. This really highlighted how strong and inclusive we are at Beaumaris Bay. The Cerberus Club advised they are having problems with activities such as trips and that maybe clubs could advertise to help fill vacancies. This will be for further discussion at the next gettogether of the district clubs. Following a presentation by the guest president from the Ashburton club, it was suggested it's time to streamline and modernise meetings to a far less formal format. I will put this forward for further discussion at our May general meeting to gauge how our members think we should proceed. Looking forward to introducing our new inductees of which there will be four this month. Gary Strahan

**May birthdays:** We wish Good Health and Many Happy Returns to: John Backholer; June Ferguson; Marilyn Hubbard; Pauline Kerr; Lyn Mather; Phyliss McLean; Christine Simmons; Jane Sommerville; Frank Spencer; Beryl Strahan; Val Strauch; Judith Tindale.

## **Speakers corner**

Our May speaker is Winston Marsh on *Lies your mother told!* A humorous look at the flexibility of truth through your mother's words.

#### Walking group

**Convenor: Ken Launder (0414) 262 900** 

On *Monday June 9*, the second Monday in the month (King's Birthday Public Holiday), we will walk through part of Braeside Park which is made up of a series of diverse environmental communities. When driving along Lower Dandenong Road towards Dandenong, the Park is on the right-hand side with the entrance directly opposite Sandleford Place. (Melway 88 D8). Parking is available in Car Park No 1 – Swallow (close to the entrance) or Car Park No 2 – Kestrel which is a short distance further in. We will meet in the first Car Park at 10.30 am before walking along some of the surrounding trails. After the walk we will drive back down Lower Dandenong Road to Boundary Road where we will turn right and continue along to the corner of Centre Dandenong Road to visit McDonald's for refreshments.

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On a mild sunny April morning, a group of Probus walkers set off from the beach end of North Road and headed north along the Bay Trail. As usual there was lots of chatter, and some would say not much to see. How wrong you would be. First, there was the beautiful bay, with its cargo boats and birdlife. People on the path, walking with and without dogs, running, pushing babies in prams, and a few people on the beach just enjoying the day. About three quarters of the way to our turnaround point was Elwood Pier. This concrete pier with concrete balustrades hides a surprise of several interesting and historically informative painted tile panels which were admired by our group. A few of the ladies in our midst spied something interesting in the water at Elwood Beach, two young males in pretty good nick budgie smugglers. See, you never know what you may find on our walks, and it doesn't seem to matter how far we go we always find plenty to talk about. We returned along the path to our starting point and into the North Point Cafe for some welcome refreshments and more chatter. The sweet treats on offer at the cafe was a hit with many. Another enjoyable walk and thanks to Ken and Liz for organising it. *Wendy Crawford* 





#### Mid-year luncheon

A mid-year luncheon has been arranged to take place on the **June 26** at the Bentleigh RSL in the upstairs function room. Cost is \$55 for Antipasto platters and a drink on arrival, followed by a two-course meal including mains and dessert. Please put your name down with Joy Meekings who will be on hand at the May meeting. Payment is required by the end of May.

Faye Wegat (0409 265 503) and Joy Meekings (0434 558 437)

#### **Films**

The April morning screening of the musical movie *Billy Elliot* saw a small group of Probians attend and we saw a first-class show. It was decided to enjoy the coffee get-together in the cafe section of the theatre after the movie, where we were joined by Steve and Penny who were unable to see the movie but joined us for the social gathering with lots of stories about the Anglesea trip.

A reminder that our movie for May is getting close. Tickets for Dr Zhivago on **Saturday 17th May** at 2.00pm are available online or at the Classic theatre in Elsternwick. It is not possible to book actual seats for the matinee, but the theatre has advised me that entrance to Cinema 9 is from the rear. Our dinner reservation after the movie is at the Elsternwick Hotel, on the corner of the Nepean Highway (Brighton Road) and Glenferrie Road. There is plenty of car parking at the hotel with a two-block walk to the theatre. There is also all-day parking beside the train line. Can't make the movie? Everyone is welcome to join us for dinner at 6.00 pm but let me know ASAP so I can confirm numbers with the hotel. **Carol Hughes** (0452) 076732 or carolghughes@gmail.com

## Fire Services Museum/Metro Tunnel Project

To be at Southern Cross station at 9.40am, let's meet in the back carriage on the Frankston line train at Parkdale 8.51am; Mentone 8.53am; Cheltenham 8.56am; Southland 8.58am; Highett 9.00am. At Richmond we need to change trains and hop off at Parliament station. We will walk along Nicholson Street to our destination at 39 Gisborne Street. Our tour is booked for 10.30am and will finish around midday Then very close is Cafe Ecco - the first group will need to order first and be prepared to leave by 12.30pm to take a tram to Swanston Street for a 1.00pm presentation at the Metro Tunnel (125 Swanston Street). After (2.00pm) we can go to Brunetti Oro in Flinders Lane to finish lunch! The second group can relax and enjoy lunch but will need to be at Swanston Street by 2pm - the presentation takes an hour. Travelling home will be informal. *Janette James* 

## Scheduled activities directory

Group	Convenor	Venue	Day of the month/time	
Book group	Jan Storey	Cheltenham Golf Club	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday @ 11.00am	
Coffee, Chew &	Graeme Storey	Rickett's Point Tea	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday @ 10.30am	
Chat		House (Beach Road)		
Craft group	Helen Scott	Cheltenham Golf Club	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday @ 1.30pm	
Crime Readers	Margot Burke	Cheltenham Golf Club	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday @ 11.00am	
Mah jong	Phyl McLean	Cheltenham Golf Club	Tuesday weekly @ 1.30pm	
Petanque	Steve McColl	Beaumaris Oval	Wednesday weekly @ 10.30am	
Walking group	Ken Launder	Local areas	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday morning	

## **Dandenong Market**

The "Food Tour of Dandenong Market" on Tuesday 29 April proved to be a fun outing on another perfect autumn day. Our experienced and entertaining guide, Chef Tim (pictured), gave insights into the 160-year history of the market and introduced us to many of the multi-cultural traders, who were generous in offering us samples of their delicious food.

While the Mahjong players hastened back to home base for their games, the rest of us were able to stay at the Market for lunch, coffee and shopping for the wonderful fresh fruit and vegies that we found were at bargain prices. Thanks to Janette for organizing the day. **Kathy Ely** 





## **Crime Readers Group**

#### Crime buffs mix it up

Having discussed the novel, *A Distant Echo*, at their April meeting, the Probus Crime Readers Group decided to gather at a member's home to watch the television version of the book. Popcorn, pizza and pinot were on the menu and such a wonderful evening was had by all, that members decided it would be a crime not to do this again! When Richard Osman's bestseller, *The Thursday Murder Club*, hits the screen in August, the group plan another special event. If you are interested in joining this group of crime buffs, get in touch with Margot Burke via email (mbburke2@bigpond.com). The group meets the third Thursday of the month at 11.00am at the Cheltenham Golf Club.

## **Bendigo**



A reminder to all interested in travelling to Bendigo to see the Frida Kahlo exhibition on *Thursday 12th June* that you will need to purchase your tickets online. Concession tickets are \$30 - book in as guest and choose the 1.00pm entry. We will travel by train, catching the 10.06am service to Bendigo from Southern Cross. Alternatively. you could decide to drive. The return train options are 2.49/3.49/16.28pm.I am staying on as I want to visit the Buddhist Stupa (pictured) the next day - I know three others have decided to do the same thing (that, of course, has to be a private arrangement). However, let me know (janettejames.47@gmail.com) if you also plan to stay overnight as we may like to have dinner together.

Bendigo is really celebrating this exhibition with its many Mexican restaurants and especially tacos!

Janette James

#### Coffee, chew & chat



New members may not know that we have an informal coffee gathering on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Rickett's Point Tea House in Beach Road, where plentiful free car parking for Bayside residents is available in the adjacent beach carpark. The Tea House is an iconic and unique venue situated on the Rickett's Point foreshore in Bayside. We meet at 10.30am for an informal, unstructured coffee and cake get-together where we enjoy prompt and efficient service. I book a long table in the front section of the café. This has been a long-running activity which usually attracts a dozen or so coffee lovers, and there is no need to book. So come along and get to know your fellow Club members.

Graeme Storey

#### **Constitution review**

#### Review of our Club's constitution

Clubs such as our Beaumaris Bay Probus Club operate under a constitution. The constitution provides the rules under which our Club operates; for instance, we must have a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Probus South Pacific Ltd (PSPL), our parent organisation, provides a model constitution for all Probus clubs in Australia. Once adopted by our members, our constitution is lodged with Consumer Affairs Victoria. We are then registered as an incorporated association, which gives our Club formal legal status and protects individual members from legal liability.

#### **Our Club's Standing Resolutions**

Standing Resolutions provide additional detail on how our Club operates. Resolutions are adopted by the membership by a majority vote at a general meeting. They include, for instance, when general meetings are held and give authority to our committee to appoint Convenors of our Club's activities.

#### Adoption of new Constitution and Standing Resolutions

PSPL recently provided all Probus Clubs in Australia with a new Model Constitution and Standing Resolutions for their consideration. Our committee has accordingly set up a subcommittee to revise our Constitution. Ultimately, there will be no change to how our Club functions, as any new Constitution and Standing Resolutions, as recommended by your committee, will embody our already well-established operating procedures. You will have the opportunity to ratify the new Constitution and Standing Resolutions at a General Meeting in due course.

Graeme Storey

# Our Easter parade



Prez Gary and Beryl



Our new Secretary



Some of us stayed for lunch after the meeting



Helen and Kim were inducted



Steve introduced the speakers



Geraldine's fancy hat



## **Calendar of activities**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday		
MAY 2025						
5 Walk	6 Mahjong (1.30pm)	7 Petanque (10.30am) Committee (1.30pm)	8	10 Op Shop Crawl Cheltenham (10.00am)		
12	<b>13</b> Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	<b>14</b> Petanque (10.30am)	15 Crime Readers Grp @ 11.00am	<b>17</b> - <i>Dr Zhivago</i> movie Classic Th. E'wick 2.00pm		
<b>19</b> Craft Grp (1.30pm)	<b>20</b> Bridge (1.00-3.00pm) Mahjong (1.30pm)	21 General Meeting @ 10.00am	22	24		
26	<b>27</b> Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	<b>28</b> Petanque (10.30am)	29 Fire Museum (am) Metro Tunnel (pm)			
JUNE 2025						
2	3 Mahjong (1.30pm)	4 Committee (1.30pm)	5	7		
9 King's Birthday Walk – Braeside Park	<b>10</b> Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	11	<b>12</b> Frida Kahlo Exhibit Bendigo Art Gallery	14		
16	<b>17</b> Bridge (1.00-3.00pm) Mahjong (1.30pm)	18 General Meeting @ 10.00am	19 Crime Readers Grp @ 11.00am	21		
23	<b>24</b> Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	25	26 Mid-year lunch @ Bentleigh RSL	28		
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JULY 2025						
	1 Mahjong (1.30pm)	2 Committee (1.30pm)	3	5		
7 Walk	8 Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	9	10	12		
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