



Beaumaris Waves

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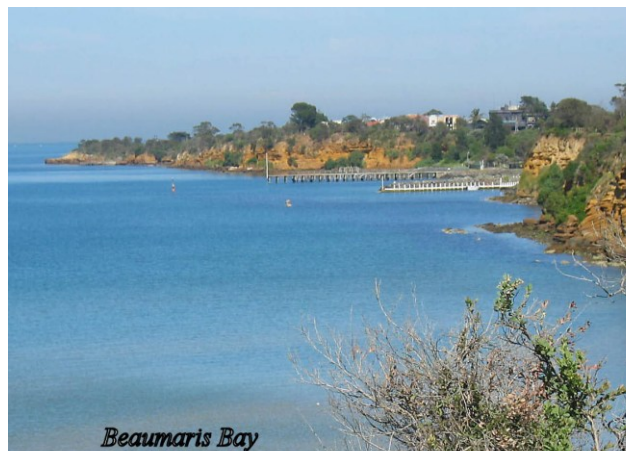
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Meetings: The Club meets at 10.00am on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Cheltenham Golf Club, 33 Victor Avenue, Cheltenham (off Weatherall Road).

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



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President' message

Winter has suddenly come with a burst, and this was reflected in the attendance at our June meeting by the number of apologies. Beryl and I had thought we would get away to the warmth of Queensland as well but unfortunately, I think we took the cold weather with us. At our next meeting we will formally vote for life membership for Liz and Ken Launder who have been members since 2004. They have given so much to the club in that time and continue to do so and I believe are very worthy recipients. A group travelled to Bendigo for the Frida Kahlo exhibition and am sure would have had a wonderful time. Unfortunately, with being away, Beryl and I missed the mid-year lunch. I have been informed that the day was a great success as well as delicious food. These lunches take a great deal of work, and we thank Faye and Joy for the wonderful job they do. Our guest speaker for June, Lisa Bryant, gave us such an insight into the way the Olympic and Commonwealth games are organised and the highs and lows of competitive sport, together with the sacrifices needed to reach such a high level. I will try desperately to bring some warmth and sunshine back from Queensland for our next meeting but based on today's temperatures it's looking highly unlikely.

Gary Strahan

July birthdays: We wish Good Health and Many Happy Returns to: Jennifer Harrington; Brenda Matthews; Kathleen Ngoma; Lyndell O'Brien; Pamela Spencer; Graeme Storey; Kim Turner.

Speakers corner

Speaker for July: Our speaker for July will be Geoff Bransbury who will again entertain us with more stories of his solo motorcycle journey through South America.

Walking group

August walk

On **Monday August 4** we will have a second attempt at having a Braeside Park Walk. Travelling along Governor Road towards Dandenong South you will pass under the elevated Mordialloc Freeway and soon after there will be a faded sign on your left indicating "Entrance to Braeside Park 200 metres". Turn left into the car park which is just outside the actual entrance to the Park where we will meet at 10.30 am before walking through the Park to join part of the Wetlands Trail where we will overlook a section of the lake. At the conclusion of the walk, we will turn right from the car park into Governor Road and drive down to Boundary Road. then turn right and drive along to White Street before turning left to go to *Hendricks Café* at Number 105 (on right hand side).

June walk report

On the King's Birthday Public Holiday, we were scheduled to walk through part of Braeside Park but due to pouring rain this walk was cancelled. All members are invited to join us for some exercise and good company on our monthly walks which are usually held on the first Monday of the month.

Wendy Crawford

Mid-year lunch

On Thursday 26 June, fifty members enjoyed an excellent mid-year lunch at the Bentleigh RSL. The atmosphere was very relaxed and welcoming. We had our own dining area. The staff were friendly and obliging. Food excellent. I'm certain we'll be going there again as everyone really enjoyed themselves.

Faye and Joy

Immigration Museum

A reminder that on **Thursday 10th July** I have organised a trip to the Immigration Museum from 10.30 to 12 noon - travelling by train to Flinders Street station then a walk or tram ride to the venue. Entry is free for all concession card holders and \$10 for Seniors. Travel arrangements are as follows: meet in the back carriage on the Frankston line 9.16am train from Cheltenham (Parkdale 9.11am; Highett 9.20am). Afterwards I suggest a casual lunch at Brunetti's (250 Flinders Lane) but that is your choice.

Janette James

Bendigo outing

Nineteen Club members made it to Bendigo, either by train or car, on Thursday 12th June. After a quick lunch at the Bridgewater Bakery, it was a short walk in the sunshine to the art gallery for the Frida Kahlo exhibition. This was an intimate account of this artist's life - we were all captivated by the life she lived despite her disabilities. Those of us who had the opportunity to watch *Frida*, the movie on Netflix beforehand, commented on how helpful that was as we delved further into her fascinating love affairs and two marriages with the renowned artist Diego Rivera.

This precious collection of her personal belongings, clothing, make-up, accessories and medical items had been sealed in a bathroom for 50 years - and Bendigo is the first Australian gallery to offer this exhibition to the public.

Six of us stayed overnight in Bendigo and visited what is the largest Stupa in the Western World. It is some twenty minutes out towards Myers's Flat, set in bushland. The Stupa is surrounded by a Peace Park with twenty-one interfaith symbols and is the only one of its kind, in the world.

This Tibetan structure is amazing and a work in progress as it is based on a 100-year plan - and is being built to last 1,000 years. It is the most sacred building in Buddhism and was blessed by His Holiness the Dalai Lama in 2007. It is an active organisation that offers a place of peace and harmony for all beings - as we drove back into Melbourne amongst the Friday afternoon traffic we kept reflecting on the contrast in our experience -from absolute peace to chaos!

Janette James



Police Museum

I have booked a tour for twenty-five members to visit this new state-of-the-art museum located at 313 Spencer St., Docklands, on **Thursday 28th August** at 10.00am. It was opened in September 2023 following a 3-year build and development. It is only open from Tuesday to Thursday and entry is free. I believe it has the largest collection of Kelly gang armour, information about notorious crimes, police equipment, forensic evidence, etc. We will travel by train to Southern Cross station then take a short stroll to the venue. I am in the process of organising lunch afterwards and will have details by our next meeting.

Janette James

Life memberships

Special Resolution to Grant Life Memberships 2025

As per clause 5(h) of the Constitution, the Committee approves the nomination of Ken and Liz Launder for Life Membership and recommends at the monthly General Meeting on 16th July 2025 that:

“Ken Launder and Liz Launder be awarded Life Membership in recognition of their outstanding service to the club.”

Moved: Gary Strahan **Seconded:** Faye Wegat

Record of service of the nominees

Since joining the Club in 2004, Ken and Liz have both been very active in its activities over many years in various rôles on the Committee of the Club (as below) which they have performed with distinction and are each worthy of the award for their individual contribution.

Ken Launder's rôle

- Assistant Walks Convenor 2006-2012
- Walks Convenor 2012-
- Treasurer 2008-2010



Liz Launder's rôle

Program Convenor (Speakers Panel) 2006-2020



Inverloch 2026

The annual extended trip next year will be to Inverloch. John Backholer has reserved a variety of cabins at the Inverloch Big 4 Holiday Park from **Monday 23rd March to Friday 27th March 2026** (four nights). He will provide details at this month's general meeting. As well as being a fun-filled holiday, these trips are a great way to get to know your fellow Club members.

June photo gallery



Our speaker in June was Lisa Bryant who has had extensive experience as a sports announcer. She spoke specifically about her role at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games in introducing the badminton competitors. Lisa was the Women's Singles Badminton gold medallist at the 1994 Canadian Commonwealth Games as well as a Bronze Medallist in the Badminton team event at the same games. In 1996 she competed in the Women's Singles badminton in the Atlanta Olympic Games. Lisa is pictured above with her gold medal and her proud mother, our Secretary Faye.

Movie outings

Unfortunately, June proved to be a month without a movie to suit, and July, being school holidays, seems to be just as difficult. However, August is looking promising, and we hope to see many members at the following shows:

"Pride and Prejudice" – the 20th anniversary of Jane Austen's classic movie. Rediscover the love story between Elizabeth and Mr Darcy.

Date: Saturday 2nd August at 3.20pm at the Palace theatre, Brighton (the old Dendy). We will stay on for an early dinner with venue TBA. Park underneath the building and stay warm and dry.

And also, in August, at the Beaumaris Theatre, the stage show, *"The Witches."* Fun and surprises.

Date: **Saturday 23rd August** at 2.00pm

Please purchase your tickets ASAP for these outings so you can book the seats you prefer, and please let me know if you are coming so I have numbers.

Carol Hughes: Mobile (0452) 076 732 or e-mail (carolghughes@gmail.com)



Calendar of activities

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday
JULY 2025				
7 Walk	8 Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	9 Pétanque (10.30am)	10 Immigration Museum (10.30am)	12
14	15 Bridge (1.00-3.00pm) Mahjong (1.30pm)	16 General Meeting @ 10.00am	17 Crime Readers Grp @ 11.00am	19
21	22 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	23 Pétanque (10.30am)	24	26
28	29	30 Pétanque (10.30am)	31 Beleura House Mornington	
AUGUST 2025				
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4 Walk – Braeside Park	5 Mahjong (1.30pm)	6 Committee (1.30pm)	7	9
11	12 Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	13 Pétanque (10.30am)	14	16
18	19 Bridge (1.00-3.00pm) Mahjong (1.30pm)	20 General Meeting @ 10.00am	21 Crime Readers Grp @ 11.00am	23
25	26 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	27 Pétanque (10.30am)	28 Police Museum Lunch TBA	30
SEPTEMBER 2025				
1 Walk	2 Mahjong (1.30pm)	3 Pétanque (10.30am) Committee (1.30pm)	4	6
8	9 Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	10 Pétanque (10.30am)	11 McLelland Gallery	13
15	16 Bridge (1.00-3.00pm) Mahjong (1.30pm)	17 General Meeting @ 10.00am	18 Crime Readers Grp @ 11.00am	20
22	23 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	24 Pétanque (10.30am)	25 Lunch @ <i>Just Italy</i> - TBA	27
29	30			
OCTOBER 2025				
		1 Pétanque (10.30am) Committee (1.30pm)	2	4
6 Walk	7 Mahjong (1.30pm)	8 Pétanque (10.30am)	9	11
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