



# Beaumaris Waves

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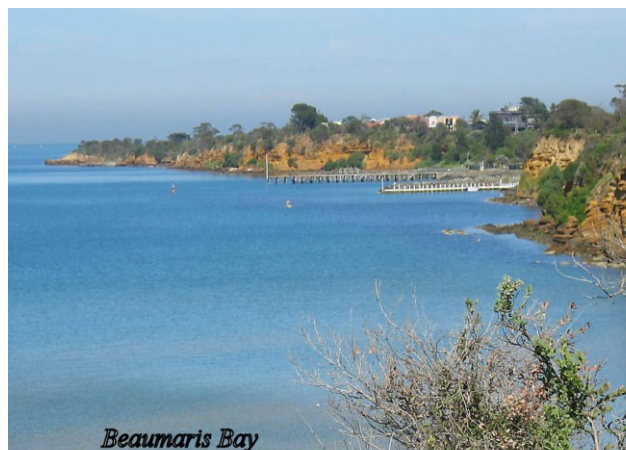
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**Meetings:** The Club meets at 10.00am on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Cheltenham Golf Club, 33 Victor Avenue, Cheltenham (off Weatherall Road).

**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](mailto:sec.beaubay@gmail.com)



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## President's message

Attendance at our last meeting reflected that the much-needed sunshine has arrived. The induction of our three new members has seen membership reach one hundred which it's really great for our club. Since I spoke at our last meeting, the Cheltenham Golf Club has made application to the council for the cancellation of their existing lease and a new 21 year one be put in place. I was invited to speak on behalf of Beaumaris Bay Probus Club at the council meeting in support of the golf club which was both interesting and a rewarding experience. I felt it very important for our future that we take this action. Whilst it was passed by six to one by the council, this is subject to community consultation and will be revisited in November. A special thank you to Mike Simmons and Joan Fry for their work in updating our financial situation. Please give this some thought as to how much we should increase our fees for next year. The trip away next year is in full swing already with 43 members committed to participating. What would we do without the great work of John & Michele Backholer? We had an interesting speaker this month in Margie Borthwick from Care Connect. I urge all members to take on board her advice and register for Aged Care, if you have not already done so. The next five weeks are a busy time for club activities, just make sure you have advised the relevant activities coordinator if you wish to participate, some are at capacity already with waiting lists. Our after-meeting lunches are proving to be very popular so, please, try to let Janette know a week before if you intend to stay. Don't forget it's the Grand Final dress-up meeting next month so turn up in your football colours.

**Gary Strahan**

**September birthdays:** We wish Good Health and Many Happy Returns to: Carol Booth (27<sup>th</sup>); Roberta Boyce; Helen Burke (17<sup>th</sup>); Di David (21<sup>st</sup>); Loyce Gibson; Janette James (12<sup>th</sup>); Robyn Kennedy; Resi McGrath; Margot Ryan; Jenny Stevenson; John Strauch; John Tindale; Joan Tomlinson (23<sup>rd</sup>).

## Speakers corner

**Speaker for September:** There will be no speaker this month. You are encouraged to come dressed in your favourite footy code's team colours.



## Walking group

On the first Monday in August the Probus members who wished to walk met in the Governor Road car park of Braeside Park by following the explicit directions of our leader. So good were these that no-one got lost. The weather was cool but sunny which allowed for a good walk with plenty of chat. We followed the pathway around to the smaller of the two lakes in the wetlands to a viewing area overlooking the lake. Here I brought to the attention of our group something swimming in the water. I said it was a water rat, or as Google stated, an Australian mammal, an Australian otter commonly known as a water rat. We were able to get a good look at him. As he swam up to a tree stump quite close to where we had congregated for the photo below. Just goes to remind us, you never know what can be discovered on our walks. We returned on the wetlands trail to the car park and from there drove to Hendricks Cafe in White Street for coffee and more chat.

**Wendy Crawford**



## McClelland Park

This is a reminder that I have organised a carpool trip to McClelland Park at 390 McClelland Drive, Langwarrin, for **Thursday 11th September**. It is a 30-minute drive, the tour is booked for 11am so the plan is to meet and leave at 9.45am from Cheltenham Football Club in Weatherall Road. You can start with a coffee at Harry's Cafe then we will return to the cafe for a casual lunch after the tour. As we have a booking at the cafe, our entrance is free. I have booked a buggy for those who may feel challenged by the hour walking tour - there is space for up to 5 people. Please check in with me by email or at the August meeting if you want to drive/you need a ride.

**Janette James**

## Archibald Exhibition

Our October "walk" will be a visit to "The Archies" at the Geelong Gallery on **Monday October 6** where we will view the paintings in the regional tour of the 2025 entries in the Archibald Prize. The ticket price is \$20.00 and to make a booking, Google: "**Geelong Gallery - Archibald Prize 2025**". A range of Exhibition dates will be displayed. Please book your tickets for **Monday October 6 at 2.00 pm. If you are unable to do this, please contact me, Ken Launder, on (0414) 262 900 and I will book for you.**

**Travel details:** The visit to the Archies is being held during the State's Seniors' Festival - **all public transport is free for Seniors' Card holders**. Your Seniors' Card **must be used** for all public transport during the festival. We will catch the 8.59 am train from Mordialloc, 9.01 am Parkdale, 9.03 am Mentone, 9.06 am Cheltenham, 9.08 am Southland or 9.10 am Highett and alight at Southern Cross at 9.45 am where we will take the elevator to the upper level and then walk across the Concourse to the elevators which will take us to the ground level at Spencer Street where we will check the large illuminated Departure Sign which will show which platform the 10.30 am South Geelong train will be departing from.

We will meet on the platform at 10.20 am. After arriving in Geelong at 11.31 am we will have a short walk to the Regional Library (in Little Malop Street) where we will hopefully have an overview of part of Geelong (including Corio Bay and the You Yangs) from the fifth floor (weather permitting). Nearby we can also see a mural depicting the development of Geelong in the "upside down" Government building which was commissioned by Geelong Council in 1977 and took the artist Harold Freedman three years to complete. We will then walk to *La Porchetta* in Malop Street to have lunch before walking back to the Gallery in Little Malop Street to view "The Archies" at 2.00 pm. Could you please let Ken know if you would like him to book lunch for you. The times of trains returning to Melbourne are: 3.15 pm, 3.35 pm, 3.55 pm or 4.13 pm.

## Xmas lunch

A booking has been made at the Bridge Hotel in Mordialloc on the **11<sup>th</sup> December**, 2025 at 12 noon for our annual Xmas lunch. The cost will be \$70 for a 2-course lunch with a glass of wine or soft drink on arrival, with payment no later than the November GM. Please get in touch with Joy Meekings on 0434 558 437 or Faye Wegat on 0409 265 503 to add your name to the list.



## Werribee Zoo

On **Thursday 30th October** we will travel by bus to the Zoo, leaving the Cheltenham Football Club in Weatherall Road at 9am sharp, returning around 4pm. At this stage we have our quota of 35 with two on the waiting list but as we know, things can change, and it is still two months off! Please pay \$26 into our Probus account for the bus and then purchase your entry ticket online. Concession price is \$43, Seniors \$52.50, Zoo members are free. While the Zoo claims to be cashless it is possible to use cash at one section of the Meerkat restaurant. Lunch is a casual arrangement - eat when you like, even bring a pack lunch if you prefer. The goal is to see as many of the animals as possible and remember, you will be taken on a tour by the Zoo bus. Pauline Kerr will be your guide as I will be on my way to Osaka that day.

**Janette James**

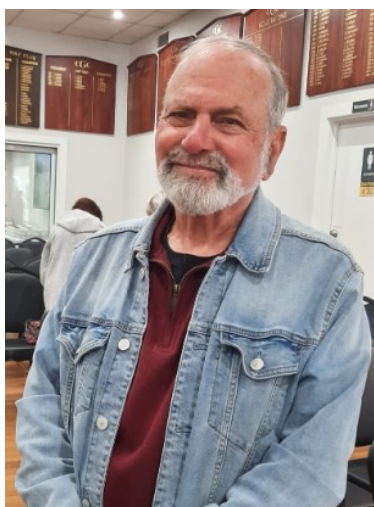
## August meeting



**President Gary inducted 3 new members**



**Steve and Julie with the speaker Margie**



**Tom Valenta**



**Carol and Errol Stubblety**



## Calendar of activities

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday
<b>SEPTEMBER 2025</b>				
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 Craft Grp (1.30pm)	16 Mahjong (1.30pm)	17 General Meeting (10.00am) Footy theme	18	20
22	23 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	24 Pétanque (10.30am)	25 Lunch @ ArcoBar	27
29	30			
<b>OCTOBER 2025</b>				
		1 Pétanque (10.30am) Committee (1.30pm)	2	4
6 Walk – Archibald Exhibition (Geelong)	7 Mahjong (1.30pm)	8 Pétanque (10.30am)	9	11
13	14 Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	15 General Meeting (10.00am) Fashion on Field	16	18
20 Craft Grp (1.30pm)	21 Mahjong (1.30pm)	22 Pétanque (10.30am)	23	25
27	28 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	29 Pétanque (10.30am)	30 Werribee Zoo Bus trip	
<b>NOVEMBER 2025</b>				
3 Walk	4 Melb Cup Holiday	5 Pétanque (10.30am) Committee (1.30pm)	6	8
10	11 Book Grp (11.00am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	12 Pétanque (10.30am)	13	15
17 Craft Grp (1.30pm)	18 Mahjong (1.30pm)	19 General Meeting @ 10.00am	20	22
24	25 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	26 Pétanque (10.30am)	27 Ten Pin Bowling	29
<b>DECEMBER 2025</b>				
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 Xmas Lunch Bridge Hotel (Mordy)	13
15 Craft Grp (1.30pm)	16 Mahjong (1.30pm)	17 Pétanque (10.30am)	18	20
22	23 Coffee (10.30am) Mahjong (1.30pm)	24	25 Xmas Day	27
29	30	31		