PROBUS CLUB OF MOUNT ELIZA INC

PO Box 667 Mt Eliza 3930 – http://www.probusmteliza.club/ Founded 1985 Registration No A0011403Y Meetings commence 9.45 am second Monday of the month. If Public Holiday, then third Monday



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President's Report – 9th September 2024

I am saddened to report that Helen Begg, until very recently a member of our Club, has passed away. Our thoughts are with her family.

It was pleasing to see so many Members at the memorial for Andy Troy. Sonia and family did a wonderful job organizing the event and it was good to be able to have a few words with them, and to hear stories of Andy's life. Not at all a sad occasion but rather a celebration of a life well lived.

A few of our Members had heard that Mt Eliza Central Members may be changing their views on a possible merger and so I contacted their President, suggesting an informal discussion. He was on holiday in Queensland but has promised to raise the matter again. at their September Committee meeting.

Cameron McAdam, (Minister of the Village Church) will provide instruction in the proper use of the AV equipment immediately after our meeting on Monday 9th so if several others would join me at that time, it would be most helpful.

If you are going to the car museum and have not yet paid this is your last chance! Do it on-line or direct to Les Kemp.

Bíll Spencer

<u>Guest Speakers Report – Rhonda Vincent</u>



Monday, September 9th is a must.....to help us get our life stories to pass on.

We hope Theresa is well enough to be our 10-minute speaker.

For October's meeting, I am hoping to get **Angel Flight**.

Future Outings & Dine Outs

Thursday, 12th September 2024

Visit to Charlie's Auto Museum, 175 Purvis Road, Arthurs Seat at 10:00 Lunch at the Pig and Whistle Restaurant, 365 Purvis Road, Main Ridge at 12:30

If you are going to the Museum, then money must be paid before or at the next General Meeting on the 9th September online or cash. Cash should be the correct amount and placed in a sealed envelope with your name and purpose written on it. No change will be given.

Pig and Whistle Lunch is to be paid individually, to the venue on the day.

Arthur Rankin and Carolyn Kent

Saturday, 5th October 2024 at 14:30

The Peninsula Music Society – The Acacia Quartet, with Violins, Viola & Cello Music by Haydn & Schumann.

At the Peninsula Community Theatre

91 Wilson Road, Mornington

Complimentary Tea and Coffee during the interval.

Seniors/Concession is \$42.50. PAYMENT should be made to Gwen Woods on the day. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the event.

Gwen Woods Tel: 0419 312 661

Jan Marshall has made a booking for **11:30, Thursday, 24th October** at Café Thirteen83 in Watts Road, Mornington for members to join for Morning Tea and/or Lunch.

Jan Marshall Tel: 03 5975 2845

Reminders

The **next Committee Meeting** is on Monday 28th October 2024. The **next General Meeting** is on Monday 14th October 2024.

The Adelaide Cruise in only 3 months away. Something very special to look forward to.

A Princess Cruise which will include Phillip Island, Kangaroo Island, Adelaide & Port Lincoln from the 9th to the 16th November.

Liz McDonald 0407 034 053

Mornington Peninsula Stuff

As we enter into spring there seems to be a flurry of artistic activity, so here is a selection to browse: -

1. MPRG: NATIONAL WORKS ON PAPER Saturday, 31st August – Sunday, 24th November

Tues-Sun, 11:00 -16:00. Entry is free.

For more than fifty years the National Works on Paper (NWOP)-has presented a survey of contemporary art and celebrated the medium of paper in all its forms. NWOP is one of the leading art awards and exhibitions in the country.

This year there were 1049 artists from across Australia who submitted entries for NWOP 2024, with 70 works shortlisted. From painting, printmaking, drawing, video, sculpture and weaving, the finalists' works explore the possibilities of paper and the personal and political power of paper as a medium.

MORNINGTON LIBRARY: CLOSING UP TO NATURE by Selina Ho. Tuesday, 3th - Monday, 30th September

The artist says: "After many years of finding my niche, "Magnolia" was the start of my journey of nature painting – that was 5 years ago. The viewers are challenged to complete the scene by looking hard and imagining what might be lurking in the far distance – adding intrigue and mystique to the viewing experience." – Selina Ho.

PST EXHIBITION – 28th September – 6th October 2024

Peninsula Studio Trail is hosting its annual live exhibition featuring a diverse range of contemporary art from painting, drawing, photography to sculpture and ceramics.

Opening Night Tickets: Friday, 27th September at 18:30 The Studio @ PCT (19 Wilsons Road, Mornington)

An evening of art and food with entertainment provided by local jazz ensemble "Kissing Harriet."

PROBUS PIGs Meeting August 2024 – Graeme Buckley

At our Probus Investment Group meeting in August, Bob Graham arranged for two members from RMBL to make a presentation to the group regarding high yielding mortgage loans. They were extremely informative and provided us with detailed handouts and application forms.

In September, Lindsay Gordon will host the meeting in my absence and all members are welcome to attend.

September birthdays

BOB BRUNTON	11TH
STEPHEN GRIFFITHS	13TH
BOB WATSON	15TH
BRITT LLOYD DOUGHTY	18TH
JOHN HORSCROFT	23RD





We have on hand a range of approximately 60 Books at all times. These are mainly Novels covering Contemporary Fiction, Crime Fiction, Historical Fiction, Romance fiction plus some Autobiographies, Biographies and true stories. These are turned over approximately every 3 months to keep the stock fresh. Any donations are gratefully received.

Bob & Kay Stephen

Report of our Men's Coffee Club's occasion – Bob Brunton

This month's Men's Coffee Group was modest in size comprising of only John Kent, Len Christie, Lindsay Gordon and myself, but it lacked nothing in interest. John brought along some impressive 'show-and-tell' about a huge project that he was in charge of back in the 1990s, the new Sydney Olympic Park Showgrounds at Homebush Bay. It was a high-pressure job, the construction of the 30-hectare site took less than two years to complete.

John brought a number of large aerial photos, taken sequentially to show the progress on-site, and a book of beautiful photos showing the finished works. John also told us some interesting little stories of like how the impressive free-stone work on the site was done by a company of bikies, all dedicated stone-masons who loved their work as much as their bikes, and how a number of large existing trees on-site were shifted by building 'sleds' under their root systems, then towing and pushing them with a pair of bulldozers to a temporary parking area to be appropriately replanted later.

John also told of how what had seemed to be a terrible problem had been solved astoundingly simply. Some feature timber beams that were to support the iconic feature 'Dome' at the Showgrounds had tested as being not up to the structural requirements, this was a huge problem that could spoil the whole project. The laminated and finger-jointed beams were being made in New Zealand, so John sent one of his men there to check things out. It was found that the contractor was not resharpening his machine tools often enough and this resulted in the critical fingerjointing not homing in tightly enough. Easily fixed!

I found John's stories enthralling, and they were added to, richly, by the comments of Lindsay and Len who both have engineering backgrounds.

That's what getting together over a cup of coffee is all about, sharing and enriching. You don't have to have big stories to tell, just being part of the conversation is what matters. See if you can join us next time.

Bob Brunton.

The next Men's Coffee Club Occasion will be on the first Saturday after a General meeting – **the 14th September and start at 10:00**.



BOOK CLUB REPORT for September 2024

Oh, what a difference a month makes!

The book selected for September was "A Man Called Ove", the story of a recently widowed, grumpy 58-year-old Swedish man, so set in his routines and habits that when a young family move in next door, the world of "the bitter neighbour from hell" is shaken to its foundation. A delightful tale follows as this sad, grieving man finds joy in those around him, and in turn, leaves Readers smiling, tearful and thankful for the tenderness of the story. Several had watched the two films of the book and considered the Swedish production superior to the American version.

We all enjoyed this book (especially after the previous three or four books selected!) and gave it a positive 8/10! Highly recommended.

Catherine Johnson



Probus Club of Mount Eliza Bank Details

Bendigo Bank Account - BSB 633000 Acc: 1793 84045

When making a payment, please enter in the reference box sufficient information for the Treasurer to identify who is making the payment **AND** what it is for. Space is usually restricted to only 18 characters so you may need to be creative (e.g., Smith-Subs). The last four digits of your phone number could also help. When the transaction is completed, send an email to the Treasurer with the details.

PAYMENTS in CASH

From now on any cash payments are to be the exact amount, and to be presented in a sealed envelope with the person's name, amount and purpose written on the front. No change will be given, please use online banking if you can!!

> If there are any problems, please contact Treasurer Les Kemp: Tel: 0418 328 643 Email: <u>lesbarb1945@gmail.com</u>

Recommended and Reliable Tradesman

Name	Company Name	Phone No.	Category
Mick		0499 216 723	Handyman
Greg Hunter		0488 203 014	Handyman
Don McDonald	Progress St. Mornington	0575 7700	Automotive Specialist
Steven Jones	Twin Peak Tree Services	0421 784 455	Tree/Stump Removal
Dave	Simplicity Air	0452 622 530	Aircon/Electrics
Nicho Salvatore	Conic Electrical	0409 422 198	Electrician
Martin Maloney		0418 743 901	Electrician
Peter Butterworth	Butterworth Decorating	0414 670 428	Master Painter
Andrew Jennings	Treecare	0407 356 127	Arborist
Dave & Jemma	Perfection Reflection	0488 800 252	Window Cleaning
Jeff Dawson	Fussy Window Cleaning	0403 850 653	Window Cleaning
Mark Garvey	New Vision Plumbing	0414 904 464	Plumber
Shane	Bayplex Plumbing	0428 858 843	Plumber
Robert Webb	Renovate	0409 352 693	Garden Design & Renovate
	Mr Gas Man P/L	5977 0006	Gas/Electric Heating
Jamie McDonald	MPA McDonald	0409 927 498	Air Conditioning
Jesse	A.B.Arbor	0423 066 017	Trees & Stumps
Matt	ByTeon	0403 850 653	Computer Services

Note: The Mr. Gas Man on the Recommended and Reliable Tradesman List will do a special deal if members mention they belong to the Mount Eliza Probus Group. If you know of a reliable tradesperson and can recommend them, then let the committee know and they can be added to the list. (With the permission of the tradesperson of course).