

PROBUS CLUB OF MOUNT ELIZA INC

PO Box 667 Mt Eliza 3930 – <http://www.probusmteliza.club/>

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Meetings commence 9.45 am second Monday of the month. If Public Holiday, then third Monday



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President's Report – 11th November 2024



Following our last meeting I met with Graeme Lyne (president of Probusteliza Central). Over a coffee we discussed the concept of working towards a merger of the two clubs. I am now convinced that a merger is not going to happen. At least not this year. The main reason Graeme cited was that their membership is approaching 100 and their constitution specifies a limit of 120.

I got the impression that his members saw little to be gained by a merger and a lot of hassle in changing their constitution. I felt that, if our club were to be disbanded, they would be happy to “cherry-pick” members up to their limit. Other clubs might pick up the rest.

So, it is now up to us to make a real effort to recruit new members.

It is going to need an effort from all of us. Leaflets have been provided, and I want every member to take them and pass them to anyone you consider a potential recruit – then follow up with your prospects.

November's meeting is also your last chance to sign up for our Christmas lunch.

December 5th - 3 course lunch at Ranelagh Club - \$65.00 - pay at the door – buy your own drinks – Bon-Bons (Christmas crackers for the POMS) provided – Edible door prize.

Let's try and get a good turnout! Anyone with transport problems contact me and we will sort it out.

Bill Spencer

Guest Speakers Report – Rhonda Vincent



NOVEMBER – The guest speakers are **Peter Moran** and **Rowan Miller**. Both are Pilots with 'ANGEL FLIGHT'. Angel Flight is an organization that assists passengers travelling to or from medical facilities anywhere in Australia. Free of charge and launched in 2003. They make many very compassionate and long-distance trips to rural & remote areas.

Our **NOVEMBER** Ten Minute Speaker is **CAROL SPEAKMAN**

Cheers Rhonda

Future Outings & Dine Outs

Dear Members,

The Christmas Lunch will be held at The Ranelagh Club at 12pm on Thursday 5th December 2024.

\$65.00pp - Canapes, Main and Dessert – Christmas theme plus Door prize.

Pay individually when you arrive on the day and buy your own drinks at the bar.

Please bring your driver's licence with you to check in.

Please put your name on the list at the next General Meeting.

Thanks - Deborah Fleiner – Secretary

Reminders

The **next Committee Meeting** is on **Monday 25th November 2024**.

The **next General Meeting** is on **Monday 9th December 2024**.

Stuff happening on the Mornington Peninsula

With Christmas approaching let's see what music is available on the Peninsula.

Mornington Peninsula Welsh Ladies Choir is performing "The Sounds of Wales" with Special Guest Sally Carter at The Pig and Whistle, 365 Purves Rd, Main Ridge, Sunday November 10th.

Doors open at 2:30 pm. Concession \$35.00

Try booking.com/events/landing/1293233.

Beleura House – Final ANAM concert of the year.

Thursday 14th November, 1.30pm to 3.30pm. \$58.00 pp, Concession \$53.00

Afternoon Tea included.

Frankston Arts Centre has "**Daryl Braithwaite in Concert**"

Friday, 29th November 2024 - 07:30pm to 09:30pm

Back on tour for a very special performance singing his hits as well as his stunning new material, including hit single 'Love Songs.'

Don't miss it. Cost \$79.00 - Concession \$69.00

Plus

"A Christmas Special" - Friday, 13th December 2024 - 10:30 am - 11:45 am

Cost \$24.00 pp - Group 10+ \$22.00.

To wind up another fantastic year of Daytime Music + Theatre shows, join us in the theatre for a sensational Christmas celebration starring Roy Best, Michelle Fitzmaurice, and Chris McKenna.

PROBUS PIGs Meeting October 2024 – Graeme Buckley

At our Probus Investment Group meeting in October, we looked at the monthly stocks recommended by Theresa's financial advisor, together with a review of the ASX's most shorted stocks.

In November, we will do an in-depth analysis of the Healthcare stocks listed on the ASX and all members are welcome to attend.

NOVEMBER birthdays



MAXINE COUGHLAN	4TH
ROBERT STEPHEN	6TH
JANICE DRUMMOND	7TH
CARMEL SPEAKMAN	27TH



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

It was another cold and bleak Saturday morning but six of us turned up including a cheery John Fleiner, despite his mobility problems, with him were Clarrie Woods, Bob Graham, Len Christie, Bob Watson and myself. I think it was Clarrie that started off a jovial but confusing discussion about local council elections and the rules concerning the age one had to be to be excused having to vote, and what conditions had to apply. After some of Len's rapier-like witty comments everyone seemed to have an opinion on the rules and all piled in with increasingly unlikely conditions that had to apply to get out of voting. The crossfire of ideas became increasingly fanciful and very hard to untangle, but I think that the consensus was something like, 'you don't have to vote if you are over 80, (or was it 75?) and could prove that you couldn't pedal a tricycle to the place of voting.'

The hilarity of that discussion brought up some good-natured reminiscing on a couple of our group's long past drinking exploits, but we won't go too far into that. I bought up the subject of the Davy's Bay Yacht Club, which triggered some mixed reminiscing from the group about a certain memorable character from there, but we won't go any further into that either.

Between times John mentioned that his daughter had reached the second highest position in Australia's Netball administration, and that his 17-year-old granddaughter is in the running for the National Team. A lot to be proud of. Bob Watson and I had a little aside and celebrated the fact that we both did our stints in the military during those brief peaceful years between the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

But the big difference being that I was a lowly National Serviceman and he was a Commissioned Officer in the proper army, and much more likely to have seen active duty.

John brightly mentioned that, after a long career as a civil engineer, but having nothing to do with trains, he had become a fired-up model train enthusiast with the Mornington-Mount Martha Model Railway Club. With his mobility problems this could be just the thing. Clarrie capped off the morning by insisting on paying for all the coffees. This is not the way our byo system usually works, but it was a very kind gesture. Clarrie had confided with me earlier that his wife was having a full knee reconstruction the following Monday, he had looked worried. I have checked with him recently and it seems that all went pretty well, and Gwenda has now gone into rehab. Of course, we all wish her a quick and smooth recovery.

The next Men's Coffee Club Occasion will be on the first Saturday after a General meeting

–the 19th November and start at 10:00.

Come and join the fun.



No Book Report for November 2024



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: lesbarb1945@gmail.com**

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
Peninsula Transport Assist		0397 088 341	Medical & Shopping
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).