

### PROBUS CLUB OF KILLARNEY HEIGHTS

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No 403

### THE NOVEMBER MEETING IS FOR MEMBERS & PARTNERS

Commencing at 10:00 am Thursday 21<sup>ST</sup> November 2024 PRESIDENTS REPORT



This month we will be inducting a new member, Robin Taylor, who had been proposed by Richard Scott. We welcome Robin to our Club, and hope that he enjoys his time with us. I have also invited, as guests at our meeting, Ross and Trish Matterson, who are prospective members. Please make them welcome.

We hope that our guest speaker this month will be John Diggins, from the Fire Emergency Services for our area. John's presentation is very relevant, based upon weather predictions for this coming summer. John may be replaced by a stand-in speaker, depending upon whether any emergencies arise when he is scheduled to speak.

The Tasmanian Cruise will have been completed before our meeting. Cliff Ventris has been the driving force behind the cruise. It was good that some of our members who haven't been on cruises with Probus prior to this, have joined this one. I hope that it was smooth sailing all the way, and we will no doubt hear all about it at the meeting.

Cliff Ventris has indicated that he is prepared to nominate for President at next March's AGM. Cliff was formerly our Vice-President in 2016-17, and our President in 2017-18. As you are no doubt aware, all Committee positions are declared vacant at the AGM, and a new election of Committee members takes place. Cliff's offer to nominate is greatly appreciated, as we always struggle to get members who are willing to take a Committee role. Please consider whether you will nominate for one of our Committee positions for next year.

My wife Jan and I will be sad to miss the scones at this month's meeting, but no doubt Sue Baxter and her usual helpers will have everything in order on the day. I'd like to say a big thanks to Keith Penfold for chairing the meeting in my absence.

As usual, there will be no Members' Meeting next month, with a large number of our members getting together for our Christmas luncheon at Monash Country Club on Friday 13th December. Ken Fletcher has arrangements for our Christmas Luncheon at Monash Country Club in December well in hand. For more details regarding the day, and to make a booking, please refer to the attached flyer. If you're intending to go to the luncheon, please book early, if you can, as it makes Ken Fletcher's job so much easier. If you are wanting to come, but are having a mobility problem, which means that you can't get there under your own steam, please let me know in early December so that we can attempt to arrange transport for you.

Last month's Wine Appreciation gathering at Glenaeon was, as usual, very well organised by Keith Penfold, and featured perfectly matched pairings of wine and cheese, which included a Riesling, a Pinot Noir, a Beaujolais - about which Winston Horne spoke knowledgeably - a Durif and a mystery red. We had a very good turnout, and it was a most enjoyable afternoon.

Our monthly Members' Meetings will recommence on Thursday January 16th. January is going to be a busy one, because we'll have our usual January barbecue, most probably on Monday 27th January (Australia Day falls on a Thursday next year), but this date will be confirmed in the December newsletter. And because there are 5 Thursdays in the month, there will most likely be a Wine Appreciation gathering again at Glenaeon Retirement Village on Thursday 30th.

If you are aware of any members who are unable to make to our meetings - or to our Christmas luncheon - because of health or mobility issues, and are able to provide transport, I'm certain that they would greatly appreciate the offer.

Take care, and enjoy the scones!!

### Rob Beaton - President 99757515 robjbeaton@gmail.com

### **MEMBERSHIP**

As of 17th November we have 71 active members and non-active a total of 77 members

### **SPEAKER FOR November 2024**

November 21<sup>st</sup> Members and Partners
Scones, Jam and Cream day.
Speaker for today is John Diggins from "D" group the Fire Emergency Service for our area.

### **DAY OUTINGS**

### MID DAY LUNCH

DEE WHY RSL OCTOBER LUNCHEON

A pleasant happy group of 16 enjoyed a Bistro lunch at the cosy DY RSL. After Lunch the group headed to the Aqua Café for coffee and cake. A great day for all those who attended this function. Ken Fletcher

# ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON – FRIDAY, 13TH DECEMBER NEW VENUE...NEW MENU...NEW DATE

This year we are heading to Monash Country Club, 261 Powderworks Road, Elanora Heights, for our Christmas Luncheon.

Commencing at 12 Noon enjoy a drink from the Bar while taking in the view from the terrace.

MAIN COURSE – Roast Turkey, Honey Baked Ham, Roast Pork with Dripping Potatoes and seasonable vegetables.

DESSERT – Warm Date and Fig Pudding with Caramel and Vanilla Ice-cream.

TEA AND COFFEE STATION

Cost for meal is \$72.00 pp.

All Drinks at the Bar will be at an extra cost.

\*If you are considering attending and having trouble with transport, contact Ken Fletcher and we will try to assist with one of our members who has a car.

Come join your Probus friends for a great Xmas Lunch and Chat. Bookings close@ 5pm on Thursday, 5th December.

Ken Fletcher FUNCTIONS M: 0473 229 002 T: 9982 8099

### WINE APPRECIATION

Our wine appreciation meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> October was thoroughly enjoyed by all who came along. It is well reported in the Presidents report. Next meeting date to be advised. Keith Penfold







We are riding every Wednesday, generally starting at 9.00 am. at Dee Why and riding, on cycle paths, to Narrabeen where we join non riders for coffee at Tramshed Café on Pittwater Road (adjacent to Ambulance Station), to have a chat. Bryan Power 9452-3916 powerbryan@hotmail.com or Tom Keating and Keith Penfold

#### SPEAKER REPORT

Our October speaker was Paul Dipuglia from Neutrog, manufacturers of biological fertilizers. R&D

are critical aspects of the company. They examine the soil and determine what it needs to be to be productive. The work of the company provides food security as buying from other countries is often difficult due to bio security issues.

Chicken manure is used because it is cheap and plentiful. Trace elements are added to get rid of weeds and retain water. Good bacteria is added to the soil. **Whoflungdung** mulch is great for the garden.

The wholly Australian company supports food bank to help the help the homeless.

Paul gave an interesting and inspiring talk Frank Love





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THE WEEK IN RADIO



# Birthdays to 21st November October November 19 Geoff Gill 2 David Cooper 2 Barry Finch 25 Gordon Miller 4 Bill Batten 9 John Catto 20 Ron Jones 1 Jill Robinson 24 Nita Mann 3 Fran Paterson 29 Aileen Jarrett



## **Financial Summary** October 2024

**Opening Balance.. \$8,976.02 Add income..... \$714.70 Less expenses.... \$182.66** CMRI expense.....\$2,250.00 **Closing balance... \$7,258.06** Less for payment . \$ 0.00 Money in reserve. \$7,258.06



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When	Where	What
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Monash Country Club	Annual Christmas luncheon
Monday 27th December	Annual BBQ to be confirmed	