



# THE PROBUS CLUB OF NORTH BALWYN INC.

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## NEWSLETTER: MARCH 10<sup>th</sup> 2020

**TODAY'S MEETING:** Annual General Meeting - followed by our normal General Meeting

Speaker: Brian Williams, Consumer Affairs Victoria "Scams and Fake Tradies"

**NEXT MEETING:** Change-Over Lunch (see details below).

**FUNCTIONS:** - Convenor: Richard Heal M: 0415 776 039 E: [richard\\_heal@bigpond.com](mailto:richard_heal@bigpond.com)

**DAY TRIP to The Kerrisdale Mountain Railway. Thursday 26th March. Cost \$60pp** (coach trip, entry and morning tea at Kerrisdale).

We will be leaving the carpark at Macleay Park in Belmore Road Balwyn at **9.00 am**. The coach trip will be a one-and-a-half-hour drive via Yea to Kerrisdale where the railway is located. Then after we have morning tea, the train ride up to the lookout point and inspect the Museum at Kerrisdale, the plan is to travel back to Yea and enjoy a hearty lunch before we continue the journey back to Balwyn arriving there at around **5.00 pm**.

**Payment due at the March General Meeting**

**CHANGE-OVER LUNCH at Green Acres Golf Club. Tuesday 14th April.** There will be a two-course meal with a complimentary drink upon arrival. Cost per person for this function will be **\$60**.

**Payment due at the March General Meeting**

**WINTER LUNCH at The Healesville RACV Resort. Thursday 23rd July.**

The cost per person for the meal only component will be **\$30.00** and the meal will be a 3-course Christmas luncheon of Pumpkin Soup, Roast Turkey with Cranberry Sauce followed by a dessert of Plum pudding with Brandy custard. Filter coffee or tea and a glass of house wine, beer or soft drink is included. Those participants wanting to utilise the return coach transport will need to include an additional **\$20.00** per person, making the total cost **\$50.00** per person

**Board out today and payment due at the June General Meeting**

**THEATRE EVENTS:** – Convenor: Lothar Lanz, P: 98481729 M: 0405220835 E: [ljlanz@optusnet.com.au](mailto:ljlanz@optusnet.com.au)

**"MAMMA MIA" Friday May 29th at 8 pm**, presented by Babirra Theatre, at the **Whitehorse Theatre, Nunawading**  
Tickets **\$42 pp** (own transport), or **\$57 pp** (for supper and cocktails). **Payment due today (March 10th). Board out today**

**"A FLEA IN HER EAR" Thursday July 30th at 8 pm**, presented by the **1812 Theatre, Upper Ferntree Gully.**  
Tickets **\$24 pp** (own transport) (possible minibus available). One of the funniest French farces set in Paris in 1908.

**Board out today – Payable at June General Meeting**

**"9 TO 5 – THE MUSICAL"** This musical - written by Dolly Parton – is funny and hilarious and has been a hit in London.  
It will be shown at "Her Majesty Theatre" on **Wednesday August 19th at 1pm. Tickets \$70 pp.**

**Board out today - Payable at the May General Meeting.**

**PALACE CINEMA, BALWYN, Thursday March 19th Matinee 11am.** (Film and light lunch **\$20**)

**"EMMA"** Based on the classic Jane Austen novel. **Booking and Payment at the March General Meeting**

### **MEMBERSHIP:**

Current membership is 70, comprising of 68 active & 2 non-active members. Our Associate members number is 13.

We inducted our new member Rene Dupuche last month - please make him welcome.

Please note that membership subscriptions (**\$40.00**) are due on 1<sup>st</sup> April. New payment arrangements are being put in place to allow direct deposit of subscriptions into the PCNB Bank Account. Information will be sent out shortly.

DUTY ROSTER	March Meeting	May Meeting
Tables and Chairs	Bryan Casey, Ken Davis, Keith Jackson, Lothar Lanz	Don Campbell, Bob Haydon, James Kimpton, Tony Froster
Tea and Coffee	Graydon Findlay, Jeff Collinson, Geoff Metcalf	Richard Hanson, Denis Spinley, Gerald King
Buddy	Bruce McInerary, Nino Xerri, Cordell Short	Tony Froster, Bryan Casey, Alan French
Door Assistants	John Thwaites, Joe Romano	Bruce McInerary, Stephen Millard

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

### **HERITAGE / GENEALOGY GROUP: Second Monday of Month\*\* – Convenor Graydon Findlay P: 9859 6964**

By the time you receive this Newsletter our March meeting will have been held. It was a week earlier than usual to avoid the public holiday on our usual second Monday.

Our April activity will be **eight days later than usual** on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April**. It will be an excursion with the Photography SIG to the Hellenic Museum in the City. We'll meet at **10.00am** in the grounds of the Hellenic Museum (former Mint Building) on the corner of Lonsdale & William Streets. We'll have a guided tour of the main exhibition at the Museum and then there will be time to look around some of the other exhibitions. Tour plus entry to Museum \$10. We'll finish with the option of a Greek lunch at the 'Grounds of Arcadia' at the rear of the Museum. **Board out today**

### **WALKING GROUP Third Friday in the month\*\* - Richard Heal M: 0415 776 039 E: [richard\\_heal@bigpond.com](mailto:richard_heal@bigpond.com)**

The next walk will take place on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March** and will be along a pathway beside the Yarra River in Warrandyte. Meet at the Stiggants Reserve in Stiggant Street, Warrandyte at **10.30 am**. [Melways map ref: 23 C12]. Lunch at the conclusion of the walk will be at a local café. New walkers always welcome

### **DINE OUT Third Wednesday in the month. Convenor Bryan Casey P: 9830 0489**

The next event will be on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March** at the **OLD ENGLAND HOTEL**, - 489 Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg [Melways Map 32 B5] at **6.00 pm**. Wives, partners & friends always welcome. **Board out today**

### **COMPUTER GROUP Fourth Tuesday in the month\*\*. Convenor: Rodney Manser M: 0418 164 432**

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Our next meeting on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 10am** at North Balwyn Uniting Church will continue to cover Microsoft Outlook & formatting Word documents. Our February meeting was a very informative presentation by Tony Froster (Thanks Tony). Huge thankyou to John Peyton who stepped down as Captain of Tea & Coffee facilities, and the baton has been passed onto Nino Xerri. A guest speaker from Pentagon Digital, Mont Albert has been contacted to undertake a presentation re Apple Products and Techniques at one of our future meetings. As soon as details have been finalised details will follow. Everyone is welcome to join us at our next Meeting

### **INVESTMENT GROUP Second Thursday in the month\*\*. Convenor: Don Campbell P: 9836 6330**

Our next meeting will be at St Aidan's on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 10 am**. The following items to be covered are Food Productivity and our future; Investment basics for our spouses; Update on coronavirus; and the share market correction.

### **PHOTOGRAPHY/TRAVEL GROUP Third Tuesday in the month\*\* Acting Convenor: Nino Xerri M: 0410 571 446**

The Photography/Travel SIG consists of a group of members who meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at North Balwyn Uniting Church : Duggan Street, North Balwyn for 2 hours starting at **10.00 am**. It is a very informal gathering, promoting the art of photography with hands-on demonstrations for Compact Cameras, DSLR's, Mirrorless & amp; Smartphones. Sharing our various experiences, knowledge and talking about photography. We also go on Photographic Walks eg "Frankston Big Picture Fest" as well as conduct Workshops eg Portraiture. It has been decided to incorporate a Travel aspect into our SIG as this goes "hand in glove" with photography. To develop the interest in Travel, our SIG has organised a Guest Speaker Danielle Herlihy from the Travel Industry "Flight Centre" to give us a talk by way of a Question and Answer on any aspect of travel the members would like to cover. Everyone is welcome to bring partners, friends and neighbours and enjoy a friendly and informative meeting on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March**. "The world is your oyster" The phrase was created by William Shakespeare in his play The Merry Wives of Windsor: ... "I can do anything I want to do and go anywhere I want to go- .

### **WOODCRAFT First Monday in the month\*\* Convenor Don Macdonald, P: 9830 1174**

The next meeting of the Woodcraft Group will be on **Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 9.00am to 12.00 pm**, when we will continue to make small gifts such as pen holders, small decorative bowls and napkin rings.

Our amazing workshop is at the heritage village state school building (corner of Parker and Anderson Streets off Foote Street, Templestowe, near the RSL, (Melway 33 E4). Bring along a handyman job, try your hand with chisel or scraper under our guidance - or just drop in for a look-you will be most welcome. The following meeting will be on **May 4<sup>th</sup>**.

### **BRIDGE: Third Thursday in the Month at Kew Golf Club at 1pm**

For some years a small group of us have enjoyed a monthly game of bridge at Kew Golf Club on the of the month starting at 1 pm Unfortunately, some players have fallen by the way-side so we are now looking for two or more fans. If you are interested, please contact **Per Knudsen**.

*Note 1: North Balwyn Uniting Church (formerly St. Aidan's) is in Duggan Street, North Balwyn, (Melway 46 F-3)*

*\*\* Indicates the day normally scheduled for this event but circumstances can result in the day being changed.*