



NEWSLETTER

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Meeting: 10 am Tuesday February 20 Beaumaris Sports Club

Keynote Speaker: Paul Ness Medical Services Director, ATP
Topic: Send For the Trainer

10-Minute Talk: Bob Wigg Full Steam Ahead

Paul Ness is an Australian-based health professional. He is trained as a physiotherapist and has a practice located in Box Hill. As a sports physiotherapist, it is important to not only rehabilitate athletes but ensure they are fully fit to return to play. Objective measures such as a full active range of motion does not fully determine an athlete's readiness; accordingly, a comprehensive assessment of an athlete's function, via functional performance testing, becomes an absolute assessment necessity.



Above: Members assembled for the first Probus General Meeting in the new Beaumaris Sports Centre Above right: The meeting in progress

Right: The first Committee Meeting in the new premises [Photos: Alan Stevens]

★ FOR AN IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT PARKING AT THE SPORTS CLUB, see p3

PROBUS CLUB OF BEAUMARIS Inc.

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Bike Riding: **Duncan Gibson** 9585 3547
 Ken Beadle 9589 6120
 Discussion: **Barry Amond** 9589 1143
 PRISMS: **Bill Davis** 9592 5982
 Wine Appreciation: **Roger Wilson** 0418395946
 Golf: **John Pound** 9521 8252

Bowls: **Ted Montfort** 9589 5949
 Digital Technology: **Geoff Wade** 9588 2593
 Music/Opera: **Barry Amond** 9589 1143
 Tastes: **Alan Stevens** 9597 0235
 Bridge: **Alan Farmer** 9598 2791
 Theatre: **John Green** 9580 6820

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Ken Beadle

Our inaugural meeting in January at the Beaumaris Sports Club was enjoyed by a larger-than-usual attendance. This was the first large community meeting to be held in the Banksia Room and as was to be expected, a few glitches occurred. Geoff Wade and I have met the BSC management to discuss improvements, particularly reduction of the times to serve morning tea and the setting up for and serving of lunch.

As reported in this newsletter, Graeme Disney gave us an excellent talk on some historically significant events in Beaumaris over the last century. Graeme's photos with captions are posted on our website for your viewing.

The future of the World Economic Issues meetings was discussed in November by the Committee, a majority of whom believe that two guest speakers is one too many for our members and high calibre speakers deserve to be heard by a larger audience than the 25 to 40 who attended our trial meetings in 2017. It was decided to discontinue the WEI series

but request the President to include speakers on important economic issues in our regular guest speaker program.

The Christmas lunch at Southern on December 14 was enjoyed by 105 members, partners and guests on a brilliant summer day, perfect for drinks outside on the terrace before lunch. Noel Ineson entertained us with a video and jokes - these are posted on our website for replaying at your leisure. Many thanks to John Beaty for organizing our final 2017 event.

At its January meeting, the Committee decided to revert to the previous practice of accommodating members' seating requests at the midwinter Candlelight Dinner and the President's Christmas Lunch.

Dress code for meetings was also discussed. The Committee expects members to wear long pants and shoes year-round. Ties remain optional as in recent years. Jackets are preferred but can be taken off in hot weather. Your co-operation in this matter would be appreciated.

Below: Members experiencing the first morning tea at the new Beaumaris Sports Centre



NOTICEBOARD

Music Group

There is a varied program at the Music Group's evening on Wednesday February 28 at 7pm. Among the items are the rarely-performed Warsaw Concerto and excerpts from Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No 1 featuring Daniil Trifonov (right) and the annual New Year's Eve concert from Vienna. An attendance sheet will be at the February general meeting.



Barry Amond

Discussion Groups

At their meetings on Friday February 9 and Tuesday 13, the groups are discussing 'Virtuous Gestures', an update on political correctness and those social changes and causes supported by the virtuous. If you are not a member of the groups and would like to attend, please contact me as there may be room at one of the meetings.

NOTE: No meetings in March

Barry Amond

Bike Group

Duncan Gibson

The January ride saw four stalwarts venture out to our destination (Waterways) in excellent weather, the numbers depleted by holiday absences but the enthusiasm for cycling undiminished! It was a delight to welcome Robert Kerr to our group.

Our next ride starts at Tyabb Recreation Park car park (Melways 148H10) on Friday February 23 and follows the Westernport bike trail south to reach the coast at Hastings. We then follow the coastline past Pelican Point and marina onto a 3km long boardwalk through the mangrove wetlands to exit near Jack's Beach, cycling along Wooley's Road and The Esplanade to Crib Point; finally left to Stony Point, where the French Island ferry terminal is located. Return along the same route, stopping for coffee at Pelican Point café in Hastings. The total distance about 28 km. In the event that the day is very hot, we have the option of returning to Tyabb by train from Stony Point. Meet at Black Rock beachside carpark at 8.30 am. All welcome. Please advise me if you will be on the ride - this is essential so we can ensure adequate bike carrying capacity on the day.

Ken Beadle

From the Almoner

As a caring community, it is incumbent upon each of us to pass on the names of members who are unwell or should be in our thoughts. Contact Noel Ineson (0498 060 159) if you know of anyone who is deserving of our concern.

NOTE: For the information of members, Almoner Noel Ineson's jokes are now to be found on the website. [Click here.](#)

New on Website

Now you can register for all our events from the Newsletter (Functions & Activities) or the Website (Upcoming Events or Calendar). Just click on the links and complete the form.

Geoff Bransbury

Annual Subscriptions

Membership subscriptions are due and payable on January 1 each year. It is now February and there are subscriptions outstanding. Payment at \$70 for the year may be paid at the next general meeting, or direct to our bank account, or by cheque to Geoff Carlson, Treasurer, 22 First Street, Black Rock. GC

Member Register

To ensure the Member Register accurately reflects your details, please check them out and advise Geoff Wade of any necessary changes, ie interests, phone numbers, address, email address. GW

Changing Australia Day?

For those members who have an opinion about whether January 26, 1788, is a significant date or not, you may wish to read a recent posting on our website on the new Forum page by NL editor, Peter McGregor, and make a comment. [Click here.](#)

Bridge

The Bridge Group shuffled their first hands of 2018 on February 6. Those members who had studied their reference texts during the vacation performed noticeably better than the rest of us!

Game dates for coming meetings are February 13 and 27; March 6, 13 and 27. Members wishing to join the group are always welcome.

Alan Farmer

Tastes

Alan Stevens

Don't forget Thursday February 22 at the Japan Inn @ 6.30 for our next Tastes night. \$40 pp.

More details on the website. [To register click here.](#)

Where: Japan Inn, Keys Street, Beaumaris

When: Thursday, February 22 @ 6.30 pm

Selected wines available at \$15 per bottle.

Unidentifiable Deposit

We have received a deposit into the bank account for \$65 with the reference '2018 membership', made on or about January 16, via the Bendigo Bank. If it was you, please let me know.

Geoff Carlson

Parking at Beaumaris Sports Club

The new car park at the Beaumaris Sports Club is under construction and possibly will not be finished until some time during March. Therefore, for our February meeting, there will only be limited parking within the grounds (if any at all). Members are thus requested to park in the surrounding streets. This small inconvenience will only exist until the new carpark is completed.

Geoff Wade

FUNCTIONS & ACTIVITIES

John Beaty

March

Annual Croquet Competition & Spit Roast
Sandringham Croquet Club
Friday March 2



The competition will be for the best player - the winner to receive the Club's prestigious Croquet Challenge Cup. Competition will be followed by the renowned spit roast BBQ and dessert. Full details will be issued to players and diners later in February. Sign up on the attendance sheets at our February meeting or on the website. Cost: \$44 pp.
For more information and to register [Click here](#)

April

Visit to the Immigration Museum
Tuesday April 10
Arrive by 10.45 am to commence the visit at 11 am

Travel by rail to Spencer Street Station then walk from the Flinders Street exit to the Museum. Admission is free to all Seniors Card holders (all of us). Following the museum tour, we will adjourn to a nearby restaurant for lunch (own cost).

The Immigration Museum explores the stories of people who have migrated to both Victoria and Australia from all over the world. Their stories are sometimes sad, sometimes funny, but always engaging – from the reasons for making the journey, to the moment of arrival in a new country, and the impact on indigenous communities. Created by Museum Victoria, the multilingual tour is simple to follow and provides an orientation to the exhibitions and building. At each stop, detailed text, audio commentary and stunning historical imagery show the people, the businesses and the architecture that have transformed Melbourne and Victoria. For more on the Immigration Museum and to register [Click here](#)

March 2019

Proposed Holiday Tour to Sri Lanka

Details of this trip are available on the Club's website. We are waiting for a holiday brochure to be sent to us from the Destination HQ in the Concourse and this will be on the website soon and available at the March meeting. If you are uncommitted but slightly interested please put your name on the proposed attendance sheet. There is no commitment until you pay the deposit. To register [Click here](#)



*Below: President Ken and Geoff Bransbury enjoying the ferry ride along the Yarra; also, the Wades, Geoff & Margaret, with the Bolte Bridge reflected in the background
Right: Beaumaris Probus at play – entering the bus, wine tasting and outside Jack Rabbit*



For more pictures
[click here](#)

February 2018

Beumaris: A Brief History



Left: Graeme Disney
Right: Alan Nash thanking Graeme



Local historian, Graeme Disney, educated members with an interesting presentation on Beaumaris and surrounds. Originally the realm of the Bunwurrung* people – part of the Kulun nation – today there is still evidence of their tracks along the foreshore and their water-holes and middens at the base of the cliffs at Beaumaris and Black Rock. Also, remnants of oyster and other shells in campfire ashes, clearly reflect their everyday activities.

The first Europeans to take up land in the area in 1845, James and Susanne Moysey, worked the land but development was slow until the late 1880s. It all changed with the extension of the railway line from Brighton Beach to Sandringham in 1887 and in 1888, a horse-enabled tram service from the station past Ricketts Point and along Tramway Parade to Cheltenham Railway Station was constructed by the Beaumaris Tramway Company, a service that finally closed in 1914.

An electric tram service to run from Sandringham Station via Fernhill Road, Royal Avenue and Bluff Road to Black Rock junction was established in 1919, lasting until 1956. Established in 1888, the Great Southern Hotel was always very popular and, having been renamed the Hotel Beaumaris and remodelled in 1988, it has continued to serve the local populace (and even known to some of our members occasionally!) Graeme also used select newspaper clippings to describe the confusion caused in his formative years by the escape of circus animals into the housing areas. Alan Nash thanked Graeme for a delightful and informative presentation.

John Bushby

[*There are several different spellings of this name]

Wine Appreciation 2018

Roger Wilson

Tuesday February 27 at 35 Church Street @ 2 pm
Friday May 4 for a 12 noon lunch at the Steak Bank, Ormond

Birthday Boys – February

SYMON, Graham 6/2	REHDER, Ingo 7/2
KIRBY, Dick 9/2	CROMPTON, Paul 18/2
SEBO, Gary 21/2	McLEAN, Lachlan 25/2
STEVENS, Hugh 26/2	COX, Allan 27/2
HARFORD, Peter 27/2	

Cruise Magic

Barry Amond took members on a voyage halfway round the world aboard the luxurious *Sea Princess*



In perhaps the longest 10-minute talk ever, Barry Amond took members on a voyage halfway round the world that he and Margaret recently enjoyed. From the white cliffs of Dover, the odyssey included visits to Norway, Iceland, Nova Scotia, New York, Key West, Panama Canal, Ecuador, Peru, Easter Island, Tahiti and Bora Bora before arriving back in Sydney (where the cruise began with Don and Barb Lobb on board, as far as the UK). Barry's photos of the spectacular places he visited were magnificent, taking us into his memories and inviting members to embrace the thought of holiday cruising aboard the luxurious *Sea Princess* with its sumptuous food and high class entertainment.

A most entertaining presentation.

John Bushby

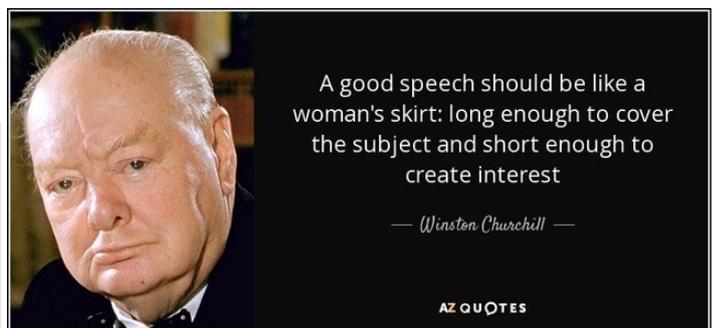


Above: Highlights included negotiating the Panama Canal and visiting the extant monumental statues, called moai, on Easter Island

Members wishing to access the Mississauga newsletter CONTACT, please click [HERE](#)

Appreciation

A word of thanks to Ian Maskiell for taking many of the great photographs that adorn each month's newsletter; and in his absence, Alan Stevens, who provides such excellent back-up. Their work is much appreciated. Ed.



A good speech should be like a woman's skirt: long enough to cover the subject and short enough to create interest

— Winston Churchill —

AZ QUOTES

Probus Club of Beaumaris Events Calendar

Friday February 9	9.30 am	Discussion Group	25 Third Street Black Rock
Tuesday February 13	2 pm	Discussion Group	25 Third Street Black Rock
Tuesday February 13	9.30 am	Bridge	Victoria Golf Club
Tuesday February 20	10 am	GENERAL MEETING	Beaumaris Sports Club
Wednesday February 21	8 pm		Brighton Theatre Company
Thursday February 22	6.30 pm	Tastes	Japan Inn
Friday February 23		Bike Ride	
Tuesday February 27	9.30 am	Bridge	Victoria Golf Club
Tuesday February 27	2 pm	Wine Appreciation	Roger Wilson's Place
Wednesday February 28	7 pm	Music Group	25 Third Street Black Rock
Friday March 2	4.30 pm	Annual Croquet Day & Spit Roast	Sandringham Croquet Club
Tuesday March 6	9.30 am	Bridge	Victoria Golf Club
Tuesday March 13	9.30 am	Bridge	Victoria Golf Club
Tuesday March 20	10 am	GENERAL MEETING	Beaumaris Sports Club
Wednesday March 21		Victorian Probus Bowls Association Bowls Day	
Friday March 23		Bike Ride	
Tuesday March 27	9.30 am	Bridge	Victoria Golf Club
Tuesday April 10		Immigration Museum	CBD
Tuesday April 17	10 am	GENERAL MEETING	Beaumaris Sports Centre