



# NEWSLETTER

Probud Club of Beaumaris Inc.

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Meeting: 10 am Tuesday October 16 Beaumaris Sports Club

Keynote Speaker: Michael Heffernan Financial Adviser

Topic: Australia's Economy and Its Future

10-Minute Talk: Lloyd Jenkins - Mrs Croft of Hammersmith

**" In science, medicine and technology, progress is cumulative. .... Not so with markets and economics. With them, life is cyclical; two steps forward, one and a half steps back, if not two and a half. Some progress is achieved, on average, but crises that take us back to the start are not only recurrent, they are inevitable: we buy high, sell low, borrow too much, and invest in hopeless causes.... Either way, another crisis is coming because it always does. When? We don't know. What will be the cause? We don't know that either."**

**Alan Kohler, The Constant Investor**

Beaumaris Probud at the Museum of Modern Art Exhibition NGV



Out and About at HMAS Cerberus  
Right: Barrie & Beth Gibson with Navy Band members

Our Navy guide, John Douglas, with Lachlan McLean, Alan Nash, Sue McLean and Graeme Keys

## **PROBUS CLUB OF BEAUMARIS Inc.**

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### **\* Interest Groups**

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**

### **Roger Wilson**



In September, I was inspired and proud to be an Australian when the Director of The National War Memorial in Canberra, The Honourable Dr Brendan Nelson, AO, addressed the National Press Club with the title We Are All Australians Now: 1918 and the War That Changed Us. [CLICK HERE](#) to download Dr Nelson's address which has enormous detail and is beautifully delivered. At times, with his graphic descriptions, I felt I was there.

As we celebrate Remembrance Day – November 11, before our November meeting - I think it is appropriate to reflect how lucky we Australians are because of the great sacrifices made in war by our brave defence personnel.

World War I mobilised over 70 million people and left between 9 and 13 million dead, perhaps up to one third of them in unmarked graves. November

11, 1918, is the date of the armistice between the Allies and Germany at Compiègne, France, marking the cessation of hostilities on The Western Front. The Germans had called for an armistice in order to secure a peace settlement.

At the end of the Second World War, the Australian and British Governments changed the name from Armistice Day to Remembrance Day.

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It is great to have new initiatives at our Probud Club this year - with the Travel Group being started by Simon Appel and The Pub Lunch recently at The Railway Hotel, Windsor, which was a great success; not to mention Grant Sabin's Wine Discovery group. There are plenty of activities to get involved in at our club, many with our partners. I would encourage every member to participate fully and be a part of at least some of our extensive range of activities.

*New members, Phil Rowell, below, and Peter Loncraine, right, are welcomed by President Roger*



Photos: Ian Maskiell



*Right: Noel Ineson, Ingo Rehder and Andy Coogan  
 Below: John Howe and Geoff Marshall  
 Below right: Geoff Carlson, Peter Flude and Allan Taylor*





# NOTICEBOARD

## ★ Tastes

Where: Vincent's 468 Beach Road Beaumaris

When: Thursday October 25 6.30 pm

Selected wines available (\$15 per bottle)

[CLICK HERE](#) to register.

Alan Stevens

## Discussion Groups

Barry Amond

At the October meetings, the groups discussed 'Leadership and Ethics' in all walks of life. The dates of future meetings will be advised later.

## Music Group

Barry Amond

At the next music evening on October 31 at 7 pm, 14 extracts from the most well-known music will be played including the group's favourite artists, Lang Lang and Anna Netrebko. It is a special program to celebrate 18 years since our journey began through about 350 items (and over 90 composers).

## Wine Appreciation

Roger Wilson

Our next meeting is at Kevin Mc Donnell's home in Sandringham on Tuesday October 23 where we will be tasting wines from California and Chile.

## Bridge Players

The next Mixed Pairs event is planned for 12 noon, Sunday, October 28. On Tuesday, November 13, we will celebrate our third anniversary with a formal lunch at the golf club. For more information about Bridge, [CLICK HERE](#).

Alan Farmer

## Bike Group

Our annual longer trip this year is the Geelong to Queenscliff Rail Trail on October 24 and 25. We will ride from Bayside to Southern Cross station to take the V-Line train to Geelong. The Rail Trail starts about a kilometre from the V-Line terminal and we will ride the 37 km through the Bellarine Peninsula to Queenscliff where we will stay overnight. The next day (Thursday), we will ride from Queenscliff to Portarlington via St Leonards - on country roads initially; from St Leonards on a bike path. At Portarlington, we will have lunch at one of the nearby wineries and take the afternoon ferry to Melbourne Docklands, finishing with a ride back to Bayside. For more details or to register interest, please contact me.

Ken Beadle



Above: Members at morning tea - John Opie and Bob Wigg;  
right: Andy Coogan and Ralph Butcher

## Pub Lunch

The resounding success of our first Pub Lunch has kicked off planning for the next one. Look out for details of another early in 2019.

## Victoria Trophy

The annual golf contest for the Victoria Trophy will be held on Friday November 9 at the Keysborough Golf Club from 12.27 pm. The competition of the day will be a four-ball-better-ball competition which will be open to any number of nominated team pairs from the same golf club who have a current Golf Australia handicap. The new format will mean that the Victoria Trophy can now be won by a two-man team from any golf club. Cost per pair is \$120. This fee should be sent to the Treasurer by Thursday October 25 indicating that it is for Keysborough golf. Please also send an e-mail to me (jaypound@hotmail.com) nominating the names of the pair to enable the preparation of the time sheet for hit-off. If anybody requires a cart, please contact the Keysborough Golf Club Pro Shop direct on 9798 2436.

John Pound

[CLICK HERE](#) to register

Right: Golfers galore –  
John Pound, Don Lobb and  
Geoff Carlson



Photos this page: Ian Maskiell

## Brighton Theatre Group 2019

There are four (4) productions (all Wednesday):-  
February, 27, 8 pm: *After Miss Julie* (drama)  
May, 29, 8 pm: *I Hate Hamlet* (comedy)  
August, 28, 8 pm: *Stargazers* (comedy)  
November, 20, 8 pm: *Dinner with Friends* (drama)  
Tickets: \$21 pp per performance. For payment, the preferred option is direct debit to the club account. To book [CLICK HERE](#).

John Green

## Wine Discovery Group

Grant Sabin

The Wine Discovery Group will hold its first meeting at 2 pm Wednesday, October 24, at Grant Sabin's place at 7a Holyrood Street, Hampton - just three doors along from New Street.

## Travel Group

We will have a Travel Insurance expert to address our next meeting on: Tuesday November 13.

Where: Unit 1, 35 Alfred Street, Beaumaris @ 2 pm.

Please indicate your attendance on the enrolment sheet at the October Meeting; or,

Email: sappel81@gmail.com

Telephone Simon Appel: 0417 600 419

## Birthday Boys – October

Duncan Gibson 1/10	Garry Larkin 5/10
Gus Bravo 6/10	John Beaty 8/10
Roger Leeming 11/10	Ron Hunter 16/10
Ian Johnson 18/10	Peter McGregor 21/10
Alan Kermond 23/10	John Brimage 23/10

# FUNCTIONS & ACTIVITIES

Andy Coogan

## November



**Annual Probus Bowls Event and Dinner**  
**Wednesday November 14** 4.00 - 9.00 pm  
**Sandringham Bowls Club, Tulip Street**

Our annual bowls evening has proven to be very popular so come along. Play if you want or just enjoy the evening. The weather is expected to be warm. All welcome. Non-players, here's your opportunity to have a go at bowls in a unique competition especially designed for us by Ted and Stan. A superb trophy to play for made by Paul Crompton.

Cost: \$30 pp (for dinner and use of club). Drinks extra but available at very reasonable prices.



[CLICK HERE](#) to register.

## December

**President's Christmas Lunch**  
**Kingston Heath Golf Club**  
**Friday December 14 12 Noon** \$70 pp

Come and enjoy our final event of the year in the beautiful surroundings of this elegant golf club. There will be prizes and various surprises with a guest speaker. Please be sure to register your interest.



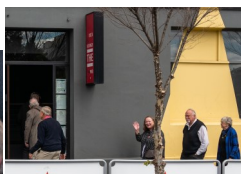
[CLICK HERE](#) to register

### **A Happy Bunch of Lunchers** The Railway Hotel, Windsor

*Below: Geoff Bransbury, Peter Flude and Simon Appel*



*Left: Peter McGregor and John Green*



Photos: Alan Stevens

*Below: Chris Renwick and Ken Beadle*





## A Fortunate Life

John Bushby



*He told the hilarious story of the lengths he had to go to so his wife could go in to a Lord's cricket test*

A much-anticipated speaker, 'Smokey' Dawson did not disappoint our members. Graham remembers deciding at the age of three that he wanted to be a sports commentator - with his early and teen years spent rehearsing phantom football and cricket matches in his home. After studying accountancy, he was drawn in the National Service ballot and spent two years stationed in Sydney. Just before his discharge, he was alerted to the fact that the ABC was advertising for a rare vacancy in their sports department. With the help of Frank 'Typhoon' Tyson (a great English cricketer, local cricket coach and broadcaster) he was chosen from 483 applicants; the rest is history, as he said. Fortuitously, he was involved in broadcasting the first match of the ICC Cricket World Cup. Subsequently, he has presented 150 Test cricket matches and 1820 football matches on the ABC and has met many sports legends in the course of his work on radio. In his opinion, the greatest of them include Garfield Sobers, Dennis Lillee, Greg Norman, Wayne Carey and Gary Ablett Senior (although, as a Hawthorn supporter, he did also sneak in Leigh Matthews). The 1979 Grand Final (Hawthorn vs Geelong) was the best football game he has seen and he made special mention of the Centenary Test in cricket.

At his entertaining best, he told the hilarious story of the lengths he had to go to so his wife could get in to a Lord's cricket test. Graham joins a long list of many great speakers to have addressed our club.

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*Some of the regular Bridge group each Tuesday at Victoria Golf Club. From left: Jim Duggan, Alan Trumble, John Green; Robert Lander and John Fisher; John Green, Alan Farmer and John Fisher at lunch*



*Simon Appel was only one of a number of Probus members who visited HMAS Cerberus to see the Navy's premier training establishment where about 6000 personnel are trained annually. They were welcomed warmly and shown around the several museums, given lunch and then entertained superbly by the Royal Australian Navy Band.*

*Cerberus Photos p1 & 5: Alan Stevens*

## Asbestos: Myths and Realities

In his allotted time (plus a bit), Philip Stewart briefly outlined the realities of asbestos - a generic term for all minerals which occur in a fibrous form - and his involvement with the industry. Asbestos is of value because of its strength, its heat resistance and its durability but has been responsible for illness. This only results when the fibre has been inhaled and it reaches the lungs. All illness is dose-related and the claim that one fibre can result in death is fiction. The most dangerous form of asbestos is blue asbestos which is the form which was mined at Wittenoom in WA. This arises from the sharpness and stiffness of the fibres which can penetrate the lungs, reaching the lining where it can cause mesothelioma. White asbestos can cause asbestosis which is very similar to black lung and silicosis which come from inhaling coal dust and silica dust respectively. It can also cause lung cancer similar to that due to smoking. For non-smokers the incidence of this is low. All asbestos is recovered by dry processing methods creating the dust hazard. Philip was employed in 1977 to develop a wet processing method which was applied initially to re-treating tailings to recover material missed by the inefficient dry process and was installed at an asbestos mine in Newfoundland, Canada, where it operated for several years before becoming a victim of the growing concern with health issues, the resulting decline in asbestos use and corporate financial problems. At the end of his talk, several members requested to hear more about this fascinating topic.

### Profiles

Geoff Bransbury

New this month: Alan Kermond and Ingo Rehder. We now have 36 member profiles. To add yours, contact Peter McGregor or me. **Remember:** You have total editorial control! [CLICK HERE](#).

### Register

A reminder that the latest version of the Register is on the website and available for downloading. [CLICK HERE](#).

I would like to share an experience with you all, about drinking and driving.

As you well know, some of us have been known to have had brushes with the authorities on our way home from the odd social session over the years. A couple of nights ago, I was out for a few drinks with some friends and had a few too many beers and some rather nice shiraz. Knowing full well I may have been slightly over the limit, I did something I have never done before - I took a bus home. I arrived home safely and without incident, which was a real surprise, as I have never driven a bus before and am not sure where I got it from...

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# Probus Club of Beaumaris Events Calendar

Tuesday October 9	9.30 am	Bridge	Victoria Golf Club
Tuesday October 9	2 pm	Digital Technology	25 Third Street Black Rock
Tuesday October 16	10 am	GENERAL MEETING	Beaumaris Sports Club
Tuesday October 23	9.30 am	Bridge	Victoria Golf Club
Tuesday October 23		Wine Appreciation	Kevin McDonnell's Place
Wednesday October 24	2 pm	Wine Discovery	Grant Sabin's Place
Wednesday/Thursday October 24/25		Bike Ride	Bellarine Peninsula
Thursday October 25	6.30 pm	Tastes	Vincent's
Sunday October 28	12 noon	Bridge: Mixed Pairs Event	Victoria Golf Club
Tuesday October 30	9.30 am	Bridge	Victoria Golf Club
Wednesday October 31	7 pm	Music Group	25 Third Street Black Rock
Friday November 9		Victoria Trophy Golf Day	Keysborough GC
Tuesday November 13	2- 4 pm	Travel Group	Unit 1, 35 Alfred Street Beaumaris
Tuesday November 13	12 noon	Annual Bridge Lunch	Victoria Golf Club
Wednesday November 14	4 - 9 pm	Annual Bowls Event	Sandringham Bowls Club
Tuesday November 20	10 am	GENERAL MEETING	Beaumaris Sports Club
Tuesday November 27	2 pm	PRISMS	Alan Nash's Place
Friday December 14	12 noon	President's Christmas Lunch	Kingston Heath GC



Members at the NGV

