

Grey Matter

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Newsletter of the Probus Club of Greythorn

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JUNE 'EVENTS'

Solo:	2 June
Scrabble:	6 June
Committee meeting:	7 June
Canasta:	8 June
General Meeting:	14 June
Garden Appreciation:	16 June
Mama Mia:	18 June
3rd Sunday Lunch:	19 June
Walking for Enjoyment:	20 June
Cinema & Lunch:	21 June
Discussion Group:	22 June
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Creative Pursuits:	27 June
Investors:	28 June
Dine Out 2:	30 June

To participate in activities you must be double vax'd . Any members who are unwell should stay at home and not join activities. Masks are no longer compulsory, but recommended when social distancing is not possible.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Veronica	McLellan	1
Marilyn .	Poole	2
Stan	Petzall	7
Vivienne	Newman	8
Elisabeth	Neales	18
Kevin	O'Connor	19
John	O'Brien	20
Dick	Johnson	24
Neville .	Daniel	24



Our thanks to Boroondara for their support of our club and its activities



Robert's Reflections



On a sad note we acknowledge the passing of Stan Lancaster, a founding member of the club. Our thoughts are with Deidre and her family at this time.

As we are now experiencing the early signs of winter I can only encourage everyone to get the flu shots that are available for free and should provide

some protection against some of the nasty flu viruses that are doing the rounds at the moment.

There is no requirement to wear masks in public, except on public transport and in medical facilities. However, it makes sense to always have a mask with you should you feel uncomfortable in close proximity to crowds in shops or other public places.

It does appear that our most popular activity is still 'Wining and Dining'. As expected some of the earlier grants from 2021 had a revised expiry date of June this year and it took no time at all to have 44 members booking a DINE OUT lunch at Fiorelli Restaurant in Camberwell.

Unfortunately funds for Dine Outs and Third Sunday lunches will be depleted by the due date. The Council grant received late 2021 will be applied to a sizable discount at our 15th Anniversary Lunch at the Rosanna Golf Club on 14th July and our Christmas lunch in December. I also hope that this note will remind members that payment for the Anniversary lunch is due by Tuesday 21st June.

At the same time Ron Johnson, our Immediate Past President, has been beaver away to see what grants are available to our Club in the near future and for 2023. The access to grants has meant that we have been able to offer our members more economical opportunities to participate. With economic storm clouds forming on the horizon, we must never take these grants for certain.

Robert Van Woerkom, President

GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday June 14
Commencing at 10:00

For members who are fully "up to date" with Australian vaccination requirements

North Balwyn Uniting Church Hall, Duggan Street, North Balwyn

Our "Guest" speaker for June is:

Ken Mitchell



From 1956, Ken was a VFL boundary umpire for 13 years. Ken will present on the topic:

"Melbourne and Collingwood: The Dominant Years 1926-1966"

Ken will discuss the dominant period for two of the VFL/AFL's greatest clubs in the glory years of the game. Ken's book on the period of 40 years in which the two teams won 19 premierships "The Dominant Years 1926—1966" will be available for purchase at a discounted price of \$20 at the meeting.



BRING & BUY TABLE at the GM

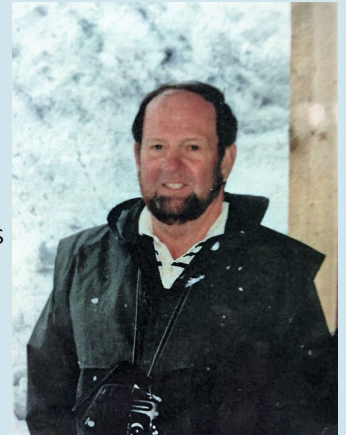
The BBT will continue to operate this year, at every General Meeting. Money raised will go to a charity we select at the end of the year. In 2020 we supported the fund set up to help animals injured during the bush fires. Items can be anything you have at home - plants, preserves, crafts etc. A gold coin/s donation for your purchase. Don't forget your change!

VALE

Stan Lancaster

Stan was born on 26/08/1934 and died 28/05/2022.

When he was 18, Stan had to register for National Service and served in the Navy. Part of that time was on HMAS WAGGA, a mine sweeper. He always said he had to mainly polish brass!



He commenced his working life with the E.S. & A. Bank which was, in due course, taken over by the ANZ Bank. He was admitted to practice as a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court on 01/10/1979 after studying part time while still working at the bank.

His final position at the ANZ Bank was as Chief Legal Officer with quite a few solicitors working in the department.

Stan finally retired from the bank in 1992 and enjoyed fly fishing (more often) and golf at Eastern Golf Club. We also travelled overseas to many countries and throughout Australia

Deidre Lancaster



Thrilled to meet you Josh and Cat! Glenys excited to meet the Living Legends

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Convenors and Activities 2022

GROUP	CONVENOR	WEEK/DAY
Scrabble	Glenys Chalk	1st Monday
Solo	Denise Powell	1st Thursday— 7.30pm
Canasta	Ann Price	2nd Wednesday
Walking for enjoyment	John Astle	3rd Monday
Discussion	Roy Price	3rd Tue/Wed 3rd Thursday
3rd Sunday Lunch	Angela/Neville Johns	3rd Sunday
Creative Pursuits	Elaine Provan	4th Monday— 1:30pm
Investors	Charlie Boschetti	4th Tuesday— 7:30pm
Book Group 1	Patricia Nosedá	4th Thursday— 2:00PM
Book Group 2	Margaret Goding	4th Thursday— 2:00pm
Theatre	Barb Mathews	various
Film Luncheons	Joan Teele	3rd Tue/Wed
Dine Out	Margaret Cox Barbara Van Woerkom	Bi monthly

Welfare

Winter is certainly with us and I hope you all will stay well and warm in the months ahead.

Several of our members have had Covid and best wishes to them for a rapid and complete recovery. Sadly Stan Lancaster, a Foundation member of our Club has died after a long illness and several recent trips to hospital. A card has been sent to Deidre and her family extending the Club's sympathy.

Ros Sinclair is feeling much improved and is starting to venture out again. Margaret Marsh and Anne Ponsford are recovering well from their hip surgery. Anne is home again and Margaret is continuing with on going rehabilitation.

Best wishes to you all and keep well.

Joan Teele

Scrabble



Monday 6 June—1:30pm

The Scrabble Group last met on Monday 6 June

The next meeting is on **Monday 4 July at 1.30pm. at Denise Boschetti's home**

Please advise Denise by Friday **1 July** if you will be attending.

Convenor: Glenys Chalk

Solo

Thursday 2 June—1.30pm

The Solo group last met on Thursday June 2. The next meeting is on **July 7 at 1.30 pm** at the home of **Peter Harman**

Please contact Peter if you will be attending.

Convenor: Denise Powell

Canasta

Wednesday 8 June—1.30pm.

The Canasta group last met on Wednesday June 8 at 1.30pm at the home of **Kevin O'Connor**.

The next meeting will be **Wednesday 13 July at 1.30pm** at the home of **Barbara Mathews**

Please let Barbara know if you will be attending

Convenor: Ann Price



Garden Appreciation

Thursday 16 June 10.50am

Beasley's Nursery,

195 Heidelberg – Warrandyte Road, Warrandyte

Meet at the nursery at **10:50** (after coffee if appropriate) for a 3/4hr talk and walk with a member of nursery staff commencing at **11:00am**.

Lunch has been booked at the nursery Teahouse for 12 noon.



The menu is a choice of 3 meals plus cake & tea or coffee for a set price of \$25 – which is good value!

As the Teahouse will not split bills you **must** bring \$25 in **cash**. Other drinks will be paid for separately in cash.

Please check the list or add your name at the meeting and select your lunch meal.

Thursday 14 July 9.40 am

Tour of Parliament House Victoria

Organiser: Sue Astle The Parliament House tour in July is fully booked. Please check the list and, if you find that you can't or don't wish to participate, ensure that your name is removed from the list so others on the wait list can be included.

The August outing will be to the Kuranga Native Nursery in Mt Evelyn.

I would be grateful if someone could volunteer to arrange the October and November outings to Cloudehill and the Werribee Rose Garden.

Convenor: Liz Dawe

3rd Sunday Lunch

Sunday 19 June—12 Noon

Chicken or the Egg

76 – 78 Maling Road, Canterbury

This will be the last subsidised event with a maximum of 16 starters.

For booking contact Angela

Convenor: Angela Johns

Walking for Enjoyment

MONDAY 20 June 9.52 am Train.

Meet Flinders St Station, PLATFORM 5, (UPFIELD line) in time for 9.52 am train.

Travel to Anstey Station then walk to Coburg Station. Coffee at "The Eastern Bloc " then various options for returning to Flinders St. **DON'T FORGET YOUR MYKI!**

Train/ Walk leader :- Joan Teele

Convenor:- John Astle

Cinema and Lunch

Tuesday 21 June—10:45am

Palace Cinema , 231 Whitehorse Rd , Balwyn

FILM WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT MEETING.

Cost \$10.00 . Names and money (in a clearly named envelope please) collected at the General Meeting
OPTIONAL LUNCH TO FOLLOW AT EAST & CO.

Convenor: Joan Teele

Discussion Group

Wednesday 22 June—11:00am

THE HARP HOTEL

The topic is: World Wheat Supply Problems



Wheat is an important staple crop that is grown widely around the world, with global production in 2010—2020 at 762 million tonnes.

Nearly US\$50 billion worth of wheat is traded globally each year and it is consumed by 2.5 billion people in 89 countries. Shipping blockages and the high cost or scarcity of insurance will halt the exports from the Black Sea countries and long-term structural changes to wheat flows could occur. CAN Australia assist in covering the shortfall?

The Discussion Group will meet on **Wed 15 June** at the Harp Hotel at **11.00 am**, in the committee room followed by lunch.

Please advise Roy if attending for booking purposes.

Convenor: Roy Price

Book Group 1

Thursday 23 June— 2:00pm

Book Group 1 will meet at the Hawthorn Library for its discussion of "House of Kwa" by Mimi Kwa.

Convenor: Patricia Nosedá

Book Group 2

Thursday 23 June— 2:00pm

Book Group 2 will meet at the home of Faye for its discussion of "Still Life" by Sarah Winman.

Host: Faye Macrae

Convenor: Margaret Goding

Creative Pursuits

Monday 27 June 2pm

Meet at Elaine Provan's home - please bring your current creative project, and a small plate of afternoon tea.

Monday 25 July 10.45pm

Picasso at the NGV



Please put your names on the list at the June meeting.
Cost \$28. Pay by July 12 at the Probus General Meeting, in a named envelope.

Convenor: Elaine Provan

Investors

Tuesday 28 June 7:00pm

EOFY Dinner at the Manningham Hotel.

Our last meeting produced one shining star, 3 or 4 also rans, and the rest of us will be on bread and water rations at our next meeting, which will be at The Manningham Hotel. Please let Vivienne Newman know at the General Meeting if you can't be there.

Convenor: Charlie Boschetti:

Dine Out

Thursday 30 June at 12.30pm

Dine Out 2

Fiorelli Restaurant

209 Camberwell Rd, Hawthorn East (\$35.00 per member. Drinks & coffee at own cost)

We had our first very successful Dine Out at Fiorelli on 30 May which everyone enjoyed. There was a great choice of mains and dessert. If you are attending Dine Out 2, and have not yet paid, you will need to do so by **Tuesday 14th June**. Payment details as per back of newsletter. Fiorelli Restaurant is now fully booked with three on the waiting list.

Bookings via **Convenors**

Barbara Van Woerkom or

Margaret Cox

Theatre

Saturday 18 June 2pm

Mama Mia is on **Saturday 18th June** at 2pm at the Karralyka Theatre in Ringwood.

Tickets available at June General Meeting

Wednesday 17 August 10am

Gems of Jazz

The Staircase, Rooks Road

Gina Hogan, with her great voice, presents the show with timeless classics from Berlin, Arlen and Porter. It will include songs made famous by Ella Fitzgerald, Frank Sinatra, Peggy Lee, Nat King Cole and others. Coffee and cake starts at 10AM and the show at 11AM. Cost is \$10 subsidized and must be paid by the June meeting at the latest.

Convener: Barbara Mathews

2022 FOOTBALL TIPPING COMPETITION

Mary Dunn has wrestled the lead from Denise Powell but charging in (think Dermot Brereton) is first year player Frank O'Brien to complete the scramble for the lead. Nobody tipped Melbourne to lose its last two matches. Perhaps it is the name change which has confused the players and tipsters. Meanwhile, spare a thought for those loyal Hawthorn tipsters whose team invariably continues to win or lose whichever is the least likely

Reports, Pics, Tours and Trips.

CREATIVE PURSUITS REVIEW

A small group visited Bendigo for *Elvis: Direct from Graceland*. It was a superb day to see a great exhibition of Elvis memorabilia - Bendigo is truly embracing this event.



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LIVING LEGENDS TRIP - Thursday MAY 12

A great day out was enjoyed by 17 members who attended this excursion. After arriving at Woodlands Homestead, a sumptuous Devonshire morning tea was served before touring the horse paddocks beyond with a passionate, knowledgeable guide where we were able to get up close AND personal with some famous names! Fields of Omagh, Rogan Josh, Brew to drop few names, all loved being hand-fed carrots. Being near the flightpath into Tullamarine also provided an uninterrupted view of the many aircraft coming in to land.

Lunch at Woodend Pub did not disappoint and caused many to loosen belts.

A drive on to Mt Macedon followed for a look at Autumn scenery. Most participants walked up to view the imposing Memorial Cross.

The Autumnal colours made a spectacular showing. The weather also was on our side so when we arrived back about 6.00 pm, we were well satisfied with the day out.

Judy & Cath



KERRISDALE RAILWAY DAY TOUR Wednesday SEPTEMBER 21

At this stage this popular tour is fully booked, with a waiting list.

Cath Origlasso
Judy Brophy

Forward Planning

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ACTIVITIES

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TRIPS, TOURS, THEATRE—and MORE!

Gems of Jazz:	17 August
Kerrisdale Mountain Railway:	21 September
Tasmania Tour:	5-12 October
Phantom of the Opera:	November

July GREY MATTER

All copy for July newsletter MUST be sent to Jan Coffey by Thursday, June 30 at latest. Late copy will not be guaranteed a place in the next newsletter. As I will be away in August any early notifications for August newsletter would also be greatly appreciated!

Nelson Alexander

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Anniversary Celebration 12 July



Rosanna Golf Club

54 Cleveland Avenue, Lower Plenty 12 Noon

2022 marks the 15th anniversary of the foundation of our great club, so it's time to celebrate our special '**Crystal Birthday**' at the Rosanna Golf Club, **Tuesday 12 July**. The well subsidized three course lunch (including tea and coffee!) will cost \$30 for members (non-members \$50) If you have any special dietary requirements, please ensure that you advise Mary Dunn ASAP.

Please ensure that payment for this wonderful event is made by **Tuesday 21 June**. If paying directly to the club's bank account, please also advise Martin Randall and Mary Dunn by email after payment.

If you are paying by cheque, please contact Mary by phone and ensure that you are on the event list and make payment arrangements with her.

Mary Dunn

Subscriptions and payments

Direct Debit (EFT) BSB 633 000

Account No. 168 764 322

Please always insert your **name** and the **event** in the message/reference area. **Also inform convenor and treasurer by email that you have paid.**

If paying and posting by cheque: Cheque to be made payable to Greythorn Probus; please post directly to **Martin Randall**—clearly indicating the event and names of those attending. **ALSO please email the specific event/group convenor.**

*When paying by cash or cheque at a meeting please put the **CORRECT MONEY** or **CHEQUE** in a sealed envelope with your name and the activity details on the front.*

*Give this to the convenor or our Treasurer at the specified club meeting **BY** the required date.*

We are NOT ABLE to give change so please have the correct payment ready.