

# Grey Matter



## July 2023

### Newsletter of the

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### Stuart's Script



I hope you have been keeping warm. Our winter so far has not been too wet but there have been some very chilly days. I believe we are so fortunate to live in a city with such a mild climate. We can get outside in Melbourne almost every day of the year. I played tennis the other day and it was only five degrees but with suitable clothes outdoor exercise was possible. In other

places, one might be hemmed in by metres of snow or in other places one might decide to stay indoors because of searing heat.

I hope you are looking forward to our anniversary lunch. If people stay fit and healthy we could have almost 100 attending. A big thank you to Barbara and Margaret for their planning and organisation.

Joan does a wonderful job of organising our monthly film and lunch outing. There was a good roll-up for the June movie. I was delighted to be joined by two other male members. The warmth and darkness of the Balwyn Palace Cinema was a pleasant break from a cold day.

Our club owns a small amount of equipment. Last month we had to have our computer hard drive replaced. I thank Roy for attending to this. Our club funds are not just utilised for venue rent and bus trips.

The months ahead offer us plenty of opportunities to have fun and fellowship. I'm looking forward to our Blue Mountains trip and some opportunities to dine out. A big thank you to the committee, to activity convenors and co-ordinators for making sure we have a variety of activities to add challenges and interest to our lives.

*Stuart Williams, President*



We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our  
**ANNIVERSARY LUNCH**

celebrating 16 very successful and active years of  
Greythorn Probud Club.

On Tuesday

**11 July 2023 12 Noon**  
**GREENACRES GOLF CLUB**

51 Elm Grove, Kew East

We have had an amazing result with record  
numbers booked.

We're sure you will all have a great day.

To entertain you we have Jason Vorherr, well known as the bass guitarist for Australian music icon Daryl Braithwaite. Jason, from Melbourne, is now proving in his own right to be quite the story telling singer/songwriter. His songs are a charming look at suburban Australian life with a country/folk style.



Jason has been compared to the likes of Paul Kelly and Michael

Waugh. Those who went to the Harness Race Day at Yarra Glen had the pleasure of hearing and enjoying his performance.

**Margaret Cox -**

**Barbara van Woerkom -**

## WELFARE

We still have many cold and wet days ahead of us so hope you all stay healthy and active.

Perhaps many of you will be heading North or elsewhere to enjoy warmer weather in the near future. Have fun.

Cath Origlasso's health is slowly improving and she has started physio. We wish her well and hope to see her at the Anniversary lunch.

Margaret Steele has recovered well from her recent fall and is starting to be out and about again.

Marty Malone recently discovered that golf is a dangerous activity when a mishap resulted in a severely damaged shoulder which will require surgery.

Angela Johns is in Epworth Richmond following emergency bowel surgery last Friday night. She is doing well and hopes to be home later in the week.

A couple of members have recently suffered painful falls, but fortunately are recovering well.

Best wishes for good recoveries everyone.

It is so important for us all to be so careful as we go out and about and try to retain a good level of fitness and balance. Sometimes easier said than done.

Enjoy our Anniversary lunch and another happy Probus year.

Joan Teele

## Solo

Thursday 6 July, 1.30 pm

The group will meet at the home of Peter and Anne Harman. Please let Peter know by **Monday 3 July** if you will be attending.

On 3 August Denise Powell will host play.

**Convenor:** Denise Powell

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

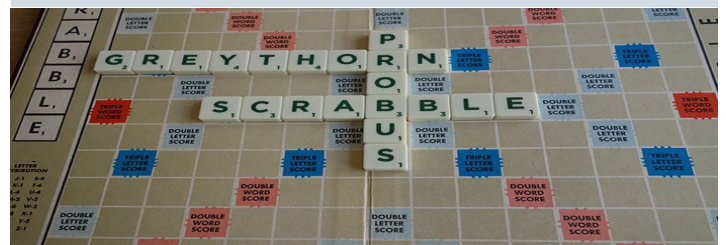
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| 18 | Bella Schlen    |
| 19 | Erin Courtney   |
| 19 | Heather Trumble |
| 25 | Carol Fraser    |
| 26 | Robert Creek    |
| 26 | Liz Dawe        |
| 26 | Eric Beissel    |
| 31 | Pauline O'Brien |



## JULY EVENTS

Scrabble:	3 July
<b>Committee Meeting:</b>	<b>4 July</b>
Theatre <i>Night &amp; Day</i>	5 July
Solo	6 July
<b>General Meeting: - Anniversary Lunch</b>	<b>11 July</b>
Canasta:	12 July
3rd Sunday Lunch:	16 July
Walking for Enjoyment	17 July
Film Luncheon:	18 July
Discussion:	19 July
Garden Appreciation	20 July
Magical Mystery Tour	21 July
Creative Pursuits	24 July
Investors	25 July
Book Groups:	27 July
Grey Matter August copy	27 July
Christmas in July Walk & Lunch	31 July

## Scrabble



Monday 3 July, 1.30pm

The Scrabble group met on **Monday 3 July** at 1.30 p.m. at the home of Angela Johns. Let's hope that all who played had a great afternoon.

Then

Monday 7 August, 1:30pm

The August meeting will be at the home of Elaine Provan. Please advise Elaine by Friday 4 August if attending.

**Convenor:** Glenys Chalk

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





## Canasta



**Wednesday 12 July, 1.30 pm**

The CANASTA GROUP will meet on Wed 12<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm at the home of Diane Robinson  
Please advise Diane if attending.

**Convenor:** Ann Price

## 3rd Sunday Lunch

**Sunday 16 July, 12:15pm — (note time)**

Book early as numbers are limited.

Venue is:

**Augello's Italian restaurant**

200 Whitehorse Road, Balwyn

(Almost opposite the Palace Balwyn Cinema)

For booking contact Angela Johns on

**Convenor:** Angela Johns

## Walking for Enjoyment

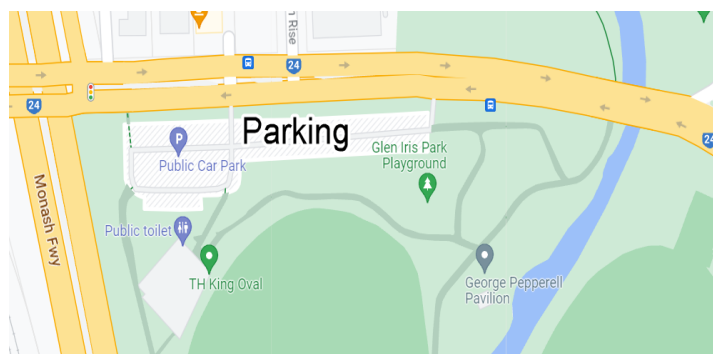
**Monday 17 July, 10am**

**Gardiner's Creek Trail**

Meet at T.H.King oval car park, Glen Iris. Enter car park from High Street.

Melway 59 K9

Coffee at Glen Iris Pantry, Glen Iris Rd.



**Monday 31 July, 10:30am** note change of time

*An extra walk this month just because we can:*

Finn's Reserve to Westerfold Park—Melway 33 B4

**Christmas in July Lunch** Old England Hotel

Two courses \$30.00; Subsidy \$10.00—

You pay \$20.00. - Limited to 20 people.

Booking to John Astle by 24 July.

**Convenor:** John Astle

## Film and Lunch

**Tuesday 18 July, 11:00am**

**Palace Theatre, Whitehorse Rd Balwyn.**

20 FULLY SUBSCRIBED tickets due to our Grant are available for this coming July film.

Names to be registered at our Anniversary lunch when the name and time of film will be announced.

Lunch to follow at EAST & CO if desired.

**Convenor:** Joan Teele

## Discussion Group

**Wednesday 19 July, 11am**  
(note change of day)



**DISCUSSION GROUP AT THE HARP HOTEL KEW AT 11.00am ON WEDNESDAY 19 JULY 2023 FOLLOWED BY LUNCH AT OWN COST. PLEASE ADVISE ROY IF ATTENDING**



Chess piece (errors detected) at the Walking group's visit to the Islamic Museum visit





## Garden Appreciation

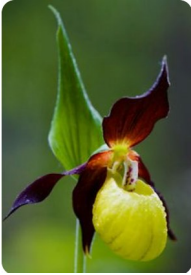
**Thursday 20 July 11:30am**

**Acorn Nursery**, Canterbury Rd., Surrey Hills – stroll around this delightful plant filled nursery and enjoy lunch and a chat.

**Thursday 17 August**

**Garden World, 810 Springvale Rd, Braeside**

Arrangements have been made for a talk on orchids – which will be in full bloom! Lunch will be at the café and there is plenty to see under cover and outdoors in this large garden centre. Please make your own travel arrangements. A list of participants will be circulated.



**Wednesday 20 September**  
(Please note change of day)

**Beleura House and Garden**

Numbers for this visit are limited (max 25 persons) so you **MUST** ensure your name is on the Beleura list if you wish to attend. [if more than 25 list there will be a waiting list.—preference will be given to those who indicated their interest on the list at our June meeting].

Beleura House is in Mornington so we will car pool from Balwyn.

The visit will include morning tea, a guided tour of house and garden, and lunch. The cost is \$50pp less any subsidy (as yet unknown) the club may provide.



Car parking is at Mornington Golf Club and a courtesy bus will be provided between the golf club and the house.

More specific details in next month's Grey Matter

**Convenor:** Liz Dawe

## Creative Pursuits

**Monday 24 July - 2pm**—please note change of time

**A Natter Day** at the home of Elaine Provan - bring any work in progress.

A visit to the Tapestry Workshop is planned for September.

**Convenor:** Elaine Provan:



Detailed inspection at the Women's Weekly exhibition at the Bendigo Art Gallery



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## Investors

**Tuesday 25 July, 7.30pm .**

The investors return to the Greythorn Centre to lick their wounds over the state of the investment markets at the start of the new financial year (all except, that is, one of our Probians who saw a 22% improvement in portfolio selection).

**Convenor:** Charlie Boschetti:

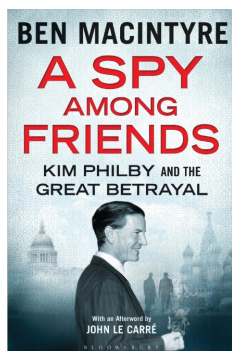


No long faces amongst these 'investors' as they celebrate the EOFY

## Book Groups

**Thursday, 27 July, 2pm**

**BOOK GROUP 1**



Book Group 1 will meet at Hawthorn Library at 2pm to discuss "A Spy Among Friends" by Ben MacIntyre.

**Convenor:** Patricia Nosedá

**BOOK GROUP 2**

Our next book for discussion is "The Glass Castle" by Jeanette Walls. The discussion will be hosted by Lyn Stravretis. Please let her know if you cannot attend.

**Convenor:** Margaret Goding



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## Theatre

**Wednesday 6 September at 11am** at The Stairway.

**O Sole Mio.**

Songs from the great tenors featuring Roy Best and William Schmidt at the piano. Cost is \$20pp and must be paid by August meeting. Coffee starts at 10am.



Finally 'The Round', Nunawading's new theatre, is opening for all future events.

**Wednesday 11 October at 11am** at The Round.

**Those were the days - the ladies of the British Invasion.**

Hear the great hits of Cilla Black, Petula Clark, Shirley Bassey, Lulu and Dusty Springfield. Coffee starts at 10am. Cost is \$20pp and must be paid by the September meeting at the latest.

**Convenor:** Barbara Mathews

## Footy Tipping

Some close finishes in **Round 16** but most of our tipsters managed to get 8 correct. However, nobody tipped GWS to beat Melbourne. Overall tipping continues to be extremely difficult with favourites falling over each week not to mention some teams whose performances are so erratic they should be investigated.

Nevertheless the usual suspects populate the top of the leaderboard. **Mary Dunn** continues on top but her lead has dwindled (Colly-wobbles?). All ready to jump onto the podium given the slightest opportunity are: Stuart Williams, Roy Price, Frank O'Brien and Phil Pitsikas.

## AUGUST GREY MATTER

Please send articles/photos etc for the August newsletter to Jan Coffey by Thursday 27 July at the latest. Late entries cannot be guaranteed inclusion in the newsletter.

## Tours and Trips

**MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR**

21 JULY

**MEET: 9.45AM****WHERE: UNDER THE CLOCKS @ FLINDERS STREET STATION****WHAT to BRING: YOURSELF  
YOUR MYKI  
COFFEE & LUNCH  
MONEY****DRESS ACCORDING TO THE WEATHER  
THERE WILL BE A WALK OF APPROXIMATELY 600m.****You must confirm your name on the list by the Anniversary Lunch.****FOR YOUR DIARY:****KEW CROQUET CLUB, Victoria Park****FRIDAY 21 AUGUST, 1:30pm. \$10pp****Come & Try (maximum number - 22)****Coffee afterwards at ADENEY CAFE MILK BAR****Add your name to the list at the Anniversary Lunch****PAV FRIENDSHIP DAY AT BALLARAT TURF CLUB:****MONDAY 2 OCTOBER****Add your name to the list at the Anniversary Lunch****OAKS DAY at the YARRA VALLEY RACE CLUB:****THURSDAY 9 NOVEMBER****SPECTACULAR BLUE MOUNTAINS TOUR****SATURDAY 14 - THURSDAY 19 OCTOBER 2023****Please keep a lookout for updates in your inbox****This tour is now full!****Convenors: Judy Brophy  
Cath Origlasso****FORWARD PLANNING 2023**

For all activities, please check with your organizer/convenor. There may be occasional changes to times, dates and venues.

**AUGUST ACTIVITIES**

Committee meeting	1 August
Solo	3 August
Scrabble	7 August
<b>General Meeting</b>	8 August
Canasta	9 August
Discussion	15 August
Gardens—Orchids @ Garden World	17 August
3rd Sunday Lunch	20 August
Walking for Enjoyment	21 August
Croquet afternoon	21 August
Investors	22 August
Book Groups	24 August
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**Early September**

Scrabble	4 September
Committee	5 September
O Sole Mio—@ The Round	6 September
Solo	7 September
<b>General Meeting</b>	12 September

**AND A BIT LATER****Beleura House and Garden: 20 September****Ballarat Turf Club : 2 October****Those were the Days: 11 October****Spectacular Blue Mountains : 14 – 19 October****Oaks Day @ Yarra Valley Races: 9 November****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 the relevant convenor, and the treasurer, Geoff Warren, by email that you have paid.****If paying and posting by cheque:** Cheque to be made payable to Greythorn Probus; please post directly to **Geoff Warren, Treasurer**—clearly indicating the event and names of those attending. **ALSO please email the specific event/group convenor.****All Committee members names and all members' email addresses can be found in your Club Directory.***When paying by cash or cheque 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 Assistant Treasurer at the specified club meeting **BY** the required date.***We are NOT ABLE to give change so please have the correct payment ready.**