



PROBUS CLUB OF BENTLEIGH
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NEW MEMBER: Today we welcome a new member Carol Pritchard

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: Happiness is not a reward – it is a consequence. Suffering is not a punishment - it is a result.
R G Ingersoll

BIRTHDAYS

Unfortunately, we forgot to mention in the June Newsletter that **Norma Cash** a long time Probud Member turned **95**. Hearty Congratulations Norma, from all at Bentleigh Probud.

For June: Norma Cash (3), Peter Darwin (13), Patrick Foy (23), Sheila Murray (1), Boris Tajer (3), Golda Tajer (20),

For July: Congratulations to Mal Carter (10), Helen Harris (12), Bruce Hinton (1), Lynette Hinton (2), Julie Magness (13), Lyn Slatyer (28)

SICK LIST: - Nell Champion our Centenarian unfortunately fell and broke a rib. We all wish Nell a speedy recovery. Jill Carr has been unwell, but the good news is that Ivy Kratzer is on the mend.

Please let our Welfare Officer, Sylvia Garrick (0400 820 871) know if anyone is unwell, injured or in hospital.

SPEAKERS

10th July	Ian Boyle	Benn's Books, Bentleigh Bookshop
14th August	David Spittler	Asylum Seekers
11th September	TBA	Brain Research

If members have suggestions for future speakers, please discuss with **David Halford**.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS:

Coffee & Chat: Our next get together will be on **Thursday 24th July** at about 10.30am in the back lounge of the Bentleigh RSL. Everyone is welcome to stay on for lunch.

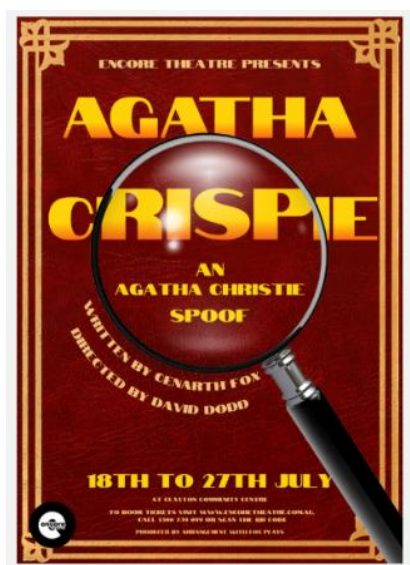
Walking Group: (Alan Ambrose 0407 711 030)

Tuesday 15th July	Allnutt Park: In Bentleigh, meet in the car park in Beech St (off Wheatley Rd) at 10.00am
Tuesday 19th August	Scotsman's Creek: In Oakleigh. Meet at 10.00am in the Oakleigh Recreation Centre's car park off Park Rd. (Next to Gary & Warren Smith's)
Tuesday 16th September	Valley Reserve: In Waimarie Drive Mt Waverley. Meet in the car park at 10.00am. Entry to the reserve is next to the Scout Hall

Book Club: The next regular meeting will be on **Tuesday 5th August** at 11.00am in the back lounge of the Bentleigh RSL. This month's book will be **"Tuscan Child" by Rhys Bowen**. **New readers are most welcome.**

Movie Group: Please register your name with **Margaret Darvell** (0402 342 202). Margaret will advise the date, time and place of the next outing.

Live Theatre



The next production by the Encore Theatre Company, 9-15 Cooke St Clayton is planned for Sunday 27th July 2 p.m. will be **"Agatha Crispie"** (comedy).

Synopsis

In the south-west of England soon after World War 1, the unknown writer, Agatha Crispie, pens mystery stories. In vain she longs for their publication. Agatha's family despise her writing and ridicule her plots.

Agatha gets a lucky break. A body is found in the library. The police arrive as does a grey-haired, cardigan-wearing spinster with a knack for solving crimes. Suddenly the pressure is too much. Agatha disappears. Then a dapper foreigner appears. He too has a knack for solving mysteries. Then a Scotland Yard detective makes a surprise entrance. There is a dead body, a suspect or three, amateur sleuths, red herrings and dithering cops. It's just like the life and characters of another scribbler, the slightly better-known Agatha Christie. There are surprises, mystery, drama, humour and that

infernal, eternal mousetrap!

Ticket Prices: Singles - \$28, Groups of 10 or more \$25, Please let **Sylvia** 0400 820 871 know if you are interested in attending.

Reviews

"A well-researched and cleverly humorous play; a highly recommended evening of fun". **Melbourne Observer**. "A brilliant cast of readily recognizable characters given a new lease of life through the fertile imagination of its playwright. This play is brilliant". **96.5FM**

TOURS & DAY TRIPS

Tour of AVEO's Kingston Green Retirement Village Wednesday 16th July at 10.00am –Here is the challenge for members. **Alan Ambrose** has organised for Aveo to give the Club \$500 (bribe) if we can get a minimum of 10 people to visit the village for a blatant sales pitch. The visit will include a morning tea, a talk about the AVEO experience, a walk around the village at 62-76 Cavanagh St Cheltenham. If you are prepared to 'take one' for the club to receive an easy \$500, please give your name to **Alan Ambrose TODAY?**

Tour of Canberra and Canberra Floriade by Bus – Unfortunately we had to cancel our private Club tour to Canberra with Southern Star Tours due to insufficient numbers. However, those members who did wish to go were able to get a seat on a private tour to the Floriade operated by the same company. This Tour will leave on 17th September.

Bus Trip to Werribee Mansion and Werribee Rose Garden Thursday 20th November -: includes two course lunch at Werribee RSL. Cost \$90 per person if we get at least 20 members.



For more details see information at the front desk at Monthly Meeting.

Tours and Trip for Next Year - 2026

On the last page of this Newsletter is a form listing possible activities for 2026 prepared by **Di Stahmer** after much research and discussion by the Tours and Trips Sub Committee. We would like all members to indicate their interest in participating in these activities. We need an idea of what members may like so that we can make bookings in advance. Could you please mark the activity of interest on the Form and either email to Di Stahmer (distahmer@bigond.com) and Bruce Hinton (bl.hinton@bigpond.com), or hand it in at the front desk prior to a General Meeting. The Form was also handed out at our May Meeting. You may have already handed it in, so thank you.

LUNCHES & DINE OUTS

Lunch - Thursday 17th July, Christmas in July Highett RSL, 1 Station St Highett , 12.00 – 12.30pm, a 2-course Christmas dinner at the at \$35 per person. **NOTE.** Parking is limited. Train station nearby.

Please add your name to the list at the front desk **TODAY**, and transfer the money **ASAP** into the Probus Bank Account (details below), or give the **correct** money in an envelope **TODAY** with your name if you are planning to attend this lunch.

Lunch – Thursday 21st August, Arco Bar at 8 Arco Lane, Heatherton off Warrigal Road near Bunnings for 12.00 - 12.30pm, **\$22.50 pp.** Order from The Classics Lunch Menu. With main course ordered you will receive a complimentary glass of Scotchman's Hill Wine, Bubbly, Pot of Baykers Brew Beer, or soft drink, tea or filtered coffee. If you would like to try a dessert there is plenty of choice. All desserts and special coffee are at your own expense. Please confirm if wish to attend by adding your name to the list at the front desk. Transfer the money into the Probus Bank Account (details below), or give the correct money in an envelope with your name to **Helen** if you are planning to attend this lunch.

Lunch – Thursday 18th September, Elsternwick Hotel 12.00 – 12.30pm, 259 Brighton Road Elwood. Choose from the extensive menu on the Day and pay for what you order. All Drinks at Members Expense

Dine Out – Friday 1st August, Budapest Schnitzel and Eating House, 6-30 pm. 273 Glen Huntly Rd Elsternwick. Please note, the dining area is upstairs and there is no lift. Choose and pay for you own food and drinks. Please confirm with Helen if you wish to attend.

MANAGEMENT MATTERS

Subscriptions: Our subscriptions for 2025/6 will be **\$90.00 per member.** **Note:** These are overdue and payable **NOW.** For electronic payment see the banking details below.

Internet Banking: Probus Club of Bentleigh inc. BSB 063 106, Account No. 1012 2148 Use your surname as the reference.

Club Web Site: <https://www.probusouthpacific.org/microsites/bentleighc/Welcome>. **Note:** All activities listed in this newsletter can be viewed on the Club's website. This site has a lot of very useful information including photographs from trips and lunches, "Active Retirees Magazine", "Victorian Probian Magazine".

Editor's Note: The Editor is always keen to receive feedback, comments, corrections etc. in relation to this Newsletter. Also, if members have any ideas and suggestions for new Section additions to this Newsletter, or news items of possible membership interest please send to bl.hinton@bigpond.com or phone 0417365815.

JUST FOR LAUGHS: Research has shown that laughing for 2 minutes is as healthy as jogging for 20 minutes. So now you can sit in a park and laugh at all the joggers.

NEXT MEETING – Thursday 14th August 2025 – 10.30am at the Bentleigh RSL

POSSIBLE TOURS AND TRIPS for 2026

Please indicate by ticking all activities of possible interest to you.

NAME:

Day Trips

- Train trip to Yarragon, Gippsland with Lunch at The Yarragon Hotel and admire Art Galleries, Op Shops Etc.
- Puffing Billy - Belgrave to Gembrook with Lunch at Gembrook.
- Winery Trip to Yarra Valley or Mornington Peninsula
- Williamstown Ferry From Southbank with Lunch at Williamstown
- Individual or combined walking tours of Melbourne Landmarks with lunch
 - Town Hall Tour
 - Government House Tour
 - Exhibition Building Tour
 - Arts Centre Tour
 - Treasury Building Tour
- Tall Ship Sailing Cruise from Williamstown (1 Hour) and Lunch
- Eureka Tower Sky Deck and Lunch
- Lunch at The Sky-High Restaurant Mt Dandenong
- Beleura Homestead And Gardens, Mornington with Lunch
- Lunch at Stella's Kitchen at Lysterfield Lake
- Warren Glen Nursery, Warrandyte with Lunch at The Café
- The Garden at Broughton Hall, Jindivick and Broughton Mansion (Perhaps in the autumn Open Garden Period In 2026)

Longer Trips

- Rutherglen, Corowa/Albury/Silo Art Staying at The Balls Caravan Park Cabins, or Corowa Golf Club Motel
- Bus tour of Western Victoria including Murray River Music Cruise
- Bus tour of Warrnambool and Western District Tour (Port Fairy, Port Campbell)