



## PROBUS CLUB of RAUMATI INC

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**Next Meeting: Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025**

# PROBUS FIELD DAY

Volume 33: # 10 October 2025

***Guest Speaker: Dr Cynric Temple-Camp – Death, Disease and Murder***

### **Dr Cynric Temple-Camp**

*Originally from South Africa, pathologist Dr Temple-Camp spent the early part of his career in war-torn Rhodesia examining the dead and dying. He came to New Zealand in the 1970s and has since worked on over 2000 cases, including high-profile ones in the south of the North Island. He is the author of several books and is a well-known and entertaining speaker. Some of his books will be available for sale at our meeting.*

### **PROGRAMME FOR THE MORNING**

<b>9.45am</b>	<b>Welcome and notices by President Mary-Anne</b>
<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Dr Cynric Temple-Camp: Death, Disease and Murder</b>
<b>10.45am</b>	<b>Morning tea</b>
<b>11.00am</b>	<b>View displays of club activities around the hall</b>
<b>11.30am</b>	<b>National Anthem and clean-up</b>

***Apologies: Don't forget to send in your apology if you are unable to attend the meeting. There are still some members who fail to do this. You can ring or text Sonna-Ra on 021 0328360, or Diane Smith on 0272 648342. You can also send your apology with a friend you know is going to attend the meeting. If your address or phone number changes, please let Sonna-Ra know so we can keep our records up to date.***

**Website:** you can access our Probus website by entering "Raumati probus" in your search engine. Lots of information there.

**Our membership now stands at 82.**

### **Notes from the President**

**Hi all,**

**As the months roll on, we look forward to our celebration of our Field Day to honour all our extra activities put on by our groups. We hope you all take the time after the speaker and morning tea to wander around and learn something new about our groups. It is always a pleasure working with the hard-working committee, and others not officially on the committee, but who perform many numerous tasks that keep your club moving forward. Next time you are served morning tea or coffee thank the volunteers who took the time to set it out and serve it. Think about the modern website. Our hard-working Almoner. The host and hostess who greet you on arrival. These are the many excellent people who go about their jobs with little fanfare but make The Probus Club of Raumati very successful. And for that we say THANK YOU. Don't go to Hamilton on the 31st come to Scots Hall, Weka Park and celebrate with us.**

**Regards Mary-Anne  
President.**

### **NEW MEMBERS**



**Judy Canvin, Jan and Bob Gowers join  
our Club**

## **NEW LIFE MEMBER – TERRY WHITE**

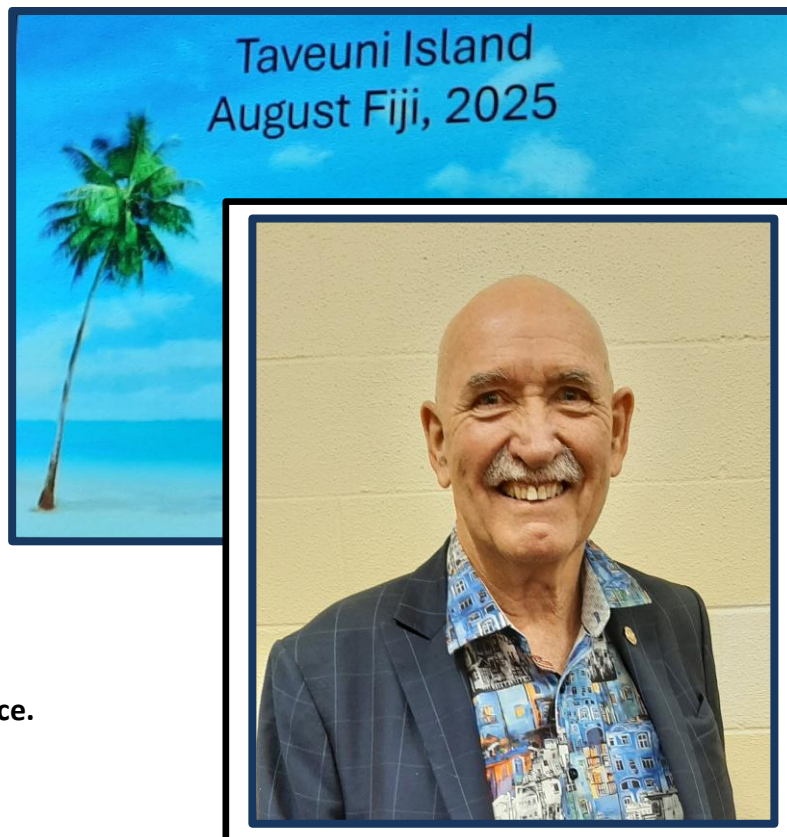
***Terry is a long-time member of our Club. He is a bit of an unsung hero really. For many years he has been our Facilities Manager. This involved being there very early to unlock, getting out the equipment needed in the kitchen and in the hall, helping with the setting up, etc.***

***Thankyou, Terry, and congratulations on being our newest Life Member.***

**Terry holding his Life Member Certificate.**

**Mary-Anne visited Terry in the Elderslea Care Facility in Upper Hutt to present him with his certificate.**

**Terry would be delighted to receive phone calls from friends. His number is 027 611 9116.**



**Guest speaker Gary Lawrence.**



Trish Tennant talks about  
*Hidden Books*

***Below is the letter of appreciation from Y'vonne Miller, Organiser of Kapiti Hidden Books.***

Dear Mary-Anne,

This is a heart-felt "thank you" for the wonderful books the Probus Club of Raumati has provided for Kapiti Hidden Books. It is very much appreciated.

We do have some sponsorship which assists us to purchase second-hand books, but it helps very much when people donate books, as you have done.

Since we began in February 2021, we have "hidden" over 13,000 books in the Kapiti Area Region for children to find, read, and enjoy. We also have 1,387 in our Facebook page.

We could not do this without the generosity of people like yourself.

Gifts such as yours make Kapiti Hidden Books possible.

My very great thanks

Kind regards

Y'vonne Miller  
Organiser.

***Well done, Trish. Keep up the good work.***

## OUR SISTER PROBUS GROUP IN PICKERING, CANADA

As you know, we are twinned with the Pickering Probus Group in Canada and for quite a while we have been receiving newsletters from them. They have now decided that they will not produce a newsletter and will go to a fully on-line means of communication with their 400 members.

Both Heather and I met Marilyn and her husband, Doug, when they visited Wellington on a cruise earlier this year. We have both kept in touch with Marilyn and here is the latest correspondence between Marilyn and Heather.

Hi Marilyn

So good to hear from you.

Regarding the knitting, we give mostly to local Charities such as Foster Hope, Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, local maternity hospital, beanies for local schools, packs for new mums, etc.

We send blankets overseas through Mission Without Borders, a national organisation.

Our club is in good heart and we are welcoming new members.

Coming into spring now with blossoms and lambs.

I have moved into a retirement village into a lovely villa and am settling in well.

Kind regards to all your members.

Canada is very dear to me since we lived there for a year.

Heather

Marilyn's reply:

Morning Heather!

Thank you so much and I have forwarded your information to Carol Leetham who was asking the question. Much appreciated!

You are coming into spring and we are soon saying a sad goodbye to our summer season. You can feel fall in the air but our days are still warm in the low 20's. No leaves are turning colour yet! Sadly, many areas of Canada experienced wildfires this year. There were none near us but the smoky air hung over the city for a few days.

I hope you enjoy your new place! We have been in a condo for 6 years and love it.

I mentioned to Annie that we no longer have a Newsletter so it is difficult to share our news with all of you. We are using the website exclusively now but it is restricted to members only. Anyway, we are thriving with close to 500 members and about 35 different activities! We get about 200 out to our monthly meetings. Next week there is a golfing/shopping trip to Niagara Falls that we are going on. David is golfing and I am shopping! LOL

It is nice to keep in touch on occasion.

Say "hello" to all from your Probus friends here in Pickering. (I forget where you lived here?

Till next time,



Marilyn

## **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS/REQUESTS/INFORMATION**

*This is where members can share information with other members, put forward a request or raise a question.*



*Don't forget Isobel is looking for wine bottle bags (to put the wine for speakers in). We use two every month. Ring Isobel on 027 632 1664.*

*Jim McIntosh was our birthday boy this month. Hope it was a good one, Jim.*

## **EVENTS AND INTEREST GROUPS**

<b><u>GROUP AND CONVENOR</u></b>	<b><u>REGULAR MEETING DAYS</u></b>	<b><u>DATE and VENUE for NEXT MEETING</u></b>
<b><u>ARTS GROUP:</u></b> Merlene Beard 902 4225	<i>Last Tuesday of the month.</i>	<i>The next meeting will be on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October at 130 Alexander Road, Raumati Bach.</i>
<b><u>AWAY CAFÉ:</u></b> Dorothy Woods 021 296 3626. Kay Bell 027 603 5769.	<i>Second Wednesday of the month.</i>	<i>Met at the Paraparaumu Railway Station on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> of October to catch the 9.40am train. From there on it was a Magical Mystery Tour!</i>



<p><b><u>LITERARY GROUP:</u></b>  Trish 027 241 7910 or  Hazel 021 108 9513.</p>	<p>Second  Friday of the  month.</p>	<p>The Group's last meeting was at the Sunday Cantina Café in Raumati South where we shared our works with each other. Our writings have been made into little booklets and left on Sunday Cantina's tables for the public to enjoy. Please visit Sunday Cantina to enjoy our group's work and the café's delicious food and coffee, all available at a discount for Super Gold Card holders. Thank you, Sunday Cantina, for your fantastic support.</p>   <p>The next meeting will be at Margaret's home - Villa 85/65 Guildford Drive, Paraparaumu at 10am.</p>
<p><b><u>GAMES GROUP:</u></b>  Irene Bayly  04 299 2824 or  021 252 6492.</p>	<p>Third Friday  of the  month.</p>	<p>The next meeting will be on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> of October at Jeny's, 193 Matai Road, Raumati.</p>

<p><b><u>GARDEN GROUP:</u></b>  <b>Annie Johnston</b>  <b>021 187 4089</b></p>	<p><i>First Thursday of the month.</i></p>	<p><i>Our group had a most enjoyable, interesting and informative visit to Eva's Orchids on Thursday.</i></p> <div data-bbox="628 215 1102 465" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="1177 246 1406 651" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="636 535 844 967" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="956 714 1417 976" data-label="Image"> </div> <p><i>The outing for November will not be on our usual meeting day but a visit to the Te Horo Country Garden Trail. Features are beachside gardens, native gardens to lifestyle blocks, plus a garden-inspired market at the historic Te Horo Hall. 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> November, 10am-4.30pm. \$35 + 88cents ticket service fee (covers entry for both days). Check it out on <a href="https://www.facebook.com/TeHoroGardenTrail/">https://www.facebook.com/TeHoroGardenTrail/</a></i></p>
<p><b><u>JIGSAW GROUP:</u></b>  <b>Delza Raynor</b>  <b>04 299 5388</b></p>	<p><i>Second Monday of the month.</i></p>	<p><i>The next meeting will be on the 13<sup>th</sup> of October, 10am, at Delza's house, 15 Telford Way, Raumati.</i></p>
<p><b><u>SUNDAY WALKING GROUP:</u></b> Kay Bell 027 603 5769.</p>	<p><i>Every Sunday.</i></p>	<p><i>Phone Kay if you would like to join in as they meet at a different venue each Sunday, walk for about an hour and then have a cuppa at a café near to wherever they happen to be.</i></p>
<p><b><u>KNITTING4CHARITY:</u></b>  <b>Heather Wakeling</b>  <b>04 902 2285 or</b>  <b>027 271 2290.</b></p>	<p><i>Last Monday of the month.</i></p>	<p><i>The next meeting will be at Heather's on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> of October.</i></p>



<b><u>MUSIC GROUP:</u></b> Lucy Faulknor 027 417 6972	<b>Second Monday of the month.</b>	<b>The next meeting will be on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> of October, 1.30pm at Lucy's house.</b>
<b><u>TRIPS:</u></b> Mike Whooley 027 687 2010.	<b>First Thursday of the month.</b>	<b>Mike is organising a trip to the Heritage Houses in Sanson on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> of November. See end of newsletter for details.</b>
<b><u>LUNCHEON GROUP:</u></b> Kay Bell 027 603 5769.	<b>After each Probus Meeting.</b>	<b>Lunch will be at the Social in Raumati South. Don't forget to let Kay know by the Wednesday if you plan to attend.</b>
<b><u>WINE APPRECIATION GROUP:</u></b> Kevin Morris 905 0019.	<b>Third Sunday of the month.</b>	<b>The next meeting will be on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> of October. Kevin will be in touch.</b>
<b><u>NATURAL HERITAGE GROUP:</u></b> Margaret Willard 027 363 2967	<b>Third Monday of the month.</b>	<b>This Monday 13 October is forecast to be unsuitable for viewing lizards, so we have postponed to be in Wainuiomata on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 1.30pm. At least one car is leaving Scots Hall for the lizards visit only at 12.15pm. Another is likely to leave at 11.15 for lunch at the new Wainuiomata Mitre 10 before seeing the lizards. Please phone Margaret on 027 363 2967 for clarification.</b>

**ALMONER:** Hazel Ollerenshaw 021 108 9513 or 04 904 7243. Whilst Hazel is no longer a member of the committee, she is still our Almoner. If you know of any member who is ill or needs help, please give her a call.

**NEWSLETTER:** Annie Johnston 021 187 4089. Hope everyone is successfully receiving their copy of the newsletter. If you know someone who is missing out, ring me or email me on [anniejohnston51@gmail.com](mailto:anniejohnston51@gmail.com)

Please send any contributions you wish to make to the newsletter to [raumatiprobust@gmail.com](mailto:raumatiprobust@gmail.com)

## **COMMITTEE 2025-2026 – Members and their responsibilities.**

<b>Office</b>	<b>Incumbent</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>President</b>	<b>Mary-Anne Kindell</b>	<b>021 251 5375</b>
<b>Immediate Past President</b>	<b>Gary McElhinney</b>	<b>04 299 3135</b>
<b>Vice-President</b>		
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Joy Heenan</b>	<b>027 327 9775</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Geoff Gregory</b>	<b>027 384 4126</b>
<b>Membership</b>	<b>Sonna-Ra Kavanagh</b>	<b>021 032 8360</b>
<b>Newsletter</b>	<b>Annie Johnston</b>	<b>021 187 4089</b>
<b>Guest Speakers</b>	<b>Trish Tennant</b>	<b>027 241 7910</b>
<b>Cameo Speakers</b>	<b>Mary-Anne Kindell</b>	<b>021 251 5375</b>
<b>Trips</b>	<b>Mike Whooley</b>	<b>027 687 2010</b>
<b>Facilities Co-ordinators</b>	<b>Mike Whooley</b>	<b>027 687 2010</b>
	<b>Jim McIntosh</b>	<b>021 081 03652</b>
<b>Seating Organisation</b>	<b>Mike Whooley</b>	<b>027 687 2010</b>
	<b>Jim McIntosh</b>	<b>021 081 03652</b>
<b>Sound System Technician</b>	<b>Jim McIntosh</b>	<b>021 081 03652</b>
<b>Marketing</b>	<b>Mike Whooley</b>	<b>027 687 2010</b>
	<b>Jim McIntosh</b>	<b>021 081 03652</b>

**The committee acknowledges the support of the following members:**

**Barrie Woods for organising the projector for our speakers;  
Keith Williams, Webmaster, for keeping our website up to date;  
Isobel Whooley and Kay McIntosh for organising our morning tea and coffee;  
Diane Smith who will assist Sonna-Ra with membership duties on meeting mornings;  
Joan Truman for the lovely photographs that go in our newsletters.**

**DATE OF NEXT PROBUS MEETING**  
**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2025**

## **SHOWS AND CONCERTS**

We will no longer be making bookings on behalf of members, but below is a list of what is on locally for you to enjoy.

You can check for more details of the shows by going to the websites:

Te Raukura                [teraukura.nz/whats-on](http://teraukura.nz/whats-on)

Southwards              [https://www .eventfinda.co.nz/whatson/events/southward-theatre-kapiti-coast](https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/whatson/events/southward-theatre-kapiti-coast)

Kapiti Playhouse      [kapitiplayhouse.org.nz](http://kapitiplayhouse.org.nz)

Coasters Musical Theatre      [coastersmusicaltheatre.com](http://coastersmusicaltheatre.com)

### **SOUTHWARDS THEATRE**

**Operatunity – Fabulous Fifties**

**ALL SOLD OUT**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October, Tickets \$39.**

*Doors open 10am for complimentary morning tea. Show starts 11am*

### **KAPITI PLAYHOUSE**

**The Vicar of Dibley**

**5<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> November**

**Auditions: 31<sup>st</sup> August**

### **COASTERS MUSICAL THEATRE**

**Legally Blonde, the Musical,**

**2<sup>nd</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at Southwards Theatre.**

**Tickets \$35.**

Legally Blonde follows the story of sorority president Elle Woods as she crosses the country on a mission to find love at Harvard Law School. After discovering how the law can be used to help others, she uses her new-found skills to defend a work-out queen in a murder trial, defying the odds and proving that pink can save the day!

### **TE RAUKURA**

**No local productions.**

## **TRIP TO THE WOOLSHED AND HERITAGE WALK, SANSON**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> of November**

[The Woolshed Cafe & Heritage Walk](#) in Sanson features seven relocated and restored New Zealand houses from the 1860s to the 1960s, offering visitors a walk through time with authentic furnishings and audio guides detailing the history and events of each era. The attraction, started by local businessman Alan Parker, provides a chronological timeline of New Zealand life, with buildings ranging from a 1860s colonial cottage to a 1960s weatherboard cottage.

### **What to Expect**

- **Historic Homes:**

The walk includes seven houses, each restored to its original state and furnished to reflect a specific decade.

- **Chronological Experience:**

The houses are presented in order from the earliest (an 1860s colonial cottage) to the latest (a 1960s weatherboard cottage).

- **Audio Guide:**

An audio guide provides detailed information about each house, the national and international events that shaped that era, and what life was like for the people who lived there.

### **Key Features**

- **Collection of Eras:** Visitors can see examples of different architectural styles and interior designs from New Zealand's past.
- **Restoration Efforts:** Each house is a testament to the restoration work done to preserve them and their connection to history.
- **Location:** The Heritage Walk is located at The Woolshed Cafe in Sanson, Manawatū.

***We will meet at Scots Hall at 9am on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> of November to organise carpooling.***

***Travel costs as follows:***

***Return journey of 186k***

<b>Car</b>	<b>2 people</b>	<b>3 people</b>	<b>4 people</b>
<b>Petrol</b>	<b>\$34</b>	<b>\$22</b>	<b>\$17</b>
<b>Diesel</b>	<b>\$32</b>	<b>\$22</b>	<b>\$17</b>
<b>Petrol/Hybrid</b>	<b>\$19</b>	<b>\$13</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>Electric</b>	<b>\$17.50</b>	<b>\$12</b>	<b>\$9</b>

***Lunch will be at the Woolshed Café.***

***Please ring Mike on 027 687 2010 by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of November if you plan to take part.***