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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello to you all,
Last Friday we had our first Committee meeting for the year at Barry Wayman’s home, a lot more comfortable than the usual meeting place!

Many things were discussed regarding future activities to get us all together again and you will find all the information in this newsletter. See if you can get to the picnic lunches and BBQ’s (dates and venues below), while we are organising other activities. Looking forward to catching up in the near future.

Special thanks to Barry and Tony for their hospitality.

Pam Ryan

“SAVE THE DATE”

Friday 19th March (replaces the usual March Meeting)

To celebrate the end of our 25th year, you are invited to a “Welcome Back” two course lunch meeting (subsidised cost only \$10 **to be paid on the day**).

Friday 19th March, 10am at the Bentleigh Club

However, to attend **PLEASE RSVP** by 26th Feb to either Pam Ryan (9570 1878) or Pat Deegan (9571 6617)

MOVIES AT THE CLASSIC ELSTERNWICK



Thanks to our movie critic Kevin for his recommendations. We recently saw the advance screening of “High Ground”, which had outstanding images of the NT as it was filmed in Arnhem Land.

Contact Kevin on 0422 440 902 for the next movie.

THE TREASURER’S REPORT

Balance sheet as at the end of January 2021

Current Assets	
Cash at bank	\$9,444.06
Total Assets	\$9,444.08
Accumulated Funds	
Opening Balance	\$12,403.68
Cash Loss for the year	\$2,959.62
Total:	\$9,444.06

We currently have a total of 80 members in the club.

MEMBERS ONLY FACEBOOK GROUP

The Facebook group page has some videos from past outings, jokes and some great pictures.

If you are on Facebook please join us and help spread the joy.

Search for GEC Probus on Facebook or call Maureen on 0418 868 439 for an email invitation.

BIRTHDAYS

The following members are celebrating their Birthday in **December 2020**: Bill Gelfand and Penny Georgoulas

January 2021:
Mavis Jones, Frank Sims, Vera Rochester, Kevin Drinan, Betty Spencer, Evelyn Fabian Gary

Fabian, Harvey Same, Helen Evans,
and **Febuary 2021:**
George Brown, Jill Miller, Pauline Carlin, Helen Gilmoore, Priscila Olsen, Joy Taylor Phyl Spotkaeff, Gay Lusk and David Morrison

We wish you all a Very Happy Birthday

SUMMER BBQ's AND PICNICS



Saturday **BBQ's** Feb 6th and Feb 20th at Harleston Park, Allison Road, Elsternwick commencing at 5:00pm. Seymour road entrance is the best.

Wednesday **Picnics** Feb 3rd and Feb 17th at Packer Park AB West Rotunda, Carnegie commencing at 12 noon. While Clarence Street is closed, there is angle parking in Walden Grove.

PROBUS SOUTH PACIFIC NEWS SITE

HQ Probus produces a regular newsletter with various items of interest including active retirees.

<https://probussouthpacific.cmail19.com/t/r-l-jkitdhtd-oeaniii-y/>

GREG'S JOKE OF THE WEEK

Wife: "There is a problem with the tractor. It has water in the carburettor"

Husband: "That's ridiculous"

Wife: "I'm telling you the tractor has water in the carburettor"

Husband: "You don't even know where the carburettor is! Where **is** the tractor?"

Wife: "In the pool"!!!

Picnic in the park on Wednesday 3rd of Feb.



WARRNAMBOOL/MT GAMBIER TRIP

The trip is leaving from the Bentleigh Club on Monday 22nd March 2021 returning on Saturday 27th March 2021. Elizabeth will provide additional details to members going on the trip closer to that date. A short meeting is also planned for the 19th March as part of the club welcome back lunch. Please note Elizabeth is contactable on **mobile 0421 241 960**.

2021 COMMITTEE

Nominations for the Committee are now open and forms are available from the President (9570 1878) or Secretary (9568 0258) and should be returned by 26th February.

Please talk to your friends and encourage them to accept your nomination. That way your voice and suggestions can be discussed by the Committee

Your nominee will have fun helping the club plan activities and it involves a couple of hours a month. We deserve a vibrant Committee with ideas to help our club enjoy another 25 years.

THE BENTLEIGH CLUB

Our meeting venue has the best meeting capacity, car parking and access going around.

They provide us free use of a meeting room that would otherwise cost our club \$2500pa.

They have a great range of senior's meals too.

Supporting the Bentleigh Club is therefore also supporting our Probus Club.

The links below are for the "Active Retires" newspaper and also the sign-up link to the "Staying Connected with Probus"

<https://www.probussouthpacific.org/pages/aboutactive-retireesdigitalsubscriptions>

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfKYgOybexP7BLH2NizcNNDYUbtANVN2Nz4XNEucHfqRi8g/viewform>

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

Your Committee met in person on Friday 5th of Feb to consider a range of issues and planning for 2021.



This included updated member list (we now have 80 members), resumption of meetings, 2021 AGM, Committee nominations, lunch meetings, 2020 financial results including newsletter distribution costs, Christmas in July and the impact of Covid-19

VALE JOE STEVENS

It is with deepest regret we inform our members of the passing of Joe Stevens on 30th January 2021.

Our thoughts go to Erica and the family.

2021 AGM – 19th MARCH 2021 AS USUAL

The usual AGM meeting is planned to elect a new 2021 committee. It is also your opportunity to comment on the financial results for last year, 2021 proposed activities; to set the dues appropriate for 2021, cost of distribution of the newsletter; and discuss the appropriate membership size for our club.