

PROBUS CLUB OF CARLTON-PARKVILLE INC.

Established in March 2009 Club No 9003815

NEWSLETTER – MAY 2022

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The Club meets at GRADUATE HOUSE at 220 Leicester Street Carlton on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month.



PRESIDENTS REPORT MAY

Our April meeting speaker, Andrew Turner, talked about zoonoses, the transmission of infectious diseases from animals to humans, a very timely topic while we still progress through the pandemic. Talking of the pandemic several of our members have recently been diagnosed with covid. Just a reminder that if you have been diagnosed and have attended a recent activity it would be appreciated if you let the Secretary know so other members who attended that event can be asked to be vigilant.

I was so pleased to see many of our members enjoying our activities during April. It is great to have some activities continuing and others starting again or changing into something slightly different. As always members suggestions for activities that they are willing to organise are welcome.

I was asked about the use of Zoom for the monthly meetings. The committee discusses this regularly and we will make Zoom available for the May meeting given that several of our members have recently had covid. We do not want to have Zoom available for all monthly meetings as we are a social club, and we want to encourage face to face meetings of members. We will continue to monitor the needs of our members monthly and where we think it is needed arrange Zoom coverage. The club does have a Zoom account and if you wish to establish a Zoom meeting amongst members that can be arranged by contacting Peter Beckwith

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Di Carlton
Gillian Collins
Carol Dorahy
Jenny Earle
Peter Green
Susan Green
lan Jungwirth
Douglas Marshall
Mike McKay



Marina Paniz Denise Parussolo Peter Parussolo Janine Stephenson Pamela Vallence

GUEST SPEAKERS

The May speaker is Professor David Vaux who is an honorary fellow of the Walter & Eliza Hall Institute. He graduated in medicine from the University of Melbourne & completed a PhD at the W.E.I. before undertaking a post-doctoral placement at Stanford. His research is concerned with the molecular mechanisms of cell death, and he also has an interest in research integrity & the seamier side of science. He is a member of the board of directors of the Centre for Scientific integrity, the parent organisation of the Retraction Watch blog. His talk will be on the topic "How mice & worms led the way to a new treatment for Leukaemia"

(Contact Randall Bradshaw on randsbradshaw@bigpond.com for further information)

WALKING GROUP

Edinburgh Gardens & Alfred Crescent Walk approx. 2km. WALKING GROUP meets the 1st WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH Details are emailed to members during the week prior. Attendance at these Monthly Walks has been excellent.

Walk for May is Wednesday 4th – EDINBURGH GARDENS and historical parts of ALFRED CRESCENT

Designed by Sue Bradshaw (Meet outside Fitzroy Victoria Bowling
Club at 10.00am

Walk for June is Wednesday 1st - YARRA RIVER WALK upstream providing iconic city views.

Designed by Geraldine Callister (Start in front of the Stage at Federation Square at 10.00am)



Many happy walking days Ian - taken at coffee on the April Walk by Heather Trotter.

(Contact Carol Matheson on candbmatheson@gmail.com for further information)

BOOK GROUP

(Contact David Cotterell on dpcotterell@gmail.com for further information)

The next edition of the Book Group will be held at the North Fitzroy Library on June 14 at 7:00pm. The book to be discussed was chosen by Vicki Birt and is "A Death in the Family" by Karl Ove Knausgaard. It's described by the publishers as: "An addictive and searingly honest novel about childhood and grief" and it's one of the Guardian's 100 Best Books of the 21st Century.

"Happiness is having a large, loving, caring, close-knit family in another city." — George Burns



CREATIVE ARTS GROUP

The Creative Arts group will be presenting its 2nd outing for the year at the. "Newstead Arts Hub via Castlemaine on Saturday 7th May (*Contact Peter Parussolo on <u>drleadlight@bigpond.com</u> or Jenny Bowling on <u>jkbowling118@gmail.com</u>) if you would like to join other members on this trip.*

STEM GROUP

The STEM section of our club is putting together a varied program of talks and visits covering a range of science, technology, engineering & mathematics topics for members to join in.

The tour of the Metro Tunnel Information Centre was a great success. There is a possibility of organising a second tour given the numbers who missed out. Please call Anne Ada if you would like to attend a seconded tour (if it can be arranged).

- 1. The next Stem activity is Al McGain's Geology Trip to central Victoria on Wednesday 11 May (see email from Secretary of the 23/4/22)
- 2. Tuesday 12 July at 6.00pm is the Graham Clark Oration featuring Dr Natalia Trayonova on "Engineering Your Hearts Health" Registration. Arrangements will be notified soon.
- 3. We have a large number of members with STEM backgrounds so if you have any ideas please let me know. (Contact Graham Skewes on <u>gskewco@gmail.com</u> for further information)

BRIDGE GROUP

The Bridge Group continues to meet on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each Month at the Princes Park Bowling Club. (Contact Stu Gregory on stu-tamaragregory@email.com for further information)

CLASSICAL MUSIC GROUP

The next gathering will be on Monday June 6th, with Stu Gregory selecting his pick of the music of Karl Jenkins. The next Met Opera selection is "Ariadne Auf Naxos" on Saturday 7th May at 1pm.

(Contact Prue Madsen on psmadsen@iprimus.com.au for further information)

TECHNOLOGY ADVISOR

(Contact Peter Beckwith on peter.j.beckwith@gmail.com for further information)

BLUES GROUP

The Blues Group meets on the 1st Tuesday of every Month.

Venue: Melbourne Blues Appreciation Society aka the "House of Blues", Flemington Bowls Club (Contact Steve Foley on stevefoley7@bigpond.com for further information)

FRIDAY FRIENDS

Friday Friends meet at 10am each Friday at the "Fledging Café" at 412 Rathdowne St. Carlton.

(Contact Diana Carlton or Constance Jenkin on <u>dicarlton41@gmail.com</u> or <u>cjenkin6@bigpond.com</u> for further information).

GRUMPY OLD MEN

The Group meet at the" Naughty Boys Café at 499 Lygon St. Carlton every Friday from 10am.

(Contact Ian Jungwirth on ian.jungwirth@me.com for further information).

MOVIE GROUP

The Group meet on the 4th Monday of each Month at Cinema Nova at Lygon Court Carlton.

(Contact Janet Ferguson on fergusonjan19@gmail.com for further information).

GARDEN GROUP

Probus Winter Garden event (22/6/2022)

The Garden Group has organised a bus trip to the Cranbourne Botanical Gardens on Wednesday 22nd June (a contemporary Australian native garden set in natural bushland)

The bus leaves Graduate House promptly at 10am & departs Cranbourne at 3pm.

The Committee will cover the cost of the bus. Entrance to the gardens is free.

(Contact Geraldine Callister on Geraldine is@yahoo.com for further information)

THEATRE GROUP

(Contact Fleur Rubens on vivianandfleur@gmail.com for further information)

FOOTBALL TIPPING & WINTER ROAST

(Contact Sue Dudley on soe.dudley@pobox.com for further information)

MEMBER LIAISON

(Contact Liz Jungwirth on liz.jungwirth@icloud.com for further information)

PEDDLERS & CALENDER ADMIN

(Contact Al McGain on rockdoc3@bigpond.com for further information)

W.A Trip

Thank you to everyone who has responded so enthusiastically to the club's much awaited trip to W.A.

We currently have 18 members booked on the 11-day/10 -night trip from Monday August 15 to Thursday August 25

Travel Trade are confident we will reach our required minimum and will open the trip to other Probus clients.

If considering I would urge them to book without delay to avoid disappointment

Final payment is due by Friday June 3.

(Contact Steve Foley – stevefoley7@bigpond.com)

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Probus Travel Insurance providers have made available a range of domestic & international insurance for members, depending on your age.

For more information members can apply online at: www.probussouthpacific.org/pages/travel.au or call 1800 125 234.

NEWS FROM THE COMMITTEE - APRIL



What does the committee do? To help you understand the work of the committee a monthly summary of our activity will now appear in the newsletter. With this change we will no longer automatically send out the minutes of committee meetings.

We are still looking for an Assistant Secretary to help Henrik and hopefully to take over the role of Secretary in 2023, as Henrik is definitely not able to continue in this role beyond a 4th year. Please contact Henrik or Carolyne if you are interested

The *calendar of events* will continue to appear in the newsletter. If anyone wants access to the read only version of the club's google calendar, they can contact David Cotterell on dpcotterell@gmail.com and he will assist them to gain access.

An issue arose where event costs were not covered by the monies paid by attendees. To avoid any future situations, it was decided that from May 2022 all club events that require prepayment must be paid from club funds. IMPORTANT NOTE TO MEMBERS From May 2022 where a prepayment for an event has been made by the club, members who cancel from the event are liable for the cost associated with their booking unless they have received confirmation in writing (email or text) that the cancellation has been accepted. This does not apply to trips over one day in length.

Several excursion and visits were approved by the committee in April and details appear in the calendar and under group activities.

Where activity coordinators foresee costs associated with the activity, they organise e.g., a first aid kit or new packs of cards please liaise with the committee re payment.

Your committee always welcomes feedback, and any brickbats or bouquets can be sent to the Secretary for distribution to the committee.

REMINDER TO ALL ACTIVITY COORDINATORS AND MEMBERS

When organising an event please:

- 1. **Ensure** that your proposed activity complies with current Victorian Government Covid19 restrictions by checking at the DHHS website.
- 2. **Liaise** with Al McGain <u>rockdoc3@bigpond.com</u> to check that your proposed date is suitable.
- 3. **Ask** the Secretary to seek approval from the Committee if this is event is not a recurring part of a group activity. This is important to ensure
- all participants are covered by PSPL Accident Insurance*
- the president and committee are kept in the loop.

The committee meets just prior to each monthly meeting. If necessary, the Secretary can organise to gain email approval from committee members before the meeting.

4. **Agree** the details with the treasurer David Thwaites via email <u>dandsthwaites@bigpond.com</u> before you ask participants to pay into the Club account.

BANK DETAILS

The Probus Club of Carlton-Parkville Inc.

Bank: NAB BSB: 083-170 Acc: 835 382 078

Please note: - When making a payment via bank transfer write only

- a) Your FAMILY NAME (or just the first 6-7 letters of it, if it's very long)
- b) No first names please! plus
- Something very short, like FEE, MUSIC, STEM or WA TRIP to show what you are paying for.
- 5. **Email** the treasurer with a copy of the invoice with bank details for an EFT payment if you have any accounts which need to be paid (please note payments will NOT be made by either cash or cheque).
- 6. Advertise your event via email or the newsletter.
- 7. **Comply** with **Covid-19 Contact Tracing** requirements and ensure that name, phone number and time of arrival of all participants are kept.
- 8. **Keep a list** of attendees for 12 months; this satisfies **PSPL Accident Insurance** requirements. The list does not have to be passed on unless there is a need for further action e.g. in the event of an accident.

*PSPL INSURANCE: Members are covered by PSPL's insurance while on approved Probus events. Members and clubs should report any injury or accidents via the Accident/Injury Incident Report Form as soon as practicable. Contact the Secretary for details about obtaining the form.

Tues 3	18.30	Blues Group	Flemington Bowling Club	Contact Steve Foley
Wed 4	10.00	Walking group	Edinburgh Gardens	Contact Sue Bradshaw
Thu 5	10.00	Pedallers		Contact Al McGain
Fri 6	10.00	Grumpy Old Men	Naughty Boys Cafe	Contact Ian Jungwirth
	10.00	Friday Friends	Fledgling Cafe	Contact Di Carlton
Sat 7	9.00	Creative Arts	Trip to Newstead and Castlemaine	Contact Jenny Bowling
	1.00	Classical Music	Opera at the Nova	Contact Prue Masden
Tues 10	10.00	Monthly Meeting	Graduate House	Contact Henrik Dahl
Wed 11	8.00a	STEM	Geology Field Trip	Contact Ian Pearson
	7.00p	Bridge	Princes Park Bowling Club	Contact Stu Gregory
Thu 12	10.00	Pedallers		Contact Al McGain
Fri 13	10.00	Grumpy Old Men	Naughty Boys Cafe	Contact Ian Jungwirth
	10.00	Friday Friends	Fledgling Cafe	Contact Di Carlton
Thu 19	10.00	Pedallers		Contact Al McGain
Fri 20	10.00	Grumpy Old Men	Naughty Boys Cafe	Contact Ian Jungwirth
	10.00	Friday Friends	Fledgling Cafe	Contact Di Carlton
Mon 23	10.00	Movie Group	Nova	Contact Janet Ferguson
Wed 25	7.00	Bridge	Princes Park Bowling Club	Contact Stu Gregory
Thu 26	10.00	Pedallers		Contact Al McGain
Fri 27	10.00	Grumpy Old Men	Naughty Boys Cafe	Contact Ian Jungwirth
	10.00	Friday Friends	Fledgling Cafe	Contact Di Carlton
JUNE Wed 1	10.00	Walking group	Yarra River walk	Contact Geraldine Callister
Thu2	10.00	Pedallers		Contact Al McGain
Fri 3	10.00	Grumpy Old Men	Naughty Boys Cafe	Contact Ian Jungwirth
	10.00	Friday Friends	Fledgling Cafe	Contact Di Carlton