



WELLINGTON EASTERN SUBURBS PROBUS CLUB

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Report on the meeting held 10th April 2019

Membership 84 Attendance 57
Apologies 8

President Aldwyn opened the meeting by welcoming members. He acknowledged the recent death of past member Adrienne Gribbin.

Outings

June has tickets for 'Waiting for Godot' at Circa Theatre on Sunday 5th May 4pm. If you are interested in attending this classic play, please contact June 388 9168 jinkpen@gmail.com

June will continue to organize theatre visits but will no longer organize Club Outings. **The club is now seeking a member to take on the role of outings organizer. Anyone interested please contact President Aldwyn Cockburn.**

2019 Subscriptions

Subscriptions were due in March. If you have not already paid, please pay by cash, cheque or internet banking.

Club Bank Account Details

Wellington Eastern Suburbs Probus Club - BNZ 02-0520-0153465-00

Cinema Group

The cinema group meet every 1st Tuesday in the month. Contact: **John Jenner**
jjenner@xtra.co.nz 473 2857

The next movie is on Tuesday 7th May.

Club Micro Website:

<http://probussouthpacific.org/microsites/wellingtoneasternsuburbs>



Much easier to find by 'Google' search - Wellington Eastern Suburbs Probus - the site will appear in the 1st - 2 or 3 listed.

Club Email Address: wellingtoneasternsuburbsm@probusclubs.com.au



Profile Speaker

With the last minute withdrawal of our profile speaker due to unforeseen circumstances Paul Frankin stepped in to give us details of a trust he set up to finance an arts bursary for children between the age of 10 and 15 who live within the Eastern Suburbs City Council electoral ward. The winners are selected by a panel of children.

THE CLUB MEETS

**2nd WEDNESDAY OF
EACH MONTH
10:00AM**

**SEATOUN BOWLING
CLUB**

**DUNDAS ST
SEATOUN**

Annual fees \$30

**Monthly morning
tea fee \$5**



NOTES FOR YOUR DIARY

'Waiting for Godot' at
Circa Theatre Sunday 5th
May 4pm



Legal Stuff

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for any other purpose*

GUEST SPEAKER

Guest Speaker Neil Beckett Journey Manager for NZ Transport Agency National began his talk detailing his background as a civil engineer from Northampton, UK involved in the motorways around Birmingham. On his arrival in NZ 15 years ago he began work with Transit NZ now the NZ Transport Agency (NZTA). NZTA are responsible for the highways of NZ not the city streets. The Journey Manager is involved in taking account of the public's expectation and how to meet those expectations for all forms of transport. They review infrastructure, such as bridges, overpasses,



etc – are they necessary and fit for purpose. The key focus for the agency is safety for both the road workers and users of the roads. The agency looks at bottlenecks and carries out small projects (sometimes temporary) to alleviate the problems. He gave us several examples including the problem of the Paekakariki Hill Road which on a Friday afternoon was used by as many cars as that of the Rimutaka Road. The opening of Transmission Gully Highway will solve some of these problems. Neil showed a video of the route of the Transmission Gully Road. At its highest point snow will fall in winter.

87,000 vehicles use Ngauranga Gorge Motorway every day and 36,000 vehicles use the road to the airport every day. He spoke briefly about the problem of the Basin Reserve and the 'Get Wellington Moving' initiative which will be announcing a proposed solution to the city to airport route within the next few months.



Walking Group

We meet each Monday at 10:30am weather permitting. **Contact Brian Cattermole** 386 2055 cattermole.brian@xtra.co.nz

Lunch Group

Meet every 4th Wednesday in the month at 12.00 noon. Next lunch Wednesday 24th April at The Chocolate Frog Shelly Bay **contact:** **Chrissy Gall** gallb@outlook.co.nz 388 6786



Birthday Wishes

Happy birthday in May to:

Bruce Gall	1 st	Douglas Gribben	9 th
Peter Chik	13 th	Jill Stanley	16 th
Hilda Steadman	19 th	Susan Arons	20 th
Elsie Mallinder	21 st	Paul Franken	23 rd
Brian Cattermole	28 th		



Temporary Editor

The editor will be away in September. We require a volunteer to produce the September newsletter. A basic knowledge of Microsoft word is required. If you can assist please contact the editor.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th May at Seatoun Bowling Club Dundas St, Seatoun at 10:00am.

Guest Speaker for May

Scott Brown US Ambassador to NZ

Thought for April

It pays not to engage in mental combat with the unarmed.