



# WELLINGTON EASTERN SUBURBS PROBUS CLUB

17<sup>th</sup> August 2021

NEWSLETTER 234

## Report on the Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Membership	70	Attendance	48
Apologies	14	Visitors	2

President Tony welcomed members to the meeting and explained the reverse chair layout due to the guest speaker's need to access the video screen.

### Probus Day

With 'Probus Day' on 1<sup>st</sup> October, the committee has decided that the October meeting will be a 'bring some friends' meeting. We encourage members to bring along friend(s) to this meeting with no obligations. We wish to expose as many people as possible to our club and hopefully gain a few new members. Morning tea will be provided free of charge. We ask that all members get behind this initiative to make it a success.

### Bank Account Details

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



### Profile Speaker

New member Cliff Andrews spoke of being brought up in Miramar, his schooling at Strathmore Park, Rongotai College and with his lack of application a half degree at Victoria University. He obtained a job as office junior with the NZ Post Office and later found that he had ability in IT. This led to a job in the UK during the Y2 bug scare where he has lived ever since until returning to NZ to take care of his father, Robin.

### Cinema Group

The cinema group meet every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in the month. The next cinema outing will be Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

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### 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](mailto:wellingtoneasternsuburbsm@probusclubs.com.au)

### PRESIDENT

Tony Sutcliffe

### VICE PRESIDENT

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Guest Speakers

## 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

Probus Day meeting  
13<sup>th</sup> October



### Legal Stuff

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Probus Club members  
only and is not to be used  
for any other purpose*

## Guest Speaker

Guest speaker, Patrick O'Donohue from Flight Plastics, explained that the company, operating out of the old Griffins factory in Petone, has been bought by the very large Australian company, Pact Group. He showed a short video of their very expensive, sophisticated machine which takes polyethylene terephthalate plastic (PET) drink bottles and other products, sorts, washes, and turns them back into plastic granules. The plastic granules are then turned into rolls of plastic film which are used to manufacture food grade PET trays for meat etc for the supermarkets, trays for the horticultural industry such as kiwifruit etc. These trays can be recycled again and again.

The process begins with roadside collection, sorting at the recycling depots, resulting in large bales of plastic waste being sent to Flight Plastics. The main problem the company faces is the poor record NZ has for recycling resulting in limited supply with 4000 tons being sent to the factory each year. It is estimated that NZ recycles just 25% of plastic products. He spoke of the German model which results in a high percentage of recycled material used and their legislation which will affect NZ exporters using plastic packaging. Other subjects covered included recycling of other types of plastic, engaging with schools, the proposed plastic bottle return scheme, milk bottles and caps, cling film, bubble wrap etc.

## Walking Group

We meet each Monday at 10:30am weather permitting.

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## Birthday Wishes

Happy birthday in September to:

John Jenner	9 <sup>th</sup>	Jan McNamara	16 <sup>th</sup>
Robin Lindsay	19 <sup>th</sup>	Jenny Raven	21 <sup>st</sup>
Tony Sutcliffe	21 <sup>st</sup>	Elani Geris	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Simon Reynolds	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Lyn Jackson	26 <sup>th</sup>



## Lunch Group

The lunch group meet every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month. The next lunch will be on 25<sup>th</sup> August at Iron Horse 11 Tauhinu Rd, Miramar.

**Please contact: Chrissy Gall 388 6786 [chrissyolgagall@gmail](mailto:chrissyolgagall@gmail.com)**

Bookings essential



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## Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at Seatoun Bowling Club Dundas St, Seatoun at 10:00am.

## Guest Speaker for September 2021

John Allen, Wellington City Council will talk on the future of Wellington.

## Thought for August

Reality is the leading cause of stress – for those in touch with it.