



WELLINGTON EASTERN SUBURBS PROBUS CLUB

16th August 2022

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Report on the Meeting 10th August 2022

Membership	68	Attendance	31
Apologies	9	Visitors	2

In the absence of President Chrissy, Deryk chaired the meeting and welcomed members and 2 visitors from Timaru. He spoke of the recent meeting of the Probus clubs in the Wellington area attended by Brian and Annette. From that meeting it was apparent that all clubs are facing the same problems of falling membership and low attendance resulting from the continuing presence of Covid in the country.

Outing

Fourteen members of the club braved the cold and rain to attend the Gallery on the 27th July followed by coffee in the coffee shop. Members were given in depth information on the Maori art on display.

Web Site

Brian gave a talk on the club's web site. Probus South Pacific provide a club email address and a template for a micro-site. Our site was activated about 4 – 5 years ago and has been successful in attracting inquiries for new members and guest speakers. The questions asked were – do we have in the club any member familiar with web-design, is the site still fit for purpose, do members use it, is the information on the site relevant and is there other information that members think should be there? Please visit the site and email Brian with your thoughts at cattermole.brian@xtra.co.nz

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. The next cinema outing will be Tuesday 5th September

Contact: John Jenner jjenner@xtra.co.nz 473 2857



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

PRESIDENT

Chrissy Gall

VICE PRESIDENT

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COMMITTEE

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Guest Speakers

Almoner

Jean Glen

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

Next meeting 14th
September



Legal Stuff

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Guest Speaker

Guest speaker Jo McColl is owner of Unity Bookshop Auckland and co-owner of the Wellington shop. Unity Bookshop was started in Wellington by Alan Preston 55 years ago. It began as a modest one-man business but has grown into a popular and respected shop which won the prestigious International Book Store Award in 2020. Jo spoke of her love of books leading to her joining the bookshop after leaving university. She explained that the success of the store was by offering books that 'filled the holes' left by the big retailers such as Whitcoulls. Parallel importing and importing from USA when the majority of books were from UK publishers was also a major contributor to their success. The shop now has 15,500 titles, and 27,000 books and in 2017 opened a children's bookshop in Auckland. The Auckland shop has 14 full time staff and 2 part time.

The Auckland store is involved in the community with books for the City Mission Library, vouchers for various schools, Auckland writers' festival etc.

Walking Group



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

Cattermole 386 2055 cattermole.brian@xtra.co.nz

Apple Computer & iPad Group

Meet after monthly Probus meetings second Wednesday of each month. **Contact Deryk McNamara 388 8805**



Birthday Wishes

Happy birthday in September to:

John Jenner	9 th	Jan McNamara	16 th
Robin Lindsay	19 th	Jenny Raven	21 st
Tony Sutcliffe	21 st	Simon Reynolds	22 nd



Lunch Group

The lunch group meet every 4th Wednesday of the month. The next lunch will be at **La Belle Italia 10 Nevis St, Petone** on Wednesday 24th August at 12:30 The lunch is a set menu.



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

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th September at Seatoun Bowling Club Dundas St, Seatoun at 10:00am.

Guest Speaker for September

Alan Tennyson expert on Te Papa research.

Thought for August

Experience is something you never have until after you need it.