



PROBUS CLUB of RAUMATI INC

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<http://www.probusouthpacific.org/microsites/raumati>

Scots Hall - phone: 04 9048 008.

Next Meeting - Friday 31st of May 2024

9.45am, at the Scots Hall, Weka Park, Weka Road, Raumati Beach.

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Guest Speaker: Nick Leggett, CEO of Infrastructure NZ

Cameo Speaker: Barbara Wimms

Apologies: Don't forget to send in your apology if you are unable to attend the meeting. There are still some members who fail to do this. You can ring **Irene on 04 299 2824**, or ring or text her on **021 252 6492**, or ring **Diane Coombe on 299 7624**. You can also send your apology with a friend you know is going to attend the meeting. **If your address or phone number changes, please let Irene or Diane know so we can keep our records up to date.**

Subs – it's that time of year again. As Keith explained at the AGM, running costs have increased and a small increase in the level of subs is necessary. As it after the end of April, the amount will be \$40. You can pay directly into the club bank account **11-7259-0183426-11** remembering to put your name and the subs amount in the reference/code spaces. You can pay by cash if you prefer. Put the correct amount in an envelope with your name, amount and "subs" clearly written on the outside. If you prefer to pay cash, someone will be sitting the corner ready to receive subs at the meeting.

Membership now stands at 79, with 7 resignations having been received.

Website: you can access our Probus website by entering "raumatiprobus" in your search engine. Lots of information there.

President's message:

Our meeting was the day after ANZAC Day. In respect of that, and for a member who had passed away recently we held a "Minutes Silence".

Those members present enjoyed Sue's presentation about the Red Cross. We had a lot of positive feedback. Sue balanced it very well with her personal experiences and the work of the Red Cross. The quiz and Question and Answer sessions were useful and informative. As one of our members pointed out, many of us had no idea how involved and efficient the Red Cross is in times of disaster.

Your committee is looking for a workable solution for the sound system where the microphone does not adequately pick up speech. Club members can be "schooled" in the correct way to use microphones. However, this cannot be done for outside speakers. We will keep you posted.

Gary McElhinney
President.

Birthday Wine

Happy birthday to Joy Heenan who won the birthday bottle of wine.

Surplus Table

Don't forget to bring along any surplus goods or items for our surplus table. Please take home any leftover items.

Caledonian Society Highland Ball

The Highland Ball will be held on the 18th May. Tickets for members \$60, \$90 for non-members. Ball dance practices are on 4th May, 8th May and 11th May, from 7 to 9pm, \$5.00 per person, if you are interested in brushing up on the dances.











Contact for tickets [Robyn Finlay kapitiscots@outlook.com](mailto:Robyn.Finlay@outlook.com) PHONE: 021406088






Visitors from Canada

As you will have heard from Heather if you were at the last meeting, we had visitors from Pickering Probus Club in Canada. Marilyn and husband, David, were on a cruise starting in Sydney and calling in at Wellington for the day. Marilyn was president of their club last year and kindly initiated exchanging newsletters. We had a very pleasant lunch with these two lovely people at the Backbencher. Afterwards, we took them to Te Papa and the Gallipoli Exhibition before delivering them back to the bus to return to their ship. Next stop Tahiti.



EVENTS AND INTEREST GROUPS

	<p><u>ARTS GROUP:</u> Merlene Beard 902 4225. Last Tuesday of the month. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 28th of May.</p>
	<p><u>AWAY CAFÉ:</u> Ian and Allison Basire 904 9121. Second Wednesday of the month. On Wednesday 8th of May meet at the Paraparaumu Railway Station by 10 am. We will catch the train into Wellington then a #2 bus to Seatoun. We will dine at the Arcimboldi Café for lunch. Best wishes to Ian for a speedy recovery.</p>
	<p><u>LITERARY GROUP:</u> Second Friday of the month. Contact Trish 027 241 7910 or Hazel 904 7243. The meeting will be at Christine Davidson's home on Friday May 10th at 10am. Christine's address is 18 Watford Drive, Kapiti Village.</p>
	<p><u>GAMES GROUP:</u> Irene Bayly 04 299 2824, 021 252 6492. Third Friday of the month. The next meeting will be on Friday 17th of May, 10am, at 21 San Priamo Place, Paraparaumu.</p>
	<p><u>GARDEN GROUP:</u> Annie Johnston 021 187 4089. First Thursday of the month. With the seasons changing and cold weather coming on, we will have lunch meetings at a garden centre for the next three or four months. This is unless anyone has something of interest that we can do in someone's house. Please let me know if you have any suggestions.</p>
	<p><u>JIGSAW GROUP:</u> Delza Raynor 04 299 5388 or 021 170 3374. Second Monday of the month: The next meeting of the Puzzle Group will be held at 15 Telford Way, Raumati on Monday 13th of May at 10am.</p>
	<p><u>KNITTING4CHARITY:</u> Heather Wakeling 04 902 2285 or 027 271 2290. Last Monday of the month. Next meeting is on Monday 27th of May at Heather's house.</p>
	<p><u>MUSIC GROUP:</u> Peter Sander 904 8452. Second Monday of the month at various members' residences. The next meeting will be held on Monday 13th of May.</p>
	<p><u>SHOWS and CONCERTS:</u> Hazel Ollerenshaw 021 108 9513 or 04 904 7243. Sir John Trimmer's Arts Scholarship Fundraiser Concert. Southwards Theatre, May 24th, 7pm, \$45.30.</p>
	<p><u>SUNDAY WALKING GROUP:</u> Kay Bell 027 603 5769. Every Sunday morning at 9.30am. Phone Kay if you would like to join in as they meet at a different venue each Sunday. They walk for about an hour and then have a cuppa at a café near to wherever they happen to be.</p>

	<p><u>TRIPS:</u> Mike Whooley 027 687 2010.</p> <p><u>CHANGE OF DATE</u> The visit to the Police Museum will now take place on Tuesday 14 May. We will meet at 9.3am at Scots Hall to facilitate car pooling. We will be having a guided tour for approximately 45 minutes and then feel free to visit other displays recommended for another 45 minutes. Cost: Entrance \$3.00 plus carpooling contribution. Return distance 63km. Petrol/diesel: 4 people \$7.15 each; 3 people \$7.15 each; 2 people \$10.70 each. Petrol/Hybrid: 4 people \$3.15 each; 3 people \$4.20 each; 2 people \$6.30 each. Electric: 4 people \$1.75 each; 3 people \$2.30 each; 2 people \$2.60 each.</p> <p>Trip to Featherston to the Fell Museum and the Prisoner of War Museum. Mike needs expressions of interest in this trip at/before the next meeting. Return distance 144km. Petrol/diesel: 4 people \$12.25 each; 3 people \$16.30 each; 2 people \$24.50 each. Petrol/Hybrid: 4 people \$7.20 each; 3 people \$9.60 each; 2 people \$14.40 each. Electric: 4 people \$3.95 each; 3 people \$5.30 each; 2 people \$7.90 each. Information about museums at the end of this newsletter.</p>
	<p><u>LUNCHEON GROUP:</u> Kay Bell 027 603 5769. After Probus Meeting.</p> <p>Kay has booked Columbus Café in Mitre 10 for the after-meeting lunch. You must let Kay know by the Wednesday if you plan to go. If Kay books for eight and three or four more turn up it can be very awkward for the café and embarrassing for Kay.</p>
	<p><u>WINE APPRECIATION GROUP:</u> Kevin Morris 905 0019. Third Sunday of the month.</p> <p>The next meeting will be on Sunday 19th of May.</p>
	<p><u>NATURAL HERITAGE GROUP:</u> Margaret Willard 027 0363 02967. Third Monday of the month.</p> <p>The group's next outing is to Nga Manu on Monday 20th May at 1.30pm to see eel feeding and other conservation efforts. Admission \$14.</p>
	<p><u>SOCIAL EVENTS FOR NEW MEMBERS:</u> Heather Wakeling +64 27 271 2290</p> <p>No event this month.</p>

ALMONER: Hazel Ollerenshaw 021 108 9513 or 04 904 7243, is our Almoner. If you know of any member who is ill or needs help, please give her a call.

NEWSLETTER: Annie Johnston 021 187 4089. Hope everyone is successfully receiving their copy of the newsletter. If you think you are missing out, ring me or email me on anniejohnston51@gmail.com

Please send any contributions you wish to make to the newsletter to raumatiprobus@gmail.com

COMMITTEE 2024-2025

President: Gary McElhinney 04 299 3135; **Immediate Past President:** Ann Gregory: 027 364 7639; **Secretary:** Joy Heenan 027 327 9775 assisted by Trish Tennant 027 241 7910; **Treasurer and Website Coordinator:** Keith Williams +64 21 022 51815; **Membership:** Irene Bayly 299 2824, 021 252 6492 and Diane Coombe 299 7624; **Newsletter:** Annie Johnston 021 187 4089; **Almoner:** Hazel Ollerenshaw 021 108 9513 or 04 904 724; **Cameo Speakers:** Mary-Anne Kindell 021 251 5375; **Trips:** Mike Whooley 027 687 2010; **Facilities Co-ordinator:** Terry White 299 3611; **Seating Organisation:** Mike Whooley 027 687 2010;

**Sound System Technician and Assistant Seating Organisation: Jim McIntosh 299 9003;
Social Events for New Members: Heather Wakeling +64 27 271 2290.**

The next meeting of this committee will be held on Friday 7th of June, 10am, at 23 Miro Road, Raumati South.

DATE OF NEXT PROBUS MEETING:

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