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Our General Meeting is held on the third Wednesday of each month, except December,
at 10 am at the Masonic Centre Mc Ivor Rd , Bendigo

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**The Speaker for the 17th August is A Secret Guest Speaker !
Topic: Probus, Probians and Seniors in the 21st Century
and Keeping Up With The Grandchildren.**

**Stewards: Jillian Adams, Bev Bruhn, Nigel Christie, Alan Court,
Alec Crothers, Dorothy Crothers.**

PRESIDENT'S PIECE

The July meeting was an interesting time as we now have a state of the art projector, and a great sound system installed in the meeting hall, courtesy of the Masonic Hall Board. This will be of great assistance to the guest speakers who wish to show slides etc. when giving their lectures.

It was used for the first time at our last meeting by the guest speaker to show the work being done on the research into Stem Cells, which is opening up a wonderful new field of medical help.

Four new members were inducted into the club, a huge welcome to Barry, Ailsa, Pauline and Evelyn. We now have 83 members, and if we can keep this going we could maybe get our 100 up by the end of the year! I believe that there some other potential members in the pipeline.

I have put a piece in the Probe on bowls as we have a game with Eaglehawk in October.

That is all for now, take care, and stay safe, and good health

*Regards and Thanks
President Ray Fitzgerald*

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10.30am All members, partners and friends welcome!**

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Luncheon For Members, Partners and Friends.

The August Luncheon is to be held at The Foundry Arms, Golden Square, following the Probus Meeting on Wednesday Aug 17th. Come and join us, it is great fellowship in a relaxed atmosphere !!

If you are not a regular, please inform Dorothy of your intention to participate no later than Monday 18th July. Any regulars who are not available please ring also. Phone Dorothy: 5443 2642. This helps to book for the correct number.

LONERS GROUP

Those members (and that includes ladies and widows of members) on their own are invited to join the regulars for dinner at the Bendigo Club **every** Thursday at 6pm. They have a great record on winning Seafood Vouchers and Meat Trays !! Table is booked in either Arthur Eaton or Ian Bennett's name. Give Arthur or Ian a ring if you intend joining any week to give it a try !

COMPUTING WORKSHOP The next meeting is at The Bendigo Neighbourhood House, 21 Neale Street, Bendigo at 3.30pm till 5.30pm on Monday 15th August. The topic for this session will be "Word" . Sorry there are no vacancies as we have a full class.

COMPUTING FOR RAW BEGINNERS : This class, also full, got underway on the 1st August.

COMPUTER/COMPUTING SUPPORT available to all members just phone Mike on 54493925 Due to the high demand for his services a very small contribution (maximum of \$10/hr) to cover fuel costs when a visit to your home is required, would be appreciated. On line support is free!!

SUNDAY BREAKFAST TRY OUT:

Members Partners and Friends are invited to join with us for a \$12 a head Full Buffet Breakfast at The All Seasons, McIvor Road on SUNDAY 4th September, arrive between 9am and 9.30am. Names and numbers will be asked for at the meeting on 17th August, payment just at the venue. (If a success then perhaps we will run this quarterly.) Comments/suggestions to Denise 54493925.

BOWLS GROUP: Bowls game to be played at Eaglehawk the morning of 25th Oct at 9:30 for cuppa, finish 11:45 Casual dress. I have compiled a list of players, and at the next meeting please would you let me know if you are available or not, so I can contact Eaglehawk and finalise the arrangements for the game.

Noel Bruhn, A Court, A Eaton, J Kelly,..B Redmond, L Roy, Chas Smith, Barb Smith, A Stevens, B Hargrave

BIRTHDAYS : Have a great day !

AUGUST		SEPTEMBER	
5th	Frank O'Connell	3rd	John Stephens
14th	Jack Kelly	13th	Ern Holland
17th	Jean Goodrich	16th	Rupert Reynolds
19th	Joan McDonald	20th	Brian McGrath
24th	Colin McLean	27th	Doug Laity

SICK LIST: Our thoughts and prayers are with those members not enjoying the best of health, and we wish them a speedy recovery.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES:

2009 Jan 38; Feb 43; Mar 41; Apr 41; May 41; Jun 46; Jul 42; Aug 42; Sep 39; Oct 43; Nov 40.

2010 Jan 35; Feb 43; Mar 38; Apr 34; May 45; Jun 44; Jul 47; Aug 43; Sep 46; Oct 52; Nov 51.

2011 Jan 43; Feb 52; Mar 50; Apr 46; May 50; Jun 54 Jul 48 LETS MAKE AUG SIXTY + !!!!!!!!

**BRING A FRIEND TO THE NEXT PROBUS CLUB MEETING !
THEY MIGHT DECIDE TO JOIN US !!**

MINUTES OF THE 286th GENERAL MEETING OF THE PROBUS CLUB OF BENDIGO Inc. HELD AT THE
BENDIGO MASONIC CENTRE WEDNESDAY 20th July 2011

The General Meeting was opened at 10am by President RAY FITZGERALD in the chair.

ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES: A total of 46 members and 2 Guests attended & were welcomed by Pres. Ray. Apologies were recorded from 18 members: C & J Adams, J Aitken, B Bruhn, M Caulfield, B & T Chenery, A Cowling, K Crouch, N Dack, B Hall, M McDonald, M Miller, B O'Brien, G Osborne, K Proud, R Reynolds, A Ryall, B & C Smith, J Stephens, J Wallace, R Watkins, J White.

GUESTS: Len & Margaret Hodren.

INDUCTION: President Ray inducted Pauline Brooks, Evelyn Bruhn, Ailsa and Barry Coghlan. Ailsa responded on behalf of the inductees.

CONFIRMATION: The minutes of the preceding meeting were confirmed as distributed. Moved by the Secretary, seconded by Ern Holland, Carried.

MATTERS ARISING: Nil

CORRESPONDENCE:

IN:

1. Ten monthly Bulletins from local clubs. Extracts In Probe where appropriate.
2. PCSP Club Insurance Policy
3. Dispute Settlement Centre Loddon Mallee region
4. Bendigo Health—new hospital project news.

OUT:

1. Bryan Clemson re Australian Unity research fellowship awards

The correspondence was received & approved. Moved by the Secretary seconded by Peter Randall.

MATTERS ARISING: Nil.

REPORTS:

Treasurer 's Report: DON RIDGE reported on the financial statement from 1st June to 30th June 2011 as follows:

General Account: (Total Receipts \$689.86) (Total Expenditure \$364.81) Account Balance \$1790.35

Tours / Activities: (Total Receipts \$700.00) (Total Expenditure \$339.00) Account Balance \$3097.12

Cash at Bank – Cheque a/c \$2137.47 Deposit a/c 2750.00

The financial report was received and approved. Moved by the Treasurer, seconded Noel bruhn, carried.

Welfare Officer: Arthur Cowling home but Clarice in hospital, Jack Wallace improving, John and Ellen Stephens are both currently having a tough time, Bob Chenery has heart problems and Norm Gillies under treatment for skin complaints.

Members Luncheon Dorothy Crothers reported that the last luncheon was a record attendance of 26 !

Loners Group ARTHUR EATON invited any single member to join their group for dinner at The Bendigo Club every Thursday at 6.00pm.

Bowls RAY FITZGERALD reported that a more details awaited and would report in Probe..

Computing Workshop/Probe/Website MIKE WATT advised that all three were going well. Some 37 computer support jobs undertaken during the last month for twelve members. Raw Beginners class full and starting soon.

Coffee/Chat Group and Badger DENISE WATT reported that 13 members attended the Beechworth Bakery on the Thursday 14th July and an enjoyable time was had by all. Next date is THURSDAY 11th August 10.30am.

Tours/Trips Report ARTHUR EATON reported on Trips & Entertainment for the coming months. Full details in Probe. Arthur moved "that all Trips & Entertainment details as listed in the Club's monthly "Probe" publication be accepted as authorized by the membership". Seconded by Bill Redmond, carried.

President Ray thanked all those giving reports.

GENERAL BUSINESS

The Secretary advised members that the Committee had met again at the new venue and agreed to hold on to the new projector for a period of 6 months before reviewing whether to sell it or not. The sound system no longer being required was left to Ern Holland and the Secretary to sell whenever possible. The next Committee Meeting is to be held at The Bendigo Neighbourhood House, 21 Neale Street at 2pm on Wednesday 10th August, all members are welcome to attend.

The secretary undertook to place the Christmas Function on the agenda for the next Committee Meeting.

The President requested that members help to replace the chairs before departing the venue.

STEWARDS Ian Bennett, Geoff Biles, Cliff Binks, Clare Bird, Gwen Bloomfield Bryan Clemson.

CLOSE There being no further business, President RAY declared the meeting closed at 10-40 am.

CONFIRMED.....President 17th August 2011

Bendigo District Probus Meetings

Club	Date	Venue	Time
Sandhurst	1st Wed	Bendigo Club, Reception Ave	9.30am
Eaglehawk	2nd Mon	California Gully Mechanics Institute	10am
Bendigo Ladies	2nd Wed	Bendigo & District RSL Havilah Road	10am
Kangaroo Flat	2nd Wed	K Flat senior Citizens	10am
Strathfieldsaye	2nd Thu	Uniting Church Hall Strathfieldsaye	10am
Golden Square	3rd Thu	Abundant Life CC McKenzie Street	9.30am
White Hills	4th Tue	Bendigo & District RSL Havilah Road	10am
Strathdale	4th Wed	Bendigo Club, Reception Ave	10am
Spring Gully	4th Thu	Bendigo Club, Reception Ave	10am

SECRETARY'S SCRIBBLES

Membership Booklet Amendments:

1. Ken CROUCH new email address crouch.k12@bigpond.com
2. Jillian ADAMS new email address jillian.adams74@gmail.com
3. Jean GOODRICH new email address is jeanggg@impulse.net.au

(New members)

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Banking Golf, Gardening

Alternative Meanings:

1. Coffee, n. The person upon whom one coughs.
2. Flabbergasted, adj. Appalled by discovering how much weight one has gained.
3. Abdicate, v. To give up all hope of ever having a flat stomach.
4. Esplanade, v. To attempt an explanation while drunk.
5. Willy-nilly, adj. Impotent.
6. Negligent, adj. Absentmindedly answering the door when wearing only a nightgown.
7. Lymph, v. To walk with a lisp.
8. Gargoyle, n. Olive-flavored mouthwash.
9. Flatulence, n. Emergency vehicle that picks up someone who has been run over by a steamroller.
10. Balderdash, n. A rapidly receding hairline.
11. Testicle, n. A humorous question on an exam.
12. Rectitude, n. The formal, dignified bearing adopted by proctologists.
13. Pokemon, n. A Rastafarian proctologist.
14. Oyster, n. A person who sprinkles his conversation with Yiddishisms.
15. Frisbeetarianism, n. The belief that, after death, the soul flies up onto the roof and gets stuck there.
16. Circumvent, n. An opening in the front of boxer shorts worn by Jewish men.

- SIGNS:**
1. **On a Maternity Door Room.....PUSH, PUSH, PUSH**
 2. **At the Podiatrist.....TIME WOUNDS ALL HEELS**
 3. **In a Vet's waiting room...BE BACK IN 5 MINUTES. SIT AND STAY !!**
 4. **At the Gynaecologist's office.....DR JONES AT YOUR CERVIX**
 5. **On the back of a septic tank truck.....YESTERDAY'S MEALS ON WHEELS**

Items for the next PROBE must be submitted to the Editor no later than:
Friday 5th August
Mike Watt Ph 5449 3925 or email mjwatt@dodo.com.au

MINI SWEET CHILLI MUFFINS



2 tblsp sweet chilli sauce
2 tsp spreadable cream cheese
2 x 60g eggs, lightly beaten
1 1/2 cups self-raising flour
2 rashers bacon, finely diced
1 small (140g) zucchini, grated
1 green shallot (spring onion), thinly sliced
1/2 cup grated tasty cheese
1/2 cup olive oil, approximately

- Grease 2 x 12-hole mini muffin pans. Whisk chilli sauce and cream cheese together in a small bowl then whisk in eggs.
- Sift flour into a large bowl, add bacon, zucchini, shallot and tasty cheese then stir in egg mixture and enough oil to form a soft batter.
- Spoon mixture into the prepared mini muffin pans and bake in a 180C preheated oven for 15- 20 minutes or until muffins are well risen and golden. Serve warm.

MAKES ABOUT 24

Muffins are best eaten warm but they can also be frozen in an airtight container for up to 1 month. Reheat frozen muffins in a 150C oven before serving.

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CHRISTMAS IN JULY TRIP

Monday 25th July saw a group of us join with Spring Gully Probus for a combined Christmas in July. One of the newest Bendigo Coachlines coaches whisked us down to Creswick and the Tangles Maze Restaurant for a most beautiful meal and great entertainment that was just perfect in that we could still converse and not be overpowered by loud music etc.. Afterwards we had the opportunity to look round their nursery and several purchases were made before heading off to The Woollen Mills in Creswick where again we were made most welcome. An excellent day organised by Arthur from our Club and Margaret from Spring Gully.

PROBUS CLUB OF BENDIGO: TUTANKHAMUN/GOLDEN AGE OF THE PHARAOHS
THURSDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER, 2011 – 11.30am Entry

COST: Exhibition: \$25/per person

Travel by Train: 7.45am ex Bendigo. Return: 3.15pm ex Melbourne.

Use your “Free” or Concession Rail Tickets – suggest to book Rail Tickets day prior.”

We will travel as a Group – I will Guide you.. Further details nearer date of travel.

(25) Confirmed Bookings&Payments have been received from and tickets secured for::

C.Adams (2), I. Bennett (1), C. Bird (1), G. Bloomfield (1), N Bruhn (2), E.Bruhn (1), A. Court (1),
A. Crothers (2), A. Eaton (1), J. Goodrich (1), E. Holland (2), R. Michell (1) R. Pollock (1) J.Mc.Donald (1),
B.Mc.Grath (2) Y. Wallace (1), M. Watt (2), J.White (1), C. Thomson (1) **Emergencies: Nil**

Note: I have secured tickets for the above, should you cancel you will require to arrange for your own replacements.

THURSDAY 20TH OCTOBER - TOUR OF BENDIGO BANK

- LUNCH AT HOUSE OF KHONG

Maximum: (24) (Tour is Full.) List for Emergencies: A relaxed, interesting and enjoyable outing.

Depart by Coach at 10.30am: From : Strath Community Ctre Car Park, Crook St.

11.00am: Conducted Tour of the Bendigo Bank.

At conclusion of tour, transported by Coach to House of Khong, 200 Hargreaves St.

12.30pm: Chinese Smorgasboard Lunch (At House of Khong)

2.00pm: Depart House of Khong by Coach 2.30pm Arrive Strath Community Car Park

COST:\$20.00/person Includes: Coach Fare, Tour of Bank, Chinese Smorgasboard Lunch

PAYMENTS:At Meeting Wed 17th August. (24) Acceptances as listed for payment please:

C. Adams (2), I. Bennett (1), C. Bird (1), G. Bloomfield (1), P. Brooks (1), E. Bruhn (1),
N. Bruhn (2), . B. Coghlan (2), K. Coles (1), A. Eaton (1), R. Fitzgerald (2), N. Gillies (1),
J. Goodrich (1), B.Mc.Grath (1), E. Holland (2), R. Pollock (1), M. Watt (2), W. Winzar (1),

Emergencies: Please list names

Note: I have arranged Coach Transport in order to avoid “car parking problems.”

To be cost effective, I require that we retain (24 persons) on the Tour.

SPRING GULLY/PROBUS CLUB OF BENDIGO – TRIP TO MLBOURNE

MONDAY 14TH NOVEMBER, 2011

TRAMBOAT CRUISE SPECIALS – HERRING ISLAND & BEYOND - Seniors \$40.00/person

Travel by Train: (Use Free or Concessions) Depart: 7.45am Train. Return: 3.15pm Ex Melb.

We sail up the Yarra to Herring Island where we stop for approx 40 mins, then proceed on to Hawthorn.

On the return trip a lunch of gourmet sandwiches is provided.

Duration of Cruise: Approx 3.5 hours.

(19) Bookings received from & confirmed for:

C.Adams (2), G. Bloomfield (1), R. Chenery (2), A. Crothers (2), A. Eaton (1), N.Gillies (1),
E. Holland (2), , B.Mc.Grath (2), M. Miller (1), R. Pollock (1) H. Ward(1) M. Watt (2),
J. White (1), **Emergencies (3)** R. Michell, C. Bird (1), C. Thomson (1)

PAYMENTS \$40.00/person: At Meeting Wed.21st September Please tender correct amounts

CAPITAL THEATRE - BENDIGO TUESDAY 13th DECEMBER, 2011.

GASLIGHT THEATRE XMAS SHOW: At 11.00am (Report 10.15am for Cuppa & chat.)

12.30pm: Lunch (Own Cost) at “The Rifle Brigade Hotel.” – just over road from Theatre

I have secured (35 tickets) Theatre Group Price: \$12/person. Also booked Group at Hotel

List: will be tabled at August 17th Meeting – Payments due Wed 19th Oct. Meeting

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON FUNCTION - Wednesday 7th December at The Foundry Hotel.

More details in due course. Just mark the date in your diaries !!!!!

TRIPS ENQUIRIES: To Tours Organiser: Arthur Eaton. Phone: 5443 9162