

CHAPTER 13.

PRESIDENT RAY GALLOWAY: 2012 - 2013.

The President opened the 333rd general meeting of the Club on the 8th March 2012. He welcomed members, ladies and visitors Alan & Maureen Peck and Max Wilson. President David wished all birthday boys and girls a very happy day and presentations were made to the following:

John Nunn with his O.B.E. which occasioned much mirth when he said that he would pass his "L" plates to Bill Molyneux.

Kelvin Thomas also received his O.B.E.

A very special presentation of Life Membership to Bert Milgate

Last but by no means least Graeme West was given his 10 year badge.

Alan Peck was inducted into the Club and a warm welcome given to his wife Maureen.

Activities Reports.

Keith Taylor reported on the successful visit to the "Iron Lady" and reminded members of up coming trips etc as listed at the end of the chapter.

He also mentioned that more details of the "year end" trip will be forthcoming.

Alan Peck told of the happy Ramblers walk along the Mount Evelyn Aqueduct.

General Business.

Geoff Fraser won the door prize.

President David closed the meeting at 10.15 and invited all to remain for the 29th Annual General Meeting.

At 10.30 the President opened the 29th Annual General Meeting and welcomed the following Christine Fyffe, State Member of Parliament, Tony Smith, Federal Member of Parliament, Anne Wheeler Rotary Club of Lilydale. The Shire of Yarra Ranges Mayor Graham Warren sent his apologies.

The President and Treasurer duly presented their reports which were accepted.

President David had pleasure in presenting Certificates of Appreciation to Almoner Brian Walsh, Treasurer Keith Quibell and Caterer John Dineen.

All positions on the Committee of Management were then declared vacant and Public Officer Bert Milgate took the Chair. He confirmed that nominations equalled positions and that no election was necessary. He therefore read out the nominations as set out at the end of the Chapter. The Chair was passed back to Past President David who inducted incoming President Ray for his second term of office presenting him with the symbols of his office.

President Ray then presented his major officers with their office pins and name tags and thanked other members for the acceptance of the various roles set out at the end of the Chapter.

The three Procedural Motions which need to be dealt with each year at this meeting were duly read and approved.

The President thanked all who had attended and invited them to stay and partake of the usual birthday tea and the cake which was cut by the President, Past President and new Life Member Bert.

President Ray opened the April meeting on the 12th and welcomed members, ladies and visitors Max & Joan Wilson, Bob & Janet Daw, Bill & Geraldine Ochiltree, John Wilby and David Fulton.

The President wished all who had or will celebrate birthdays during the month a very happy day.

Alan & Maureen Peck were presented with their name badges and Clive Bunston with his 10 year badge.

President Ray had pleasure in inducting Max Wilson into the Club and welcoming his wife Joan.

Activities Reports.

Keith Taylor reminded members of the forthcoming BYO everything BBQ at the Lake on the 26th. Also lunch at the Manhattan on the 17th May, Cranbourne Gardens on the 28th June and Christmas in July on the 26th July.

David Watson reported back on the ramble around Lillydale Lake and wetlands and reminded Ramblers that the next walk will be at Marysville on the following week the 19th April.

Several people spoke about the annual car trip to Kilcunda. Ted Douglas read Marlene's usual clever and witty poem, Bert Patrick did the major report and mentioned what a pleasure it had been to welcome long time member and Past President Bert Walker to join us at lunch on the one day. He gave especial thanks to the President and Bev for all their hard work in organising a wonderful trip. President Ray then presented prizes to

Marilyn Carmichael and Bert Patrick – Golf

Bill Molyneux and Keith Taylor – Bocce

President Ray - Quoits which he also ran thereby having an "unfair" advantage.

The Probus Pals outing will be at the Platinum Restaurant in Chirnside Park on Monday 14th May. Dorothy Holt is the organiser.

The door prize went to Hugh Macaulay, who is well known doing kitchen duties.

The speaker was Dan Rotman whose subject was Family history and ancestry.

President Ray opened the May meeting No. 335 and welcomed members, ladies and guests Len Pearse and Bob & Janet Daw.

As mentioned earlier in this chapter Bert Milgate was made a Life member this year and the President had the pleasure of presenting Bert with his Life Member's Bar.

Activities Reports.

Keith gave an amusing report about the recent BBQ day when 7 folk walked around the Lake. He also gave notice of the following trips/outings

17th May – Manhattan

28th June – Cranbourne Gardens

19th July – Christmas in July at Sanctuary House

23rd August – Cuckoo Restaurant Lunch

27th September – BBQ

A year end trip has been suggested based at Providence Lodge for 5 days in the Snowy Mountains. Cost \$645 p.p. Further details to follow.

Jim McMinn spoke about the Ramblers visit to Marysville and the trip to the Zoo on the 24th May.

M.O.E.R. A discussion day will be held on 25th May for Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Tour leaders.

Theatre Goers were reminded that the next play is Miss Marple.

General Business.

\$200 Voucher is available for those who may wish to get advise on genealogy matters.

Secretary Doug showed some early photographs dating back to the 1980's

Keith Taylor won the lucky door prize.

Our speakers to-day were Anne Marie and Glen from the Croydon Leisure Centre who spoke on health for us "oldies".

The President opened the June meeting with a short & thought provoking poem. He then advised members of the sad passing of Les Wanstall's daughter Robyn Joy.

Her funeral will be private.

42 members, 38 lady guests and visitors, Ron & Pam Barnett, Wally & Shirley Tilbury, Bill & Geraldine Ochiltree and Len Pearse.

Birthday wishes were extended to all having their special day in June and especially Marlene Douglas who would have received an O.B.E had she been a member. PSP are requesting all Clubs have a common constitution. David Watson has agreed to explore this on behalf of the Club.

President Ray advised that we now have a waiting list for membership.

Activities Reports.

Bert Milgate presented a detailed report on the Ramblers trip to Melbourne Zoo

The President asked members if they would be interested to have 6-8 bell ringers in place of a speaker. A small cost would be incurred. General consensus was given to Bert to go ahead. It will be 2013 before it actually happens.

June Reynolds is organising the Probus Pals outing at the Yarra Valley Herb Farm on the 17th July.

Ron Ferguson advertised "An Invitation to Jazz Lovers" at Cherry Tree on the 19th August.

Forthcoming speakers are

12th July – John Hayson – Insurance claims

9th August – David Kelly – Chinese Medicine

13th September – Geoff Crawford – What lies beneath.

General Business.

Members reminded to sign the book if they leave early.

Bill Molyneux gave notice that he will resign his position as Media Mogul at the March 2013 A.G.M. He advised of 3 scams.

M.O.E.R. Geoff Fraser will report at the July meeting.

The door prize went to Graeme West.

A hearty thank you was given to our Vice President Jim for stepping in at short notice to talk to us about his 18 years as a guide at Healesville Sanctuary.

President Ray opened general meeting No. 337 and welcomed members, lady guests and visitors Ron & Pam Barnett and Len & Jenny Pearse.

The President acknowledged the death of Ken Scott, one of the Rotary members who helped found our Club.

As part of wishing members a happy birthday this month, a special mention was made that Arthur Coster will be celebrating his 103rd and Doreen Nunn her 80th. With pleasure President Ray inducted Len Pearse and welcomed Jenny. Both were given their name badges and other bits and pieces.

Activities Reports.

Alan Peck reported on the very pleasant trip to Cranbourne Gardens which was enjoyed by all who went.

The Trips committee advised members of up coming trips through the rest of the year. In particular the change of date of the trip to the Snowy.

John Watson also gave details of the car trip next March to Anglesea.

The proposed ramble to Jells Park had to be cancelled for various reasons. However 14 keen walkers had a good lunch to make up for the lack of exercise.

There were no reports from either the Media Mogul or the M.O.E.R. representative.

John & Lorraine Dineen accepted responsibility for liaising with Anne Oughtibridge about interclub tours.

General Business.

The President thanked David Watson for his work on the P.S.P. recommended changes to the constitution.

With his V.P. hat on Jim McMinn asked members to think seriously about assisting in the running of the Club in 2013/2014.

David Watson with Rhonda happily accepted the lucky door prize.

The visitor to-day was John Haysom who spoke on the intrigue & humour of insurance claims.

On a cold, wet August day President Ray welcomed members, ladies and 2 guests Bob and Janet Daw to the 338th general meeting of the Club.

The President sadly announced the death of stalwart member Clive Bunston. All stood for a minute in his memory.

On a happier note President Ray inducted Bob Daw into the Club and welcomed his wife, Janet.

It was also a day for presentations.

An O.B.E. to Dennis Lawson.

A 25 year badge to Les Wanstall . He was also invested with a very special apron

A 10 year badge went to Keith Quibell.

The President asked Bert Patrick to pass on the congratulations of the members to Jaele for her great result in the Olympic Games in London.

Activities Reports.

Christmas in July lunch. A very successful outing according to those who attended.

The Trips Committee reminded members of the forthcoming events coming up through until March 2013.

President Ray led a small but happy group on the Ramblers walk through Wandin to Seville.

Again there were no reports from the Media Mogul or M.O.E.R. representative.

Bev Galloway has kindly agreed to organise the Probus Pals "do' at Zingers in Croydon on the 19th of September.

General Business.

Dough Mackie advised of an Interclub tour to Bright in January 2013. 2 nights and 3 days including "A' Reserve tickets to "Opera in the Alps".

The lucky door prize was won by Tom Lightfoot.

Our speaker was David Kelly who spoke on the subject of Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture. John Nunn, very bravely, acted as David's assistant.

The first meeting in Spring was opened by President Ray on the 13th September and he welcomed members, ladies and visitors Ron & Pam Barnett, Rex Tait and Kevin Ellis.

All present were invited to stand for a minute to remember Ray G. Reynolds who had died since our last meeting and to condole with Joan, Geoff & Yvonne.

Again we had a happier note early in the meeting to induct Ron Barnett to the club and to welcome his wife Pam.

Activities Reports.

The lunch at the Cuckoo had been a great success according to our President. The members were reminded of the upcoming trips

20th September – Film –Waverley Cinema. This outing was later announced as being cancelled due to lack of interest

25th October – BBQ at Lillydale Lake

22nd November – Melbourne Museum

20th December – Christmas lunch – Alfred's Homestead Restaurant.

January – Spit roast - Lillydale Lake

February – Lotus Gardens

26th – 30th November 5 day trip to Snowy Mountains. Keith Taylor advised that there had been a couple of cancellations and that replacements were needed.

Annual car trip John Watson distributed accommodation details and reminded members that the \$100 deposit was required.

Jim McMinn reported back on the latest Ramble on the Warburton trail.

The next Ramble will be to Maroondah Dam and will be organised by Alan and Maureen Peck.

The Media Mogul, back from indisposition, advised on matters media and put various notices on the board regarding Court attendance.

M.O.E.R. Geoff Fraser reported back on the quarterly meeting and in particular advised members that Probus South Pacific has changed insurers for travel insurance. Members who had arranged trips starting after 1st December must renegotiate terms and conditions with PSP.

Extra Curricular.

There are three plays coming up

Croydon Parish Players production of HMS Pinafore. Tickets from Brenda McMinn.

The Basin - "Over my dead body"

The 1812 - "The 39 Steps"

The next Probus Pals meeting is at Zingers in Croydon on the 19th September.

General Business.

Keith Quibell proposed that the Club buy a laptop. The equipment at the hall is available for use by anyone and is quite often out of action. It was agreed to refer this to the next Committee meeting.

The door prize was won by Bob Daw.

Our speaker Geoff Crawford's subject was "What lies beneath".

The October meeting was chaired by Keith Quibell who welcomed members, ladies and one guest Kevin Ellis. Our worthy President with Bev was holidaying in Queensland, visiting their daughter.

Keith reported the death of stalwart member Stan Pickersgill. Les Wanstall gave a brief eulogy and then all stood for a minute in his memory.

Milton Sansom has not been well and asked for help with kitchen duties for the next few meetings. Doug Lewis offered his services which were gratefully accepted.

Among the birthday boys and girls was our Honorary member Alf Morgan whose centenary falls on 27th October.

The Acting President awarded Peter Tucker his O.B.E.

Activities Reports.

Bert Milgate reminded members of upcoming speakers.

Cec Lewis spoke about the pleasant ramble around Maroondah Dam and the lunch which followed.

Russell Handasyde advised members that the next Ramble will be combined with the trips committee picnic at Lillydale Lake.

Keith Taylor reminded members of the following trips etc.

25th October - BBQ

22nd November - Museum.

20th December - Christmas lunch

10th January 2013 - Spit Roast

February - Blue Lotus Water lily Gardens.

Keith advised that the Snowy Mountain trip had been cancelled due to lack of numbers.

John Watson started collecting deposits for Anglesea.

M.O.E.R. In the absence of Geoff Fraser there was no report.

The Probus Pals will meet at the Lower Deck in Croydon on the 13th of November.

General Business.

It was brought up that Club Members and Lady Guests have preference to go on trips or other activities. If there is room thereafter then outsiders may be invited to join.

Jim McWharton won the door prize.

The speaker to-day was Don McLean from the National Trust who spoke on "Murky stories of crime, punishment and execution". Someone commented "a bit too murky" but nevertheless fascinating.

President Ray opened the November meeting No. 341 and thanked Keith Quibell for acting as President at the October meeting and Bill Molyneux for standing in as

Secretary. In attendance to-day were 44 members and 35 lady guests, and 23 apologies. There were no visitors.

New membership cards issued by PSP have arrived and can be collected to-day. Max McKenzie was remembered, in absentia, for his 80th birthday. His O.B.E. will be waiting for him when he can come to the meeting.

Activities Reports.

Speakers at the January and February meetings are as previously reported. In addition it has been confirmed that the Bell Ringers will be with us in August 2013 at a charge of \$1 per person.

Trips and other activities are also as previously reported but in addition the Ramblers will go to Healesville Sanctuary on the 22nd of November.

John Watson reported briefly on the Anglesea car trip.

Graham Joseph invited interested folk to contact him with a view to trying out the game of lawn bowls.

General Business.

V.P Jim is busy arranging his new committee and asked especially for anyone who is interested in the positions of Secretary, Trips Convenor and Speakers Convenor.

The Secretary is to complete the PSP 5 year Constitutional Review form prior to the 31st January 2013.

President Ray presented a letter from PSP asking members to let them know "What Probus means to you".

Ralph Sibley has accepted the role of Door Prize convenor and Bert Patrick was the lucky recipient at his hands.

The speaker to-day was Peter Mason whose subject "The birds of the Yarra Catchment" is one on which he is very well qualified to speak.

The President opened the last meeting for the calendar year and welcomed members, ladies and visitor Glen Barr.

The Club said farewell to the late Dr Bill Hardy of the Lilydale Rotary Club who was often a welcome guest.

It was good to see Max McKenzie and he was welcomed back and presented with his O.B.E.

Activities Reports.

The speaker at our February meeting will be Paul Jenès, a statistician talking about behind the scenes activities at the Olympic Games.

The trip to the Melbourne Museum had been an excellent day from the report of Alan Peck. On the same day the Ramblers met at Healesville Sanctuary for a "fantastic" day as reported by Bob Daw.

M.O.E.R. As they only meet quarterly there was no report to be given.

On 14th January 2013 the Probus Pals will gather at the Canticle Bakery and Café in Croydon North.

The lucky Door prize was won by John Watson.

Our speaker was Ian Tinney on the life of a country doctor. Most interesting to those of us who are city dwellers.

The first meeting for 2013, being No. 343, was opened by President Ray who welcomed members, ladies and visitors Dereck & Fran Brown and Wally & Shirley Tilbury.

Amongst the birthday boys and girls this month worthy of special mention were Gran Waterworth at 88 years young and David Watson who has achieved his biblical three score and ten. Bert Patrick celebrates his 80th this month but was not present to receive his O.B.E. It will be kept for his next attendance at the Club.

Bob Holt has also achieved fame as a member of 10 years standing. The President presented Bob with his 10 year badge.

The President inducted Wally Tilbury and welcomed his wife Shirley.

Members were reminded once again to “sign out“ if leaving early.

Activities Reports.

The lunch at Alfred’s had proved, as always, to be a successful gathering.

The Media Mogul was able to report a scam free period.

A non-activity in January is the Ramblers who will resume in February.

M.O.E.R. No report.

The President recommended a visit to the sand sculptures in Frankston although not a Probus outing as such.

The only General Business was the presentation of the door prize which went, after several attempts went to Ian Robinson.

As usual with the January meeting members continued the meeting after the meeting. This year with a spit roast arranged by the trips committee.

The speakers to-day were husband and wife jewellers who talked about diamonds and jewellery and in particular of their visits overseas to buy gems.

Meeting No. 344 was held at Lillydale Lake Community Centre on the 14th February. The President opened the meeting and welcomed members, ladies and visitor John Wilby.

President Ray advised members of the death of Rene Christie 99 years young.

Peter Walter was called to the front to receive his O.B.E. to applause from all.

Secretary Doug gave formal Notice of the A.G.M on the 14th March and advised that he had nomination forms for the election of Office Bearers.

The resignation of Tom Whitefoot was accepted with regret.

A long time lady guest Joyce Jeffries advised that she has moved away from Melbourne and will no longer be able to attend.

Activities Reports.

Bert Milgate gave brief details of speakers for the first few months of the new year.

Peter Walter did likewise for upcoming trips.

John Watson handed out the detailed programme for Anglesea.

The Ramblers will stroll around the Lake on the 28th of February with a plan to picnic or BBQ thereafter.

M.O.E.R.

Our M.O.E.R. representative Geoff Fraser gave a detailed report on both their A.G.M. and General Meeting. And gave notice of the annual picnic at Box Hill on the 30th April, Discussion Day on the 31st May and Spring luncheon day on 31st October.

General Business.

The Media Mogul talked of telephone scams using strange dialling codes.

President Ray advised that there is now a defibrillator in the hall and that a volunteer(s) is needed to learn how to use it.

Jan West has advised that she can no longer continue with the Theatre Goers plan.

President Ray thanked her for past efforts.

Rhonda Watson will organise the next Probus Pals outing for April, Details at the March meeting.

News letter. As advised previously Bill Molyneux has advised that he can no longer continue and V.P Jim appealed to members for someone to assist with the production of this important part of the Club’s life. Jim thanked Bill for the time he has spent over many years of producing this letter. Jim mentioned that the format could be simplified.

David Watson won the lucky door prize which was drawn by his friend and our visitor to-day John Wilby.

The speaker was Paul Jenes who spoke with back ground knowledge about being behind the scenes at the Olympic Games.

2012 - 2013 Office Bearers.

Office	Bearer
President	Ray Galloway
Vice President	Jim McMinn
Secretary	Doug Mackie
Treasurer	Cec Lewis
Committee	Keith Taylor
Committee	Peter Walker
Committee	Peter Tucker
Committee	Geoff Fraser
Activities/ Trips	Keith Taylor/ Peter Walter/ Peter Tucker
Almoner	Russ Handasyde
Welcomer/ Speakers	Bert Milgate
Probus Ramblers	Jim McMinn
Catering	Gran Waterworth/ Milton Sansom
Public Officer	Bert Milgate
Auditor	Bert Patrick
Assistant Secretary	
Assistant Treasurer	
Trades Register	Russell Handasyde
Newsletter/Media Mogul	Bill Molyneux
Welcoming Officer	Bert Milgate
P.A. System	Alan Coulton
Club History	Kellie Heber-Percy
M.O.E.R. Delegate	Geoff Fraser
Car Trips	John Watson
Safety Warden	Jack McGuinness
Door Prize	Stan Pickersgill/ Les Wanstall

2012 - 2013 Outings and Trips.

Date.	Details.
14 th March 2012	Probus Pals at the Foyer Café Wonga Park
15 th March	Ramblers walk around Lilydale Wetlands
19 th March – 23 rd March	Annual car trip to Kilcunda Ocean View Holiday Retreat
25 th March	Theatre – “Round and Round the garden”
19 th April	Ramblers at Marysville
26 th April	BBQ lunch at Lilydale Lake BYO everything
14 th May	Probus Pals – Platinum at Chirnside
17 th May	Manhattan lunch – self drive
27 th May	Theatre – “Bullshot Crummond”
24 th May	Melbourne Zoo
14 th June	Ramblers to Jells Park
28 th June	Cranbourne Gardens – self drive
17 th July	Probus Pals at Yarra Valley Herb Farm Restaurant
19 th July	Ramblers- Warburton Trail -Wandin-Seville

26 th July	Christmas in July at Sanctuary House
16 th August	Ramblers – Seville to Killara and back
19 th August	Jazz Afternoon at Cherry Tree Village
19 th August	Theatre outing – “Out of Order”
23 rd August	Cuckoo Restaurant – self drive
26 th August	Theatre Outing 1812 – “Brilliant Lies”
19 th September	Probus Pals – Zingers Croydon
27 th September	Ramblers to Maroondah Reservoir
6 th October	Theatre – HMS Pinafore”
25 th October	BBQ at Lillydale Lake
25 th October	Ramblers – Around Lillydale Lake
13 th November	Probus Pals – Lower Deck Croydon
15 th November,	Ramblers to Healesville Sanctuary
18 th November	Theatre – “Over my dead body”
22 nd November	Melbourne Museum
22 nd November	Ramblers to Healesville Sanctuary
25 th November	Theatre – “39 Steps”
20 th December	Christmas Lunch at Alfred’s Homestead Restaurant
10 th January 2013	Spit Roast Lillydale Lake
13 th January	Probus Pals -Canticle Bakery Croydon
21 st February	Blue Lotus Water lily Gardens
28 th February	Ramblers – Lilydale Tour

2012 - 2013 Guest Speakers.

Meeting No.	Date.	Speaker.	Subject
334	12 th April 2012	Dan Rotman	Family History and Ancestry
335	10 th May	Anne Marie & Glen	Croydon Leisure Centre talking on “Live longer and stronger”
336	14 th June	Jim McMinn	His time as guide at Healesville Sanctuary
337	12 th July	John Hayson	The intrigue and humour of Insurance Claims
338	9 th August	David Kelly	Chinese Medicine & Acupuncture
339	13 th September	Dr. Geoff Crawford	“What lies beneath”
340	11 th October	Bruce Johnston	Murky stories of Crime, Punishment & Execution
341	8 th November	Peter Mason	Birds of the Yarra Valley Catchment
342	13 th December	Ian Tinney	Life of a country doctor
343	10 th January 2013	Peter & Pam Beever	The Diamond and Jewellery World
344	February	Paul Jenés	Behind the scenes at the Olympics

2012 - 2013 New Members.

Date.	Member.	Partner.
8 th March 2012	Alan Peck	Maureen
12 th April	Max Wilson	Joan
12 th July	Len Pearse	Jenny
9 th August	Bob Daw	Janet
13 th September	Ron Barnett	Pam
10 th January 2013	Wally Tilbury	Shirley

2012 - 2013 Resignations.

Name.	Position(s) Held.	Dates of Membership
Tom Whitefoot	Newsletter deliverer	11 th June 1996 – 7 th February 2013.

2012 - 2013 Bereavements.

Name.	Position(s) Held.	Dates of membership.
Clive Bunston	Almoner 2008 and part of 2009	14 th February 2002 – 4 th August 2012
Ray G Reynolds	None	13 th August 2009 – 20 th August 2012
Stan Pickersgill	Committee 1991/92, Welcomer 2007-2012, Speaker organiser 1992	12 th November 1987 – 30 th September 2012

2012 - 2013 Attendance.

Month.	Members.	Ladies.	Visitors.	Apologies.
March	43	38	3	29
April	47	43	8	15
May	37	37	3	23
June	42	38	7	32
July	37	34	4	28
August	39	35	2	35
September	43	35	4	20
October	36	27	1	30
November	44	35	0	23
December	48	41	1	13
January	42	45	4	16
February	39	40	1	28

2012 – 2013 O.B.E's Presented.

Name.	Date of Birth.
Dennis Lawson	16 th June 1932
Peter Tucker	3 rd October 1932
Max McKenzie	14 th November 1932
Peter Walter	27 th January 1933
Bert Patrick	28 th February 1933

