

Mary Healy

Nomination for Committee Member, Committee of the Celtic Club



Being a proud **Irish Australian** and paying tribute to my ancestors the **O'Keefes, Heffernans, and Fitzgeralds** I welcome new Irish chums. Currently I am finding it difficult to meet them. I believe the Club needs to reach out to members through casual functions for old and new and produce more documented information to attract members.

My great grandfather **John Fitzgerald** was a founding member and like him I would like to volunteer my time. I have enjoyed myself at **Celtic Club** functions and hosted my husband's birthday party at the club.

Currently, as vice president of the Glen Eira Residents' Association I am working for public access of Caulfield Racecourse Reserve.

Professionally as senior computer operator at Monash I scheduled staff rosters for our 100 hour a week operation and organised work processing for staff and students. I also worked as a librarian at Monash Caulfield, TAFES at Chisholm and Holmesglen at Carnegie, Dandenong and Noble Park.

Since Bob Hawke promoted **Irish Australian** heritage I wrote:-

Railways and Pastures: The Australian O'Keefes and Billy Heffernan of The Shamrock Hotel.

The former showed their true Irish grit and determination and is a resource book for Australian Studies.