



MINUTES GENERAL MEETING 10 March 2022

1. Welcome – Senior Vice President, Maria McGrath

- i. Acknowledgement of the traditional owners of the land on which we meet today, paying respects to elders past, present and emerging.
- ii. Happy birthday to all those with birthdays in March.
- iii. Next Thursday 17 March is our Happy Hour at the Club. It is also St Patrick's Day – green is the colour to wear. The Breakfast Point and Cabarita Probus Club will also be having their happy hour at the Club at the same time.

2. Apologies – Rick Riddle, President. Other apologies noted by the Membership Officer

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes were provided with the meeting papers.

Accepted – moved Tony Rae, seconded Bruce Morton

4. Business Arising from Minutes

Nil

5. Treasurer's Report

Balance at end of February, 2022 was \$34,011.87; Members' funds \$18,134.67

Accepted – moved Laurel Dodson, seconded Lyn Wendtman

6. Correspondence

- a. In – documents from PSPL for annual reporting of the details of new members and those who have resigned.
- b. Out -none

Noted

7. Membership Report – Laurel Dodson

- i. Membership Fees must be paid by end March
- ii. 220 Members have already paid their fees
- iii. We still have a long waiting list to join our club
- iv. Seven new members to be inducted.

Noted

8. Reports from Convenors

- a. Care & Support – Aileen White

A reminder that we are here to assist with or provide meals, shopping, or anything else that a member may need.

- b. Groups – Jan Jeffrey

- i. For full details of all groups' activities these are on the Groups' Calendar on the Club website <https://www.probusbp.org/>

- ii. A reminder about the Art Group's exhibition at the Library to which all Club members are invited. The opening is Sunday 3rd April from 2-4pm. Afternoon tea and light refreshments will be available. Please see the website for further details; Gail McDonald convenor.
- iii. 'Historic Pub Crawl' is a new Group that has over 100 people on its list. Register your interest by filling out and submitting the form on our website under 'Groups' > 'Historic Pub Crawl'. On Wednesday March 16 Carly and Andy will take a lucky 40 people on the first outing to the The Hero of Waterloo Pub, at The Rocks, Sydney. Rod Jeffrey will organise the next pub – Horse and Jockey, 70 Parramatta Road, Homebush. Details will be forthcoming on the website so please check the website for updates. Barry and Lorraine Lance will also take a group – likely to a Balmain pub. Details on the website as they become known.

This is Jan's final report and she thanked all the group convenors.

c. Guest Speakers – Rod Jeffrey

- i. The next meeting's speaker is from the Transport and Tram Museum and Rod has asked him to concentrate on Cabarita and Mortlake.

Farewell from Rod as this is his last report.

d. Outings – Tony Rae

Please see the website for all up-to-date outings details <https://www.probusbp.org/>. Click on Outings > Outings Snapshot for full details. To register for an outing, click on 'View details' for the Outing you are interested in and a red link to the Registration Form should be there. If not, use the General Registration Form on the right-hand side of the Outings Snapshot page. You can register there for an outing or submit an expression of interest.

- i. **Happy Hour** at the Country Club is Thursday 17 March, 5.30 – 7 pm St Patrick's Day.
- ii. **Gosford Race Day** – Tuesday 29 March. A few places still available. Michael Cummings organising.
- iii. **NEW - Tumut 4 days 3 nights Falling Leaf Festival** 29 April – 2 May. \$1198 pp with \$198 single supplement. Pickup and return to Emily Street. Full payment to Trade Travel due by 31 March. Phil Turley organising. See website for full details.
- iv. **Retford Park** day trip Friday 22 April - now full with a waiting list. Pam Healy organising.
- v. **Essentially Barrington** – Pam Healy organising; now room for 2 more people. Contact Pam.
- vi. **Chau Chak Museum** tour 26 & 27 April – Ross Beckhouse has been in touch with those who are interested.
- vii. **10 Year Anniversary Cruise** Wednesday 1 June – 130 people have booked. The cruise coincides with Vivid. Room for more – Contact Maria McGrath.
- viii. **Christmas in July** – 25-26 July, Carrington Hotel Blue Mountains. Places are still available. \$100 Deposit is needed as soon as possible to book your place. Contact Tanya Morton.
- ix. **Bundanon Art Museum and Arthur Boyd's homestead** and studio visit 7-9 September – 30 already booked. Col Cooksey coordinating. Deposits due next month – you can use EFT but you must enter your name and the name of the outing in the reference box of the EFT otherwise you won't be shown as having paid and you may miss out. You must also fill out a Probus envelope with all the details and hand it to either Col or the Treasurer Lois Wilson.
- x. Our sister Probus Club has 3 seats to be filled for their August trip to Central Australia. Tony Rae has all the necessary information.
- xi. Please note PSPL National's Probus Insurance covers approved outings but Probus is not offering other insurance.

This is Tony's last report and he thanks all the outings organisers for stepping up and their enthusiasm and hard work.

All reports noted

9. General Business

- a. Website - Lyn Wendtman advised that the website's Calendar on the home page now shows everything that is happening each month.
- b. Rotary – Wendy Schmidt reminded the meeting of the Men's Shed and Rotary BBQ at St Patrick's Primary School on 17 March.
- c. Volunteers - Maria thanked all the volunteers in all capacities for their time and cheerfulness. Thank you especially to Bruce Morton for his years as Setup Coordinator for meetings, looking after the chairs. Doug Tear will now be doing this job. Thank you Doug. Thank you too to both Jan and Rod Jeffrey for their years on the Management Committee.
- d. EFT payments – a reminder that when you use EFT to pay for something you MUST still fill out a Probus envelope with all the relevant details and hand it to either the Outings Coordinator, Phil Turley or the Treasurer Lois Wilson. This helps to identify your payment in the bank account.

Meeting closed 10.40am

Date of next General Meeting

14 April, 2022, Community Hall, followed by the AGM

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Maria McGrath Senior Vice President

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Date