



MINUTES GENERAL MEETING 10 November 2022

1) Welcome – President Maria McGrath

- a) Happy birthday for those celebrating in October and November
- b) Thank you to the set-up volunteers and morning tea volunteers who do such a great job
- c) This is the last General Meeting for the year
- d) Apologies Michael Hatton, Senior Vice President; Marian Malone, Vice President; Laurel Dodson Membership Officer; Lois Wilson, Treasurer; Ross Beckhouse, Speakers Officer
- e) A reminder to be Covid aware and safe

2) Minutes of Previous Meeting 13 October 2022

Accepted Moved Rick Riddle Seconded Tanya Morton

3) Business Arising from Minutes - none

4) Treasurer's Report – Treasurer is an apology

Report read by President

Current Financial Summary - October 2022

Opening Cash Book Balance	\$19,356.79	
Income (Outings)	\$ 4,035.00	
Outgoings.	\$ 7,586.75	
	<u>Ending Cash Book Balance</u>	<u>\$15,805.04</u>

Cash at Bank	\$15,340.04	
Unbanked Cheques	\$ 465.00	
	<u>Adjusted Bank</u>	<u>\$15,805.04</u>

Owing on Outings	\$ 2,250.00	
	<u>Current Members Funds</u>	<u>\$13,555.04</u>

Accepted Moved Lyn Manitta Seconded Bruce Morton

5) Correspondence - none

6) Membership Officer - apology

Report read by President

- i) At last month's General Meeting 4 people arrived at the front desk wanting to join and attend the meeting. It was explained that the membership list would be open in January.

- ii) President reminded members that if bringing a guest please advise ahead of time so their name can be recorded. This is for insurance purposes. Guests can attend up to 3 meetings a year.

7) Reports from Convenors

a) Care and Support - Aileen White

- i) Members were advised of the passing of Kevin Forbes. The Club's condolences have been conveyed to Sheri and family.

b) Guest Speakers – apology

- i) Today's speaker is Jonathon Cooper, Art Gallery NSW "Lessons in Life from Art".
- ii) There is no speaker in December or January 2023.

c) Outings – Phil Turley

- i) Please see website <https://www.probusbp.org/outings/> for the most up-to-date information.
- ii) The Japan trip now has 2 vacancies
- iii) 2023 Kimberley trip departs 11 May from Kununurra, \$10,995 per person. This includes a \$1500 flight over Mitchell Falls but does not include return flights to WA.
- iv) Bishops the tour people we have dealt with for many years, have retired and written a book about their experiences. Called "See You in Two Weeks" the launch is on 20 December in Shoalhaven and all are welcome to attend.
- v) Thanks to Bob Phillips for a great Mystery Tour.

d) Groups – Daphne Daley

- i) Family History Group - Val Garton – meets 4th Wednesday every month 4pm at Val's house. Usually finishes with a glass of wine.
- ii) Canasta – Margaret Nix – combined with Cabarita and BP Probus meets 2-4pm Mondays in the Admin Building.
- iii) Computer Group – Lois Wilson and Kevin Guest – meets 2pm last Monday of each month in the Admin Building
- iv) Mahjong – Cathy Salier – meets with the Cabarita and BP Probus Club in the Admin Building every Tuesday 9-11.30
- v) Finance and Investment Group meets first Monday every month 3-4.30 Admin Building
- vi) Historic Pub Crawl – 4 members have been to every one of these so far. If you can guess who they are you will win a bottle of wine donated by Daphne.
- vii) The Club's website is the best place to find all the details about our wide range of groups <https://www.probusbp.org/groups-calendar/>

8. General Business

- a) Please consider signing the petition to have the 439 bus reinstated. Sign it online at drummoyne@parliament.nsw.gov.au
- b) Next year positions will be vacant within our Club so please consider nominating for one. Part of our membership is to be available to fill such positions. Nominations for next year will be needed to fill the following positions: Secretary, Communications Officer; Membership Officer. More positions are likely to become vacant.
- c) The Christmas Lunch is on 8 December at Concord Golf Club. Cash payment is not accepted but cheques and EFT payments are.
- d) Website presentation by Lyn Wendtman.
 - i) The site is due for an update.

- ii) The stats show that 175 people have looked at it. Managing the site is a pleasure and it's easy to learn.
- iii) The site is performing well – no bounce back emails now. If you don't seem to be getting Probus emails please check your folders labelled 'Promotions' or 'Junk' or 'Spam' as some emails seem to be going to these instead of your 'In' box.
- iv) If you have any suggestions for the website please let us know. We try to put all the important information on the front page. Photos from all the trips are there; the Calendar has all the details of activities and outings – past, present and future. There is lots of information at your fingertips and it's up-to-date.
- v) You put in your apologies for these meetings via the website too.
- e) Rotary – Wendy Schmidt
 - i) The Hon Consul of Ukraine spoke to the Five Dock Rotary Club and we went along to hear this. We met Ukrainian refugees and heard about the welcome and care they are receiving. We also met the past president of the Rotary Club of Kiev who now lives with her daughter in Sydney. She arrived in Sydney with just an overnight bag as she was visiting family in Poland when the initial Kiev bombing started and she couldn't go back.
 - ii) Last Thursday, Prof David Brieger, now retired Head of Cardiology, Concord Hospital spoke about his adventures, and the care, research and medical developments at Concord over 30 years. We were very happy to donate \$5000 raised by the BP Community to further this work. Wendy thanked everyone for their support.
- f) Happy Hour is next Thursday 5.30pm at the Country Club with dinner following – but please be sure to book for dinner.

Meeting closed at 10.35am followed by morning tea and Guest Speaker Jonathon Cooper, Art Gallery NSW "Lessons in Life from Art".

No General Meeting in December as we will be having the Christmas Lunch 8 December at Concord Golf Club.

Maria McGrath - President.

Date