



MINUTES GENERAL MEETING 9 February 2023

Meeting opened at 10.05 am

1) Welcome – President Maria McGrath

- a) Very sadly Ron Brayan passed away on Tuesday afternoon. Our thoughts and condolences go to Ron's family and Margaret. Maria read the lovely email from Ron's son Mark advising of Ron's passing.
- b) Happy birthday for those celebrating in February.
- c) Thank you to the set-up volunteers and morning tea volunteers who have done a great job as always.
- d) The January BBQ was a great success and a great way to start the year. Thank you again to IGA for their support in donating everything we needed. Please thank the Manager at IGA should you see him. IGA is a great supporter of Probus and the community.

2) Minutes of Previous Meeting 12 January 2023

Accepted Moved Ross Beckhouse Seconded Col Cooksey

3) Business Arising from Minutes - none

4) Treasurer's Report

Current Financial Summary - November 2022

Current Members Funds	\$12,440.99
Ending Cash Book Balance	\$12,950.99
Opening Cash Book Balance	\$12,950.99
Income (for Outings)	\$510.00
Outgoings	\$ 0.00

Accepted Moved Lyn Manitta Seconded Ron Vozzo

5) Correspondence - none

6) Membership Officer – Laurel Dodson - apology

- a) Probus website glitch January- if, during the month of January, you know of anyone who submitted a website membership or nomination form – please ask them to resubmit as there was a problem with the website and these forms disappeared into the 'ether'. To ensure none of the forms is missed, please also notify the membership officer by email at members@probusbp.org.

- b) Emergency contact updates continue – please check the Membership List that was sent to you to ensure that your emergency contact name and mobile number are up-to-date. You can provide an update to the Membership Officer via email to members@probusbp.org or see either Laurel or Jo at the membership desk on arrival at a meeting. It is important that this information is correct.

7) Reports from Convenors

a) Care and Support - Aileen White

- i) As Maria mentioned, we are all very sad at the passing of Ron Brayan and our thoughts are with his family and Margaret.
- ii) There are several women currently undergoing chemotherapy and our best wishes go to them.
- iii) Everyone receives one of Barbara's beautiful cards and they are much appreciated.

b) Guest Speakers - Ross Beckhous

Please see the website for details <https://www.probusbp.org/activities/>

- i) Today's speaker is Noel Phelan on the topic the Friday 13 January 2012 sinking of the Costa Concordia in the Mediterranean Sea.
- ii) No speaker next month, 9 March, as it is the AGM.
- iii) Thank you to everyone who has provided suggestions for speakers. Ross is continuing in the role for 2023.
- iv) On behalf of the Club President and membership, Lyn Wendtman offered a vote of thanks to Trish Rollins for her continued excellent summaries of speakers' presentations. Trish's summaries are concise, well written and informative and very much appreciated by all. Trish has covered topics as widely-ranging as body farms, art, famous Australians, anthropologists, and, today, marine disasters.

c) Outings – Phil Turley

Please see the Club website for details <https://www.probusbp.org/outings/>

- i) March 22 Tasmania trip departure – 10 people are going – Phil Turley
- ii) March 29 Japan trip departure – Lyn Wendtman
- iii) April 26 Q Station day trip – includes short tour and lunch - \$50 pp plus Opal card for ferries and bus – Pam Hely
- iv) June **NEW** – day trip to the new airport at Camden – \$88pp – Ross Beckhouse. Detailed itinerary available soon.
- v) September 7-28 **NEW** – tour of Sardinia and Sicily – Pam Hely with Laura from Paramount Tours. Register expressions of interest please with Pam. Cost is \$6850pp plus air fares; single supplement \$1200. \$2000 deposit payable at time of booking.
- vi) Big Day Out planning is in the pipeline. More details when finalized.

d) Groups – Daphne Daley

Please see the Club website for details <https://www.probusbp.org/groups-calendar/>

- i) Bush Walk Group - Barry and 8 members had a great 6.5km bush walk from Taronga to Balmoral on Tuesday. The weather was perfect and the walk was great, despite the challenge of quite a few steps at one point.

- ii) Historic Pub Crawl Group – Palace Hotel on 21 February - this next pub visit is very local led by Stephen Matthews. Please arrive in plenty of time, say 11.30, to pre-order as the talk starts at 12. Contact Carly Marshall to register.
At this stage there are 3 more historic pub events scheduled for 2023.
- iii) New iPad Self Help Group – Thursday 16 February 2pm-4pm in the Admin Building is the first meeting of this new group led by Lois. They will meet in the Admin Building on the 3rd Thursday of each month. If you would like to be added to the email list for this group, please email Lois Wilson at treasurer@probusbp.org .

8. General Business

- a) AGM Thursday 9 March in the Community Hall
 - i) We need nominations for most of the Management Committee positions. Please consider nominating for one of the roles as it is a great way to understand how the Club works and is managed. Descriptions of the duties for each position are on the Club website at <https://www.probusbp.org/committee-roles/> The positions are:
 - (1) Vice President - male
 - (2) Communications Officer
 - (3) Groups Coordinator
 - (4) Membership Officer
 - (5) Outings Coordinator
 - (6) Secretary
 - (7) Treasurer
 Also, most of these positions need a backup person so if you think this would suit you, then please nominate for a backup position.
 - ii) Fees that will be proposed at the AGM are \$35 annual membership for 2023 with the continuation of \$20 for the joining fee for new members.
 - iii) It will be proposed that the membership cap remain at 250. This number is based on the seating capacity of the Community Hall.
 - iv) A reminder that fees must be paid by 30 April or your membership will lapse.
- b) Rotary report – Margery Foss – Art Exhibition fund raiser is on 26-28 May in the Community Hall. Please consider exhibiting art, photography etc. Applications please to Margery in March.

Next meetings

General Meeting 9 March 10am

AGM on 9 March 11am

Meeting closed at 10.35am followed by morning tea and at 11am guest speaker Noel Phelan.

Maria McGrath - President.

Date