



# Forrester's Beach Probus Club Inc.

## General Meeting Minutes Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at Tigers

1. The meeting opened at 10:04am

I propose that the Minutes from the General Meeting of Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2026 be accepted

Moved By: Jenny White

Seconded By: Faye McNamara

Those against: Nil Carried

2. Visitors: Alexandra Cooper

3. Business Arising from the March 2026 Minutes: Nil

4. Inductions: Debbie Groover

5. Awards:

I. Presentation of the 20-year Pin: Chris, Graham & Marilyn Nestor

II. Presentation of Award of Excellence-Vicki & Steve Halverson. In appreciation for your excellent work as Membership Officers and Caravan and Cabin Organisers

6. **President's Report:** Steve Mitchell

I. Power point presentation of various photos

7. **Secretary's Report:** James Gordon

I. **Correspondence In:** Nil

II. **Correspondence Out:** Nil

8. **Treasurer's Report:** Gay Saines

I. As at the 31<sup>st</sup> March the club had net assets of \$29,746. This is an increase of around \$2,000 over the previous month because we have now received \$10,670 in membership fees for the year. Most payments in the month were in relation to events.

**I propose that the President, Secretary and Treasurer's reports be accepted:**

Moved By: Alison Maynard

Seconded By: Christine Sponberg

Those against: Nil Carried

9. PCO: Ken Oxby

- I. Russell Green will be acting for Ken whilst he is holidays
- II. Please access the website for updates

10.Events: Dot Tinker

- I. Recap on Australian National Maritime Museum with slides I hope
- II. Reminder to members not to swap plates around at the Anniversary lunch till all members have been served
- III. Next outing Sydney Harbour cruise and reminder to be at their pickup point at least 5 minutes before **pickup, so as not to hold the bus up as we can't wait. Due to the Cruise leaving at 11am sharp**
- IV. As from July 2026 there will only be One(1) pickup point for the bus relating to day outings only. This being at the back of Tigers near the Breast screening van. As this means everyone will be picked up at the same time instead of staggered times as in the past. Pick up time for Christmas in July will be updated to allow for this

11.Membership: David Varvel

- I. Current Membership Numbers: 174
- II. Attendance at Current Meeting: 108
- III. Apologies: 43
- IV. Visitors: Alexandra Cooper
- V. Leave Of Absence: (5) Reg Fletcher, Lynette Falken & Ian Reece, Vicki & Steve Halverson
- VI. Inductions: Debbie Groover
- VII. Resignations: 13 members elected not to renew their membership for the 2026-27 year
- VIII. Applications to Join: Nil
- IX. Enquiries: (3) Alexandra Cooper, Greg & Joyce Barnier
- X. Fees - Fees for 2026-27 have mostly been paid, two remain to be followed up

12.Welfare: Sheenagh Wilson

- I. Nancy Porter is currently in hospital in Sydney having had an operation to remove a tumour from her ankle last Friday. I rang her this morning and she is feeling very sick and in a lot of pain
- II. I have spoken to Lynette Falken **who is in St. Vincent's hospital** for lung cancer. Whilst in hospital it was discovered that her heart has an 80% blockage and a plan is still being determined on what action to take

13.Caravan and Cabin: Lyn & Des Brownlee

- I. Our next event is in Canberra, first week in March 2027
- II. We were hoping to visit the park this month to carry out a recce. However, this was postponed due to the fuel situation
- III. We are planning to still have the same sporting activities as these seem to be popular. There will be a free day where the participants are free to choose the various sights of Canberra
- IV. We have compiled a list of possible sightseeing/points of interest activities. Further there is a lot of information on the internet
- V. Bookings availability is now open for accommodation-details are on the Website, Facebook and Notice Board

14. Getaway: Wendy Truman

Sapphire Coast of NSW Coach Trip

- I. Numbers are urgently required for our trip please
- II. We have a minimum of 19-20. So, we need a few more
- III. The bus company has had to put on a \$40 levy to all attendees. Total now to be paid per person is \$2030 with s/s \$440 where required
- IV. Final date for payment 30<sup>th</sup> April

Cluster

- I. Barefoot bowls still planned 1<sup>st</sup> May and we have an arrival time of 9.30am for teams and registration and a 10am start
- II. We have a good number this year attending (8)

15. Garden Tour: Ross Quinn

- I. The next tour is proposed for October/November 2026 to Milthorpe and surrounding areas

16. Pub Lunches: Jim Tinker

- I. Next Pub Lunch at TBA
- II. To be held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

17. Snr Vice President: Prue Smee

Golf: Organiser: Kevin Brennan

- I. The last event was on the 30<sup>th</sup> March at Everglades Golf Club
- II. Kevin provided the results of the day
  - a. June Brennan won the ladies event and nearest the pin. Des Brownlee won the **men's** event and nearest the pin
  - b. The next event is planned for Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> June

Sausage Sizzle: Organiser: Dick Whitaker

- I. 65 members attended the March sizzle
- II. Next Sausage Sizzle: Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April

Theatre: Organiser: Kim Fryer

- I. Reported on various planned events
- II. Check the newsletter and website for further details

Walks:

Short Walks-Jim Tinker

- I. Next short walk will be Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April at Mount Penang Gardens

Sydney Walks-Graham Nestor

- I. Next Sydney walk is on the 26<sup>th</sup> May-Lavender Bay to Kirribilli

Information on all walks can be found on the website and in the newsletter

Camera Club: Organiser: Gerry Smee

- I. Steve provided an update on the last outing to Dangar Island with slide show
- II. The next outing will be on Weds 29<sup>th</sup> April and going to Newcastle Break Wall etc.

Speaker:

- I. **There isn't a speaker this month due to the Anniversary Luncheon**
- II. Mark Bundy. Mark will be speaking about the history of Rookwood Cemetery at the May meeting

Jnr Vice President: Steve Fryer

Craft: Organiser Margaret Sharratt

- I. Nine people attended the most recent meeting and enjoyed morning tea and **each other's** company. Most people have their own projects
- II. Bev Benomis request for shoulder shawls for palliative care is well underway
- III. The next meeting is 6<sup>th</sup> May at the Toowoorn Bay Surf Club from 10:30 to 1:30

Lawn Bowls: Organiser Ken Oxby

- I. On 13 March twenty-four bowlers joined in a fun day
- II. Bowls will be on again on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April
- III. Lindsay McNamarra will be organising the April and May Games while Ken is away
- IV. Note the games will now start at 10:00 am due to the clubs new opening hours

Women of Wisdom: Organiser Hazel Hopping

- I. Eight amazing ladies gathered on 16<sup>th</sup> March to enjoy sharing ideas and stories over multiple topics
- II. The next gathering is Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April at the Toowoorn Bay Surf Life Saving club from 2-4pm

Table of Knowledge: Organiser George Miller

- I. The TOK **men's** "Table of Knowledge" conversation group met again on 16<sup>th</sup> March with 14 members attending, making it one of our largest gatherings
- II. The meetings are informal, friendly and have no pre-planned agenda. What is discussed at TOK, stays at TOK. Anyone is welcome to join with no expectation that they need to attend regularly
- III. The next meeting will be on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April at the Bateau Bay Bowling Club commencing at 10am

Tenpin Bowling: Organiser Prue Smee

- I. The bowlers welcome some new faces this month, Alison Maynard and Sheenagh Wilson
- II. Congratulations to the winners: Jim Tinker, Steve Mitchell, Don Harding, June Brennan, Pam Smith and Jayne Wilson
- III. Thirty people headed off from bowls for dinner at Bateau Bay Bowling Club
- IV. Next gathering 23 April. Include your name on the board

I propose that all the reports listed above be accepted

Moved By: Heather Mertell

Seconded by: Sheenagh Wilson

Those against: Nil Carried

18. General Business: Nil

19. Break for Tea and Coffee

20. Guest Speaker: **There isn't a speaker this month**

21. Lucky Door Prize: Phil Clarke

The next General Meeting will be held at 10.00 am on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at Tigers

Meeting declared closed at: 10:45AM