



Forrester's Beach Probus Club Inc.

Minutes of the General Meeting, Tuesday 8th October 2024 10.00 am at Tigers

1. The meeting opened at 10.0am
2. **President: June Brennan** welcomed members and visitors. Particularly Frank & Joan Bunton-Foundation Members, attending their last General Meeting before leaving the Central Coast. Other visitors were also welcomed
3. **I propose that the Minutes from the General Meeting of Tuesday 10th September 2024 be Accepted**
Moved: Vivienne Scott , Seconded: Toni Barwick Those against: Nil-Carried
4. **Business Arising from the September Minutes:** Nil
5. **Inductions:** Brian and Ruth Hopkins, Kathryn Blackwell
6. **Induction of Life Member:** Presented by June Brennan & Richard Kennedy-Graham Thomas was awarded a life membership
7. **President's Report: June Brennan**
 - I. The second trip to the new Western Sydney Airport, and the Sydney Walk at Watsons Bay took place late September. Both were blessed with beautiful weather for travelling, ran like clockwork, so thank you Mike Oxby and Graham & Marilyn Nestor (now away travelling)
 - II. Great to have photos in Gallery on Website of both (thanks Geoff Flippence and Ken Oxby)
 - III. Succession planning is now going well. We have volunteers for Junior Vice President and Events Managers next year, to be formalised at the AGM in March 2025. Still need volunteers for Cabin & Caravan, to take over from Vicki & Steve
 - IV. I can announce Prue Smees has already taken over as Organiser for Ten Pin. Many thanks, Dorothy McKay for organising Ten Pin for the past year, thanks Prue for taking over
 - V. To mark Probus Month PSPL has provided the balloons, and handouts from Probus Partner Offers. Please take one. More later in the meeting to celebrate Probus in a simple way
8. **Publicity & Communication Officer: Ken Oxby(Presented by James Gordon)**
 - I. Since the new website went online on 4th September, there have been very few adverse comments made. It appears the membership is getting used to it.
 - II. There have been four "galleries" of photos added from the last meeting, Kurri Kurri and Morpeth Trip, the Watson Bay Walk and the 2nd Sydney West Airport visit
 - III. Two bulk emails have been sent out
 - a. the first informing the 2nd Airport Visit of new bus departure times
 - b. the second to all 139 email addresses we have about the dress code for Probus Month
 - IV. We received zero bad email address messages, and 75% received the email so far. Please check in your Spam or Junk folders and if there are emails from Forrester's Beach Probus in these folder, please mark it as not Spam or Junk
 - V. Keep using the Contact pages to email Organisers and Committee members

9. Treasurer's Report: Gay Saines

- I. As at 30th September 2024, we had net assets of \$20,375. As mentioned at the last meeting, the biggest payment in September was \$4,200 for the development of the new website plus the first 6 months of maintenance for this new website
- II. We received membership fees from 4 new members in September, with the rest of the receipts in the month being for events including theatre
- III. On top of our net assets, we are currently holding \$35,455 for the garden tour coming up later this month. All of this will be paid out by the end of the month

10. Secretary's Report: James Gordon

- I. **Correspondence In:** Nil
- II. **Correspondence Out:** Nil

11. I propose that the President's, Publicity & Communication Officer's Secretary's and Treasurer's reports be accepted

Moved: Stuart Purvis-Smith, Seconded: Sheenagh Wilson, Those against: Nil-Carried

12. Events: Mike Oxby(Presented by Jan Whitacker)

- I. Trivia Wednesday 30th Oct only 12 people have paid so far tomorrow is the last day to pay if we don't get 40 people it will be cancelled
- II. Fighter world and Hunter wetlands is still available for the end of Nov
- III. Xmas lunch has 95 people so far so looking like it will be a great celebration for the end of the year

13. Membership: David & Lynn Varvel

- I. Current Membership Numbers 189(Includes 2 Non-Active members)
- II. Attendance at current meeting (to be completed on the day of the meeting)
 - Present – 137
 - Apologies -34
 - Visitors -1
- III. LOA - George Miller, Steve Mitchell
- IV. Resignations since last meeting - Nil
- V. Inductions for this meeting - Brian and Ruth Hopkins, Kathryn Blackwell

14. Welfare: Sheenagh Wilson

- I. Lynn Butler is coping well whilst Carolyn is in Italy. He gets very breathless but is gradually getting better. He should be back to our meetings next month
- II. Trish Brady said to let everyone know that she is coping alright, but is unable to continue her treatment until after an infection has been irradiated

15. Getaway: Wendy Truman

- I. Canada & Alaska 18th May 2025-Information on the website
- II. Cherry picking 20th November. Information on the website
- III. Barefoot Bowls 17th Oct-have 4 participants at this stage. Contact organiser-Bev Bonomi for more information if you want to participate

16. Garden Tours: Ross Quinn

- I. Information on pickup times and room allocations are available from the lists at the back of the room

17. Cabin and Caravan: Vickie and Steve Halverson

- I. The next outing is planned for Tamworth, Monday 31st March to Friday 4th April 2025.
- II. Bookings for sites and cabins for this venue- Tamworth Paradise Tourist Park (Big 4)-575 Peel Street Tamworth NSW 2340. 02-67663120
- III. 40 participants at this stage. However, those that are considering coming to this event please put your names on the list

18. Pub Lunch: Doria Tensing

- I. Doria has advised that Budgewoi was a huge success with 54 participants in attendance
- II. The next event is at Empire Bay Tavern, 1 Poole Close Empire Bay-On Tuesday 3rd Dec. 12 Noon

19. Snr Vice President: Gerry Smee

Golf: Organiser-Kevin Brennan

- I. Next Event Friday 8th November at Mangrove Mountain. An Ambrose Team Event. Commencing at 8am for a n 8.30am start

Sausage Sizzle: Organiser-Keith Saines

- I. Next Sausage Sizzle Tuesday, 15th October

Theatre: Organiser- Penny Barnett

- I. Today is the last day to pay for Ahn Do at the Art House Tuesday 12 November commencing at 7.30pm. there is one seat left
- II. Bookings and payments for Marina Prior & Micheal Cormick, Sunday 24th November, 3pm at the Art House closes today
- III. Morning Melodies-All Aboard(Music from WW11 and Christmas) at the Laycock Theatre-Wednesday 11th December commencing at 11am. Code 405 and the cost is \$22 P/P
- IV. Creedance Clearwater Collective-Friday 21st February at The Art House commencing at 7.30pm. Concession \$65 P/P (A group of 10 or more \$60 P/P). Code 400. Payments due by 10th January 2025
- V. Wharf Review-Wednesday 26th February at The Art House commencing at 2pm. Concession \$66 P/P code 410.Payments due by 15th January 2025
- I. Information in the newsletter and on the website

Walks: Short Walk Organiser-Jim Tinker

- I. Short walk set down for 22 October has been cancelled due to the Garden Tour

Camera: Organiser-Gerry Smee

- I. Trish Harrington is the Organiser for this month's excursion to Frazer Park Beach on the 28th October
- II. Information on the website

Speaker

- I. Speaker is Robert Pankhurst whose topic is "Aboriginal Rock Art of the Central Coast"
- II. Robert will be introduced by Gerry Smee and thanked by Jan Wallace
- III. Next month's speaker will be Penny Barnett-Growing grapes and making wine

Twentieth Anniversary Lunch

- I. Date: 20 March 2025
- II. Venue: Soldiers Beach Surf Club, [Dunes], Lighthouse Room
- III. Time: Arrive from 11.30 am onwards for 12.00 start
- IV. Dress: Smart Casual, Informal, reflecting the theme of Black and White
- V. Cost: \$75.00 per person. Two courses: Entree and Main. Followed by piece of Anniversary cake
- VI. EFT Code: 240
- VII. Final Date of Payment: 31 January 2025
- VIII. Please place your names on the sheet at the back of the room if you wish to attend

20. Jnr Vice President: Steve Mitchell(Presented by Gerry Smee)

Craft: Organiser-Alison Maynard

- I. Next meeting Wed 6th November

Songsters: Organiser-Linda Dewar

- I. Next meeting Thursday 17th October

Bowls: Organiser-Ken Oxby

- I. The next game Friday 11th October

Women of Wisdom: Organiser-Hazel Hopping

- I. The next meeting Monday 14th October

Table of Knowledge: Organiser-George Miller

- I. Next meeting Monday 14th October

Tenpin Bowling: Organiser-Prue Smee

- I. Many thanks to Dorothy
- II. Prue new organiser
- III. October event cancelled due to Garden Trip

21. Probus Month activity

- I. What Probus means to me presented by Jenny Jarvis (Foundation Member) and Russell Green(Website Administrator Assisting PCO Ken Oxby)
- II. Heads & Tails competition was won by Janet Crlik
- III. Question-First Probus Club in Australia. Answer-Hunters Hill won by Kathy Wyborn

22. I propose that all the reports listed above be accepted.

Moved: Kevin Brennan,. Seconded: John Kent, Those against: Nil,-Carried

General Business: Nil

Lucky Door Prize: Alison Maynard

The next General Meeting will be held at 10.00 am on Tuesday 12th November 2024.

Meeting declared closed at: 12.05 PM