



PROBUS CLUB OF JAMBEROO INC
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday 26 August 2026

Meeting Opened at 3.00 pm.

Apologies:

Jennie Breeze, Brian Cassel, Chrissie Cieplucha, Julieanne Douglas, Mike Douglas, Denise Emmett, Ian Facey, Pam Facey, Lynn Franzeskow, Peter Franzeskow, Kevin Gilbert, Trish Gilbert, Linda Granger, Tony Grainger, Carolann Hudson, Mike Keys, Helen Keys, Louise Manning, Jeannie Lyall, Louise Manning, Marj Micallef, Susie Nash, John Norton, Kim Oborn, Luke Oborn, Jude Papesch, Graeme Relf, Diane Samways, Noel Samways, Denise Sims, John Sims, Leone Swan, Trevor Swan, Linda Webb

Visitors: Jill Millburn, Roger Millburn

Rob Lee welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if there was any business arising from the July General Meeting Minutes, then, as there was no business arising, for the Minutes to be accepted.

Motion was raised: That the July Minutes be accepted

Motion moved by: Richard Turner

Seconded by: David Hall

Motion declared carried.

President's Report:

Robert reported to the Meeting that Committee Members had been working on completing the four Policies required per our Standing Resolutions 22 - 25 passed at our November 2025 General Meeting:

Privacy Policy

Refund and Payment Policy

Risk Management Policy

Code of Conduct Policy

Rob thanked those involved for their hard work and announced that the Policies had been presented to the Committee for their comments and approval, and the final copies would be emailed out to all Members in the next few days.

Guest Speaker

David Hall introduced our Guest Speaker, Carolyn Vaughan who spoke to us about getting our documents in order .. a fitting segue to our July Speaker whose message was taking action to secure digital peace of mind and putting in place how we and our affairs should be handled as we age.

Carolyn's presentation took us a step further. Carolyn is a death doula or end of life doula which is a trained, non medical companion who provides emotional, spiritual and practical support to people nearing the end of their lives, and also to their families.

Carolyn gave us a checklist which reminds us of preparing and updating our wills, specifying enduring power of attorney, enduring guardianship, advanced care directives and recording passwords for accounts.

She also suggested discussing with family and or friends to whom your precious possessions will be allocated and making known your wishes for your funeral.

Carolyn also facilitates a Death Cafe locally.

Death Cafes are held in communities around the world, built around the idea of getting people together over coffee and cake and making it easier to talk about a subject many of us would rather avoid. Kiama has its own Death Cafe, meeting four times a year and giving locals a place to talk openly about death, dying and end of life without the conversation being prompted by a crisis or recent loss.

During the afternoon tea break, slides of upcoming events were shown

Member Speaker: Rob Lee

Introduced by Leo Paternoster, Rob showed us some of his life in pictures.

From a young boy he loved country life and was fortunate enough to “marry a Cockie’s daughter” and work with Jenny and her parents on their farm in the Central West of NSW.

Farming has its highs and lows and after prolonged droughts Rob and Jenny changed from traditional cropping and grazing to growing plants for market.

Eventually Rob went to work in the mines and more recently he and Jenny sold their property and moved to Jamberoo since their daughter lives in the area with her husband and their grandchildren.

Treasurer’s Report : Gerard Kenny 26th August 2026 – As At 22/8

Firstly, the Club’s Overall Financial Position

As at 22nd August, when the financial reports were prepared, we had \$23,213 in the IMB bank account. Of that

- * We were holding \$17,743 for Events & Tours, and \$585 of Member Credits

- * Leaving \$4,885 for Admin Funds

Plus a \$500 deposit has been paid for the Christmas Party.

Secondly, the Financial Year from 1st January (this financial year)

Our Income for the Year is \$4,852, mainly Annual Dues and Joining Fees.

Our Expenses for the Year are \$3,795, mainly fees paid to Probus South Pacific.

That leaves a Surplus of almost \$1,057

For those interested in interest, we had an upward spiral last month – to 17 cents.

Thank you all.

Events Report: Helen Waterhouse

1. Generally, it was said by all that the previous events held were all a great success: Cockatoo Island Tour, Christmas in July held at Jamberoo Pub, Coffee and Chat at Kiama Golf Club, and the Birthday Lunch at Ciao Cucina Restaurant.

2. Please note that members who are unable on the day to attend an event should not expect Committee Members to deliver takeaway from the event but rather arrange their own takeaway or pick it up from organisers kind enough to bring it home or from the venue directly.

3. Fiona confirmed that the draw for the Liaison Group Croquet Day has been finalised and that she is still asking for people to help re catering for morning tea.

4. The Liaison Group Golf Day has been finalised also with Jim registering himself, Luke, Bruce, Kim, Sharon and Shirley to play on the day

5. Helen confirmed that James Blundell is fully booked.

6. It was confirmed that the Victoria Barracks outing has been cancelled due to lack of numbers.

Instead, a tour and lunch at the Nan Tien Temple has been offered for 14 October 2026.

7. The Hunter Valley trip is all locked in and set to go.

8. Remembrance Day at Greenwell Point is still going ahead for 11 November 2026, with lunch after at Pelican Rocks.

9. Planning for the end of year Christmas Party is well underway with venue booked and organisers finalising last minute arrangements.

10. Premier's Concert tickets have been sought for 17/18 March 2027. Details TBA

Moulin Rouge Helen has 10 tickets put aside for 24 March 2027 at \$170 per person and to be booked with Kiama Scenic Tours directly.

Our Coffee and Chat session at Kiama Golf Club was again a very successful morning with members getting right into the chat bit. Hopefully some of our newer members will make it to the next one on Thursday 10 September 2026 at Kiama Golf Club from 10.00 am

Expressions of interest are being sought for tours in 2027 to Canberra and Tumut

Jamberoo Probus - Upcoming Events Calendar Snapshot-1-1-1-1

When is It?	What is It?	Where is It?	What does it Cost?
Friday 4 September 2026 8.45 am	Combined Croquet Day, hosted by our Club	Jamberoo Croquet Grounds	\$20.00 to play plus \$10.00 for lunch (\$10.00 for spectators which includes lunch)
Thursday 10 September 2026 10.00 am	Coffee and chat	Kiama Golf Club	Members' own expense
Tuesday 15 September 2026 2.00 pm	James Blundell	Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre	\$30.00 for show Optional 2 course lunch before concert for \$36 Bookings Closed
Thursday 24 September 2026 7.45 for 8.15 start	Combined Golf Day	Jamberoo Golf Club	\$36 per player includes bbq lunch
Wednesday 14 October 2026 10.00 am start	Nan Tien Temple tour and lunch	Nan Tien Temple Berkley	\$8.00 tour \$16.00 lunch
Tuesday 27 October 2026 12 noon	Combined Friendship Lunch	Kiama Leagues Club Auditorium	\$52.00 for lunch
Wednesday 11 November 2026 from 10.00am	Walk 10.00am Observation of Remembrance Day 11.00 am Lunch at Pelican Rocks from 12.00 noon	Greenwell Point	Lunch at own cost
23-25 November 2026	Hunter Valley Gardens Christmas Lights Spectacular	Hunter Valley	\$937 pp twin \$1127 single Bookings Closed
Thursday 3 December 2026	Christmas Party	Warilla Bowls and Recreation Club 63 Jason Avenue, Barrack Heights	\$66.00 per person

Liaison Officer's Report : Fiona Turner

Croquet Day Friday 4 September 2026 (hosted by our club at Jamberoo Croquet Courts)

Fiona confirmed that the draw for the Liaison Group Croquet Day has been finalised and that she is still asking for people to help re catering for morning tea.

Golf Thursday 24 September 2026 at Jamberoo hosted by the Kiama Seaside Club.

The Liaison Group Golf Day has been finalised also with Jim registering himself, Luke, Bruce, Kim, Sharon and Shirley to play on the day.

District Luncheon Tuesday 27 October 2026 at Kiama Leagues hosted by Shell Cove. There are still places available on our table of 10.

Welfare Officer's Report: Maiya Kenny

Welfare Report for August 2026

If you know any of our Members who are not well, I'm sure they would appreciate a phone call to cheer them up.

Please contact Maiya if you know of anyone who is feeling unwell

Maiya Kenny
Welfare Officer
0407 536 702

Membership Report:

There is one person on the waiting list for Membership.

Our third Coffee and Chat Morning (monthly, on the second Thursday of the month), was a great success. Lots of chat happening!

It would be good to see some of our new members in attendance. We encourage new members to join us at the September Coffee and Chat at the Kiama Golf Club at 10.00 am on Thursday 10 September 2026. It is a great opportunity to meet with other Members in an ambient and informal atmosphere.

Guest Speaker Officer's Report:

David Hall reported that the speakers for our September Meeting will be Amanda Large and Kath Malfoy from Wildlife Watch Jamberoo

Member Speaker Officer's Report: Kevin Gilbert

Member Speaker for the September Meeting was Rob Lee

Kevin has booked up the following Member Speakers:

September: David Hall

November: Mike Douglas

If you are available for October, let Kevin, or someone on the Committee know.

Newsletter Officer's Report: Jim Ballentine

Jim thanked members for their contributions so far for the Newsletter.

Jim encouraged members to become engaged and submit contributions as it makes the task of producing the Newsletter much easier and more interesting.

Photo Showcase

People in Nature: Relaxing, Playing, Working, Entertaining, was presented and the lucky entrant winning the bottle of wine was Tony Arntz.

The next Photo Showcase will be ***Your Favourite Photo of 2026***.

Get your entries in to Alison and Graeme by 11 November 2026 at jjambereooprobusinfo@gmail.com)

November 2026 Meeting Date Change

Because the November Tour to Hunter Valley for the Christmas Lights conflicts with the Scheduled Date for the November General Meeting, Members are advised that the November meeting will be brought forward one week to Wednesday 18 November 2026.

Also remember the date for the Photo Showcase Photos to be submitted is 11 November 2026

Next General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 23 September 2026 at 3.00 at Club Jamberoo.