

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PROBUS CLUB OF FRENCHS FOREST INC. HELD AT BELROSE HOTEL ON THURSDAY 27 MARCH 2025.

Committee Present: Bruce Pearce (Chair) Kaye Lines, Dennis Gorricks, Barry Springett, Gwen Hunt, Sue Clement, Margie Springett, Gill Gorricks, Ariela & Graeme Honour, Liz Ellery, Bernadette Chapman, Di Ivey, Ken & Wendy Speakman.

Welcome: Bruce Pearce welcomed everybody to the AGM and asked everybody to turn off their mobile phones.

Number of Members Present: 53

Apologies: Betty Brown, Jack and Mary Champion, Joy Thomson, Lyn Stuart, David and Jillian Furnell.

Visitors: Robyn Netting.

Minutes: Tabling of the 2024 Annual General Meeting Minutes.

Moved: Pat McGarrity. Seconded: Leonie Wenning. Carried

Correspondence for AGM: Nil

Finance: The Annual Balance Sheet as published in The Probus Newsletter was received and considered by members.

The report of the Auditor for the year ended 31st December 2024 was tabled, received and considered by members.

Moved: Marie Gallant. Seconded: Margaret Ortlipp. Carried

Motion: That the Annual Balance Sheet and Report of the Auditor for the year ended 31st December 2024 be accepted.

Motion: That the Dues and Fees for 2025-2026 be as per the February Committee Meeting recommendation. Joining Fee \$20 and Annual Fee \$40. Fees to be paid in March.

Motion: Housekeeping Standing Resolutions of the Probus Club of Frenchs Forest. To be passed by the Members.

Motion: After much discussion the President be nominated for a two-year term instead of one year. Proposer: Sue Clement. Seconder: John Clement. Reasons: The current situation of Presidents only serving a one-year term leads to difficulties finding new people to take on the role. Presidents just get to grips with the position and then have to resign. A two-year term would solve both issues.

Sue Clement addressed the members of the reasons why she had proposed this motion. After much discussion by the members the majority passed the motion for a two-year term dependant on the rules of the Constitution.

President's Report: Bruce Pearce.

Receipt of the President's Report published in the Probus Newsletter.

Program Director: Ariela Honour.

Receipt of the Program Director's Report published in the Probus Newsletter.

Social Director: Sue Clement

Receipt of the Social Director's Report published in the Probus Newsletter

General Business:

Presentation:

Presentation of Probus Biros for 10 years and over Membership to Barry & Margie Springett, Ken & Wendy Speakman, Liz & Warren Ellery.

Life Membership: Awarded to Leonnie Wenning and Kay McGarrity.

Sue spoke on her nomination for Leonie and Kaye to let the members know how deserved they were to be nominated for Life Membership.

PSPL: The Club was presented with a framed Certificate for 45 Years Membership Award.

Election of Officer Bearers for 2025-2026:

The President, Bruce Pearce handed the Meeting over to the Returning Officer, Graeme Honour for the Election of Office Bearers.

President: Kaye Lines.

Vice President: John Drew.

Immediate Past President: Bruce Pearce.

Secretary: Barry Springett.

Assistant Secretary: Di Ivey.

Treasurer: Gwen Hunt.

Assistant Treasurer: Liz Ellery.

Program Director: Ariela and Graeme Honour.

Assistant Program Director: Kaye Lines.

Social Director: Sue Clement.

Assistant Social Directors: Marguerite Springett, Gill Gorricks.

Welfare: Bernadette Chapman.

Assistant Welfare: Di Ivey.

Editor: Bruce Pearce.

Assistant Editor: Sue Clement.

Meet and Greet: Bev Chivers.

Assistant Meet and Greet: Judy Lucas

Appointment of Public Officer & Auditor is done by the Committee.

After the Election results were announced, the Returning Officer, Graeme Honour handed the Chair to the Incoming President Kaye Lines.

The Annual General Meeting was closed and the March General Meeting was opened.

B. Pearce

Chairperson

B. Springett

Secretary

Date 27/3/2025.