

**GUILDFORD PROBUS CLUB INC**  
**Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024**  
**at 10.30 at Guildford Leagues Club**

Heather asked please turn phones off. Thank you all for coming today. Our Vice President, Barry, is not here and Sue will let you know why.

**Apologies:** Pauline McAndrew, Doreen Wall, Frank Spittle, Kay Hayes, Dorothy Warwick, Barry & Heather Hogan, Lidia Pedavoli, Robyn Boyle, Vince Fimognari, Robyn Corliss, Helen Reardon, Ann Ensor, Judy Forrest, Norma Dickie, Muriel Comber and Maureen O'Donoghue.

**Birthdays:** Rhilma Bruce, Coral Hughes, Jan O'Brien, Keith Travers and Fay Wade.

**Welfare Officer's Report:** Great to see Angela back and Carol Kennedy looking well. Gwenyth Hely, our first Welfare Officer in 2014-16, a true lady, died at home on 16<sup>th</sup> October. Several Members attended her funeral. Barry Hogan is in Auburn Hospital after collapsing at home yesterday afternoon. His wife, Heather, had a procedure on Tuesday and is not driving at present.

**Moved** Judy Matthew and **Seconded** Mayda Devlin that **Welfare Officer's Report** be accepted.

Heather inducted and welcomed our newest member, Carol Campbell, who had joined last month.

**President's Report:** Wonderful excursion to Zig Zag Railway was enjoyed by all who attended. Dubbo itinerary available for those travellers who may not have one. Remember our Picnic on 24<sup>th</sup> inst. More reports in Bulletin. No lucky Door prizes today. We hope all is OK with Barry. Did not realise Gwenyth's name is not spelt correctly. Apparently not same spelling as Gwyneth Paltrow. Confusing. Her family had requested a copy of Bulletin which contains her notice.

**Moved** Coral Hughes and **Seconded** Angela Fimognari that **President's Report** be accepted.

**Secretary's Report:** Received PSPL brochure for tours & travel with Probus Partners. Notification of re-election of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Treasurer of PSPL. Reminder notice of Harbour Cruise on 22/11 – Charity fund raiser by Sydney Cove Rotary. Notification re Premier's Gala Concert. Awaiting details from them. Cumberland Council advertising lots of social activities coming up for Seniors. Carol received note from Heritage Valley Cafe in Wiseman's Ferry with an offer of discount on lunches/coffee to Probus members. Gordon McDonald 0466949331.

**Moved** Edna Britt and **Seconded** Peter McGann that **Secretary's Report** be accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Regarding Dubbo Trip – if leaving car please give details to Peter and he will give list of all to Guildford Leagues Club. Also, please check all contact details, etc. are up to date on Margaret's Lists. Ray organising picnic lunch en route. Cost \$10pp, pay on day. Actual cost about \$15 but Club will pay extra – not raising price. Hope all are OK with this.

**Moved** Carol Kennedy and **Seconded** Jim Gibbs that **Treasurer's Report** be accepted.

**Tour Team:** **Sue:** Dubbo Tour – all sorted. Ray checking on Dubbo Observatory. Pay at the time as subject to weather/clouds.

Brislington: 21/11: Booked for lunch at Georges In Parramatta Park.

Coolibah: 24 January, 2025: booked for 40. Contact Sue.

**Rhilma:** Xmas Lunch 5/12: (43 booked) Money due 7 November. Notify choice of dessert to Rhilma.

Picnic: 24/10: Central Gardens. BYO Lunch, mug & chair. Wear blue & yellow (celebrate Probus month).

**Moved** Judy Matthew and **Seconded** Lydia Culican that **Tour Team's Report** be accepted.

**General Business:** Nil.

11.00am. Short Break.

**Guest Speaker:** Nathan Tilbury was so knowledgeable and passionate about his presentation on Ginger Meggs – the comic strip which has been running for 100 years. A friend began researching the creator but passed away and Nathan continues the work. Ginger Meggs' character is based on a real person in the Hornsby area. Longest running comic strip in the world. Created by James (Jimmy) Bancks who studied art and was quite a sports person. Printed initially in "Us Fellows" in 1921 and then newspapers - Sun and Telegraph. When Jimmy died in 1952 (aged 63) there were enough scripts to continue print for 12 months. Four writers have since continued until present time. Printed in various forms in 34 countries. Movie made in 1982. Mural of Ginger Meggs is in a laneway on quiet side of Hornsby Railway Station.

Next meeting will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30am.

Closed 11.45am.