

GUILDFORD PROBUS CLUB INC
Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd April 2025
at 10.30am at Guildford Leagues Club

President Heather opened meeting and said wonderful to see such a good attendance today. Remember Daylight Saving begins on weekend. Clocks back on Saturday night.

Vice President Barry then presented Heather with Collar of Office as President for 2025-26.

Apologies: Robyn Boyle, Robyn Collette, Phyllis Hoole, Frank Spittle, Robyn Corliss, Annette & Jim Gibbs, Norma & Terry Dickie, Judy Matthew, Jill Barnett and Ann Ensor.

Visitors: Marlene & Sidney Muller

Birthdays: Carol Campbell, Phyllis Hoole, Rodney Skinner and Carol Duane.

Anniversaries: Carol & Brien Duane – 57 years wed and Judy & Les Byrnes – 63 years wed .
Congratulations to all.

Welfare Officer's Report: Phyllis Hoole in hospital. Sent GW Card. Jim Gibbs now home and having physiotherapy & walking. Norma Dickie has a broken arm.

Moved Kay Hayes **and Seconded** Peter McGann that Welfare Officer's Report be accepted.

Secretary's Report: Margaret signed up two new members at last meeting.
Sent Incident Reports to PSP and new members information. Ordered & received two Badges and President's Bar. Received new travel company partner from PSP – On Course Tours & Travel – 99862400. travel@oncoursetours.com.

Sent Thank You to Tracy Baxter for Seniors Concert Bus and DCJ for organising transport.
Received email from Cumberland Council re Seniors Safety Day at Redgum Centre, Wentworthville on April 10 at 10-12midday. Fire safety, safety around home and in community.

Moved Heather Hogan **and Seconded** Noelene Mitchell that Secretary's Report be accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Peter said comfortable with net available \$9639.21. Paying about \$1000 in Capitation Fees to PSP shortly. Be aware that banks are phasing out cheque books/not issuing new ones or replacement after 30/6/28. Still valid for use up to 29/9/29. Your Probus Club has a cheque a/c with 2 Committee members counter-signing (we have 4 signatories). Cheques will be around for a few more years but less than 1% in use now. Peter read an lovely poem re Teachers.

Moved Mayda Devlin **and Seconded** Carol Kennedy that Treasurer's report be accepted.

Tour Team (Sue): April 17 – Picnic: Names down and payment today – see Rhilma.

May 15 – Alison Homestead. Need 30. Payment in May.

Suggestion for Vivid Lights – May 28 (Wednesday). Coach 7pm Guildford Leagues. Circular Quay, Mrs Macquarie's Chair, over bridge to Blues Point. Supper there. Need 30 people.

June 19 – Paddys Markets \$2.50 trip. Meet under clock at Central Concourse. New area opened at Markets last week. Food Court. Names on list – Rhilma and Sue.

May 23 – Biggest Morning Tea at Coolibah upstairs. 10am. \$10 entry. Lucky Door Prizes, Food, tea and coffee and raffles.

June Trip 9-12 September: (14 rooms). 23 people. Identity of Vivian M. found.

Moved Therese Hehir **and Seconded** Rodney Skinner that Tour Team's report be accepted.

President's Report: Heather inducted new member, Margaret Weaver, and presented her with badge.

Carol has printed leaflets for Alison Homestead trip to try and get more participants as need more numbers to go ahead. Please ask around acquaintances and friends to try to increase numbers or this trip may not go ahead.

Tour refunds. Have been asked about cut-off point for refunds. Will clarify these dates. If past the cut-off point you will need to find someone to take your place on trip. On day trips there usually is a Waiting List. Please notify Tour Team if you cannot attend.

Big thank you to Carol (Newsletter) for the Bulletin. Lots of collating and work.

The photo of Committee is not complete as we are missing Rhilma and Gordon so will have one of all Committee at later date.

Unfortunately our Guest Speaker for today has cancelled but we have Dorothy Warwick (one of our members) to do a presentation.

President's Report: **Moved** Mayda Devlin and **Seconded** John Collins that President's report be accepted.

General Business: Nil.

Short break before Guest Speaker.

Gordon explained that our booked Guest Speaker, Gary Raymond APM, had to cancel to attend a funeral associated with his past career & present associations. Gordon then introduced **Dorothy Warwick as our Guest Speaker**. Dorothy has stepped in at very short notice. She is President of "Friends of Linnwood".

Dorothy gave a wonderful presentation on 'Postcards' which were first used here in 1875. She showed some early 1900's cards of lovely children, animals, fashions of the time, some humorous ones, Australiana and Sydney city areas. Also had some very old views of local areas – Guildford, Parramatta, Westmead and Prospect. Some written on and addressed (great handwriting). Also had a few WWI and WWII ones. She is now researching stories of local men/women who served in those wars.

Lucky Door Prizes: Judy Byrnes, Jan O'Brien, Carol Duane, Peter McGann, Margaret Ricketts, Fay Wade, Sue Both, Coral Hughes, Diane Frost and Jill Keenan.

Meeting concluded at 11.50am.

Next meeting will be held at 10.30am on Thursday 1st May 2025.