

GUILDFORD PROBUS CLUB INC
Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th June 2026
at 10.35am at Guildford Leagues Club

President Heather said great to see so many of our members here despite windy weather.

Apologies: Kay Hayes, Margaret Weaver, Terry & Norma Dickie, Carol Duane, Edna Brett, Carol Campbell, Muriel Comber, John Flood, Tina Falivene, Nola Small, Phyllis Hoole and Pauline McAndrew.

Birthdays: Pam Cherry, Kay Hayes, and Margaret Weaver.

Anniversaries: John & Gwenda Collins (64 years wed).

Welfare Officer's Report: Coral sent Get Well card to Margaret Weaver who had a fall, is in Westmead Hospital with serious head and facial injuries and had operation. Carol Duane in hospital (stent in bile duct and ulcer). Foot operation on hold. Carol had set up Newsletter before going into hospital and Brien completed this. Big thanks. Shimmy and Rodney Skinner in car accident a few weeks ago and are present and okay.

Moved Noelene Mitchell and **Seconded** Carol Kennedy that **Welfare Officer's Report** be accepted.

President's Report: Heather said full report in Newsletter. Light rail trip was interesting – who got off at which stop. Confusion reigned but all reached home okay – some earlier than others. Great \$2.50 excursion to Souths Leagues. The Coolibah morning tea, drinks, raffles fund raiser for Cancer was very enjoyable and raised \$3120.50. Merrylands Bowling Club also had a morning tea fund raiser. Heather then read poem from Facebook.

Moved Val Newham and **Seconded** John Collins that **President's Report** be accepted. **Carried.**

Secretary's Report: PSPL has been promoting the 50th Anniversary of Probus Australia wide with information, ideas and reminders re growing our member numbers.

Partner offers leaflet on your seats. Trade Travel webinar on 24th June 12.00-12.45 plus 15min Q & A. Register to attend. 1800 034 439.

Tai Chi Workshops (free to Cumberland residents). Seniors & Disability Team. 87579041.

Bookings essential. Tuesday 16 June at Allan Ezzy Community Centre 10-11am/Granville 23 June.

Reminder from PSPL re Friendship Day for Committee Members. \$20. Winston Hills 12/6 10-3pm.

Moved Merv Barnett and **Seconded** Heather Hogan that **Secretary's Report** be accepted.

Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Peter said balance okay. Available funds \$7,333.76. Short and sweet today.

Moved Coral Hughes and **Seconded** Judy Byrnes that **Treasurer's Report** be accepted. **Carried.**

Tour Team Report: Heather has been in contact with Pemulwuy & Greystanes Probus Clubs and they are happy sharing our trips. New Club Pemulwuy is small club and although Greystanes has large membership cannot fill tours. Seven from Pemulwuy and two from Greystanes will be on Mystery trip. Visitors can participate in 3 activities with us and then asked to join. We have to pay Capitation fees to cover. If member of another Probus Club they are covered by insurance with their Club so okay on our trips. Numbers for *Mystery Trip* are *okay* at 32 so far.

If paying money for outings by direct payment through bank please put ID details to identify.

Berry Trip: Weekday Thursday – no markets. Some shops closed. Club lunch. Great scenic travel day out. Please put names on list to see if viable. Rhilma has been busy checking all our trip lists and counting money with Peter.

Desha (Coach Co) still working on details for an extended trip.

Moved Peter McGann and **Seconded** Barry Hogan that **Tour Team's Report** be accepted.

Carried.

Heather read card from Sue Both: *Dear Guildford Probus Members, Thank you for the beautiful flowers, messages and phone calls on Frank's recent passing. Sue & family.*

Margaret, Edna and Gwenda found Frances Smrdel had been living at her daughter's home for several weeks after becoming ill but now is in Nepean Hospital and awaiting Nursing Home placement.

11.00 Short Break.

Guest Speaker Officer - Tony Merlino – announced our Guest Speaker – Rebekah Langford from “Nurse Next Door” Home Care Services notified yesterday she was unable to be here today. He felt this would be a helpful and informative presentation and hope can be fitted in this year.

Peter Schabel has quickly put together a presentation on Western Suburbs Cycling Network which began in 2006. Rides commence at Nalawala Hall at Fairfield Showground, 443 Smithfield Road, Prairiewood on Thursdays (anyone can join in) and Saturdays (members only). 8.30am summer and 9.30 winter. Cycle 25-30km on mostly dedicated cycle paths with coffee stop along route. \$20 membership.

Peter also gave presentation on the Bike Shed which is 9-1pm on Wednesdays. (Venue provided by Fairfield Council). Members repair, and strip for parts, donated bicycles (all sorts) and give to people in need. They have regular bike sales on a Saturday. Men and women are involved in this social group. Rebuilt 6000 cycles since 2006. Some members (called Cycle Without Age) also give rides on “trishaw style bikes” and morning tea to Nursing Home patients and others at Fairfield Showground. Volunteers welcome.

On that note, if any Probus members want to bring something of interest to talk about or give a “this is your life” talk, in the event our Guest Speaker cannot attend at short notice, it would be great.

Barry then drew **Lucky Door Prizes:** Stana Simic, Shimmy Skinner, Fay Wade, Margaret Ricketts, Annette Gibbs, Therese Hehir, Lydia Culican, John Collins and Jill Barnett.

Meeting concluded at midday.

Next meeting will be held at 10.30am on Thursday 2nd July 2026.