



**BILGOLA PLATEAU PROBUS CLUB  
GENERAL MEETING HELD AT NEWPORT BOWLING CLUB  
10.00 AM, 2 JUNE 2023**

**MINUTES**

**1 WELCOME/HOUSEKEEPING/APOLOGIES**

Patricia Ryan welcomed everyone to the meeting and informed them she would act as President till August or until the position of President was filled. She particularly welcomed visitors and new members and introduced members of the Management Committee to them.

Patricia thanked Bob Kellick for chairing the May meeting. She reminded members to collect their member cards, badges and certificates at morning tea and advised that payments from new members could be made at morning tea with Jan Monnock and Mary Wearne, or via the Club's bank account.

**Attendance – Member and Visitors**

As per the attendance sheets of 2 June 2023.

**Apologies**

Lou Bedelis, Graeme Bell, Linda Boge, Di Cross, Rick Holdsworth, Cathy Leech, Hilary Macorison, Jan McIntyre, Sue Patrick, Jean Schubert, Chris Sekulic, Sue Walker, Gary Wearne

**NB: Apologies for future meetings should be forwarded to Mary Wearne, Membership Officer, at [mary\\_wearne@hotmail.com](mailto:mary_wearne@hotmail.com).**

**Birthdays**

June birthday greetings were extended to the following members:

- *Chris Barnard*
- *Carol Marcer*
- *Mary Musgrave*
- *Ferne Panambalana*
- *Margaret Peach*
- *Gary Wearne*

The *ice breaker* was won by Julie Bertoldo.

**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the General Meeting held 5 May 2023 were moved by Barb Glover, seconded by Robyn Elliott, as a true and accurate record.

**3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

It was noted that Barbara Poss, Chris Sekulic and Patricia Ryan were omitted from the list of apologies.

Patricia reminded members of the following in relation to the Club's website:

- *minutes of the General Meetings are posted approx the Wednesday following the meeting*
- *newsletter is posted approx the 25th of the month*
- *agenda is posted approx 1 week prior to the meeting*
- *EOIs are posted as and when required*
- *the Calendar is updated 3-5 times each week*

#### **4 CLUB CORRESPONDENCE**

- *Emails, various from PSPL re member amendment listings following submission of Annual Report*
- *Email from PSPL enclosing the Tour Officer Travel Handbook*
- *Member badges*
- *Email from OnCourse welcoming new Tour Officers*
- *Email from PSPL re Club's 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary*
- *Email from PSPL re committee vacancies*
- *Email from PSPL welcoming and thanking Committee members and advising of the Black Dog Walk as the theme for Probus Day in October*

#### **5 PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Patricia Ryan reminded members of the vacancy for a Club President and urged members to consider taking up the position. She invited anyone who was interested to attend a Mgt Cmte meeting or chair a General Meeting. She reminded members that the Club has, for the first time, a full committee which means the work is shared across many roles and the load is lightened for whoever takes up the role. It was stressed that the new President would be well supported by the rest of the Management Committee.

Patricia reported on the following:

- *Tickets for a Christmas in July raffle would be sold during the break with the raffle drawn at the next meeting. Proceeds from the raffle would go towards the Club's Birthday Celebrations to be held in October. She thanked Ken and Jenny Angus for their kind donations towards the raffle and advised that additional donations from members would be gratefully received.*
- *Morning Tea volunteers are co-ordinated by Jan Turnbull and are required from December onwards. Please email Jan (jmturnbull27@gmail.com) if you are able to assist.*
- *Please also see Jan Turnbull if you know of any members who are ill and/or require welfare support.*
- *The final payment for the Christmas in July tour is required by 25 June. The time of departure from the Newport Surf Club is yet to be advised. Any special dietary requirements should be given to Patricia Ryan.*

#### **6 TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer's report for the month was tabled as follows:

Income	\$2,233.00
Outgoings	\$2,146.00
Money in the bank	\$9,766.06
Balance after moneys held in trust	\$6,131.00

## **7 GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **a. Bilgola Plateau Probus Website – Joyce Moody**

Joyce Moody gave a demonstration of the Club's website, highlighting the following:

- *Site navigation*
- *Calendar of Events*
- *Activities and EOIs*
- *Newsletters*
- *Photo Gallery*

### **b. Update by Tours/Activities Officers**

Joyce advised of these upcoming activities:

- *Mini Golf and Devonshire Tea at Warriewood*
- *High Tea, Parliament House*
- *Christmas Lights, Hunter Valley*

She also mentioned the following proposed tours:

- *Lucas Heights*
- *Bilpin Orchards*
- *Glen Street Theatre (tribute to Andrew Lloyd Webber)*
- *Last minute vacancies with OnCourse Tours including*
  - *Hamilton Island and the Whitsundays*
  - *Darwin and Kakadu*
  - *Fraser Island and the Sunshine Coast*
  - *Tamworth Music Festival*

Patricia Ryan thanked the Tours/Activities Officers for the work they had done and urged members to support the activities and tours which had been organised.

### **c. Club Publicity**

Patricia Ryan reminded members of the work undertaken by Shelley Barwick, Publicity Officer, and encouraged members to continue to publicise the Club to members and friends. Patricia advised that posters and flyers could be supplied as and when required.

### **d. Report on the WS Airport outing**

Lesley Death provided an enthusiastic report on the Club's first full day tour which was to the Western Sydney Airport.

**e. Snooker**

If anyone is interested in Men’s Snooker, please see Alan Wilson.

**8 Visit from MWP Care**

Deferred to another date.

**9 MORNING TEA**

Co-ordinated by Jan Turnbull and catered today by Carol and Peter Marcer.

**10 INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER**

Patricia Ryan introduced Chris Gotham, a retired Chartered Accountant who spent his career working in financial management in the United Kingdom, Libya and Kenya prior to emigrating to Australia in 1977. Chris is a Volunteer Speaker for Beyond Blue, a position he undertook to share his personal experience of depression and his road to recovery. His aim is to offer hope and encouragement to those who are afflicted by depression or anxiety and also to their families and friends.

**11 VOTE OF THANKS TO GUEST SPEAKER**

The vote of thanks was given by Maree McEvoy.

**12 CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Friday 7 July commencing 10 am at the Newport Bowling Club.

**13 CLOSE OF MEETING**

Patricia Ryan thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and supporting the Bilgola Plateau Probus Club. She reminded members that the minutes would be available on the Club’s website in the next few days.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 12.00 noon.



3 June 2023

Acting President .....

Date .....