



**BILGOLA PLATEAU PROBUS CLUB  
GENERAL MEETING HELD AT NEWPORT BOWLING CLUB  
10.00 AM, 6 OCTOBER 2023**

**MINUTES**

**1 WELCOME/HOUSEKEEPING/APOLOGIES**

Mike Musgrave welcomed everyone to the meeting, including: Councillor Sue Heins, Mayor of Northern Beaches Council; President Michaela Visser, Rotary Club, Upper Northern Beaches; new members and visitors.

Mike stated that today marked the celebration of the Club's 1st Anniversary which was being held in conjunction with Probus Month. He added the theme for this year's Probus celebrations was "**Good friends, Great times, New adventures**". Mike expressed his sincere thanks to all the members who were involved in the planning of the birthday celebrations, those who had arrived early to set up for occasion and especially thanked everyone for dressing in the Probus colours.

Mike advised members of the emergency locations, reminded members to sign the attendance sheets and early leavers sheets if applicable and asked new members to collect their member cards and badges. He added that new member payments could be made at morning tea.

**Attendance – Member and Visitors**

As per the attendance sheets of 6 October 2023.

**Apologies**

- Sophie Scamps, Rory Amon, Bruce Lakin - Rotary
- Graeme Bell, Noelle Boaden-Griffin, Tricia Clifton, Carolyn Darmanian, Barb Glover, Jan Hayes, Rick Holdsworth, Trene Holdsworth, John Irving, Liz Irving, Steve Jones, Cathy Leech, Ian McEvoy, Kaye Mair, Hilary Macorison, Jan Monnock, John Perrott, Monica Perrott, Jan Turnbull, Murry Turnbull, Joyce Moody, Jean Shubert, Gary Wearne and Mary Wearne

**NB: Apologies for the November meeting should be emailed to Mary Wearne, Membership Officer, at [mary\\_wearne@hotmail.com](mailto:mary_wearne@hotmail.com).**

**Birthdays**

October birthday greetings were extended to the following members:

- Linda Boge, Dianne Bonner, Anne Brandt, Di Cross, Chris Elliott, Steve Jones, Ethel Kelly, Debbie Latham, Kim Lee, Hilary Macorison and Chris Mangioni

**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the General Meeting held 1 September 2023 were moved by Rhonda Mortimer, seconded Bob Kellick, as a true and accurate record.

**3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

The following items had been omitted from the previous meeting:

- Ice breaker present for Shelley Barwick
- Happy Father's Day message to all the dads, uncles and granddads
- Presentation of prize to the Club's 100th member – Donna Arthur

#### 4 BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

The Club's birthday celebrations included the following:

- Presentation of Club's 1st Anniversary Certificate by Michaela Visser, Rotary Club, Upper Northern Beaches
- Presentation of Club's Certificate of Appreciation by Councillor Sue Heins, Mayor of Northern Beaches Council
- Cutting of the birthday cake
- Presentation of prizes to the best dressed male (Bob Kellick) and female (Susan Blackmore) members
- Presentation of prize to the lucky volunteer of the year - Robyn Elliott
- Presentation of prize for the winning limericks - 1<sup>st</sup> prize, Patricia Ryan; Runner up, Yvonne Giddy
- Presentation of lucky door prizes to Jan McIntyre, Fern Panambalana and Waveney Perman
- Presentation of prize for bringing a new member - Kim Lee
- Presentation of prize for the Trivia Competition - Susan Blackmore (recommendations given to Maree McEvoy, Carol Marcer, Robyn Elliott and Sue Walker)

#### 5 CLUB CORRESPONDENCE

- Articles in Pittwater Online Newsletter re
  - 1st Birthday
  - Updated Club brochure
- Emails to/from Blue Moose Productions re name badges
- Emails to/from Probus South Pacific Limited (PSPL) re
  - member amendments (can now be made online)
  - Probus membership cards
  - Message from PSPL Director David Malone with list of landmarks light ups
  - Coal River Coaches around Tasmania
  - Invitation to opening of Tour Allianz Stadium
  - Active Retirees newsletter
  - 2023 Constitutional Review
  - October-November Active Retirees Newsletter
- Email re Probus Cluster Meeting minutes
- Email from Northern Beaches Council re Seniors Update

Please refer to the website's Correspondence page for a number of the above items.

#### 6 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mike Musgrave reported on the following:

- **Purchase of Laptop** - At the last Management Committee meeting, members approved the purchase of a laptop for club activities. Previously, members had been bringing their own

personal laptops to the meetings which was not considered appropriate. The laptop has now been purchased at a cost of \$1,297 plus MS Office software for \$107. It will be held by the Treasurer, Jan Monnock. A special thank you to Tricia Clifton was noted for assisting the Club with the purchase.

- **Male Members** - please encourage your husbands, partners and male friends to join the Club.
- **Club Survey** – Survey forms can still be completed today. It’s imperative we receive as many responses as possible so that the results reflect the feelings the Club’s members. The results will be made available to members at the November Meeting.
- **Christmas Party 1st December, Palm Beach RSL** - RSVP to Patricia Ryan by 15 October.
- **Christmas Raffle Donations** - please bring any donations next month for the Club’s Christmas raffle which will be drawn at the Christmas party. Thanks to those members who have already donated prizes.
- **BYO Cup/Mug** - to help the Club save funds, and in the interests of the environment, please consider bringing your own mug to meetings for morning tea.
- **Correspondence page on the Club’s website** - Following feedback from a Club member, a Correspondence page has been placed on the Club’s website – thank you to that member for the suggestion.
- **Probus Member Number** – this can be found on your Probus Member Card.

## 7 TREASURER’S REPORT

An Income and Expenditure statement was presented to members, together with the Treasurer’s summary report for the month tabled below:

Balance from 31/8/23	\$8,604.29
Income during September	2,342.00
Expenditure during September	1,177.93
Balance as at 30/9/23	\$9,768.36

Mike expressed his thanks to Jan Monnock, Treasurer, for the preparation of this information

## 8 GENERAL BUSINESS

### a. Activities Overview

Mike Musgrave reminded members to access details of all activities from the Club’s website which is regularly updated two or three times each week. **Although they are current and correct as at the date of the meeting, Mike stressed that members should always check the website for any changes.** The following activities were highlighted by Patricia Ryan.

Date	Outing	Details
Monday 16 Oct 12.30 pm	Sydney Town Hall Recital	Opal Outing for October. Meet at Warriewood Bus Stop at 10.30am, B1 to city. Lunch @ QVB or your choice. RSVP not required but please contact Anne

Date	Outing	Details
		Kellick anne.kellick@bigpond.com for more information
Saturday 21 Oct 6.30 pm	Han Court Chinese Restaurant 54 Old Barrenjoey Road, Avalon	Chinese Banquet, see EOI for details RSVP to Joyce Moody joycemoody1@bigpond.com by 13 Oct
Friday 10 November 6.30 pm	Flame Restaurant, Dee Why RSL Club	Reply to Shelley Barwick sbarwick7@icloud.com by Saturday, 14 October
Friday 1 December 12.30 pm	Christmas Party, Palm Beach RSL	\$30 per head, two course meal, payable by 15 October to the Club's account with code: "Surname initial XL" Buy own drinks from bar. Please advise dietary restrictions (vegan, vegetarian, dairy free, gluten free - no seafood is being served) by 15 October to tricia412065@gmail.com
Tues/Wed 5-6 December	Hunter Valley	2 day tour of Hunter Valley for the Christmas Lights RSVP to Joyce Moody joycemoody1@bigpond.com ASAP
Tuesday 16 Jan 2024 11 am	Cockatoo Island Walking Tour	1-hour private walking tour with optional lunch Cost: \$16 for seniors Payment to the Club's account by 8 January RSVP to Joyce Moody joycemoody1@bigpond.com by 8 December
Friday 12 April 2024 7.30 pm	Mrs Macquarie's Chair	Ticket prices approx \$119-129 plus booking fee RSVP to Patricia Ryan tricia412065@gmail.com by Sunday, 8 October
Tuesday 11 June 2024 8.30am-4.30pm	Children's Medical Research Institute and Heritage Tour of Parramatta	Cost: \$72 per person Morning tea and lunch provided RSVP to Joyce Moody joycemoody1@bigpond.com ASAP
Various	Glen Street Theatre	Sunday, 28 January, 3 pm - The Beatles 60th Anniversary Tour Sunday, 18 February, 2 pm – Forever Diamond Wharf Revue - TBA Please see Anne Kellick anne.kellick@bigpond.com if you wish to attend all or any of the above
3rd Friday of the month	Movies, Warriewood	No need to book, just meet in the foyer about 15 mins before the movie commences
Bi-monthly on Tuesday afternoons	Newport Bowling Club	Barefoot Bowls No need to RSVP, just turn up For more information contact Joyce Moody, joycemoody1@bigpond.com
Every second Tuesday of the month	Long Reef	Long Reef circuit followed by coffee. No need to RSVP, just turn up

## 9 MORNING TEA

Provided for the party with funds from the Christmas in July raffle. Mike Musgrave thanked Patricia Ryan for organising the morning tea and the volunteer tea ladies for serving and assisting. Special thanks were also given to Chris and Robyn Elliott for selling the Christmas raffle tickets.

**10 INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER**

Di Cross introduced Hans Kunnen, who spoke about his experience at the World Trade Centre Building on 9/11.

**11 VOTE OF THANKS TO GUEST SPEAKER**

The vote of thanks was given by Maree McEvoy for the very emotional presentation.

**12 CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING**

Mike Musgrave thanked everyone for coming and for wearing Probus colours. He particularly thanked the Management Committee who had worked many hours behind the scenes to make the Club’s 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary such a special day.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, 3 November commencing 10 am at the Newport Bowling Club. Mike reminded members that the Christmas Party in December would NOT be preceded by a meeting.

**13 CLOSE OF MEETING**

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



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President

Date: 6 October 2023