



**BILGOLA PLATEAU PROBUS CLUB
GENERAL MEETING HELD AT NEWPORT BOWLING CLUB
10.00 AM, 5 APRIL 2024**

MINUTES

1 WELCOME/HOUSEKEEPING/APOLOGIES/BIRTHDAYS/ICE BREAKER

Mike Musgrave welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave an extra special welcome to new members and visitors. He advised of the emergency locations and bathroom facilities, reminded members to sign the attendance sheets, and early leavers sheets if applicable, and asked new members to collect their member cards and badges from the doorway entrance.

Attendance – Member and Visitors

As per the attendance sheets of 5 April 2024 (71 members; 3 visitors).

Apologies

- *Donna Arthur, Neal Arthur, Shelley Barwick, Lou Bedelis, Sandy Bedelis, Graeme Bell, Linda Boge, Kristine Bolton, Chris Elliott, Judy Farr, Stephen Farr, Yvonne Giddy, Rick Holdsworth, Trene Holdsworth, John Irving, Cathy Leech, Janeen MacFarlane, Kaye Mair, Dee Martin, Bob McIntyre, Rob McIntyre, Marlene Melrose, Virginia Moore, Margaret Peach, Monica Perrott, Pam Tailby, Diana Tsoa-Lee, Gary Wearne, Lesley Whiteside, Jane Whittington, Di Wilton*

NB: Apologies for the May 2024 meeting should be emailed to Mary Wearne, Membership Officer, at mary_wearne@hotmail.com.

Birthdays

April birthday greetings were extended to the following members:

- *Jenny Brown, Carolyn Darmanin, Anne Kellick, Deanna Martin, Ian McEvoy, Marilyn Morling, Kate O'Neill, Waveney Perman, Peter Storey*

Ice Breaker

The ice breaker was won by Anne Kellick.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the General Meeting held 1 March 2024 were moved by Barb Glover seconded Jan Monnock as a true and accurate record.

3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

4 CLUB CORRESPONDENCE

- From PSPL re:
 - EOI for PSPL Treasurer

- Sydney's Newest Entertainment Destination (The Pavilion, Sutherland)
- Active Retirees Quarterly Magazine, March 2024
- Update on Gold Probus Partner, Trade Travel
- Capitation Fees, member benefits and updated member listing
- Probus Information and Partner Day Invitation
- Membership Cards
- Hawaiian Cruise
- Popular games and puzzle apps
- From Blue Moose Productions re badges
- Email from Kylie Johnson re sip and paint

Please refer to the website's *Correspondence* page for some of the above items.

5 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mike Musgrave reported on the following:

Membership Fees

- Remain at the bargain price of \$60 for 2024/25 and are due now.
- If monies are not received by 15 April it will be assumed members no longer wish to be a member of the Club and their place will be offered to someone on the waiting list.
- Mike expressed his sincere thanks to those who had already paid.

Amended Standing Resolutions

- Forwarded to members by email on 20 March 2024. The Club's membership cap is now 139.

Refunds and Payment Policy

- Members adopted the revised Refunds and Payment Policy which had been circulated to members for comment on 20 March 2024. The amended policy will be placed on the Policies page of the Club's website.

New Management Committee

- Mike thanked the new Management Committee for taking on their roles.
- He especially thanked Christine Herbert, a new Tours/Activities Officer for already co-ordinating three (3) outings for the Club.
- Mike advised that Astrid Rocca was unable to take on the role of Publicity Officer at this stage due to other commitments. Shelley Barwick will remain in that role for the time being.

OnCourse Tours

- If anyone is interested in additional OnCourse tours, they should visit that organisation's website for more information.

Easter Wishes

- Mike wished all members a belated Happy Easter.

6 TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer, Ray Pride, tabled the following financial report for March 2024:

Cash at Bank, 28 February 2024	\$8,041
Add receipts for the month	\$5,672
Less payments for the month	\$636
Cash at Bank 31 March 2024	\$13,077

Ray added that a number of members had paid their fees over the last 2 months, ie:

- Member fees received during March – 73
- Member fees received during February – 5

He expressly asked, however, that members **NOT** pay cash directly over the counter as it attracted a \$10 fee for the Club.

Ray highlighted the following expenses for the month, ie:

- Easter Raffle prizes - \$200
- Lanyards - \$234

He reminded members that although the closing balance for the month appeared to be 'healthy', the following expenses still needed to be deducted from the balance, of \$13,077 ie:

- Payment for Children's Medical Research - \$2,664
- Capitation Fees paid to Probus South Pacific Limited - \$19 per member

Ray advised members that by the end of April he anticipated the balance in the Club's bank account to be approx \$10,000.

7 TOURS/ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Mike reminded members to access details of all activities and outings from the Club's website which was regularly updated two or three times each week. He added that the activities are also included in the monthly newsletter prepared by Peter Marcer.

Although the details below 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 Joyce Moody.

Date	Outing	Details
Friday 12 April Tour commences 10 am	North Fort Tunnel Tour	If you wish to attend, contact joycemoody1@bigpond.com for the waiting list
Thursday 18 April 9 am	Walk around Narrabeen Lake and Lunch at H2O	Walk is 8.4 km, but you can walk less if you wish. Lunch at H2O at 12pm. Please see the EOI on the website page, EOIs for Outings, and RSVP to Christine Herbert, christine.herb77@gmail.com
Friday 26 April 6 pm	Dinner Palm Beach Golf Club	If you wish to attend, contact mmusgrave@ihug.com.au for the waiting list
Friday 10 May 10 am	Biennale of Sydney, White Bay Power Station	OPAL outing; free admission; lunch enroute. Contact Anne Kellick anne.kellick@bigpond.com if you wish to attend.
Thursday 16 May Time TBA	Ferry trip to Watsons Bay and lunch at Doyles on the Beach	Ferry trip to Watsons Bay, followed by optional short walk to lighthouse, and then lunch at Doyle's on the Beach at 12pm.

Date	Outing	Details
		Please see the EOI on the website page, EOIs for Outings, and RSVP by 25 April to Christine Herbert, christine.herb77@gmail.com
20-24 May	5 Day OnCourse Coach Tour, Dubbo Zoofari and Orange	\$1,880 pp (includes all meals and admissions); single supplement is \$415 RSVP to Joyce Moody asap at joycemoody1@bigpond.com
Wednesday 29 May 6 pm	Dinner, The Grand Palace Indian Restaurant, Mona Vale	For all the details, please see the EOI on the website page, EOIs for Outings. If you wish to attend, contact Mike Musgrave, mmusgrave@ihug.com.au , by 17 May
Tuesday 11 June 8.30 am - 4.30 pm	Bus trip to The Children's Medical Research Institute	If you wish to attend, contact joycemoody1@bigpond.com for the waiting list
Saturday 22 June 8 pm for 8.30 pm	Motown Pittwater RSL (with dinner if you wish)	Please see the EOI on the website page, EOIs for Outings. If you wish to attend, please RSVP by 12 April to Christine Herbert, christine.herb77@gmail.com
Friday 12 July 12 noon	Christmas in July RMYC	Please see the EOI on the website page, EOIs for Outings. Nos limited so get in early. RSVP to mmusgrave@ihug.com.au by 10 June. Cost is \$40; drinks at your own expense. Payment required shortly after your place has been confirmed which will be after 10 June.
9-15 August	7 day Tour in paradise Hamilton Island, The Whitsundays and Airlie Beach	3 nights Reef View Hotel, Hamilton Island 3 nights Coral Reef Resort, Airlie Beach \$3,480 pp– single supplement \$1,650 Flights included RSVP to Joyce Moody asap at joycemoody1@bigpond.com
Wednesday 21 Aug	Live Theatre The Mousetrap	Glen Street Theatre Tickets \$100 RSVP to Anne Kellick asap at anne.kellick@bigpond.com
Friday 30 August 7.30 am	On-Course DAY TRIP Zig Zag Railway and Leura Tour	The Zig Zag Railway is open again! \$127 pp - see the EOI on the website page, EOIs for Outings for all the details. RSVP: Friday 22 March Enquiries: joycemoody1@bigpond.com
Monday 23 Sept to Friday 26 Sept	On-Course tour to Canberra	Four-day trip to the nation's capital from 23 - 26 September 2024 with On Course Travel. The tour includes all meals, accommodation at the Four Star Alpha Hotel in Canberra, admissions and transport in luxury coach. Cost per person is \$1,220 twin share. Single supplement \$260. See the EOI on the website page, EOIs for Outings for all the details. RSVP to Joyce Moody, joycemoody1@bigpond.com by Friday 22 March 2024
REGULAR EVENTS		
Held twice monthly	Coffee and Chat	Held twice monthly, 10 am, Mona Vale and Newport Flying Fox Café, 2 Mona Street, Mona Vale, on the 2nd Thursday of the month

Date	Outing	Details
		Charli's Café, 19 Robertson Road, Newport, on the 4th Friday of the month Refer our calendar for more details. Enquiries : Mary Musgrave, maryatnewport@gmail.com
1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month 1-4 pm	Mahjong	Pittwater RSL. Teaching provided. For wait list and enquiries please contact: janeen.macfarlane@gmail.com
3rd Tuesday of the month 10.30 am – 3 pm	Mahjong	No Mahjong experience necessary Morning tea provided but bring your own lunch RSVP to Di Cross, bd.cross@outlook.com.au asap
Bi-monthly on Tuesday afternoons 2 pm	Barefoot Bowls Newport Bowling Club	Check the website for the dates. No need to RSVP, just turn up. For more information contact Joyce Moody, joycemoody1@bigpond.com
2nd Tuesday of the month	Long Reef	Long Reef circuit followed by coffee. No need to RSVP, just turn up. Enquiries to Shelley Barwick, sbarwick7@icloud.com
3rd Wednesday of the month 2-4 pm	The BP Yarners	Newport Bowling Club For lovers of knitting and crocheting Enquiries to Mary Musgrave, maryatnewport@gmail.com
Every 2 nd Thursday, 7.30 pm	Trivia, Avalon RSL	No need to book, just turn up about 7.00 pm to secure your place. Enquiries to Shelley Barwick, sbarwick7@icloud.com
3rd Friday of the month	Movies, Warriewood	No need to book, just meet in the foyer about 15 mins before the movie commences. Enquiries to Lesley Death, lesleyjanedeath@gmail.com

8 GENERAL BUSINESS

Change to Website Layout

Mary Musgrave advised the Activities and EOIs page on the Club's Probus website had now been divided into two (2) pages. One is for **Activities**; the other is for **EOIs for Outings**.

Lanyards

Mary Musgrave advised that lanyards and card holders had been purchased for members who wished to wear a lanyard instead of a pin or magnet backed badge. The lanyards are available from Mary Wearne, the Club's Membership Officer.

Justice of the Peace

Julie Bertoldo advised she would be happy to act as a Justice of the Peace for any member/s who required that service.

9 MORNING TEA

Provided by Barb Glover, Jenni Dickson, Trene Holdsworth & Jenny Angus, co-ordinated by Jan Turnbull and served by Carol Marcer, Julie Maryska, Lesley Death, Rhonda Mortimer and other helpers.

Mike stressed that more members were **ALWAYS** required to put their name on the list to provide morning tea. It doesn't have to be home-made; shop bought would also be very much appreciated. Please contact Jan Turnbull at jmturnbull27@gmail.com to add your name to the list.

Easter Raffle

Mike expressed his sincere thanks to everyone who purchased tickets for the Easter Raffle. The lucky winners were:

- *Janeen McFarlane, Christine Herbert, Steve Jones, Bob Kellick, Anne Kostyrka, Dee Martin, Joyce Moody, Rhonda Mortimer, Margaret Peach and Patricia Ryan*

Special thanks were given to Robyn and Chris Elliott for organising and selling the tickets (and to Robyn for donating her prize back to the raffle pool of prizes).

10 INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER

Di Cross introduced Laura and Sandra, two Police Officers, who presented a very interesting talk covering all aspects of scams.

11 VOTE OF THANKS TO GUEST SPEAKER

The vote of thanks was given by Mike Musgrave.

12 CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING

Mike thanked all members for attending today's meeting and stated the next General Meeting would be held on Friday, 3 May 2024.

13 CLOSE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 12.10 pm.



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President

Date: 5 April 2024