

PROBUS CLUB OF AVOCA BEACH INC.
General Meeting Held on Monday 18 May 2026 at 10.15am
At Avoca Beach Bowling and Recreation Club

- MINUTES -

1. Opening & Welcome

Peter Ayton (*President*)

The President opened the meeting at 10.17 am, welcoming members and visitors.
Peter made the Members aware that the Meeting is recorded to assist the Secretary with processing the Minutes and reminded everyone to please turn off phones and turn them on again after the Meeting;
Peter also asked the Members to wear their name badges to help visitors and to carry their Health Cards around with them and also asked that everyone please stay in their current seats for lunch.
Welcome to Visitors.

Peter then announced the Members celebrating their birthdays in May and wished them all a happy birthday.

2. Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous Meeting Dorothy Harper (*Secretary*)

2.1 It was resolved that the Minutes, distributed by email, available on the Club Website, and tabled prior to the Meeting, be taken as read, and confirmed as a true and accurate record. The Secretary was authorised to put them in the Club Records.

(Proposer: Dorothy Harper; Seconder: Joe Panozzo)

The Secretary asked if there were any changes required to the Minutes. Can I have a show of hands to vote on the motion to accept the Minutes. Motion carried.

2.2 Business arising from the Minutes (not included elsewhere on the agenda): Nil

3. President Report:

Peter Ayton (*President*)

3.1 Comments by Peter additional to the report printed in this month's Club Newsletter.

Peter spoke on the Luncheon at the Elanora Hotel an what a good day it was.

Peter also spoke about the great day everyone had on the Zig Zag Railway trip.

Peter also asked the Members for suggestions on Bistro Lunch Venues for the future and to place them in the suggestion box.

3.2 Farewell Barry Turner: Peter spoke about Barry's history with the Club and presented him with an Outstanding Service Award.

4. Financial Report:

Joan Flynn (*Treasurer*)

Joan spoke about the Financial Report contained in this month's Club Newsletter.

Financial Statement 18-03-26 to 21-4-26

Opening Balance	\$13,023.67
Plus Income	\$12,885.00
Less Expenditure	<u>\$ 6,505.75</u>
Cash Balance	\$19,402.92
Plus Deposits to Suppliers	\$ 4,655.00
Less membership Pre Payments	<u>\$14,790.00</u>
Available Funds	\$ 9,267.92

4.1 It was resolved that the Financial Report for the period 18 March 2026 to 21 April 2026 be accepted.

(Proposer: Joan Flynn; Seconder: Barry Tobin)

Joan asked if there are any questions to the Financial Report. Can I have a show of hands to vote on the motion to accept the Financial Report. Motion carried.

4.2 Business arising from the Financial Report: Nil

5. Social Activities:

Paul McInnes (*Social Activities Coordinator*)

5.1 Update on upcoming events –

- ◆ The Zig Zag Railway on the 15 May 2026 was attended by 33 members and thoroughly enjoyed by all.
- ◆ Xmas in July on 23 July 2026 cost will be \$120 if there are 24 or more members attending.

6. Bistro Lunch:

Sue Roe (*Catering Coordinator*)

6.1 40 members attended on Monday 04 May 2026 at Elanora Hotel, East Gosford at 12noon. This was in place of the Picnic which was cancelled.

Raffle Winners: Marge Clague, Kay Crump, Barry Turner, Sandy Ayton, Alexandra Blake

6.2 Bistro Lunch: Monday 01 June 2026, 12noon at the Woodport Hotel, Erina. Own Cost.
Pre-booking and cancellation advice essential.

7. Membership:

Sue Roe (*Membership Officer*)

7.1 Attendance:

Total Members: 105

Attending the meeting: Members: 84 Visitors: 0 Apologies: 11

Visitors (including number of meetings attended):

1st visit – Nil

2nd visit – Helen MacGregor, Lyn Martin, Kay Burdett.

3rd visit – Julie Keifer, Patricia Kull

7.2 Inductions: Julie Keifer, Patricia Kull were inducted.

7.3 Application for membership - Nil

7.4 Waiting List: 1

8. Interest Groups: Representatives from each group gave an update to the members.

Walking Group (Jeannette Anderson, Golf Group (Jock Plimmer), Mexican Train (Barry Tobin) for the Monday Game and Thursday Game (Dennis Elliott), Tenpin Bowling (John Hart), Book Exchange (Joe Panozzo).

9. Welfare Report:

Sue Elliott (*Welfare Officer*)

Maureen Keating has had Hip Surgery, Neville Kingham has had Hip Surgery and Gall Stones removed.

10. Guest Speaker -

Peter Mear standing in for John Evans (Co-ordinator)

Today: is Bev Campbell, Author from Southern Rhodesia.

11. General Business: Peter farewelled Doreen Kingsland who is visiting her son in Cyprus and then returning to England as her Visa has run out.

12. Raffle:

Wendy Noonan (*Raffle Organiser*)

Winners: Jenny Baker, Carmel Cassar, Sue Roe, Betty Ryan, Barry Turner

13. Next Meetings:

General Meeting: Monday 15 June 2026, 10.15 am at ABBRC. (*Doors open at 10.00 am*)

Management Committee: Monday 25 May 2026, 10.15am at ABBRC.

Morning Tea Break

14. Guest Speaker: Bev Campbell, Author from Southern Rhodesia spoke about her life in South Africa.

16. Meeting Close: The Meeting closed at 12noon.

The Minutes of the General Meeting held on 20 April 2026 were confirmed as an accurate record of the Meeting at a General Meeting held on 18 May 2026.

PRESIDENT: Peter Ayton

SECRETARY: Dorothy Harper

