

## MINUTES

## Probus Club of Kincumber Inc. General Meeting No 427 at Davistown RSL on Tuesday 19 January 2021

President David Minshall opened the meeting at 11:20AM welcoming visitors and outlining the meeting for members including the Central Coast Council presentation and the talk by Trusted Home Care.

A record(?) II visitors were acknowledged including

Graeme Anderson Sonia Deebie Linda Mabbott Bob Wolter Jerry McLean Bob McLean Cheryl Feeney Paul Feeney

Hector Petronie Margaret Burrow Julie Sposito

And Speakers: Glenn Cannard, Cath Cox and Karen Burnett

Attendance with visitors was 64. Four Life Members and 52 ordinary members were present.

Apologies were received from:

Arthur Adeney Lyn Martin Robyn Moore Trevor Moore
Thelma Leonard Patrick Leonard Hermione Dunbar Tony Kelly

President David told members that the Davistown RSL "The Davo" was now our home for the foreseeable future and that it was unlikely that we would return to Kincumber United Church. The Church continues to be unusable for our numbers due to NSW Health restrictions and the free room provided by the Davo, access to a good lunch venue, and more makes this a better venue for our club.

President David described the new meeting format with non-critical reports now to be found exclusively in the newsletter. He noted that the Treasurer's report providing transparency on our finances would continue to be presented along with our Social Convenor's report when an event or trip needed to be mentioned. David noted that the target is to end the meeting no later than 12:45PM. While we appear to have lost 50 minutes of meeting time, we actually only lose 20 minutes due to not having a ~30-minute morning tea.

Glenn Cannard, Unit Manager Community Partnerships representing Julie Vaughan, Director of Connected Communities, Central Coast Council officially presented a \$1,912 grant to the Club. The grant, officially named the "Probus COVID- I 9 Active Safety Essential for Seniors (CASES) Program," provides face masks, hand sanitiser, disinfectant spray, disinfectant wipes, latex gloves, and a no-contact

digital thermometer to the club. In his talk Glenn described the many services provided to the community by his seventy person staff in the arts and cultural areas.

Note: \$1,000 of the \$1,912 Central Coast Council grant was specifically identified and directed against the \$200 per month (x 5 months) cleaning fee that would have been charged by Kincumber Uniting Church had the club reconvened at that venue. Now that we are at the Davo and no cleaning fee is charged, and absent Council guidance to the contrary, and approval by our Management Committee and President, this money will, after consultation with Ms Vaughan, be refunded to the Central Coast Council.

President David noted the resignation due to family commitments of Junior Vice President Carol Greenan and acknowledged Carol's significant contributions to the club especially in providing medical advice as we worked the issues associated with returning to in-person meetings. David also noted the resignation of Diane Rudd as Theatre Convenor and thanked Diane for her several years' service in this position.

President David thanked our Catering Officers Jan Gee, Jan Costigan Kay Cochrane, and Yvonne Kelly for their wonderful service for several years in preparing, serving, and cleaning up an excellent morning tea while we met at Kincumber Uniting Church. Their support in this area is no longer needed at the Davo.

President David thanked Venue Officer Bill Clark for his years of service in setting chairs and tables and supervising the sound system while we met at Kincumber Uniting Church. His support in this area is no longer needed at the Davo.

President David commemorated Australia Day at this meeting as the club will not be meeting on 26 January. David reflected on the spirit of the Day and paid respect to the Darkinjung people as the custodians of the land on which we met. David noted the important change this year in the national anthem "Advance Australia Fair." The words in the song originally written in 1878 were recently changed so the second line previously "For we are YOUNG and free" is now "For we are ONE and free."

The Probus Club of Kincumber's Club song master extraordinaire Chris Dillon rendered a moving rendition of Advance Australia Fair at the required 5 metres social distance for a singer. Lamentably members were not able to join with Chris due to NSW Heath COVID-19 prohibition on group singing.

Vice President Peter Mear was approached by a member of staff of the Davo objecting to the singing and inferring that if we were to have singing, we "would have to choose a different day." This could pose a problem and two upcoming speakers include songs in their presentation.

Treasurer's Report – Ann Dillon presented the account status below and noted the healthy state of our finances. Ann reported that there will be no dues increase in 2021 and dues would be due in March from three different groups:

- (1) Those who paid \$47 in 2020 will owe \$23.50 in 2021
- (2) Those who paid \$23.50 in 2020 will owe \$47 in 2021, and
- (3) Those few who did not make a payment in 2020 will owe \$70.50 in 2021.

As a reminder Ann said she will send out a targeted reminder to each group when dues are expected to be paid. All dues to be paid by the end of April so that the appropriate number of fees can be paid to PSPL.

## PROBUS CLUB OF KINCUMBER INC.

## FINANCIAL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2020

J. GLONGE D	Balance at 31 October 2020		\$	1,711.68
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	Balance 31 October 2020		\$	2,298.35
Credits	Membership EFT Membership x 2 Cash GCC Grant		\$ \$ \$	23.50 47.00 1,912.00
			\$	1,982.50
Debits	Chq 015	Head Thermometer	\$	128.90
	Chq 016	Face Masks	\$	300.30
	Chq 017	Hand Cleaners/Wipes	\$	303.60
			\$	732.80
	Bank Balance at 31 December 2020			\$3,548.05

Trip Update: Diane Rudd said the long-awaited trip to Tasmania beginning on 18 March is still on subject to any changes in border restrictions.

Peter Mear introduced Cath Cox and Karen Burnett from Trusted Home Care who reviewed options available for continued in home living rather than moving to residential care for as long as possible. Especially useful was their views on navigating the Australian Government process in determining that hours of support in different categories. They spoke about the Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP) and "Home Care Packages" The CHSP is for people who need a little bit of help every week or fortnight with everyday tasks or activities, or a short burst of care for an immediate need. Home Care Packages are for people who need more regular help, or higher levels of support. The speakers explained that their company can help with both the navigation of the process and the actual provision of both government-funded and privately funded help.

Peter Mear thanked Cath Cox and Karen Burnett and asked Karen to pick our raffle winner,

David concluded the meeting at 12:30PM and many members stayed for lunch,

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-	David Minshall, President		