

Probus Club of Kincumber Inc.
Minutes of General Meeting Number 383
held at Kincumber Uniting Church on Tuesday 26 April 2016

The meeting was opened by President Arthur Adeney at 9.30am. Arthur welcomed visitors Beverly Boon, and Ron and Barbara Hogan.

In memoriam: Ken Robson: John Orme spoke of the role of Ken in our Club as a man family man full of fun. He was an institution in the club who loved Probus and his friends. Although his major achievements as a club member are in the past they are well remembered. One minute's silence was held in memory of Ken.

Anzac Commemoration: President Arthur read a poem of reflection. The Ode was recited followed by a minute's silence. The Australian National Anthem was sung.

Minutes of previous meeting: Minutes of the March 2016 General Meeting were presented. The meeting accepted the Minutes as a correct record.

Correspondence:

Business arising from the Minutes:

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Gerry Turner tabled the Financial Report, noting that it was available in the Newsletter..

		<i>March 2016</i>	
Cheque account balance at March 1 2016		\$594.89	
Savings account balance at March 1 2016		\$1674.52	
	Total		\$2269.41
	<i>March</i>	<i>Year to date</i>	
Income	\$1331.84	\$1331.84	
Expenses	\$ 409.25	\$ 409.25	
Balance			\$922.59
	Total		\$3192.00
Net balance at March 31 2016			\$3192.00

Membership Report: Convenor Ineke Esveld reported that we had 62 members attending and 12 apologies. They were from Dee and Eric Caelli, Debra Cresswell, John and Diane Rudd, Ann Mulford, Adrian and Natalie Mc Connell, Irene Dunlop, Keith Tysoe, Barry and Marie Riley. Ineke reminded everyone that they should wear their name badges to meetings. Membership details are being completed.

Golf report: Convenor Liz Gilbert was pleased that the weather has been perfect for golf. More players will be welcome. Wally Tuff won the prize for being closest to the pin.

Speaker Convenor's Report: Convenor Hermione Dunbar: Today's speaker is Lisa O'Sullivan from Access Comm who will tell us about a telephone especially for the hearing impaired. In May our talk will be by a member of the local fire brigade. Hermione promoted the presentation Dead Men Talking at Brentwood on 29 May. It will cost \$20.

Social Convenor's Report: Convenor Gloria Reid: Unfortunately the picnic at Kincumba Mt had to be cancelled due to poor weather. On 10 May we will be a tour at the Alison property and outhouses at Wyong. The cost is \$5 and we will meet at 10.00am for a 10.30 start. After the tour we will have lunch at the nearby Milk Factory. Names are needed for this outing.

Welfare Report: Co Convenor s Carla Hurley and Bob Cochrane reminded us of their role and that they are there to help wherever needed. Jan Gee is well again and we heard of Adrian McConnell's illness and subsequent therapy. We all wish him well. They thanked Elizabeth Butler for her special help during the handover.

Theatre Report: Convenor Barbara Orme reminded us of the next performance at the Woy Woy Little Theatre is 22 May at 2.00pm. The trip to @Fiddler on the Roof@ was most enjoyable – thanks to Gloria for arranging lunch at the Palace Hotel.

Trip Report: John Orme spoke about the enjoyable trip which 10 of our members enjoyed. It involved a flight to Adelaide, cruise on the Murray River, and train return to Sydney on the Indian Pacific. Obviously the 'mighty Murray River' was a highlight. Our travellers were impressed with the paddle steamer Murray Princess, its food, attentive staff and comfortable cabins adding to the enjoyment of the cruise. Stops along the way allowed access to tourist attractions, riverside towns and nature walks. Experiencing the Murray at night and the sheer sandstone cliffs during the day were highlights. A visit to the Barossa Valley, then onto Broken Hill rounded off the trip with the return to Sydney on the Indian Pacific. This trip was a great experience and John thanked Di for organising it so well.

President's Report: President Arthur spoke of our new committee which has relatively new members undertaking leadership roles. He reminded members to be considering taking responsibility in the future or perhaps re-doing a role held previously.

General Business: Because of the excellent weather we decided to enjoy an outdoor meal at Kincumber Pub. Junior Vice President Phyl Hill took numbers for lunch.

We broke for Morning Tea.

Speaker: Hermione Dunbar introduced Lisa O'Sullivan from Access Com, who described the caption telephone for those with hearing loss in a clear and appealing way. No proof of hearing loss is needed to have this phone, which although it costs \$600 is available on a \$55 per year rental plan. A national relay service captures the conversation, but security is covered in detail. There are many options for use with volume and tone buttons allowing clearer conversation without even using the screen. The phone has a memory and can recall the text of any conversation gives additional help for conducting effective conversations on the phone. There is training for the new user which alerts you to all the capabilities and benefits of the phone. Access Comm is not yet advertising but brochures were available for interested members.

Vote of thanks: Yvonne Kelly passed the vote of thanks mentioning that this was a very positive talk and generated a lot of interest. Lisa was presented with a bottle of wine.

Lucky Door Prize: was drawn by Lisa.

Arthur closed the meeting at 11.30am thanking all who helped with the morning's activities. He reminded members that lunch would be held at Kincumber Pub. All are welcome to attend.

Signed as a correct record: Arthur Adeney, President

