

Probus Club of Kincumber Inc.
Minutes of General Meeting Number 393
held at Kincumber Uniting Church on Tuesday 28 March 2017

The meeting was opened by President Arthur Adeney at 9.30am. Arthur welcomed members and visitors Denise and Dennis Smithson, Sandra and Graham Field, Bill Jackson, Narelle Moyes, and David Minshall

In memory: Hermione Dunbar told of her memories of Velda Robson who died recently. In particular Velda's love for her home, which she designed, her husband Ken and family and her sense of fun stood out. She was a keen gardener and a good member of our club. We stood for a minute's silence in her memory.

Minutes of previous meeting: Minutes of the February 2017 General Meeting were presented. The Minutes had been confirmed by the Committee. The meeting accepted the Minutes as a correct record.

Correspondence: Travel brochure and speaker information.

Business arising from the Minutes: Nil

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Gerry Turner was absent and the financial report for February 2017 was presented by Carla Hurley (VP elect) and accepted by the members.

Treasurer's Report
February 2017

		Year to date
Opening Balance 1.02.2017	\$2454.37	
Receipts	.77	
	2455.14	3747.46
Expenses	361.31	
Closing Balance 28.02.2017	2093.83	3919.04

Fees of \$40 will be collected at this meeting.

Membership Report: Convenor Ineke Esveld reported that we had 52 members and 2 Life Members present. Apologies were received from 18 members - Beverly Boon, Irene Dunlop, David and Elizabeth Butler, Thelma and Patrick Leonard, Marie and Barry Riley, Denise Lawrence, Gerry Turner, Margaret Hobbs, Jeff Bradshaw, Keith and Beverly Tysoe, Sue Schmid, Helen Goudge, Henry and Jill Rogers.

Golf Report: John Rudd: everything is going well – a new Convenor is needed and new members are welcome for an enjoyable morning's golf – see John for details. President Arthur emphasised the need for a new Golf Convenor and asked for any candidate to speak with John Rudd.

Speaker Convenor's Report: Convenor Hermione Dunbar spoke about Peter Cain – today's speaker, whose topic is the Sydney heritage Fleet. Richard Collins is our April speaker and he will tell us about The Ride of His Life

Social Convenor's Report: Convenor Gloria Reid was sorry we had to cancel the ferry trip to Bobbin Head due to poor weather, and hopes this activity can be held later in the year. Lunch at Empire Bay Tavern will be held on Tuesday 11 April. This is always a favourite so put your name down today. On 9 May there is a special offer for a Coach trip to the Barramundi Farm with some additional attractions for an interesting day trip. Using Social Club funds which have accrued the cost for members is \$57, while the fee for non members is \$72. Please put your name down today and pay at our meeting on 18 April. Forty people are needed for this trip. Gloria announced that, using the voluntary support of functions we have 6 months

planned already with Carl Hurley supervising the roster and routines. However it would be good to have a Convenor so please offer if you can do this.

Editor's Report: Pat Fordham said her farewell as Editor and reminded us that material is always welcome. Please send it to our new Editor Elizabeth Butler. Pat Fordham said her farewell as Editor and reminded us the material is always welcome. Please send it to our new Editor Elizabeth Butler.

Welfare Report: Convenors Bob Cochrane and Carla Hurley said their farewell from this role. Bob commented that it has been good working with Carla and he would recommend this position to anyone interested.

Theatre/Trip Report: Di Rudd needs 10 people to set up any group booking so let her know if you would like to attend any theatre performance to try to arrange these groups for most benefit. She would also like to organise a trip to the VIVID activities in Sydney. This includes a ferry cruise around the harbour to view the lights from that angle. Let Di know if you want to attend this. Joan Vella reminded those who are going on the trip to Wangaratta that they need to be at West Gosford by 6.00am for a 6.30 departure. See Joan if you have any questions.

Bookshare: Convenor Jenny Baker: There are some books available for our readers.

Bushwalking: There will be no walk in April because it is Anzac Day.

Speaker: Hermione welcomed Peter Cain – a volunteer with the Sydney Heritage Fleet – gave us a clear overview of the activities of the Fleet. These include the restoration of heritage vessels, research and records of the history and significance of the vessels, youth programs to engage and encourage young people in the various activities, and the tours available with the Sydney Heritage Fleet. At their workshop at Rozelle detailed and skilled technicians go about the painstaking work of restoring 'forgotten' vessels to their newfound glory. The James Craig is the iconic and clearly visible sailing ship which is moored at Darling Harbour. Guided tours are available and once a month this beautiful ship takes guests out for the day. A variety of cruises are available as well as the day trips on the James Craig – tours around the harbour, with a Jacaranda cruise on the Lane Cove River in October and November, and a visit to the workshops where restoration work is in progress. How fortunate we are that skilled and caring volunteers are keeping these historic and functioning vessels in our Harbour.

Vote of thanks: John Sutton – a fellow volunteer with the fleet spoke of the wonderful organisation which has around 1000 volunteers. He thanked Peter for his wonderful talk and presented him with a bottle of wine.

Draw lucky door prize: The Lucky door prize was drawn by Peter Cain and won by Gloria Reid.

The President's Report will take place during the AGM. The General Meeting was closed by President Arthur.

We broke for Morning Tea.

Annual General Meeting – See separate Minutes.

President Phyl announced that the April General Meeting will be on the 18 April. Phyl closed the meeting at 11.30am thanking all who helped with the morning's activities. She reminded members that lunch would be held at Kincumber Pub. All are welcome to attend.

Signed as a correct record: Phyl Hill, President