

Probus Club of Kincumber Inc.
Minutes of General Meeting Number 378
held at Kincumber Uniting Church on Tuesday 27 October 2015

President Di Rudd opened the meeting at 9.30am, and welcomed visitors Bob and Moya Capon, Lyn Martin, Val Allen, and Ann and Cliff Davy.

Induction: Di inducted Brian and Violet Game as members of our Club. In welcoming them she invited them to enjoy the full scope of Club life.

Minutes of previous meeting: Minutes of the September General Meeting were presented, accepted and signed as a correct record of the meeting.

Business arising from the Minutes: Nil

Correspondence: Routine travel and entertainment brochures.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Barry Riley tabled the financial report.

September 2015

Cheque account balance at 1 March 2015		\$	132.06
Savings account balance at 1 March 2015		\$	1701.67
Float (Catering)			\$50.00
		Balance	\$1883.73
	<i>September</i>		<i>Year to date</i>
Income	\$2.39		\$ 3347.25
Expenses	\$66.70		\$ 2783.51
		Balance	\$608.74
Total			\$2492.47
Combined net balance at September 30 2015			\$2492.47

Members accepted the records as correct.

Membership Report: Convenor John Rudd. There were 66 members and 2 life member present, with our 6 visitors, continuing the high attendance record over recent months . Apologies were received from Pam and George Pendergast, Cecilia Donnelly, David Dunbar, Jeff Bradshaw and Dee Caelli.

Golf report: Convenor John Rudd: invited new members or visitors to come and enjoy the golf program.

Speaker Convenor's Report: Convenor Hermione Dunbar: Today's speaker is John Mulford with photographs by Anne Mulford. The topic is Gallipoli and Beyond. In October we will hear a presentation by Patrick Haynes on dog sledding in Antarctica.

Social Convenor's Report: Convenor Convenor Gloria Reid: The September outing to the Art Gallery of NSW to look at the Archibald, Wynne and Sulman prizes Exhibition was enjoyed by all. The contribution by a tour guide added much colour and interest to the visit. In October there will be a visit to Palm Beach RSL via the Ettalong Ferry. Names are needed today. On 10 November we are visiting the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute where entry is with a gold coin donation. There is a 10 a.m. start for this tour so check the travel details in your Newsletter. The Bush Picnic is set for 17 November and your \$20 fee is due at the next meeting. It will be held at MacMasters Beach as usual.

Welfare Report: Co Convenor Elizabeth Butler: We were pleased to see Peggy Horton back and looking well. Ken and Velda Robson are moving to Brentwood. Di reported that Jan Gee who broke her arm is having the plaster removed today.

Bushwalking Report: Convenor Betty Pickersgill: The walk on Tuesday September 15 to the Wyrabalong National Park took place on a beautiful day although a little hot for all those steps. In October our walk is not long, but interesting and challenging in parts. It will be at the Girrorakool Loop Track in the Brisbane Water National Park on Tuesday 20 October at 10.30 a.m.. Bushwalking will then be in recess until March 2016.

Bookshare: Convenor Jenny Baker: A good selection of books is on the table.

President's Report: Di Rudd: Di was happy to tell us that Bob Cochrane won the Australian National Veterans Swimming Championship. Congratulations to him.

General Business: Junior Vice President took numbers for lunch at Tukka Time – 35. Marie Riley reminded us for Ann Dillon that Mac Masters Beach Ladies' Club is holding its annual Melbourne Cup Lunch at the Surf Club at 12.30 p.m. on Cup Day. Food is supplied and there is a bar available. The cost is \$20 with proceeds going to the Surf Club. Contact Ann Dillon if you wish to attend.

Profile talk: : Hermione Dunbar kept us enthralled with her story of the time she took 6 children and a friend to Warringah Mall shopping centre. What started in a casual fashion ended up with a confrontation with a camel for Hermione and many side 'benefits' and 'happenings' followed. Fortunately for all the party survived the ordeal – especially Hermione – and we are pleased she was able to entertain us with her tale.

Birthday Celebration: We congratulated Jeannie Johnson on her 90th birthday and enjoyed her cake at Morning Tea time.

The meeting adjourned for Morning Tea.

Speaker: Hermione Dunbar introduced our member John Mulford who was the speaker for the day.

Gallipoli and Beyond was the story told by John Mulford, with photographs taken by his wife Anne, of their personal journey to Gallipoli for Anzac Day 2015. 500 Australian and New Zealand members of the families of the first AIF travelled in cruise ships in convoy, with a memorable cruise past the Anzac beach during the memorial services. Lectures by tour guides on board added emphasis and understanding of the conflict. For the first time John wore his father's medals and red poppies crocheted by Anne were thrown into the water at dawn while passing the beach on their ship 'Silver Cloud'. John spoke of the other parts of Europe they were able to visit including Athens, Istanbul, Troy and Venice, then travel to Paris on the Orient Express. VE day was spent in Paris. John's father had won his military medals at the age of 19 serving on the Western Front. It was a vivid reflection on what was a moving experience for John and Anne.

Vote of thanks: Barry Riley was thanked for his technical help in presenting this story . David Dennison thanked John for the enlightening talk with its moving experiences and memories of relatives who had served.

Lucky Door Prize: was drawn by Anne and won by Bill Clark.

Morning tea volunteer: for next month is Marie Riley.

Di Rudd closed the meeting at 11.30am thanking all who helped with the morning's activities. She reminded members of lunch at Tukka Time.

Signed as a correct record: Diane Rudd, President