



**Probus Club of Glen Osmond
General Meeting 495 Minutes
Monday 2nd February 2026**

Opening 10.00am. President Mary Dawes opened the meeting and welcomed members.

Eulogy For Mary Mould, delivered by Andrew McEwin

I am saddened to tell you that Mary Mould died on Friday January 9th after a valiant fight against multiple illnesses.

Mary and I attended the Victor Harbor Primary School. Mary's father was the very popular Lord Mayor of Victor Harbor. Shortly after Mary and I went to Adelaide to school, the Primary School was relocated and the Woolworths complex now stands on the site.

Mary and I used to joke about belonging to an exclusive group, the Victor Harbor Primary School Old Scholars Association. They are not making any new members and the membership grows smaller as the years pass. Old scholars of a school that no longer exists.

In 1957 Mary and I started boarding in Adelaide. Mary has recorded her memories of boarding at PGC. Years later her own daughter followed.

After school, Mary married Ian Mould and headed north of Pt Augusta to Uno Station and a life in the Far North pastoral zone. Mary and Ian had two sons and a daughter. Mary home-schooled them through School of the Air, a long way from the Victor Harbor Primary School. Mary became very involved in the ICPA, the Isolated Children's Parents Association.

Mary is survived by her children Henry, Hamish and Tiffany and granddaughters Abigail, Phoebe, Annabel, Victoria and Olivia. Ian's poor health no longer allows him to attend Probus meetings. We will miss Mary and Ian at our meetings and events.

Apologies Peggy Barker, Brian Cohen, Pat Cohen, Kaye Leaker, Jill Oliver, Tom Pearce.

Birthdays Charles Griscti, Eva Kreminski, Robin McKay, Margaret McKinnon, Penny McTaggart, Ian Mould, Jill Oliver, John Sheat, Marg Wagner.

Minutes of last meeting Monday 1st December 2025

The minutes of the meeting Monday 1st December 2025 were approved by a show of hands and signed by the President.

Treasurer – Andrew McEwin

Andrew McEwin advised that the current balance is \$2165.

Management Committee recommends that the membership fee for 2026 be set at \$50 - \$30 for Non Active members. With a smaller pool of members the Club is facing increasing costs including a PSPL capitation fee of \$21.50 per person.

Activities – nil report

Welfare – nil report

Attendance – Bev Webber

- Present 32
- Apologies 6
- AWOL 18
- Total 56 (Plus 6 Non Active)

Business arising –

Management Committee positions become vacant at the next AGM in March 2026. Nominations to date have been received for all positions except for Vice President, Newsletter and Secretary.

It was confirmed that the Probus Meeting set for Easter Monday 6th April would be held with a sandwich lunch to follow.

The President sought indication from members as to who might join her for Tea and Talkies at the Regent Theatre at 10.00am on Wednesday 25th February.

An anecdote from Bob

Bob Brummitt presented to the meeting an interesting story from his time as a young locum in country SA. He received a phone call from an experienced mother to say that she was worried about a “shadow” that had passed over her 6 month old baby with no visible signs of anything wrong.

Bob visited and after close inspection thought the child may have an infection. He worried about meningococcal disease and took a lumbar puncture in hospital. A lab technician under a high powered microscope confirmed meningococcal septicaemia, a very rare disease seen only

once or twice a year (compared with 12 or so a year with meningococcal meningitis). Unfortunately the baby died within 12 hours.

Story time with Andrew

Andrew McEwin offered the story about a Scot who took a short time loan of \$5000 from a bank, putting up an Alfa Romeo car as security parked at the Bank's garage.

Returning he paid back the loan and \$15 interest, noting that where else would you get a cheaper carpark for a month?

11.00am Guest Speaker

Kate Kenning, team leader for the Home Support Program of Burnside Council, offered insight into the program for those over 65 still living in their own home. The aim is to help people stay at home as long as possible, healthy and independent.

The gateway to any services in Australia is via My Aged Care applying directly by phone for a home assessment. A specific support program is determined and referral codes given to approach providers of your choice. You can go back for other referrals when things change.

Burnside Council offers as a Commonwealth Home Care Package (CHCP) access to:

- The Shed, in Conyngham Street, for men and women
- Men's Breakfast – every Monday
- Exercise groups at several community centres
- Social activities – bus trips, singing, chess etc.
- Home and Garden Maintenance
- Transport – by community car or community bus

After answering several questions Kate was thanked by Ken Watson with acclamation from the audience.

The meeting closed at 12.00pm

Signed as a true and accurate record

President

Date