

# Probus Club of Grovedale Marshall Inc

# Minutes of the General Meeting held at the Grovedale Community Hub on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2025

Meeting Opened: 10.00am

Welcome:                      Members – Guests – Visitors

Attendance:           Attending 58 members, 2 visitors and 9 apologies

Apologies: Norm Howard, Julie Van Berkel, Sue Wright, Carmel Brasier, Jack Brasier, Michelle Walsh, Margaret Letson, Mary Bradshaw, Geoff Ford.

## Opening Remarks

Terry Lane

- The President welcomed all members and visitors and was pleased to welcome prospective new member John Morrow. He then described the evacuation procedures in detail.
- Our member Norm Howard is now in Abervale retirement village and best wishes were passed on to him and to Sue Howard for all she has done for him.
- For insurance purposes, Probus members and visitors are reminded to check in at the main door using the paper-based system.
- Numbers were confirmed for the after-meeting lunch at the White Eagle Entertainment Centre, 46-48 Fellmongers Rd, Breakwater at 12.30pm.
- The President reminded members that when exiting the car park of the Hub, please exit one way in a clockwise manner following the arrows on the road, as some members have been causing “unpleasant altercations” with other drivers as they then need to try to reverse out of their way. This reminder is in response to a complaint from the Hub management.
- The induction of new members Alison Dixon, Catherine Pickett, Francis Alexander and James Alexander was performed.

Anne Lane

Minutes of previous meeting – Anne moved that the July minutes be approved as a true and correct record.  
Seconded: Julie Jenkins - Carried.

Sue Howard

## Treasurer's report

Opening balance	\$4,446.38	
Receipts	\$1,621.55	
Expenditure	\$1,958.65	
Closing balance	\$4,109.28	5c jar \$91.75.

- The September monthly meeting will be a celebration of the club's 10th birthday.
- A show of hands was called on whether to have the Bay cruise or White Eagle for our Christmas function and to choose a date from either Thursday 4th or Friday 5th December. Members voted overwhelmingly for the Bay cruise on 5<sup>th</sup> December.
- As Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December Bay cruise was the chosen option, there will be a subsidy from the club towards the cost for the outing (which includes pick up and return by coach from the Grovedale hub, plus the cruise and lunch), therefore the cost per head will be \$30.
- A receipt for \$480 donation was received from the Andrew Love Cancer Centre.

Sue Howard moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Seconded: Helen Palmer – Carried

## Anne Lane

### Correspondence – In

- Email from Joel of the Grovedale CFA Community Team confirming that Dr. James Mullins (AM) will be our guest speaker today.
- New member cards were received for Anne Shelper and Angela Parkyn.
- Email from Christine Welsh describing her new activities in Melbourne now that 12 months have elapsed since her departure.
- Thank you email from the Andrew Love Cancer Centre for our biggest morning tea donation of \$480.
- Thank you email from Sue Howard for the card sent to her on behalf of club members.
- Email from Probus head office containing the HO financial results for the year.
- Email from Probus Head Office introducing the director and chairman of the head office board. Next year they will be marking a significant milestone with the 50th Anniversary of Probus Australia.

### Correspondence – Out

- Email to the Grovedale CFA Community Team with details for the August speaker.

Anne moved “that the correspondence be accepted” and called for second - Graeme Bradshaw

- Carried

## Club Activity Reports

### Trips - Merv Poyner

- With the return of Dale, (the bus driver) from overseas, details of the Warrnambool trip will be available at the next monthly meeting. Any members or visitors interested in this trip are asked to put their names on the list at the back of the hall.
- A day out to visit an amazing model railway exhibit taking up a whole room and containing at least 10 tracks and 10 engines will occur on 25<sup>th</sup> August. Members going on the trip are to meet at the Grovedale Hub by 9.45 am ready to leave by 10am. Other places of interest including the lighthouse etc will be included on the day plus lunch at one of two places to be decided. This is best suited to car sharing and would need a minimum of 12 people.

### Activities - Shaaron Glynn

- Thursday 21st August High Tea at 10am at Brioche, West Fyans St, Newtown. \$35 per person. Cash only. 4 savouries and 4 sweets.
- Morning Melodies on Wednesday 27th August at GAC. Songs from Grand Opera Stages to London's West End. Morning tea from 9.30am with the show at 11am. I have 4 spare tickets for this. The remaining shows for the year are fully booked.
- Thursday 28th August Ten Pin Bowling at 10.00am at Belmont followed by lunch at 12pm at The Belmont Hotel, High Street, Belmont. Members can come to both or just lunch and/ or spectate at bowling. \$17 per person for shoe hire and 1 game. Pay on the day when we have all arrived and worked out teams.
- Thursday 18th September lunch at 12pm at Mt Duneed Estate, 65 Pettavel Road, Waurin Ponds.
- Thursday 25th September lunch at 12pm at Leopold Sportsman's Club, 135 Kensington Road, Leopold.
- Members were asked with a show of hands if they were interested in a day trip to the zoo later in the year. A very positive response was recorded.
- Chocolates celebrating birthdays and anniversaries were distributed.

### Book Club - Pam Simpson

- The next book club meeting has been changed to 22nd August at the Glynn's house, 11 Jean Place. Grovedale. 1pm. This change is to accommodate members who will be away for the previously scheduled date.

## General Business

### Terry Lane

- Asked if there is any “new general business” from the members present.

- The President reported that the Grovedale Hotel refused the club's lunch booking without the provision of credit card details. This was considered objectionable as all members that attend lunches are responsible for paying for their own meals. Shaaron Glynn reported that she is often required to provide credit card details when booking club lunches and is prepared to use her own credit card to secure bookings.
  - The Mystery Door Prize was drawn.
  - The President then announced a break for morning tea and asked members to resume their seats by 11.10am for our guest speaker Dr. James Mullins (AM) from the Country Fire Authority.
  - At the conclusion of the presentation the President thanked James and presented him with the certificate of appreciation and desk set.
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- Confirmation of Next Meeting Date                      September 11th 2025
  - Meeting closed at 11.50am.

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 President

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 Secretary