

Probus Club of Grovedale Marshall Inc
Minutes of the General Meeting held at the Grovedale Community Hub on 11th September 2025

Meeting Opened: 10.00am

Welcome: Members – Guests – Visitors

Attendance: Attending 58 members, 1 visitor and 7 apologies

Apologies: Sue Wright, Jean Neumann, Eve Turley, Jim Turley, Mary Ryan, Barry Lamperd, Margaret Letson.

Opening Remarks

Terry Lane

- The President welcomed all members and visitors and was pleased to welcome prospective new member Marianna Clennett. He then described the evacuation procedures in detail.
- For insurance purposes, Probus members and visitors were reminded to check in at the main door using the paper-based system.
- Numbers were confirmed for the after-meeting lunch at the Waurm Ponds Hotel Bistro at 12.30pm.
- Trish Whiteley was asked to explain to members what bottle caps are acceptable and those that are not, due to some members being confused. The President explained that these caps are no longer collected for the purpose of making children's prosthetics. They are now used in the making of park benches and as such, are purely a recycling initiative and consideration could be given about recycling these in the normal household bins.
- 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.
- Complaints have been received from the Hub that chairs are not being stacked correctly. Those without arms being mixed in with those with arms. Those with arms should be stored in the cupboard near the display cabinet. Those without arms to be stored in the room behind the stage.
- It was the President's great pleasure to award a Certificate of Appreciation to Founding Member Sue Howard for carrying out the duties of Treasurer for 8 years and for organising Xmas lunches, representing the club at Zoom meetings, organising occasional day trips, maintaining the Membership register, lucky door prize purchasing, Post Office collection and liaising with head office re administrative matters for many years.

Anne Lane

Minutes of previous meeting – Anne moved that the August minutes be approved as a true and correct record.

Seconded: Wendy Poyner

- Carried.

Sue Howard

Treasurer's report

Opening balance	\$4,109.28	
Receipts	\$397.10	
Expenditure	\$198.18	
Closing balance	\$4,308.20	5c jar \$106.85.

- Members were thanked for their suggestions for club trips involving up to ten days. These are appreciated however they all required a minimum of 18 to 25 people, which is way above our normal participants.
- The Hygeia Xmas party cruise has been booked for 5th December. The cost will be \$30 for members and \$45 for non-members. Snacks can be brought on board for consumption before the provided lunch. Drinks cannot be brought on board. 40 people have confirmed. All to meet

at the Grovedale Hub for departure at 11am.

- Grovedale Hub carpet bowls are proving extremely popular with our members. This is held on Mondays between 1.00am and 3.00pm. There is an annual fee of \$10.

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

Anne Lane

Correspondence – In

- Email from Margaret Robinson OAM (District 9780 Probus Chair) reminding clubs about the upcoming Probus Month and the “50 years of Probus in Australia” celebrations in 2026.
- Email from Pam Lynch which said “please pass on my thanks for the lovely card and good wishes received just before my hip replacement surgery. I am now home on crutches and managing well”.

Correspondence – Out

- Thank you letter to Dr James Mullins (AM), Honorary Associate Professor, Deakin Research Office, Office of DVC Research, and founding researcher and Chief Technology Officer of Deakin's FLAIM Systems, for his exceptional talk at the last monthly meeting.
- Our 4th quarter submission to the Grovedale Grapevine has been sent for publication.

Anne moved “that the correspondence be accepted” and called for second - Julie Jenkins

- Carried

Club Activity Reports

Trips – Merv Poyner

- The 8-day trip to Warrnambool will now be re-visited next March due to Dale's unavailability.
- On 24th October, a day trip is suggested to the MG Museum in Curtis Street, Belmont. 37 MGs, manufactured between 1914 and 2000 are on display. The collection is owned by Ray and John Abikhair and is open on Fridays. This can be followed by lunch. Bookings must be made, and the cost is \$10 per person. A talk will be included in the visit. Members are asked to put their names on the list at the back of the hall if they would like to go.

Activities – Shaaron Glynn

Recently:

- We had High Tea at 10am at Brioche which was again delicious with two tables of members attending.
- Morning Melodies at GAC. Songs from Grand Opera Stages to London's West End. We enjoyed very professional performances and had three guests from VIEW club. Unfortunately, several members had to pull out due to illness.
- Ten Pin Bowling at Belmont followed by lunch at The Belmont Hotel. We had great fun and congratulated Barbara Lane who won the day. More members joined us for lunch which is now of a very acceptable standard since they changed chefs.

Coming up:

- 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.
- Wednesday 1st October Morning Melodies is a heartfelt tribute to not only Elvis Presley but to Sun Records and the African American pioneers that started Rock 'n' Roll. There are two spare tickets available.
- Thursday 16th October lunch at 12.15pm at Rip View Bistro, Queenscliff Bowling Club.
- Thursday 23rd October Morning coffee at 10am at Beach Willow Nursery, 1135 Surf Coast Highway, Mt Duneed.
- Thursday 30th October outing to Werribee Zoo (weather permitting). Car-pooling can be organised. Concessions \$43 and Seniors \$51.50 including safari bus through the savannah. Meet at Community Centre car park at 9.30am. Bring own lunch or purchase there. We will meet to go on the bus and at lunchtime. Otherwise, free time. Info sheets available from Shaaron. Back up lunch at Waurin Ponds Hotel at 12pm if weather not suitable to visit the zoo. An email will be sent a few days before, advising of the event.

- Wednesday 26th November Morning Melodies includes music from Bernstein, Irving Berlin, Paul Simon, Cole Porter, Puccini and Adele. There is one spare ticket available.
Chocolates celebrating birthdays and anniversaries were distributed.

Book Club - Pam Simpson

- The next book club meeting will be on 19th September at the Glynn's house, 11 Jean Place. Grovedale. 1pm.

General Business

Terry Lane

- Asked if there is any “new general business” from the members present.
The Mystery Door Prize was drawn.
The President then announced a break for morning tea and asked members to resume their seats by 11.15am for 10th Birthday chats with some founding members. A 10th Birthday cake was cut by the Founding President Robert Palmer and Shaaron organised the singing of “Happy Birthday”.
Anne Lane thanked the wonderful morning tea angels for an amazing spread and Viv Buchanan for sausage rolls and Barbara Lane for the passion fruit slice.
Thanks were expressed to all the members who took part in the chats. They were Jacqui Berris, Maria Borracci, Trish Whiteley, Viv Buchanan, Wendy and Merv Poyner, Sue Howard, Helen and Robert Palmer. Unfortunately there was insufficient time to hear from Lawrence and Shaaron Glynn.
The President thanked Lawrence for compiling and presenting the slide show and Shaaron for organising the chats and suggested that this should be organised again in the not-too-distant future.
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| Confirmation of Next Meeting Date | October 9 th 2025 |
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- Meeting closed at 11.50am.

President

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Secretary