## **GUILDFORD PROBUS CLUB INC**

Minutes of the Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at 10.30am at Guildford Leagues Club

President Heather thanked members for a large attendance today. Hope the weather stays dry.

**Apologies:** Carol Kennedy, Robyn Collette, Robyn Boyle, Frank Spittle, Rhilma Bruce, Annette & Jim Gibbs, Peter McGann, Terry & Norma Dickie, Doreen Wall, Coral Hughes, Judy Matthew and Phyllis Hoole.

**Visitors:** Marlene & Sidney Muller and David Baker.

We have one new Member today – welcome to Mrs Stana Simic.

**Birthdays:** Lidia Culican, Terry Dickie, Therese Hehir, Jill Keenan, Judy Matthew, Noelene Mitchell and Peter Schabel.

Anniversaries: 67 years wed for Lidia & Joe Culican.

**Welfare Officer's Report:** Terry Dickie is in Coleman Street Rehabilitation and making slow progress. Phyllis Hoole has been in hospital and now home. Robyn Corliss is in Norwest Private Hospital. Robyn Collette is home after a recent knee replacement.

Moved John Collins and Seconded Val Newham that Welfare Officer's Report be accepted.

Heather then inducted Val Newham as a Member of our Probus Club.

**President's Report:** Xmas in July show at Guildford Leagues was cancelled. Greystanes Uniting Church is holding a Book & Craft Sale this Saturday from 9-12 noon. \$2 dearest book. Funding for Hand & Foot Food program. Some questions re National Insurance cover. All participants are covered for activities organised by Probus Clubs e.g. meetings, outings, interest groups, tours and travel to and from such activities. Provides lump sum benefits & non-Medicare related expenses for accidental injuries. Not covered for illness – claim through Medicare. It is advisable to consider Travel Insurance for activities that involve overnight stays as program does not cover illness, cancellation or loss of luggage that would normally be covered by travel insurance.

**Moved** Noelene Mitchell and **Seconded** Heather Hogan that President's report be accepted. **Carried.** 

Secretary's Report: Annual Financial Report from PSPL operating surplus of \$2,302. Group Tickets to order for Seniors Concert in 2026 on Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 March. 11am session. Can apply for Free DCJ bus. Maximum 20 tickets. presentation on Thursday 14 August at 3pm for 1 hr. by eSafety Commissioner. "Can you spot a advice scam". Tips and on what to do and where to get Moved Edna Brett and Seconded Therese Hehir that Secretary's Report by accepted. Carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Very healthy balance as per Bank statement of \$19,382.61. Includes Junee Trip monies. Mystery Tour cancelled and re-scheduled. See Peter for refund if needed. Net available \$7,536.61. Read two jokes courtesy of Gordon.

Moved Fay Wade and Seconded Muriel Comber that Treasurer's Report be accepted. Carried.

**Tour Officer's Report:** *Mystery Tour* cancelled. Ray is okay. *Changed to 20 November.* If cannot go let Sue know and get refund. Can add extra numbers to trip.

Coolibah – 21 August- Please put names on list to be covered by Insurance.

Junee Trip – 9-12 September – All booked and paid. Any dietary needs let Sue know. Ray requested put names on luggage to facilitate putting into correct rooms. Be at Guildford Leagues at 7am to load for 7.30am departure.

Rathmines - 16 October - Need 30 people. Names on list.

*Xmas Lunch – 4 December.* (in hand). Please put names on List. We welcome any suggestions for day trips and tours. Thanks Rodney Skinner for your suggestion.

**Moved** Jill Keenan and **Seconded** Lydia Culican that **Tour Officer's Report** be accepted. **Carried.** 

Short break before Speaker.

**Guest Speaker:** Walter Bock (88yrs young - played soccer until 58 years of age) gave an interesting account of his early life in Germany and Europe, migrating to Australia and his volunteering with Rotary assisting and funding many worthy charity projects (mainly overseas). Drs without Borders. Sex education for mainly females in Philippines & Fiji. Reducing pregnancies and pregnancy deaths. Constitution Hill sewing group contributes sewing for girls. Over the years he has raised for Rotary approx. \$14.4 million via Rotary Raffles. Well done. Gordon thanked Walter Bock.

**Lucky Door Prizes:** Brien Duane, Mayda Devlin, Lydia Culican, Jan O'Brien, John Collins, Noelene Mitchell, Pauline McAndrew, Merv Barnett, Carol Campbell.

Barry reminded will have Fathers Day Raffle Tickets at next meeting – please support.

Meeting concluded approximately midday.

Next meeting will be held at 10.30am on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September.