**KEMPSEY PROBUS CLUB INC. MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 13th 2025**

**Commenced10.34am at Kempsey RSL Anzac Room.**

**PRESENT:** Members (16) as per attendance sheet

**APOLOGIES** (6)**:** Darrell Crilley, Bev Epplestun, Dianne Harvey, Margaret Patterson, Marjorie & Bob Talbot

**BIRTHDAYS IN JULY:**  Dianne Harvey, Bruce Thurgood

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**JULY 2025 MINUTES:** accepted as an accurate record.

**CORRESPONDENCE IN**: Newsletter available on-line.Club grant has been approved; an Acquittal form/letter has been requested by the RSL. John and Marjorie Talbot Probus cards are available for collection from Lynette.

**OUT:** June meeting and EGM minutes; monthly newsletter from Connie. Registration of Our new Constitution and Standing Orders has been completed.

**Motion to accept the correspondence was passed. *Moved*** *Patsy****; Seconded*** *Barb*

**TREASURER: July 2025** Income $76 ( Xmas In July $76); Expenditure $938 (July M.tea $115, Xmas in July lunch $760, Fair trading $63); Closing Balance $3040.71.

**Motion to accept the report carried. *Moved*** *Bob****; seconded*** *Lynette*

**WELFARE: Bev** would like to attend meetings but requires a lift. **Claude** is to undergo further surgery on Tuesday 19th August. Dementia Australia has provided assistance to **Aub** and his family now he is in full-time residential Aged Care. **June Barnes** has had a tiny melanoma removed and has a protective eye patch. Barb circulated a Sympathy card to sign to support **Margaret Hardy**.

**CATERING**: 11 nominated to stay for lunch at the RSL after the meeting. Barb reported a highly successful Xmas in July lunch where she took lots of photos. Xmas lunch in December has been booked.

**EVENTS:** July Golf club lunch venue provided good company and good meals (from a somewhat limited menu). Our next ‘Chat and Eat’ will be at 11 am on Saturday August 30th for Brunch at Lou’s. Expressions of interest requested and received for the following events: Lord of the Dance Thurs 4th September, Bellingen Spring Plant Fair Sat Sept 13; Pretty Woman W/E 1st & 2nd November; Dolly Parton musical comedy Sat 22nd Nov; Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo 12th to 13th February 2026. Contact Lynette for details (0408806353)

**GENERAL BUSINESS:** Patsy spoke about her recent Scam adventure from which she was rescued by the local phone/computer company SOS. SOS offer an honest, inexpensive and reliable service

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Charlene Carpenter shared her six months experience as an Australian aid worker in the Pacific Region (inclusive of 18 island nations). She provided an absorbing, informative and eye-opening insight into island life with its contrasts: poverty and wealth, islander education possibilities and impossibilities, aid from abroad and political agendas; driving on the right side of the road Aussie vs islander styles; beautiful atolls and the reality of sea level rising issues.

**Meeting closed at 12.25 pm SECRETARY: L Jacka PRESIDENT: Connie Potts**