

**PORT DOUGLAS & DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB**

**Members Meeting 11**

**22/9/2025 at 9.30 am**

**Douglas Community & Sports Club Inc. (Tin Shed)**

**In attendance 19**

**For Previous Minutes and other information reading regarding our club please go to:**

**<https://probussouthpacific.org/> and “Our Club” Selection**

**1. WELCOME/HOUSEKEEPING/APOLOGIES**

**9.30am**

The meeting was chaired by President Susan Stafford.

**Apologies**

Apologies were received from Kate Green, Toni Hickey, John Liddell, Chris Saint, Janice Wilson, Christine Adcock, Pam Willis-Burden, Vee Clarke, Trevor Jarrett.

**New Members**

A warm welcome was extended to new members: Renee Mannisto, Philippa (Pip) Hurst and Trevor Hurst (who was absent from the meeting).

**2 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting were tendered for approval, proposed by David Campbell and seconded by Wendy Crossman.

**3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES - Nil**

**4 CLUB CORRESPONDENCE - Nil**

**5 TREASURERS REPORT**

Nothing to report

**6 COMMITTEE MEETING OUTCOMES**

The committee met on Monday 8 September and the following items of business were conveyed to members:

**October 2025 is a special Probus Month**

It was reported that October 2025 is a special month for two reasons: Firstly, that October is Probus (South Pacific) month; secondly it is the first anniversary of the inauguration of Probus Port Douglas and District. To commemorate these two events, it was proposed that a special morning tea at The Tin Shed be organised for our October meeting. Susan will liaise with the Tin Shed to provide bakery items previously quoted at \$5 per person in attendance.

This proposal received approval from the members present. Susan confirmed that details of the event will be sent to all members and stressed the importance of member's RSVP'ing for this so that numbers can be given to the Tin Shed.

**Importance of RSVP and to the correct email address**

All members were asked to ensure that they confirm in writing whether they are going to attend any event being organised – even if it is for free, and please make sure that you respond to the email address listed for a response and not hit “reply”.

## 7 GENERAL BUSINESS

### 7.1 New Members Handbook

The member's handbook is still in progress.

### 7.2 Seeking Incorporation and Adopting Standing Resolutions

Susan reported that this is all but finished and will report back at the next meeting.

### 7.3 Club Activities

**October Event** - Lorraine reported that there had been a great response to the Mount Carbine event planned for October 8, and that there are no spaces left. An email will be sent to those attending with details of bus pick up etc., Susan mentioned there is a waiting list in case of cancellations.

**November Event** – Lorraine reported that this might be the Ambrose Golf proposal but is waiting to hear from Toni before confirming.

**December Event** - A Christmas lunch was proposed in the first two weeks of December and members were given the choice of:

**Silky Oaks** \$80/90 per person depending on whether 2 or 3 courses

**Harrisons** \$100 per person set menu (or a la carte)

**Thala Beach Lodge** – a la carte menu

**Sea Temple** – A la Carte menu

Members were also asked to provide their feedback on what day of the week would suit best. A form was provided for members to list their top 2 preferences after the meeting.

## 8 PRESIDENTS REPORT

### 8.1 Warm Welcome

The president extended a special welcome to Renee Manisto who has joined today.

The president was absent at the last meeting and therefore conveyed her warm welcome to Trevor Hurst and Pip who joined last month.

### 8.2 Happy Birthday

Birthday greetings and a song were expressed to Jane Lagarde, Maggie Culley, Penny Muston-Brice and Pat Smithwick, all of whom celebrated their Birthdays in September

## 9 AOB

There was no other business

## 10 CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be on Monday 27 October 2025 at 9.30am

## 11 GUEST SPEAKER

Rita Merrick was our guest speaker. It was Rita's second presentation and was about the trials and tribulations of online dating in later years. She shared numerous humorous stories of her dating experiences, including the one of her eventual date with her current husband, Peter.

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President: .....



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