

PORT DOUGLAS & DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB Members Meeting 9 28/07/2025 at 9:30 am

Douglas Community & Sports Club Inc. (Tin Shed)
In attendance: 27

For previous minutes and other information regarding our club please go to: https://probussouthpacific.org/ and the "Our Club" section

1. WELCOME / HOUSE KEEPING/ APOLOGIES

9:30 am

Apologies were received from Catherine Rosenbrauer

The President welcomed members and guests and gave the acknowledgement of country.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were tended for approval, proposed by Susan Stafford and seconded by Julie Borbiro.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Club Constitution will remain on the agenda until the review is complete and accepted by members.

4. CLUB CORRESPONDENCE

The President updated members that she had responded to Merv Richens regarding our decision not to join the Probus Association of Queensland (PAQ) at this stage. Other correspondence and initiatives regarding the constitution and standing orders are discussed under item 6.1.

5. TREASURERS REPORT

We have 3 accounts, Sandhurst Interest Account, Statement Account (with 2 bank cards) and a Savings Account. We have accrued \$17 interest and \$1860 in bank. We have 40 financial members

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Seeking Incorporation & Adopting Standing Resolutions

Susan, Toni and Chris have met twice to prepare the paperwork for recommendations to our Probus Club. Any changes to the Constitution require ratification by PSP and the Constitution contains elements that are legally required to be retained. Any proposed changes must also be ratified by the Office of Fair Trading. On this basis, and after careful consideration, we will not be recommending any constitutional changes at this stage. We have developed a list of Standing Resolutions that are particularly relevant to our club, and we will be putting those to a future Club meeting for discussion and approval.

6.2 New Handbook

Constitution to be reviewed first and new member handbook to be completed as soon as possible.

6.3 Club Activities

Lorraine and Toni gave an update on events and proposed activities:

Saturday 2nd August, The Clink Theatre - 3pm performance of "Ladies & gentleman" 10% discount by entering code online of PROBUS 10. Lunch will be taken prior at the Tin Shed.

Wednesday, 6th August, St Crispin's – Cocktail event with U3A, sponsored by The Tin Shed.

September – pétanque.

October – Mount Carbine trip.

November – Ambrose golf at Mossman Golf Course.

December – Xmas event probably Harrisons.

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Susan asked members if they had any questions and whether they were happy with the way things are progressing. There was general approval around the room of the current status of the Club. Susan thanked the efforts of the Club Committee for taking us to this stage so rapidly.

8. AOB

There have been several Birthdays recently, best wishes to: Andrea Falstein, Barabara Anderson, Catherine Rosenbrauer, Debbie Howman, Karen Katra, Lorraine Potter and our President Susan Stafford (all July); and Caroline Lee, Dusty Howman and Stephen Helson (all August).

Chris announced that another batch of membership badges had been ordered and should be available by the next meeting.

9. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will take place on Monday 25th August at 9:30am.

10. INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER

10:00 am

Our guest speaker for this meeting was Cr. Damian Meadows, a former Police Sergeant in the Shire until his retirement last year. Damian told us about his early life and what ultimately drove him towards a career in the Queensland Police. Damian shared some fascinating and often poignant stories regarding his various encounters with people on both sides of the law. He also spoke of his dealings with tragic circumstances, where he and colleagues had a vital role to play in assisting those members of the community affected by such events.

11.	MORNING TEA	11:10 am

12. MEETING CLOSED 11:30 am

Secretary:	05/08/25
President: Susan Stafford	05/08/2025