



Miami Combined Probus Club Inc.

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Minutes of the GENERAL Meeting held on Tuesday 5th August 2025 at the Burleigh Heads & Mowbray Park Surf Life Saving Club, Burleigh Heads.

Meeting opened at 10 am by the Vice President Debbie Dickson in President June Webber's absence

1. Members and visitors welcomed to the meeting.
2. Two announcements pertaining to insurance:
 - a. Members were reminded of the importance of wearing their club badges at all meetings and events.
 - b. Members need to advise the committee of their early departure from the meetings.
- 3.. Confirmation of lunch following the meeting at Club Burleigh.
4. Members were advised that Graeme Clarke will address the meeting regarding the Recommended Changes to the Constitution and Standing Resolutions as advised by PSPL in General Business.
5. **Celebrations** – Recognition of our club's 12 anniversary
6. **Congratulations** to eight members who have celebrated or will celebrate their 80th birthdays this year: – Ros Guye, Carol Straughan, Marilyn Bromley, Kaye Camilleri, Bill Murray, John Vincent, Neita Mason and Lucy Boland.
7. Special recognition of Colin Sharpe who is turning 90 yrs old this month.

Know your Probus Friend. - Margaret Clarke.

*Maragaret was born and grew up in Leicester. Maths and science were her favourite subjects at school hence her first job was testing fibres in a laboratory, but she was allergic to asbestos so re- trained as a pharmacy dispenser at night school, something she later taught at tech school. With a desire to travel, Margaret worked hard and eventually arrived in Majorca where she met her future husband. Neil was a seaman with a desire to live in Australia. In 1971 they arrived in Sydney and the rest they say is history.
Thank you, Margaret.*

Apologies: Juanita Barber, John Curtain, John & Al Larter Arthur Lewis, Lyn Melsom, Bill & Shirley Murray, Lyn Norris, Brodie Straughan, John & Joy Vincent, June Webber,

Motion: Apologies be accepted

Moved: Debbie Dickson

Second: Lesley Mayn

Agreed.

Confirmation of the minutes of last meeting as a true and accurate record.

Motion: Minutes confirmed and accepted.

Moved: Margaret Clarke

Second: Yvonne Jordan

Agreed

Business arising from previous Minutes: No business arising.

Correspondence In:

PSPL

1st Aug – Advising 2026 Tours to Japan with Janessa Tours

31st July – Probus Newsletter- PSPL's financial results for the year ended 31st March 2025

24th July – Message from Probus – 2024-2026 Australian National Insurance Program Summary.

23rd July – Active Retirees Magazine

Probus Management Committee Update – July 2025

GCNR July 3rd – Minutes of Delegates meeting held on the 27th of June.

Brochure and Booking Sheet for Tweed River Cruise on the 19th Sept.

Booking Sheet for Pohlmanns Nursery Tour on 29th August.

General:

Probus Association of Queensland – 2026 Probus 50yr Anniversary Cruise from Trade Travel.

Correspondence Out. NIL

Business arising from Correspondence:

Members were advised to contact the Secretary for any additional information arising from the Correspondence received.

Motion: Inward and outward correspondence accepted

Moved: Lesley Mayn

Second: Alan Jurd

Agreed.

Treasurer's Report: Kaye Camilleri.

Meeting Fees	\$	546.00	
Skypoint Breakfast	\$	320.00	
Xmas in July	\$	550.00	
GCNR Bus Trip	\$	160.00	
Interest	\$	0.77	<u>\$ 1,576.77</u>
			\$ 7,852.23

EXPENSES

Burleigh Surf Club Hire	\$	370.00	
Xmas in Jly	\$	1,891.50	
GCNR Bus Trip	\$	160.00	
Refund Newstead House	\$	60.00	
Newstead House morning Tea	\$	47.40	
Lucky Door Prize	\$	30.00	<u>\$ 2,558.90</u>

Bank Balance as at 25.07.2025	\$	5,293.33
Change Float	<u>\$</u>	<u>250.00</u>
TOTAL FUNDS HELD	\$	5,543.33

Committed Expenses to date

Skypoint	\$	352.00
Surf Club (app)	\$	370.00

Actual funds held

\$4,821.33

Business Arising from Treasurers Report:

1. There is \$720 committed expenses for this month.
2. Negotiations for changing banks are in the final stages. Just waiting for confirmation from the Commonwealth Bank.
3. Members asked to use the BOQ for this month.

Motion: That the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Moved: Kaye Camilleri

Second: Rosemary Hogan

Agreed

Committee & Sub Groups reports:

Membership: Dorreen Graham

1. 55 members attending this month's meeting,
2. 2 visitors welcomed. Graeme and Liz from Broadbeach Rotary.
3. Carol Fox, Noleen Brown and Norma Herbertson have attended the required 5 visits and will be offered an opportunity to go on the Wait List.
4. There are now 6 potential members on the Wait List.

Welfare: Robyn Zabawa

1. Brodie Straughan remains in hospital and continues to improve each day.
2. John Curtain recovering at home after hip surgery.
3. Our best wishes for speedy recovery and a return to Probus.
4. *Happy Birthday chocolates to members celebrating this month.* Colin Sharp, Helen Tudrozen, John Larter, John Curtain, June Webber, Brian Hunter, Rosemary Hogan.

Guest Speakers: Evelen Hunter

1. This month's speaker is Ms Marilyn Davis – Abuse of the Elderly.
2. September – Susie Thomas from the Stroke Foundation.

Please refer to flyers for full details of all events and dinners. These are emailed to all members as well as posted on the website and included in the newsletter. Members are reminded to include the code words as reference when booking by internet bank transfers.

Events/Activities/Outings Officers: Lesley Layton

1. Lesley reported that the **Xmas in July** event was very successful and well attended by members.
2. August event – Breakfast and Whale Watching at Q1 Observation Tower. Free Parking is available under the Sky Point Tower on validation of car. Must show senior's card to qualify for senior prices.
3. September – "Lumiere Night Walk" at Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary. 6pm start.

Themed Dinners/Lunches: Jill Lovett

1. August – Themed Lunch at the Currumbin R.S.L. Bookings essential.
2. September – Themed Lunch at the Emerald Lakes Golf Club.
3. There will be no Octoberfest this year. No decision yet on a replacement dinner.
4. Melbourne Cup. – Enquiries still ongoing as to a possible venue. Both Burleigh Bowls Club and Club Burleigh are being considered. Clubs yet to confirm.

Newsletter/Webmaster: Graeme Clarke

1. Members are reminded to refer to webpage for up-to-date information regarding all events.
2. All relevant information is also emailed to members directly.

Theatre: Barrie Middleton

1. An excellent response to Spotlight's "Mamma Mia" was received. Their shows just keep getting better.
2. Last 2 shows for the year at Spotlight are available for bookings.
3. Tickets are now available for *Titanic, the Musical* at Gold Coast Little Theatre.
4. Please book with Barrie for all theatre shows. All shows are Sunday Matinee performances.

GCNR Delegates Report. Carol Straughan in Brodie's absence

1. Carol reported there have been 7 activities/tours offered by GCNR to clubs over the last few months.
2. Members can access the information via the email address provided in the minutes.
3. Please contact Carol if interested in booking a tour. All registrations are to be kept by the Clubs themselves and not GCNR.
4. It is important when participating in a tour Probus badges must always be worn.
5. Emergency contact must also be recorded.
6. The long-awaited Guest Speaker book will be available early next year.

Hospitality/Luck Door Prize: Margaret Clarke

1. *Congratulations Clare Badger winner of the Lucky Door Prize.*

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General Business:

1. Graeme Clarke, our Club's Public Officer advised members of the proposal to adopt the PSPL Recommended Constitution and Recommended Standing Resolution with a view to replacing our existing ones at the September meeting.
2. A small focus group consisting of committee members has reviewed the Recommended Constitution and Standing Resolutions and advised that members should adopt the changes proposed.
3. The committee is required to give members 21 days' notice of the meeting to vote on accepting the proposals.
4. The Recommended Constitution and Standing Resolutions along with the two motions to adopt the documents will be sent to each member via email as well as posted on the website
5. .

MORNING TEA

Unfortunately, the Guest Speaker was late, so Graeme produced his trustworthy Trivia Questions whilst we waited. *Good fun and kept members entertained.*

Introduction of Guest Speaker: Evelyn Hunter. *Marilyn Davis, a retired lawyer, spoke about Elder Abuse. Marilyn apologized for her lateness. She gave an abbreviated talk on a topic she is passionate about. She reminded us abuse can take many forms, not just financial and to be vigilant and aware of whom we trust to protect us when we most need it.*

Confirmation of the next General Meeting. Tuesday 2nd September 2025

Meeting Closed: Vice President Debbie thanked members and visitors for their attendance and closed the meeting at 12.10pm

Verification minutes of the August meeting as a true and accurate record.

Vice President: Debbie Dickson **Secretary:** Lesley Mayn