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# Minutes of the GENERAL Meeting held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025 at the Burleigh Heads & Mowbray Park Surf Life Saving Club, Burleigh Heads.

## Meeting opened at 10am by the President June Webber.

- 1. Members and visitors [ Sue Bailey and Dawn Mckinnon] were welcomed to the meeting.
  - 2. Confirmation of lunch following the meeting at the Burleigh Surf Club
  - 3. Rendition of the Probus Song.
  - 4. John Vincent and Bill Murray were congratulated on celebrating their 80th birthdays.
  - 5. **Know your Probus Friend**. This month's speaker is Evelen Hunter.

Evelen was born in Lismore NSW to Italian parents who owned a Banana Plantation. She remembers riding a horse to school, eating lots of bananas and devouring half the split loaf of bread on her way home. Her career of nursing spanned 40 years, specializing in Theatre nursing. Evelen retired to the Gold Coast in 2009 with husband Brian. In retirement Evelen enjoyed volunteering work and later a love of bowling.

**Apologies**: Juanita Barber, Alan Brock, Jan Clarke, Marilyn Culell, Debbie Dickson, Ros Guye, Julie Hill, Rosemary Hogan, Alan Jurd, Wilma Hookway, Ross & Judith Lever, Dawn McDonald, Brodie Straughan

Motion: Apologies be accepted

Moved: Lesley Mayn Second: Carol Straughan Agreed.

## Confirmation of the minutes of last meeting.

Motion: Minutes confirmed and accepted.

Moved: June Webber Second: Yvonne Jordan Agreed

#### **Business arising from previous Minutes:**

1. The President advised the vote to adopt the PSPL Constitution and changes to the Standing Orders would take place in General Business.

#### Correspondence In:

- 1. PSPL Prospective Member Sandy and Roland Perpic
- 2. 2024/2025 Financial Record
- 3. August Management Committee Update
- 4. . Message from Probus Welcome to new Probus Partners.
- 5. Levande Retirement Living Invite to a Spring Opening week.

#### **GCNR**

**1.** Trade Travel Cruise to Vanuatu & New Caledonia in October 2026 to celebrate Probus 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

#### General:

- 1. Division 12, 2025/2026 Discretionary Grant Program applications accepted up to the end of September.
- 2. Trade Travel Tours & Cruises that feel just right for over 60s.
- 3. Outback Pioneers Save 10% on Outback Holidays with Kinnan&Co.
- 4. Probus Association of Queensland General Information Newsletter

## Correspondence Out. NIL

Sorrespondence Out.

## **Business arising from Correspondence:**

The Management Committee decided not to apply for a discretionary grant this year.

**Motion:** Inward and outward correspondence accepted

Moved: Lesley Mayn Second: David Harries Agreed.

8. Treasurer's Report: Kaye Camilleri.

| TREASURERS REPORT AUGUST 2025     |              |                  |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| Bank Balance as at 25th July 2025 |              | \$ 5,293.33      |
| Meeting Fees                      | \$<br>424.00 |                  |
| Skypoint Breakfast                | \$<br>384.00 |                  |
| Return Xmas July Drinks wrong A/c |              |                  |
| Wildlife Currumbin                | \$<br>175.00 |                  |
| Interest                          | \$<br>0.65   | \$ 983.65        |
|                                   |              | \$ 6,276.98      |
| EXPENSES                          |              |                  |
| Burleigh Surf Club Hire           | \$<br>370.00 |                  |
| Stationary & Printing             | \$<br>86.00  |                  |
| Birthday Chocs & Cards            | \$<br>45.15  |                  |
| Lucky Door Prize                  | \$<br>16.00  | <u>\$ 517.15</u> |
|                                   |              |                  |
| Bank Balance as at 25.08.2025     |              | \$ 5,759.83      |
| Change Float                      |              | \$ 250.00        |
| TOTAL FUNDS HELD                  |              | \$ 6,009.83      |
|                                   |              |                  |
| Committed Expenses to date        |              |                  |
| Skypoint                          | \$<br>768.00 |                  |
| Stationery & Printing             | \$<br>39.00  |                  |
| Surf Club Approx                  | \$<br>380.00 |                  |
| Wildlife Currumbin                | \$<br>175.00 | \$ 1,362.00      |
| Actual funds held                 |              | \$ 4,647.83      |

## **Business Arising from Treasurers Report:**

- 1. The new bank account at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia [CBA] has now been finalized and is operational.
- 2. Bank details will be printed in the next newsletter and also emailed directly to members.

- 3. Members were advised that they can bank at any CBA branch and Australia Post Offices.
- 4. For the next 6 months the old bank account will still be operational. Kaye thanked members for their patience whilst the changes were occurring.
- 5. The meeting was advised that the Management Committee had approved a request from the Treasurer to increase the monthly meeting fees from \$8.00 to \$10.00 to cover the rising costs incurred. This will happen from February 2026

**Motion:** That the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Moved: Kaye Camilleri Second: Jill Lovett. Agreed

#### **Committee & Sub Groups reports:**

#### Membership: Dorreen Graham

1. 48 Members present, 14 apologies received. 3 no notifications.

- 2. 6 Wait list members, Robyn Arlow, Helen Sweeney, Carol Fox, Ingrid Milbourn, Noleen Brown, Norma Herbertson.
- 3. Welcomed 2 visitors, Sue Bailey and Dawn McKinnon
- 4. 2 prospective members, Sandy & Roland Perpic have joined another Probus Club.

Welfare: Robyn Zabawa -

- 1. Happy September Birthdays to John Gallan, Arthur Lewis, Lesley Layton, Gloria Gergely and Shirley Murray. Belated chocolates to John Curtain
- 2. John Curtain addressed the meeting and thanked Robyn for her consideration and empathy as welfare officer.
  - 3. Congratulations to Brodie Straughan now in rehabilitation at John Flynn Hospital.

## Guest Speakers: Evelen Hunter

- 1. Today's guest speaker is Susie Thomas from the Stroke Foundation
- 2. October Tracey Chase from Crime Stoppers addressing personal safety.
- 3. The President and the Secretary alerted the meeting to a recent text scam which falsely indicated to having been sent from the President asking for the purchase of Apple gift cards. Members were advised that **under no circumstances** would any members be asked to purchase gift cards on behalf of the President and/or the committee without prior approval.

#### Events/Activities/Outings Officers: Lesley Layton

- 1.Succeful event for members who attended the Sky 1 breakfast and whale watching event.
- 2.**Sept Event**. "Lumiere Lightshow" at Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary. Note change of date to **Wednesday 17**<sup>th</sup> **September**.
- 3.**Friday 19**<sup>th</sup> **Sept.@ 4pm**. "Swell Sculptures" @ Currumbin. Carol Straughan offered to organize an extra event for interested members.
- 4.**October**: Enjoy an open day on the water with the HOPPO Ferry. Details provided on the flyer.
- 5. **November**: A Melbourne Cup Lunch following the Monthly Meeting is planned. Details to follow

#### Themed Dinners: Jill Lovett

- !.30 members attended lunch at the Currumbin R.S.L.
- 2. **September**: Lunch at the Emerald Lakes Golf Course.
- 3. **October**: No themed lunch organized as it is too close to the Melbourne Cup Lunch.

4. **Novembe**r: Enquiries ongoing as to a suitable venue. Possibly the Burleigh Bowls Club. Interested members please contact Jill.

#### Newsletter/Webmaster: Graeme Clarke

1. Web site updated with latest news and information.

Theatre: Barrie Middleton

- 1. The recent Gold Coast Little theatre production "Titanic the Musical" was well received by members attending. A very professional production.
- 2. All details for next productions at Spotlight and GCLT are shown in the newsletter.
- 3. Members are asked to contact Barrie directly for further information.

### GCNR Delegates Report. Carol Straughan.

- 1. Tweed River Cruise places still available on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept.
- 2. October is Probus 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. A Friendship Day on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October at Paradise Park in Nerang is planned to celebrate this. Names to Carol please.
- 3. Probus Cruise to celebrate 50yrs in October 2026. Contact GCNR for more information.

## 11. Hospitality/Luck Door Prize: Margaret Clarke

Congratulation Lynette Clark our lucky winner.

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#### 12. General Business:

- 1.Public Officer Graeme Clarke presided over the vote to adopt the PSPL Recommended Constitution and Recommended Standing Resolutions. These were emailed to all members prior to this meeting with the required 21 days' notice provided.
- 2. As the motion to adopt the Recommended Constitution is considered a special resolution, 75% of members present will need to vote in favour of adoption. Each member had one vote; there were no proxy votes received.

**Motion:** That members by special resolution, hereby adopt the Recommended Constitution provided by Probus South Pacific Limited, replacing any current Constitution of the Club. For 48, Against 0 **Motion was agreed to.** 

3. The motion to adopt the Standing Resolutions requires a majority vote to be accepted.

**Motion**: That members hereby adopt the Standing Resolutions replacing any current Standing Resolutions or By-Laws of the Club.
48 members For, 0 Against. **Motion was agreed to.** 

- 4. Ralph Mayn reported that the first "Reader's Group' meeting was enjoyed by members attending. The next meeting is 9<sup>th</sup> September at the Burleigh Sports Club at 10 am. Bring a book, have a coffee and a chat.
- 5. Vicki Harries advised members of a bus tour to Toowoomba Flower Show organized by the Pimpama Probus Club on 18<sup>th</sup> September. Please contact Vick for further information.

#### **MORNING TEA**

#### Introduction of Guest Speaker: Evelen Hunter.

Susie Thomas from the Stroke Foundation. Susie gave a very informative presentation on how to recognize and prevent strokes. Statistically a stroke occurs at 1 every 11 minutes but 80% can be prevented. She urged members to learn how to recognize a stroke and what actions we can take to limit the likelihood of having a stroke.

**Meeting Closed @ 11.45am** President June Webber thanked members and visitors for their attendance.

Confirmation of the next General Meeting. Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October. 2025

Verification of the September minutes as a true and accurate record.

President: June Webber Secretary: Lesley Mayn