

Probus Club of Kincumber Inc.
Minutes of the meeting of the Management Committee
held at the home of John & Helen Sutton on 3 February 2015

The meeting opened at 2.45pm. Those present were John Sutton (President), Diane Rudd (Vice President), Arthur Adeney (Junior Vice President), Barry Riley (Treasurer), Yvonne Chandler (Secretary), Marie Riley (Speaker Convenor), John Rudd (Membership Convenor) and Pat Fordham (Editor). Apologies were received from Gloria Reid.

Minutes of previous Committee meeting on 6 December 2015: The draft Minutes had previously been circulated and were accepted.

Business arising from Minutes: Nil

Correspondence: Newsletters from various other Probus Clubs, some travel brochures, an Email resignation from Ruth Mills, and a thank you to Marie from Peter Sweeney. A letter of resignation was received from Robert Cummings

President's Report: President John Sutton extended thanks to Marie Riley for the choice of Peter Sweeney as speaker at the January meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Barry Riley provided the following financial report for January 2015.

<i>Cheque Account</i>			
	Balance at 1 March 2014	\$350.45	
	<i>Year to date</i>	<i>January</i>	
Income	\$2911.80	\$332.55	
Expenses	\$3031.16	\$604.26	
		Balance	\$231.16
<i>Savings account</i>			
	Balance at 1 March 2014	\$1042.76	
	<i>Year to date</i>	<i>January</i>	
Deposits	\$1210.00	nil	
Interest	\$40.48	\$3.02	
Transfers	\$591.20	nil	
Fees	\$3.00	nil	
		Balance	\$1699.04
Combined net balance at January 31 2015			\$1930.20

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Treasurer's Report: Barry Riley presented spreadsheets to support his recommendation for fees for the 2015-2016 period. Since Pat Fordham had obtained an excellent quote for printing of the Newsletter at a substantial saving Barry confirmed his belief that it will be possible to maintain fees to members at the present level of \$10 for new members and \$40 per year annual subscription. Since the shared use of the Active Retirees Magazine is working well we will continue to order only 15 copies. All members present agreed with his recommendation. President John congratulated Barry on his work on this matter.

Editor's Report: Editor Pat Fordham reported on her work researching charges for printing by alternate suppliers with excellent results. The meeting agreed to accept the lowest quote of \$17 per 50 copies on a trial basis. Six quotes were obtained giving some fall back if this supplier proved unsuitable. President John and all members congratulated Pat on such a beneficial result. The move towards email supply of the Newsletter will commence as soon as practical, with members being reminded that if they received email versions they should not take a printed one.

Speaker Convenor's Report: Speaker Convenor Marie Riley told of taking Lt Col Peter Sweeney to Lunch at Kincumber Hotel at the Club's expense after his well received talk on The Gallipoli Campaign. He spoke with

most members who were present. Marie suggested he be considered for another talk in 2016. In February our speaker will be Geoffrey Potter whose topic will cover the sinking of the SS Maitland. John expressed the club's thanks to Marie for her splendid work in this role. Hermione is taking over and is enthusiastic about the position.

Social Convenor's Report: Gloria Reid thanked Jenny Baker and Sue Schmid for managing the Christmas Party so well in her absence. It was attended by 50 people and all had a good time. The February outing will be on the River Postman on the Hawkesbury, and in March we will visit the Sydney Theatre Company for a backstage tour. Details are in the Newsletter.

Membership Report: Convenor John Rudd reviewed management documents for membership leading to a discussion on the option of increasing the allowable membership number to be increased from 80 to 90. Current membership is exactly 80. After consideration it was moved Barry Riley, seconded John Rudd that we present the motion at the AGM that we do extend our maximum membership allowed to 90. All members present agreed. Some discussion followed regarding Fred Leake's suggestion that we should maintain some relationships with past members. The meeting agreed that some level of continuation may be desirable for some past members and John Rudd will follow this up and inform Fred of this. A letter of resignation from Bob Cummings was tabled. John will deliver a 15 year Certificate and letter of thanks for loyal membership to Bob.

Bushwalking: Barry and Betty Pickersgill have accepted the role of Bushwalking Convenor and will commence after the AGM. It is anticipated that the idea of other members sometimes leading the various walks will continue. It was suggested that we invite Richard Collins to run the March walk around the Avoca Lake (postponed last year due to poor weather).

General business: Again the PA effectiveness of the system was discussed with thanks to Chris Dillon for the use of his system in January. Improved equipment for the church system is available and as a long term answer the February meeting will use this with additional management by Arthur Adeney with David Dunbar. Arthur has experience in this field and this level of management is positive. The role of Junior Vice President has not been filled and Arthur will give a short overview of the responsibilities of this role, then the Vice President's role to encourage commitment. Thelma Leonard has advised that she will be unable to continue in the role of Inter Club Liaison Convenor effective immediately.

Election of President and Committee members and appointment of Co-opted Members for the next year. The following Nominations have been received:

Committee

President: Diane Rudd
Vice-President: Arthur Adeney
Junior Vice-President: vacant
Treasurer: Barry Riley
Secretary: Yvonne Chandler
Membership Officer: John Rudd
Speaker Convenor: Hermione Dunbar
Social Convenor: Gloria Reid
Editor: Pat Fordham

Sub-committee and Convenors:

Bushwalking Convenors: Barry and Betty Pickersgill
Catering Officers: Wendy Coney and Isabelle Drew
Golf: John Rudd
Historian: John Rudd
Assistant Membership Officer: Ineka Esveld
Assistant Social Convenors: Sue Schmid and Jenny Baker
Photographer: Bill Clark/Diane Rudd
Theatre Convenor: Barbara Orme
Webmaster: Barry Riley
Welfare Officers: Elizabeth Butler and Helen Sutton
Joint Venue Officers: Bill Clark and Alan Drew
Library: Jenny Baker
Debates: Richard Collins

The meeting closed at 4.25 PM with thanks to John and Helen for hosting.

The next meeting will be held at 2.30pm on Tuesday 7 April 2015 at the home of Diane and John Rudd, 71 Copacabana Drive Copacabana.

Signed as a correct record: Diane Rudd (President):