

Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the Probus Club of Kincumber Inc. held at the home of Richard and Marilyn Collins at Macmasters Beach on Tuesday, 4th April 2005.

President Richard opened the meeting at 9.30 am and welcomed the committee. He also welcomed Past President Michael Ryan who was attending this Committee meeting as Immediate Past-President, and again thanked Mike for his contributions and leadership as President.

Richard advised the Committee that member Geoff Veel was very ill, and was not expected to live. (Geoff actually died on the previous day.)

Those present were President Richard Collins, Vice-President David Dunbar, Secretary Don Wiseman, Treasurer Nev Owen, Membership Officer John Orme, Speaker Convenor Stan Roberts, Editor Barry Riley, and Social Convenor David Dennison.

The Minutes of the previous Committee Meeting having already been circulated were taken as read on a motion from Richard Collins and seconded by Barry Riley.

Matters Arising The deposit from last year's Christmas function at Davistown RSL has been refunded.

Correspondence The completed Annual Form 12 has been sent to the Department of Fair Trading, together with a change of Public Officer Form.

Completed forms have been sent to Probus Centre South Pacific.

The Club's Post Office box has been renewed.

A request has been received from Probus Centre to ratify the changes in the Constitution. Past-President Michael noted that less than half of the Probus clubs contacted responded to the request for comment on the proposed changes to the Constitution. He also noted that not all of the proposed amendments were approved. The Committee decided to include in the April News Sheet a notice of Motion that the changes will be voted on in May. After the changes have been ratified in May, Editor Barry Riley will issue printed slips for insertion by Members in their own copies of the Constitution. Past-Secretary David Kenny has offered to complete the process of advising the Department of Fair Trading of the changes after they have been approved, and the Committee accepted his offer with thanks. All correspondence was accepted on a motion from Richard Collins and seconded by David Dunbar.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Nev Owen advised that the bank balance of the Club's bank account was \$1545.10. His report was accepted on his motion, seconded by Barry Riley.

President's Report President Richard said that his priorities as President were to promote fellowship in the Club, and to have a steady stream of new and potentially active members.

Richard raised the matter of the vacancy of Junior Vice-President. Len Fricker and Eric Waldegrave were suggested as possible candidates. Richard will approach them, in that order.

With the death of Geoff Veel, a new person will need to be found to act as Webmaster.

Membership Officer John Orme reported that the Club has 69 active members. Peter Moore will help John as Assistant Membership Officer.

Speaker Convenor Stan Roberts advised that the next guest speaker will be Neville Steer, of Aids for the Disabled. In May the talk will be about Safari.

Social Convenor David Dennison said that about 25 people will attend the tour of the Everleigh Railway Workshops. Future activities include a ferry trip to Palm Beach with lunch at the Palm Beach RSL, Cockatoo Island, and the Zig Zag railway. David

will be overseas for 6 weeks from 11 June. A booking has been made at Davistown RSL Club for this year's Christmas party on Tuesday 13th December 2005

Editor Barry Riley will issue an updated Membership list in June. Barry also issued to Committee members a new "ring around" list for informing members of the Club of urgent matters. The next News Sheet will contain a notice advising Members that fees are now due.

Bushwalking President Richard advised that future bushwalks are: South Wyrabalong (April), Rumbalara Reserve (May) and the waterfront at Woy Woy (June). He also discussed a future walk at Hardys Bay. Past-President Mike said that this walk could include a visit to the home of Bruce and Irene Dunlop.

General Business The Committee decided that it would use the new Probus Centre brochure in conjunction with the Club's own brochure when seeking new members. The Committee decided to present retiring Secretary David Kenny with a plaque stating our appreciation for all the he has done for the Club. Secretary Don will arrange this.

The next Committee meeting will be held at the home of John Orme at Macmasters Beach on Tuesday, 7th June 2005.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.10 am.

Confirmed by President Date.....