

15th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (15th): July 27, 1999

The Minutes of the fifteenth Annual General Meeting of the Probus Club of Kincumber Inc, held at the Avoca Beach Bowling and Recreation Club on Tuesday, 27th July, 1999.

President John Wallace, opened the meeting at 9.30am welcoming all 59 members present. There were no visitors. Apologies were received from Ken Gosby. Peter Manzie, Norm Walsh,, Stan Roberts, Les Ireland, Ken Jones, Keith Tysoe, Brian Smith, Jack Easton, Roy Rees, Lionel Hughes, and Cyril Roberts.

The Minutes of the fourteenth Annual General Meeting were read by the Secretary, David Kenny, and it was proposed by David Lester and seconded by Ted Johnson that the minutes be accepted. Carried. No Business arising.

President John Wallace reported that he had enjoyed working with his committee during the year and was satisfied with the results and wished to thank everyone for their support.

Treasurer Neville Owen presented his Statement of Income and expenditure and final treasurer's report for the year together with the Social Fund Financial Statement, both of which were circulated to members, and both were approved by the Honorary Auditor, Keith Oberman. Treasurer Neville advised that as the Club funds were in surplus there was no need to increase annual fees. Fred Leake asked if the bank fees could be eliminated from the Social Fund account and the Treasurer replied that he would see if it could be done. It was proposed by Neville Owen and seconded by Gordon Taylor that the Club's Financial Report and Social Fund Report, be received and adopted. Carried.

No reports were received from any Committee member or from the Convenors for club activities during the 1998/1999 year.

President John Wallace then proceeded with the submission of the Notice of Motions to the Annual General Meeting as previously circulated in the June 1999 Newsheet, as follows:

Notice of Motion No 1. That the Immediate Past President has the option of attending meetings of the Committee as an ex-officio member. The Motion was proposed by David Kenny and seconded by John Orme. After discussion for and against the motion, a show of hands was taken and counted by scrutineers Ken Robson and Ron Baker. The voting was 44 for the motion and 13 against. As this was one short of the three quarters majority needed, the motion was lost.

Notice of Motion No 2. That a new office bearer position of Deputy Vice President be created. This was proposed by David Kenny and seconded by John Orme. After discussion for and against the motion, a show of hands was taken. Ken Robson and Ron Baker were scrutineers. The Vote was 44 for the motion and 14 against, and again this was one short of three quarters majority and the motion was lost.

Notice of Motion No 3. That the Club membership be increased from seventy(70) to eighty (80) members. This was proposed by David Kenny and seconded by John Orme. After discussion for and against the motion, an amendment was put forward by Geoff Butcher and seconded by Doug Beardman that all the existing waiting list be absorbed to become members, as a one-off solution. After discussion, the amendment was put and counting revealed 5 votes for the amendment and 44 against, and the motion was lost. Further discussion of the original motion followed and the original motion was put. Voting was 52 for and 2 against. The Motion was carried.

Notice of Motion No 4. *[cannot read handwriting]. To Rule 45(e) to be non political and non sectarian, the following sentence be added, "It shall not endorse any candidate for public office and shall not take any corporate action at any meeting with the intention of influencing the policies or decisions of Governments; however the merit of any public question may be a subject of fair and intelligent study or discussion at a Club meeting for the information of members." This motion was proposed by David Kenny and seconded by John Orme, and after discussion for and against the motion was put and voting was counted by the scrutineers Ken

Robson and Ron Baker, with 49 for and 5 against, and as this exceeded the three quarters majority the motion was carried.

Gordon Maxwell then recommended that the new Committee, after accepting the 10 people currently on the waiting list, give consideration to not immediately reopening the waiting list.

Election of Office Bearers for 1999/2000

President John Wallace then confirmed that in accordance with our constitution at the General Meeting on 23rd March, 1999 the following members had been elected to office:

President: John Orme

Vice President: Secretary: Treasurer:

Ron Coleman David Kenny Neville Owen

All of whom would take office at the conclusion of this AGM.

President John also advised that nominations had been received for the following positions:

Social Convenor:

Guest Speaker Convenor:

Membership Officer and Public Officer: Newsheet Editor:

Ron Coleman Norm Walsh

Ken Robson

Eric Waldegrave.

As no other nominations for these positions had been received they were all duly elected. President John confirmed the following sub committee positions:

Welfare Officer: Catering officers:

Club Photographer:

Club Historian:

Theatre Party Organiser: Bushwalking:

Bowls Organiser:

Golf Captain:

Assistant Membership Officer:

Colin Sheumack

Noel Smith, John Van Gelder, Norm Baker, & Rick Rickets Keith Austin

David Lester

John Horton

John Mulford

Reg Davis

John Van Gelder

Ron Baker.

President John Wallace then finally thanked the previous committee and sub committees and on introducing our new President, John Orme, wished him and his committee a successful term of office for 1999/2000

President John Orme, on taking the Chair, thanked Past President John Wallace for his efforts and presented him with a past Presidents Plaque and Past Presidents lapel badge. President John Orme said he looked forward to his year in office and working with the new committee for 1999/2000

President John then called for nominations for the position of Auditor for 1999/2000. Keith Oberman was nominated but declined the position. No other nominations were received and it was decided to let the new Committee recommend an honorary auditor at their first Committee meeting.

President John then thanked Keith Oberman for carrying out the Auditor duties for the last four years. There was no general business and the Annual General meeting closed at 10.55am.