

**Probus Club of Kincumber Inc.**  
**Minutes of the meeting of the Management Committee**  
**held at the home of Rhoda Roberts on 7 February 2012**

The meeting opened at 2.30pm. Those present were Rhoda Roberts (President), John Rudd (Senior Vice President), Thelma Leonard (Junior Vice President), Barry Riley (Treasurer), Richard Collins (Secretary), Ruth Charlesworth (Social Convenor), Marie Riley (Speaker Convenor), Wally Tuffs (Editor) and John Pagett (Membership Officer).

President Rhoda welcomed members to the meeting.

Minutes of previous Committee meeting on 6 December 2011: The draft Minutes had previously been circulated and changes requested by members had been made. The Minutes were agreed.

Business arising from Minutes: Richard has written to Peter Goddard following his resignation. The new Standing Resolutions have been adopted. The Committee agreed to print 150 copies of the Constitution and Standing Resolutions in a format similar to the previous Constitution and By-Laws. Wally will arrange this. The Committee decided not to reprint the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary booklet. We will therefore cease the practice of giving a copy of this booklet to newly inducted Members.

Correspondence: News Sheets from other Probus Clubs; Travel brochures.

President's Report: Rhoda thanked the Committee for the support that they had given her during her Presidency, and wished John Rudd well for his year as President. She looked forward to congratulating Ern Williams for his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday at the next General Meeting. She also said that there will be two more visitors at this Meeting: Jill Smith and Gerry Turner.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Barry Riley provided the following information about the Club's accounts with unrepresented cheques included in the figures:

Balance at 1 March 2011	\$994.47	
	<i>Year to date</i>	<i>January</i>
Income	\$2095.00	nil
Expenses	\$1786.62	\$101.40
Balance at 31 January 2012	\$1302.85	

Barry's report was accepted.

Barry said that the Club's financial position had improved significantly over the past 12 months, and recommended that the annual subscription for 2012-2013 remain at the present \$30. The Committee agreed to recommend this to Members at the AGM.

Membership Report: John Pagett advised that the membership of the Club remains at 67 (63 plus 4 Life members) which will change to 68 after the resignations of Peter Goddard and Camille Denny take effect and 3 proposed new members are inducted.

The Committee accepted Membership applications from David and Elizabeth Butler, and Anne Swan. John Pagett will advise them and arrange name badges. If available, they will be inducted at the next Meeting.

The Committee accepted Camille Denny's resignation. Richard will advise her.

The Committee agreed with John's suggestion that all visitors be given a visitor's badge and that specific Members have the responsibility to "meet and greet" them and ensure that they are looked after during the meeting. The Junior Vice President will be asked to coordinate this. Rhoda also offered to be involved after March. All new Members will be encouraged to put a sticker on their badges for their first few meetings so that they can be easily identified and made welcome.

Following extensive discussion, the Committee decided that, in order not to deter prospective new members, we should not emphasise that they may be asked to take on responsibilities within the Club.

John suggested possible changes to the Membership Application form. Following comments by the Committee, John will issue a revised draft form. The new Committee will consider this matter further at its first meeting.

Editor's Report: Editor Wally Tuffs had nothing to report.

Speaker Convenor's Report: Speaker Convenor Marie Riley advised the following future speakers: February: Greg deMoore on Tom Wills who, amongst other things, compiled the rules for AFL; March: no speaker due to AGM; April: Alan Flores, on recent trends in libraries; later in 2012: John Sutton on the James Craig; Richard Collins on global warming. Marie also mentioned a talk that she had recently heard from Ibtihal Samarayi about her experiences as a refugee. The Committee encouraged Marie to try and get her to speak to our Club.

Social Convenor's Report: Social Convenor Ruth Charlesworth advised that in February there will be a visit to the Telstra Museum at Bankstown, and in March we will go to Riding for the Disabled. There will be no Social event in April due to the golfing and bushwalking trip to Nelson Bay from 30 April to 3 May. In September John Sutton will lead a visit to the Sydney Heritage Fleet.

Bushwalking Report: No report.

Golf: John Rudd advised that the Golf presentation lunch will be held on 21 February.

Theatre: No report

Web site: Webmaster Barry Riley said that the site was operating well.

Debates: Richard said that he will not be available to manage the debates this year. He will raise this matter at the next General Meeting.

Committee for 2012: The Committee agreed to make the following nominations for the 2012 Committee and Convenors:

<b>Committee</b>		<b>Convenors</b>	
President	John Rudd	Bushwalking:	Kevin Southgate
Senior Vice President	Thelma Leonard	Catering Officer:	To be decided
Junior Vice President	John Sutton	Golf:	Mike Ryan
Secretary	Richard Collins	Historian:	Anne Mulford
Treasurer	Barry Riley	Assistant M'ship Officer:	Patrick Leonard
Social Convenor	Ruth Charlesworth	Assistant Social Convenor:	Reg Charlesworth
Speaker Convenor	Marie Riley	Photographer:	Diane Rudd
Membership Officer	John Pagett	Theatre:	To be decided
Editor	Wally Tuffs	Webmaster:	Barry Riley
		Welfare:	Lorraine Southgate

Rhoda will discuss the Catering Officer position with Pat Fordham. She will raise the positions without nominees with Members at the next General Meeting.

Meetings: Thelma advised that, subject to her availability. Denise Lawrence will give a Profile talk in February. Thelma will also ask Ken Robson if he will speak. The Committee decided to introduce "Five Minutes of Fame" talks by existing Members to give some variation from Profile talks.

At the March AGM, Irene Dunlop, Jean Johnson and Janet Smith will be recognised for their long service to the Club. Wally will prepare cards of appreciation, and Thelma will arrange flowers for each lady. Rhoda will make the presentations just before morning tea.

General Business: None

The next meeting will be held at 2.30pm on Tuesday 3 April 2012 at John Rudd's place: 71 Copacabana Drive, Copacabana. (Note: Access to John's place is off Helen Drive. He will have the Probus sign to guide members.)

On behalf of the Committee, John Rudd thanked Rhoda for hosting this meeting.

The meeting closed at 4.30pm.

Signed as a correct record: Rhoda Roberts (President): .....