

Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the Probus Club of Kincumber Inc. held at the home of John Orme at Macmasters Beach on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> June 2005.

President Richard opened the meeting at 9.35 am and welcomed the committee. 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 and accepted, on a motion from Richard Collins and seconded by Don Wiseman.

Matters Arising The Constitutional changes were ratified at the General Meeting of the Club on 24 May 2005. Past-Secretary David Kenny has notified the Department of Fair Trading of these changes. Secretary Don will advise Probus Centre of the changes.

A plaque expressing the appreciation of the Club was presented to Past-Secretary David Kenny at the General Meeting on 25 May 2005.

Correspondence Secretary Don received several newsletters for other Probus Clubs, and other publicity material.

Editor Barry drew attention to a letter dated 31<sup>st</sup> January 2005 from Geoff Butcher in which he supported the idea of using email addresses to communicate with members. The Committee agreed that this is an appropriate thing to do, although when bereavement occurs, the Committee feels that a personal phone call is more appropriate. President Richard will speak to Geoff and advise him of this.

All correspondence was accepted on a motion from Don Wiseman and seconded by David Dunbar.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Nev Owen advised that the balance of the Club's bank account at 31 May 2005 was \$2928.53. He also advised that most members had paid their membership fees. Membership Officer John will prompt those who have yet to pay at the next General Meeting.

The Committee approved the expenditure of \$20.75 on address labels for John Orme. Treasurer Nev noted that expenditure on membership has now reached about half of the sum budgeted. Nev's report was accepted on his motion, seconded by Barry Riley.

President's Report President Richard advised that Len Fricker and Eric Waldegrave had both declined the offer to become Junior Vice-President. The Committee asked Richard to approach Laurie Gillies and Paul Harrop, in that order.

At present, there is no obvious candidate for the position of Webmaster.

Richard will raise the matter of seeking new members in the next News Sheet.

The Committee agreed to recommence introductory talks by new members. Vice-President David will arrange these.

Membership Officer John Orme reported that the Club has 67 active members.

Nev Owen advised that he had received a phone call from Bill Levitt advising the he wished to resign from the Club. Bill's resignation was accepted with regret.

Speaker Convenor Stan Roberts advised that the next guest speaker will be Stan Hutton. In July, Les Chanter will speak. At the August meeting, the school debate will be held.

If microphone problems persist, we will send a polite letter to the Bowling Club. Syd Holmes has indicated that he will bring his unit, and we will use this as a backup.

Social Convenor David Dennison reported that 38 people have booked to attend the lunch at Gosford Hotel on 14 June, and 35 for Auntie Mollie's on 12 July. A bus trip to Rouse Hill and Ettamooga Pub is proposed for August.

Editor Barry Riley issued an updated Membership list, and requested comment/corrections. Barry also issued a new “ring-around” list.

Bushwalking President Richard advised that future bushwalks are: the waterfront at Woy Woy (June), GIRRAKOOL (July), and RUMBALARA RESERVE (August).

Vice-President and Social Convenor David has booked for The Producers at the Lyric Theatre on Wednesday 28 September.

General Business The Committee decided that, in the future a choice of wine or a pen would be offered for all prizes and gifts to speakers. President Richard will discuss with Lerryn Mutton the number of gifts required for the August debate.

The Committee discussed possible members for next year. Treasurer Nev confirmed that he will step down. All other members will be available for reappointment, or elevation/relegation, as appropriate.

The next Committee meeting will be held at the home of Stan Roberts at East Gosford at 9.30 am on Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2005.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11 am.

Confirmed by President ..... Date.....