

## Agenda

# Probus Club of Kincumber Inc. General Meeting No 440 Alloura Waters, Davistown on Tuesday 26th July, 2022

Meeting opened 10.35 am.

#### **President Welcome** – Peter Mear

The President announced the loss of three members since the last meeting. These were Joan McLeod, Patrick Leonard and John Orme.

Condolences to their families were given and one minute silence was observed.

### Induction of New Members - Peter Mear

Two new members were inducted. These were Norm Lloyd and Helen Lloyd who were previous members of the Saratoga Probus Club

# **Apologies/Membership report** – David & Shirley Casey 43 Members were in attendance and 2 life members and 3 visitors There were 11 apologies. Paid up membership is 75.

### **Correspondence** – Trevor Moore

There was a card from Thelma Leonard thanking the Club for the sympathy card sent to the family on the death of Patrick. Thelma said that the club had been very special to both of them over the years and that their retirement was enhanced by Kincumber probus. Patrick was sorry not to be able to attend meetings in recent times

### Treasurer's Report – David Minshall

Bank Balance \$1712.23 and cash book balance \$\$1716.87 giving total cash funds of \$3429.10. Full financial report in shown in the July newsletter. There were no questions.

## **Social Convenor** - Pam Spencer

Lunch on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August at Davistown RSL with talk by Peter O'Rourke on "The Aboriginal Wars". Numbers are now over 20 with more expected. This has been organised by the President Peter Mear.

The" Historic Morphett" tour is on the 18<sup>th</sup> August and the bus will be departing from the United Church, Kincumber at 8 a.m.

Christmas Club Lunch date is the I 3th December at the Elanora Hotel. Further details will follow.

A trip to the Snowy is being organised for the 27<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **Theatre Convenor** – Dianne Rudd

Details are in newsletter and ring Di if you wish to book any show.

### Golf Convenor - Peter Mear

Nothing to report due to the continuous wet weather.

## **Bush Walking Convenor**

Walk was cancelled due to wet weather. A convenor is still being sought.

### Other Business - Peter Mear

The executive discussed the merits of the Probus Web Site and its worth to the club membership. We run the web page through an American host site called WIX. We have a 2 year automatic renewable subscription + a yearly Government Domain charge fee.

The 2 year renewal, due June 2023, will be approximately \$600 (including the yearly domain registration fees).

Four years ago the web site was asked to include all the club history since its inception. This has been done, with a back-up on a USB file with all the web data.

However, its primary function was to bring-in new members. To date we have had no membership inductions attributable to the web page. We do not have a problem in finding members locally as word-of mouth has proved so successful.

Also the use of the web site by the members has been dismal to say the least. Possibly because we have an excellent News Letter.

If a web site was deemed necessary by the club members, we could use the PSPL web page offering which I believe is free, but will require a member to set it up and maintain it.

Also discussed, was the need to retain a historian to record the history of the Club, which has been done in some detail in the past. The problem is to find volunteers to take up this role.

Members will be given the opportunity to speak on these matters, and resolutions will be put to the vote at the August meeting .

## Speaker convenor- Jan Allford

All speaker positions are filled for the rest of the year except for August.

A members profile would be appreciated as they have been popular.

October meeting - Central Coast Historical Society.

September meeting - Bev Campbell who will be discussing her life in Africa.

There are no Hight School debates this year.

## Junior Vice President introduces Member Profile speakers – Jan Allford

Paul Budjeda gave his profile talk. His father came out to Australia from Malta after the Second World War to work on the Snowy Hydro Project. After two years he was able to bring his family out, and for a while lived in Byalong, Near Canberra, at an abandoned railway station.

They moved to Pyrmont in Sydney to a semi-detached housBev Campbell e. We were given a very entertaining talk on the adventures (and mis adventures) of Paul and his friend Phillip

who hung around the docks at Ultimo and played on the ships and ate with the sailors and the wharfies. He then went to a Catholic Boarding Schools in Katoomba which was he said excellent, but still at times he got into trouble. Paul became a tradesman working with steel and considered them happy days. A very interesting and humorous talk of youthful adventures which all enjoyed.

There was no guest speaker for this meeting, instead we were entertained by Gloria Reid and her band "GonnaDooers". The six members of the bank entertained us with the good old rock and roll number of the 50s and 60s with an occasional venture into other eras. This was very entertaining with many of us rocking along. A collection box was set up for those who wish to assist the band. In addition, the Club donated \$60 for the tea ladies of the village to use as they see fit for the benefit the village and for the good tea coffee and biscuits which they supplied. Many thanks to Gloria for this event, and for setting up the room which we got free of charge.

President closed meeting at 11.15-Next Meeting Date - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August at 10.30 a.m. at Davistown R.S.L.