

## Probus Club of Kincumber Inc.

### Minutes of the meeting of the Management Committee

held at the home of Marie and Barry Riley on 4 October 2011

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), Wally Tuffs (Editor), Ruth Charlesworth (Social Convenor) and Marie Riley (Speaker Convenor). An apology was received from newly appointed Membership Officer John Pagett.

President Rhoda welcomed members to the meeting.

Minutes of previous Committee meeting on 2 August 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 advised that he has obtained an email address for the Club. The Committee agreed that, since this email address will only be used by Probus Centre to communicate with the Club, only the Secretary will access this email.

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

President's Report: Rhoda advised that, following last week's talk by John Ralph, several members will attend a training session at the Camera House this Thursday.

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>September</i>
Income	\$2095.00	\$25.00
Expenses	\$1167.35	nil
Balance at 30 September 2011	\$1922.12	

Membership Report: Vice President John said that he was pleased that John had taken on this job.

John also said that he had completed a spread sheet listing available details of all people who had been members of the Club since its inception. John will email this list to the Committee and Rhoda will advise members that it is available, either by email or in hard copy.

Editor's Report: Editor Wally Tuffs confirmed that he and John had handed over to John Pagett all of the relevant data bases. Rhoda thanked them both for maintaining these over the past few years.

Speaker Convenor's Report: Speaker Convenor Marie Riley advised the following future speakers:

October: Lorraine George on Laycock Street Theatre; November: Rob Kitching on plans for the Gosford waterfront; January 2012: Garry Kitchen on Riding for the Disabled; February: Greg deMoor on Tom Wills who, amongst other things, compiled the rules for AFL; April: Alan Flores, on recent trends in libraries; May: John Sutton on the James Craig.

Social Convenor's Report: Social Convenor Ruth Charlesworth advised that, following the February meeting, she planned to have an outing on 12 March 2012 to Riding for the Disabled. Arrangements are in hand for the visit to Henry Kendal Cottage on 11 October and the bush picnic on 15 November. Our Christmas function at Empire Bay Tavern will cost \$35 per head, with drinks extra.

Thelma proposed that she and Patrick hold another music and trivia night at their place at 6.30 for 7pm on Friday 9 December. The cost will be \$5 per head, bring a plate.

Mike Ryan has suggested that the Club organise another golfing and bushwalking trip next year at Nelson Bay. This could occur in either autumn or spring. The Committee will ask Kevin and Lorraine Southgate if they will organise this, with John Rudd to plan the golfing activities. Suggested accommodation is at the Landmark Apartments.

Bushwalking Report: No report.

Golf: No report.

Theatre: No report

Web site: Webmaster Barry Riley said that the site is operating well. Richard said that he had received very favourable comments which he had passed on the Barry.

Meetings: Richard advised that Fred Leake had said that he does not have a Historical presentation in October. Thelma advised that Profile talks will be given by Pam Robertson in November, Laurie Maclure in January and Denise Lawrence in either February or March (Fred may have a Historical Presentation for February).

New Constitution: Copies of the draft Constitution and Standing Resolutions were distributed to members at the last meeting, and Notices of Motion for their adoption had been given in the News Sheet. The motion to approve the Constitution for submission to Probus Centre will be put at the October meeting. If accepted, Richard will send the document to Probus Centre for their approval. Following approval, a second motion for the adoption of the Constitution will be put to members. The Committee agreed that the motion to approve the Standing Resolutions will also be moved at the October General Meeting, followed by a procedural motion for it to lie on the table until the January General Meeting. Members will be asked to submit any suggested changes to Richard by the November General Meeting. John Rudd and Richard will make recommendations on suggested changes to the Committee at the 6 December Committee Meeting. The Committee will decide which changes to recommend to members at the January General Meeting.

Committee responsibilities: The Committee confirmed the appointment of Pat Fordham as Catering Officer.

The Committee considered the possible composition of the 2012 Committee. The following are prepared to serve: President: John Rudd, Vice President: Thelma Leonard, Junior Vice President: John Sutton, Treasurer: Barry Riley, Secretary: Richard Collins would prefer to step down, but is prepared to serve, Membership Officer: John Pagett, Social Convenor: Ruth Charlesworth, Speaker Convenor: Marie Riley.

General Business: The Committee confirmed the following dates for next year's meetings:

24 January	22 May	25 September	11 December
28 February	26 June	23 October	(Xmas party)
27 March	24 July	27 November	
24 April	28 August		

Richard will write to Avoca Beach Bowling Club requesting the use of the meeting room on these dates. In the letter, he will also thank the Club for the use of their premises and provision of morning tea, and include a donation of \$200 to the Club.

Richard advised that he had received some negative comments on the new Probus magazine. He requested that careful note be taken of how many magazines are distributed, so that we will not oversubscribe next year.

The next meeting will be held at 2.30pm on Tuesday 6 December at John Rudd's place: 71 Copacabana Drive Copacabana

On behalf of the Committee, Rhoda thanked Marie and Barry for hosting this meeting.

The meeting closed at 3.45pm.

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