

Probus Club of Kincumber Inc.
Minutes of Annual General Meeting Number 31
held at Kincumber Uniting Church on Tuesday 24 March 2015

President John Sutton opened the meeting at 11.10 am and welcomed members.

Minutes of 2014 Annual General Meeting: Secretary Yvonne Chandler confirmed that the Minutes had been reviewed and accepted by the Committee and moved that these Minutes be accepted by the Meeting and adopted as a correct record (Agreed). There was no business arising from the Minutes.

Financial Reports for the year ending 28 February 2015: Treasurer Barry Riley referred to the Club's Financial Report, and the Social Fund Report, for the period March 2014 – February 2015. The reports were distributed prior to the meeting. Barbara Orme was thanked for auditing these reports. The summary totals were:

Cheque Account

Funds held at 28 February 2014	\$1393.21
Income	\$3664.91
Expenditure	\$3224.39
Funds held at 28 February 2015	\$1833.73

Social Fund

Funds held at 28 February 2014	\$1917.19
Income	\$3989.57
Expenditure	\$4897.34
Funds held at 28 February 2015	\$1009.42

The Reports were accepted.

Fees for 2015-2016: John advised that the Committee recommends that the Club's membership fees should remain at \$40 per year and the joining fee at \$10 per person. The meeting endorsed this recommendation. Barry Riley and Pat Fordham were congratulated on work which allowed fees to remain unchanged once again.

Confirmation of signatories for accounts of the Club: John confirmed that, as stated in the Constitution, the following members of the incoming Committee are authorised to sign Club accounts:

For the Main account: President, Senior Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer;

For the Social Account: President, Senior Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Social Convenor.

Motion to increase our maximum number of ordinary members : "The maximum number of ordinary members be increased to 90." Membership Convenor John Rudd told of the reasoning behind moving this motion. Under the current Standing Orders in the Constitution the proposed increase can be agreed to without changing the Constitution. With the existing pattern of resignations and new members it is desirable to implement an increase which would eliminate the concept of having a waiting list. Richard Collins spoke to the motion explaining that such changes had occurred a number of times since membership originally stood at 50. In each case similar reasoning was applied to allow the increase. It was also noted that the Club did not wish to become too large. He moved that the motion be adopted. The meeting agreed to the motion unanimously by a show of hands.

President's Report: John Sutton spoke of a very successful year. 14 new members were welcomed and this injection of new people and abilities was very beneficial. There was a natural attrition with some members resigning for various reasons. But growth was experienced due to the strong new member effect. General attendance at meetings was in the mid 50s, with a high attendance of 74 at our January 2015 meeting. The successful trip to Bellingen also included members from Berkley Vale and was enjoyed by all. Lunches at Kincumber Pub after monthly meetings were a feature and allowed for a good level of additional social interaction each month. Social outings organised by Gloria Reid were varied and well attended. Organisational aspects were very good. Other activities were similarly effective, namely Bushwalks, Golf, Theatre groups, Bookshare and the particularly interesting and varied range of speakers at our meetings. The Interclub Liaison

work was fruitful in building bridges with members enjoying a recent barbeque with the Avoca Beach Probus at Woy Woy. John thanked Thelma Leonard who is retiring from this position, for her work, including the regular newsletter circulated to the 32 Clubs connected to this program. John thanked each member of the Committee for their enthusiastic and positive support. John thanked retiring office bearers: Marie Riley, Wendy Coney, Isabelle Drew, and Thelma Leonard. Incoming officers to be confirmed at this meeting were welcomed. John Congratulated Diane Rudd as incoming President, wishing her well in the year ahead.

Election of President and Committee members: President John informed Members that the following nominations for the Club's management positions had been received.

Committee:

- President: Diane Rudd
- Vice-President: Arthur Adeney
- Junior Vice-President: to be filled
- Treasurer: Barry Riley
- Secretary: Yvonne Chandler
- Membership Officer: John Rudd
- Speaker Convenor: Hermione Dunbar
- Social Convenor: Gloria Reid
- Editor: Pat Fordham

Sub-committee and Convenors:

- Bushwalking Convenors: Barry and Betty Pickersgill
- Catering Officer: Debra Cresswell
- Golf: John Rudd
- Historian: John Rudd
- Assistant Membership Officer: Ineka Esveld
- Assistant Social Convenors: Sue Schmid and Jenny Baker
- Photographer: Diane Rudd/Bill Clark
- Theatre Convenor: Barbara Orme
- Webmaster: Barry Riley
- Welfare Officers: Elizabeth Butler and Helen Sutton
- Joint Venue Officers: Bill Clark and Alan Drew
- Inter-Club Liaison Officer: To be filled
- Bookshare: Jenny Baker
- Debates: Richard Collins

Consistent with what is stated in the Constitution, John declared them elected and congratulated them.

Auditor: Barbara Orme continues to be Auditor of the Club's accounts.

Public Officer: Yvonne Chandler will be the Club's Public Officer for next year.

Installation of Diane Rudd as President: Past President John congratulated Diane Rudd for her election as President. He wished her well in this office, and presented her with the President's pin and the chain of office.

Presentation to Past President John Sutton : Incoming President Diane Rudd thanked John for his leadership and service to the Club as President. She presented him with a plaque, an album of photos taken during club activities over his year in office, a complete set of News Sheets during his Presidency and a Past President's Lapel Pin. Diane thanked John and the Committee for their work over the past year. She expressed her wish to be a good President and told the meeting that she was available to be contacted on any matter connected with the running of the Club. She looked forward to an enjoyable year.

General Business: None

Past President John closed the meeting at 11.30 am.

Signed as a correct record: Diane Rudd, President