

**Probus Club of Kincumber Inc.**  
**Minutes of the meeting of the Management Committee**  
**held at the home of Kevin Southgate on 2 June 2009**

The meeting opened at 2.30 am. Those present were Kevin Southgate (President), Barry Riley (Treasurer), Wally Tuffs (Editor), Richard Collins (Secretary), Patrick Leonard (Speaker Convenor) and John Rudd (Membership Officer). There was an Apology from David Dennison (Senior Vice President and Social Convenor).

President Kevin welcomed members of the Committee to the meeting.

Minutes of previous Committee meeting on 7 April 2009: Accepted.

Business arising from Minutes: The signatories for the Club's bank accounts have been changed. Richard has written on behalf of the Committee and the rest of the Club to thank Bruce Dunlop, Harry Green, Kevin Finn, Tony Kelly and Reg Davis for their contributions to the Club, particularly over the past few years.

Correspondence: News Sheets from other Probus Clubs; Travel brochures; Letter from Fred Leake asking permission to spend money (about \$7.00 per year for the last few years) to bind past News Sheets (Agreed); Letter from Fred Leake suggesting that the Committee initiate a review of non-active membership. (The Committee agreed that we should do this and established a small working party to consider the status of non-active members of the Club and to make recommendations on how best to deal with this matter in the future. The working party will report to the next Committee meeting and, if its recommendations are agreed, they will be put to the membership. Members will be asked to make submissions to the working party. The working party will include from the Committee: Kevin Southgate as Chair and Richard Collins, with Barry Riley as a reserve. In addition, Fred Leake and John Orme will be asked to serve on it.)

President's Report: President Kevin said that he is pleased to see the increase in attendance at our social functions. He looks forward to a very successful Hawkesbury River cruise in September.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Barry Riley said that 52 members have paid their annual fees and 2 more (Nev Owen and Ron Sinclair) have promised to do so. The following have not paid:

Roy Bird (John Rudd to call)  
John Eager (Richard Collins to call)  
Ken Gosby (Kevin Southgate to call)  
Ken Jones (Kevin Southgate to call)  
Bruce Lawrence (Barry Riley to call)

With 3 Life Members, this correctly totals to the current club membership of 62.

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

Balance at 1 March 2009	\$1,757.28		
		<i>Year to date</i>	<i>May</i>
Income	\$1895.00	\$420.00	
Expenses	\$1277.91	\$260.50	
Balance at 31 May 2009	\$2374.37		

The Committee accepted Barry's report.

Membership Report: Membership Officer John had nothing to report additional to that discussed above. The Committee confirmed its agreement with the decision of the previous Committee that any Application for Membership from a spouse of an existing member would be automatically accepted without the necessity to consider it at a Committee meeting, as is normally required for a new member. The Committee also formally approved the Application for Membership from Velda Robson who was inducted at the last General meeting.

Editor's Report: Editor Wally will issue a new Membership Register at the June meeting, following advice over the next few days from those who will call members who have not yet paid their dues. Because the review of non-active membership will not be completed for some months, the Committee decided that existing Inactive Members will remain on the Register for this year.

Speaker Convenor's Report: Speaker Convenor Patrick advised that the June speaker will be Peter Moore who will discuss the Cochlear implant. Richard Collins will give the vote of thanks. Patrick has speakers arranged for the rest of 2009. For February 2010 he will ask Barbara Orme to talk about the ABC.

Richard reported that all schools have now agreed to participate in the August debate, all three Probus Clubs have agreed to host the debates, and the adjudicator has been organised. The topic for the two heats will be: "That last century's challenges were more daunting than this century's". For the Final, Richard suggests the topic: "That the Global Financial Crisis is a good thing". The Committee agreed.

Social Convenor's Report: There was no report in Social Convenor David Dennison's absence. However, the Committee noted with approval the pleasing increase in participation in social activities.

Bushwalking Report: Richard said that the bushwalks for the year are in hand. He has yet to find a successor to lead the bushwalks for next year.

Bowls Report: Kevin will ask Reg Davis if anyone may be willing to take over the bowls activity.

Golf: John Rudd reported that there has been a pleasing increase in participation in golfing activities lately, with 8 or 9 attendees each time.

Theatre: As reported at last General Meeting.

Web site: David Dunbar is managing the web site well.

General Meetings: In June we will have another Profile talk and a Historical presentation in July.

Other business: Richard has sent a photograph and a few words for the Probus magazine about the Club's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We will continue to submit material for future issues. We will shortly submit a photograph of the ladies who have recently joined the club. Next year we will consider an article about the process and outcome of the club becoming combined.

The Committee approved the sum of up to \$400.00 for purchase of a portable loudspeaker for General meetings and other club activities. Kevin will arrange the purchase.

The next meeting will be held at 9.30 am on 4 August 2009 at Barry Riley's place: 61 Lakeside Drive MacMasters Beach.

On behalf of the Committee, Richard thanked Kevin for hosting this meeting.

The meeting closed at 3.55pm.

Signed as a correct record: Kevin Southgate (President) .....