

Combined Probus Club of Belrose

Minutes of General Meeting held @ the Church on Thursday 11 February 2021 @ 10am

1. President Terry

Terry welcomed all 70 members present who had registered online and thanked Ross Swaddling for reconfiguring the website for online meeting registrations. He explained that the C19 restrictions may be eased and if the Church changes their policy on attendance we may be able to have the full membership to the AGM on Thursday 11 March 2021.

There are 2 committee vacancies that need to be filled:

- Treasurer
- Vice president

2. Minutes of last General Meeting held on 14 January 2021

The minutes have been posted on the website and several members have read them.

Proposed that the minutes be accepted as a correct record of the proceedings

- Proposed Terry
- Seconded Malcolm Mclean

3. Happy birthdays for February 2021

These are listed in the February newsletter

4. Treasurers Report

Treasurer's Monthly Summary of Cash Movements					
as at 24/1/21 for meeting on 28/1/21					
Club Funds at 1/1/21				9,008.31	
<u>Plus Income for the month</u>					
Bank Interest				0.00	
				0.00	
<u>Less Expenses for the month</u>					
Guest Speaker Gifts				39.99	
Committee Expenses - Stationery				70.96	
Hire of Belrose Uniting Church Hall				100.00	
				210.95	
Club Funds at 24/1/21				8,797.36	
<u>Total Events</u>					
Receipts			4,016.10		
Payments			2,288.25	1,727.85	Net

Bank Balance at 24/1/21				10,525.21	
				<u>Net</u>	
		<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Funds</u>	
<u>Events</u>					
Piemonte Breakfast (\$18)	21/1/21	594.00	0.00	594.00	(a)
Arthur Streeton Exhibition (\$25)	4/2/21	525.00	0.00	525.00	
Echoes of the Jazz Age (\$62.10)	14/2/21	1,304.10	776.25	527.85	
Turner's Turn (\$27)	15/2/20	621.00	742.50	(121.50)	
Back in Time (\$27)	15/3/21	972.00	337.50	634.50	
Wild about Harry (\$27)	12/4/21	0.00	432.00	(432.00)	
<u>Total Open Events</u>		4,016.10	2,288.25	1,727.85	
				Check	1,727.85
(a) Paid by Cheque 21/1/21					

5. Secretary's Report

Short and sweet - please read the minutes and newsletter

6. Social Report

Liz announced that this will be the shortest Social Report she has ever given.

33 Probus members enjoyed an early start on Thursday 21st January to enjoy a breakfast at the Piemonte Café at Terrey Hills. We came away feeling well fed and relaxed. We were all on tables of 8 and placed on the veranda where fresh air was easily circulating.

When I started this job two years ago, the year ahead was full of activities for everyone offering a variety of dinners and lunches which proved very enjoyable. But life certainly changed 12 months ago. To say it was a frustrating time was the understatement of the year. I spent a lot of time making bookings and then cancelling. However, we followed the rules the government set, and we have come through with amazing results. We all know how quickly the virus spread in Europe and the US with disastrous effects.

Being in the vulnerable age group I felt it important to be very careful in choosing venues. Not all venues were really catering well for suitable distancing etc. Our overall health was more important than missing out on large fun dinners. We had to be patient and flexible as the rules kept changing!

I said I would take this position for two years only and I am keeping to that plan. My successor will officially take over at the AGM next month and I know you will all give her wonderful support. As from tomorrow the restrictions from 1 person per 4 square meters will reduce to 2 square metres. So straightaway the world of numbers opens up which will assist her with decisions.

So thank you all for the support you have given me over the last two years.

7. Membership

Tony explained that our numbers are steady @ 126 with 33 on the waiting list

8. Welfare

Robyn said that Geoff Huntington thanked members for their support. Bill Hardman is looking trim, taut and terrific and has some more surgery to go

9. Tours

10. Very successful visit to the Streeton Exhibition on 4th February.

No outing in March. Likely May & June outings.

All deposits paid for Life of Riley tour, asked for update on dietary and bedding requirements.

11. Guest Speaker

Jan organised one of the best speakers who has addressed us. Dr Greg de Moore a professor of psychiatry and historian who gave us a very informative talk about the most important sportsman in Australian history and few members knew of Tom Wills and now we know a lot more

12. Entertainment

Warwick gave his usual entertaining report which is in the March newsletter. And for a preview here it is

On the 14th February we saw the show Echoes of the Jazz Age. WOW what a sensational show Simon Tedeschi was absolutely fabulous he is world class. Everyone enjoyed this special show for Valentine's Day.

Next Day the morning show featured Geraldine Turner in the show Turner's Tour. Twenty-Six of our members attended. The show brightened up our Monday morning.

On March 15th we are part of a full house ready to join the world of French popular music with the songs of Edith Piaf and Charles Aznavour. We are fortunate we booked early for this sellout show.

A small number of seats are still available to see I'm Just Wild about Harry on the 12th April. Jonathan Welch will pay a tribute to Harry Secombe one of the world's most popular Welsh Tenors. Very limited seats are still available and should be booked on line

Ticket costs are \$27.00 each

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I advised our tickets for the Global Phenomenon Come From Away have now been transferred to 11th August at 1 .00pm. All tickets previously booked have been reserved. Payment of \$75.00 each should be made as soon as possible.

We can also Secure our seats today for Miss Saigon which is being presented by Noble Theatre Company in July this year at Glen Street Theatre. Concession Prices are \$59.00 each. Payment must be made before tickets can be confirmed. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. Our suggested date is Thursday 8th July at 8.00pm.

Thanks again for your support. Theatre this year has been very good so far.

13. Newsletter

Read all about it and send in your reports and contributions before 29 February especially stuff for the personal column and buy swap and sell

14. Wraps with Love

Margaret showed us the impressive results of her and her ladies' handiwork with four wraps which had been made by

- Liz Hunter and Merle Fox
- Lesley Walker
- Liz Pawsey and a friend
- June Scott and a neighbour Angela

15. Nominations for Committee for Year 2021/2022

- President Terry Stewart
- Secretary Geoff Jones
- Newsletter Jenny Jones
- Social Margaret Lovatt

The vacancy of treasurer needs to be filled and we are on the look out

16. General Business

The April general meeting will be held on 15 April as many members will be enjoying the Life of Riley with John Robbo

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Terry Stewart - President

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Date