



# Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc

Minutes of the General Meeting of the Combined Probus Club of Belrose which was held on 10 October 2024 at the Forest Hotel, 5 Frenchs Forest Road E, Frenchs Forest at 10am.

**President Peter** welcomed everyone to the meeting. Reminded to turn off mobile phones etc.

Denka Van Den Bosch was inducted today. Her mentor was Lyn Morris  
We hope that Denka will enjoy being part of this club.

Two visitors were welcomed for their second visit. They are Ann Knowland and Kim Marshall

**Birthdays for the Month:**

<u>2nd Alan Bennett</u>	<u>17th David Barnes</u>
<u>3rd Doug Davidson</u>	<u>21st Greg Howard</u>
<u>4th Dennis Miles</u>	<u>25th Phil Allan</u>
<u>5th Malcolm McLean</u>	<u>26th Margaret Knorr</u>
<u>10th Lyn Cameron</u>	<u>28th Lesley McQuire</u>
<u>16th Marsha Fordred</u>	

**SECRETARY’S REPORT:**

Minutes of the previous General Meeting held on 12 September 2024 have been posted on the Website.

Alison Soutter moved that they be approved as a true and correct record.

Seconded by Hastings Pawsey  
Carried.

Any business arising from the Minutes.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

All correspondence received by your Management Committee is managed by them, unless it requires consideration by Club Members. There is no action required at this meeting.

**REPORTS :**

**TREASURER** Colin Fordred.

**Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc.**  
**Treasurer's Report - October 2024**

**Income and Expenditure Account - September 2024**

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>\$</b>
Subscriptions	65.00
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
General Meeting Cost	714.00
Guest Speaker Gifts	53.98
Capitation Fees	133.00
Total Expenses	<b>900.98</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) for Period</b>	<b>-835.98</b>

**Balance Sheet at 30/9/2024**

**Accumulated Funds**

Opening Balance 31/8/2024	<b>10,999.18</b>
Surplus/(Deficit) for period	<b>-835.98</b>
Closing balance 30/9/2024	<b>10,163.20</b>

**Assets**

Bank Account 30/9/2024	<b>13,016.28</b>
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**Liabilities**

Net Funds for future functions (see below)	<b>2,853.08</b>
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<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>10,163.20</b>
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**Bank Reconciliation**

Bank Balance 31/8/2024	<b>31,768.26</b>
Surplus/(Deficit) for period	<b>-835.98</b>
	<b>30,932.28</b>

<b>Net Funds Function Movement</b>	<b>-17,916.00</b>
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Bank Balance 30/9/2024	<b>13,016.28</b>
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<b>Function movements</b>	
<b>Australian Tenors</b>	<b>1,424.00</b>
<b>SCG Tour</b>	<b>100.00</b>
<b>Christmas Concert</b>	<b>30.00</b>
<b>Dami Im</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Banana Cabana</b>	<b>120.00</b>
<b>Tulip Tops Tour</b>	<b>-19,780.00</b>
	<b>-18,106.00</b>

**Net Funds for future functions**

Tulip Tops Tour	0.00
Christmas Lunch - Monash	955.00
Australian Tenors	1,502.00
Mark Vincent	0.00
Christmas Concert	50.00
Dami Im	-100.00
Banana Cabana	420.00
Surplus / Deficit	26.08
<b>Net Function Funds</b>	<b>2,853.08</b>

**Colin Fordred**

2/10/2024

Colin Fordred moved that his Treasurer's Report be accepted.

Seconded by Cherry Robinson

Carried.

**ENTERTAINMENT** Warwick Brady.

Jock Cameron presented Warwick's report.

"Thanks to all the members who attended the Mousetrap and the Mark Vincent show. I received great reports from both productions and I am really pleased that all those who attended enjoyed themselves.

On Sunday 27 October at 2pm the Australian Tenors are bringing us the romance, excitement and humour of authentic tenor voices. The audience will be thrilled with a range of songs including some from Broadway. Tickets cost \$89 each. Don't miss this show it will be really fantastic. I will be back on 19 October but Jock Cameron is looking after the portfolio in the meantime.

Finally, if you are looking for a wonderful Christmas present Glen Street is offering us two shows on Monday 16 December. First at 11:00am, Charlie Chech, who won the 2023 ACE Best Male Vocal Performer with his jazz quartet. Glen Street Management are offering us morning tea after this show and tickets are only \$30. Bookings are heavy so please don't be late if you want this show.

THEN AN AFTERNOON REST

At 7:30pm you can return to Glen Street to enjoy the evening performance of DANI IM with her first ever CHRISTMAS SONG BOOK, a selection of favourites which will remind you of the joy and warmth of the season. What a way to kick start your holiday celebrations!

Tickets are \$69. Payment will not be required until early November. Please make bookings with Jock Cameron.

Thanks again for all your support given to me throughout the year  
Warwick Brady"

**GUEST SPEAKER** Cherry Robinson

Today's guest speaker was Capt. Liam Gavin former Harbour Master who has written a book titled, "The Propellor Keeps Turning ". Capt. Gavin gave a fascinating account of his career and the challenges he faced including a notable incident when a ship was arrested by the Manly Sheriff.

The speaker for Nov. is Andrew Campbell and his subject is "Hearing and Brain Health".

It is important to remember that although Cherry is keen to receive recommendation of interesting speakers her phone number is not to be given to non-members.

**MEMBERSHIP** Tony Lovett

Tony and Margaret are away on a wonderful holiday and Jock Cameron stood in for Tony and read his report which stated that currently there are 137 members of the club and two visitors. The waiting list has reduced considerably. It is currently 6 people and will reduce to 4 if the visitors decide to join us.

There were 95 attendees at the meeting today.

**OUTING & TOURS** Margaret Ayre

The Tulip Tops tour was extremely successful. Everyone enjoyed a variety of interesting stops including the historic Retford Park where we had an informative guided tour around the house which was built by the Hordern family and sold to James Fairfax, and the extensive tulip beds at Tulip Tops. The food was great and the accommodation excellent. Margaret was thanked for her work in organising this trip.

The next outing is to Banana Cabana on 5 December. Payment of \$60 per person is due by 31 October.

The first outing for 2025 is a conducted tour of Sydney GPO in Martin Place on 6 February. Cost is \$20 per person.

There is a n outing to Sydney Water Purified Recycled Water Discovery Centre being planned for 6 March. This outing is still in the planning stage

This will be Margaret's last outing as after 3 years she is retiring as Outings and Tours Coordinator to give someone else a chance to step up to this exciting role.

**SOCIAL**

Margaret Lovett

In Margaret's absence Ros Thompson presented her report.

On Thursday 31 October there a morning tea at the Black Knight Café in St Ives Showground at 10am. Bring your own seat and you can either bring your own refreshments or buy them at the café. It is very informal but please let Ros know if you are coming so that the café has an idea of numbers and so you are covered by Probus insurance.

Xmas at Monash Country Club 19<sup>th</sup> December at 12 midday. Bookings are open . Please pay \$85 per person by 10 December. There will be table seating arrangements in place.

**WALKING GROUP**

Helen Miles

The next walk is on Friday 25 October in the Botanic Gardens. The group will meet at the Glenrose bus stop at 8:50 to catch the 8:59 bus arriving at Wynyard at approx. 9:46. They will then meet any extra people at the park adjacent to the Wynyard bus stops. If anyone is making their way separately, could they please contact Helen.

The walk in the St Ives wildflower garden was very successful. Judy Radford did a beautiful painting of the trees and Gynea lilies there which was displayed at the meeting.

The walking group provides both exercise and a chance to get to know one another.

**WELFARE**

Robyn Wood

Robyn reminded us not to use soft plastic water bottles as they shed microparticles which are ingested. Metal water bottles are the best alternative even though they are a bit heavier.

**WRAP WITH LOVE**

Margaret Hobson

Merle Fox stood in for Margaret Hobson who hopes to be back next month.

This month 12 wraps were completed which brings the total to 1546 wraps since 2012. Last week members of this group assembled a further 17 wraps from squares. They are looking for volunteers to help sew them together. Donations of wool are always appreciated

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Your Management Committee has decided to have a special gathering on 17<sup>th</sup> October for the 2024 New Members and their Mentors. This year there has been a record number with 17 new members – which is wonderful!

Ros Thompson and Liz Pawsey are organising the event and are coinciding it with the acknowledgement of October being Probus Month and following the PSPL's theme of "Community & Companionship".

The invitations, with full details, have been emailed and the replies and money are slowly coming in. For catering purposes, Ros and Liz would greatly appreciate all replies and money to be received by the end of this Probus Meeting – the RSVP date is the 10<sup>th</sup> October – which is today!

Meeting finished at 10:20am

**Morning Tea Break.** Meeting resumed at 11:00am

Guest Speaker - Capt. Liam Gavin - "The Propellor Keeps Turning "

Introduced by Cherry Robinson

Vote of Thanks by David Walker

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday 14 November at the Forest Hotel at 10am

Signed..... Date.....