



## Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc

Minutes of the General Meeting of the Combined Probus Club of Belrose which was held on 12 June 2025 at the Forest Hotel, 5 Frenchs Forest Road E, Frenchs Forest at 10am.

**President Mike** welcomed everyone to the meeting especially visitors Susan Bailey, and Christine Humphries.

The birthday draw winners were Sandy Cameron and Jeff Cameron and. A lucky door prize of a Forest Hotel voucher was also given to Graham Oak and Margaret Ayre.

### **Birthdays for the Month:**

1st Peter Moxham  
5th Sandy Cameron and Jeff Cameron  
7th Peter Loveday and Jill Pearce  
8th Felicity Lawn  
14th Chris Brownlee, Margaret Gobsill and Joan Wilson  
15th Stephen Baker  
18th Karen Hopkins and Ian Rickard  
19th Roger Morrow and Tova Swadling  
22nd Barbara Moxham  
26th Jan Staniland  
28th Jill McDonald

4 new members; Kay Tink, Chris Nielsen, Trish Nielsen and Maree Stuart were welcomed to the club and inducted.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

Minutes of the previous General Meeting held on 8 May 2025 have been posted on the Website.

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

Seconded by Robyn Wood  
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.

Last month we received a lovely thank you card from Geoff Huntington which said:

*I would like to thank all members of the Combined Probus Club of Belrose who gave their condolences to me and my family regarding the passing of Barbara on 2<sup>nd</sup> March this year. Your thoughts, messages, cards and email gave us much comfort in knowing we were not alone during this sad time.*

*Your sympathies concerning Barbara and our sudden loss of wife, mother and grandmother are very much appreciated. Yours sincerely*

*Geoff*

## **REPORTS :**

### **TREASURER**

#### **Treasurers Report - June 2025**

#### **Income and Expenditure Account - May 2025**

#### **INCOME.**

<b>Subscriptions</b>	\$190.00
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#### **EXPENSES**

General Meeting Cost	\$600.00
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Guest Speaker	\$41.99
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<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$641.99</b>
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<b>Surplus/(Deficit) for Period</b>	<b>-\$451.99</b>
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#### **Balance Sheet**

#### **Accumulated Funds**

Opening Balance 30 April 2025	\$17,653.67
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Surplus (Deficit) for period	-\$451.99
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Closing Balance 26 May 2025	\$17,201.68
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#### **Total Assets**

<b>Bank Account at 26/5/2025</b>	<b>\$18,273.76</b>
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#### **Liabilities**

<b>Net Funds for Future Functions</b>	<b>\$1,072.08</b>
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<b>Net Assets</b>	\$17,201.68
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**Bank Reconciliation**

Bank Balance 30/4/2025	\$20,830.75
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<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	-\$451.99
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\$20,378.76
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<b>Net Funds Function Movements</b>	-\$2,105.00
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Bank Balance 26/5/2025	\$18,273.76
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**Function Movements**

Anniversary Lunch	1,105.00
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Limani Lunch	-1,320.00
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Carousel	-1,890.00
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Surplus	0.00
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<b>Total</b>	<b>-2,105.00</b>
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**Net Funds for Future Functions**

Anniversary Lunch	\$905.00
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Limani Lunch	\$40.00
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Carousel	\$90.00
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Surplus	\$37.08
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<b>Net Function Funds</b>	<b>\$1,072.08</b>
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**Brian Soutter**

**12-June-25**

Brian moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

Seconded by Ros Thompson

Carried.

## **ENTERTAINMENT**

Warwick Brady.

THE SOPA SENIOR CONCERT BY DAVIDSON HIGH SCHOOL is on today at 1.00pm. Always a great show which is absolutely free. Afternoon Tea is included free. We have 50 members who have supported the school by coming

CAROUSEL Glen Street Theatre have given us a very special offer to see a production to Celebrate 80 years of ""Carousel" with the Sydney Musical and Opera Society on July 2nd at 7.30pm. Enjoy a spectacular production with a full 23 piece orchestra, stunning costumes from Opera Australia and timeless songs. Following its triumphant debut aboard the Cunard Queen Elizabeth this land based production promises to be just as spectacular. It was Richard Rodgers personal favourite show, this production is a must for lovers of Golden Age Musicals. Here is the very best news, tickets are only \$45.00 each. We have 78 people attending already.

On Sunday 13 July at 2pm renowned tenor MARK VINCENT, accompanied by the Australian Symphony Orchestra, presents a spectacular live concert showcasing the songs he has loved performing throughout his 15-year career. This unforgettable, spectacular features highlights from his ARIA and Apple Music chart-topping album, Life Is Beautiful. We really enjoyed Mark's show last year. Tickets are \$90.

Sunday 27 July at 4pm there is a mini Moulin Rouge style production celebrating the essence of French popular music, Le New Paris Skies. Milko Foucault-Larche and Corinne Andrew combine some famous ingredients to dish out la crème de la crème of French Chanson Edith Piaf, Charles Aznavour, Gilbert Bécaud, Charles Trenet, Jacques Brel...and many more.

*Le New Paris Skies* also present International songs that have become fabulous hits in their French adaptation as well as French classics which over the years have received International recognition.

With The Paris Skies Show Band and The Dargie Dancers.

The show is performed in French and in English.

Tickets are \$40.

CRUISING WITH GRANDPA'S CLUB on Saturday 20th September at 7.00pm is a Comedy Set on a Boat with the fabulous Wayne Scott Kermond the multi - award winner who we all enjoyed in Vayne's World earlier this year and Lynne McGranger who for over 30 years has been one of the leads in Home and Away. Ticket Price is \$67.50. Bookings are open today, please make your booking if you can. Thanks again for all your great support for this year, and what a surprise we are now taking booking for September - soon be Christmas! Regards. Warwick Brady  
Entertainment Officer Mobile: 0418 793 684 Email: warwickandlorna@yahoo.com

## **GUEST SPEAKER**

Cherry Robinson

The speaker this month was a local man Andrew Rogers whose talk is titled *Going Down to the Titanic*. This was a fascinating talk on how Andrew won a ticket in a Franklins contest to go in a

submersible down to see the Titanic. He gave fascinating details of his claustrophobic trip including showing us a rock from an ancient glacier he found resting against the bow.

The topic for July is Home Care Packages.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership Report –June 2025 – Members’ Meeting – Report Following Meeting

### **Current Membership**

Membership stands at 134 financial members (86 ladies, 48 Gents) (64%:36%)

Non-Active Members 0 (0 Ladies, 0 Gent)

Waiting List: 4 (2 ladies, 2 Gents)

### **Members in June 2025**

Attendance at meeting	Members - 116
	Visitors – 2
	Guest Speaker – 1
	Guest – 0
	<b>Total 119 attending Meeting</b>

Apologies – 14

Absent - 3

Visitor Apology – 0

Leave of Absence – 1

### **Information From June 2025 Meeting**

#### **1. Visitors Attending Meeting:-**

Graeme Dudley – No Show

#### **2. Resignations:**

Nil

#### **3. Inductions this meeting (included in membership count above):-**

Maree Stuart –

Kay Tink –

Trish Nielsen –

Chris Nielsen –

Tony Lovett

12/06/2025

Membership Officer

## **OUTING & TOURS**

Vacant

### **HAWKESBURY WINTER YULEFEST**

The 2-day outing to Winter Yulefest 19-20 July is fully booked. There are 20 rooms booked and 32 members going. Final payment is due by 19th June 2025

### **CHURCH POINT FERRY**

5 June there was an Opal Card outing to Church Point to go on the ferry around Scotland Island followed by a late morning tea or lunch. It was a great day out especially as the group had a guide to explain about the many bays and characters such as Chips Rafferty who lived there.

### **ZIGZAG RAILWAY and MUDGEES**

This is a 4 night 5 day On Course Tours trip from 10-14 October. Our journey takes us over the Blue Mountains to Mudgee and home through Merriwa, Denman and the Hunter Valley. Our accommodation for this tour is at the Parklands Resort Mudgee, set on 15 hectares of gardens and pasture land, where we will enjoy its friendly country hospitality and excellent facilities. Highlights include: • Zig Zag Railway • Mudgee Honey Haven • Mudgee Cheese and Wine Tasting • Historic Gulgong – the Ten Dollar Town • Henry Lawson Centre and Holtermann Museum • Lunch, Stud Tour and Tasting at Gooree Park • Songs from the bush at Gulgong Opera House • Merriwa and Pokolbin. Please see Mike to express interest. The cost will be \$1390 pp +\$360 single supplement

### **SOCIAL REPORT Megan**

The lunch at DEE WHY RSL was a lot of fun. We had two big tables by the fish tank. There are great photos in the newsletter.

### **ANNIVERSARY LUNCH**

Cromer Golf Club

Thursday 26th June at 12 noon

2 course alternate drop with a welcome drink and two nibbles

\$85 per person

60 people have registered so far but there is room for more. Payment must be made by 20 June

### **WATSONS BAY**

7 August We will catch the 11:45 Ferry from Manly to Watson's Bay to go to the Doyles for lunch. They have a winter special menu which is **\$56.50 per person**

- **Entree**

Fisherman's Chowder

*Cream based chowder, one of Alice Doyle's famous recipes.*

- **Main**

Fish & Chips (chefs choice)

*Golden fried in our light & tasty beer batter with chips & garden leaf salad.*

And a 150ml glass of our House Doyles red or white wine or Doyles Fishermans' Lager Can of Soft Drink

(no changes can be made to this menu but you can order A La Carte rather than have the special)

### **COFFEE MORNINGS**

The ladies' morning coffee is at Acacia on Monday 16 at 9:30 and the men will meet at Imbue at the same time.

## **BOARD GAMES AND CARDS**

These will be at Forest Kirk on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month starting at 9:30am

**Di Pill and Ros Thompson**

## **MAHJONG GROUP**

The Mahjong group meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at the Forest Kirk in Fitzpatrick St, Frenchs Forest at 9:30am for a couple of hours of play. If you would like to join us contact Sandra Murphy on 0457 388 325

## **WALKING GROUP**

Helen Miles

### **JUNE WALK – 27 JUNE**

We are walking from Darling Harbour to the Anzac Bridge. . Meet at the Glenrose bus stop at 9.05am for the 9.14am City Bus (271) to the Queen Victoria Building. We will walk down to Darling Harbour for coffee at the cafe on the wharf at the Maritime Museum then walk around the Harbour foreshore to the Anzac Bridge, enjoying glorious views and some amazing units. This walk has a few short cuts for those not wanting a longer walk and is predominately flat after the downhill section to Darling Harbour. We are planning to have lunch at a cafe in the park near the Anzac Bridge and there is the option of bus or light rail back to the city for those not wanting the two blocks uphill walk back to the bus stop If you come some other way let Helen know and we will meet you by the statue of Queen Victoria. Helen Miles Walks Coordinator Mobile: 0407 078 963 Email: milesawile@bigpond.com

## **WRAP WITH LOVE**

Lesley Walker and Liz Pawsey

Any donations in wool or cash welcome. Keep knitting squares. We are always happy to hear from people who can sew the wraps together. More volunteers are needed for sewing the wraps

## **WELFARE**

Robyn Wood

Robyn welcomed Brian Peck with sympathy for his losses.

She advised us all to have flu shots but not together with a COVID booster.

She told us about the inspiring Guest Speaker, John Ogier, who will be speaking at the Forest Kirk Men's Group meeting on June 27 at 7:30 pm in the Forest Kirk Hall. His topic is Mentoring Men and all men are welcome to attend. A\$5 cash donation at the door includes refreshments and a donation to Mentoring Men.

Belrose Rotary Club is having a Winter Trivia Night on Saturday 21 June at Forestville RSL at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$20 each for a group of 8-10.

**MAGICAL MYSTERY \$2.50 OPAL CARD TOUR THURSDAY 19 JUNE** This is on the third Thursday of each month starting on Thursday 19 June. It is a two-hour train journey through some great scenery, then lunch of the local specialities, and a train ride and maybe a sleep on the train back to Central Station.

Plan of action: 1. Get on a bus and get yourself to Central Station by 10am. Meet at the entrance to Platform 1. 2. Get on one of three trains leaving in the next 20 minutes going west to the Blue Mountains, or south to Kiama or north to Newcastle. The train won't wait for you if you are late. 3. A preprandial stroll then lunch of local goodies followed by a somnolent train ride back to Central 4. Your journey back from Central can be by light rail to Circular Quay, a cruise across one of the most spectacular harbours in the world to Manly and then a bus to your destination. If you wish to join us please email or text me your name and mobile number so I know to expect you.

Please wear a warm jacket. Geoff Jones 0412 420 213 [geoffjones1874@gmail.com](mailto:geoffjones1874@gmail.com)

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

None arising.

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

Guest Speakers – Today's speaker was Andrew Rogers whose talk was titled *Going Down to the Titanic*

Vote of Thanks by Malcolm Mclean

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday 10 July 2025 at the Forest Hotel at 10am

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