



Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc

Minutes of the General Meeting of the Combined Probus Club of Belrose which was held on
11 Sept 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, Kathy Pearce, Ron Pearce and Susan Easson .

The birthday draw winners were Adrienne Bowman and Barry Lowe A lucky door prize of a Forest Hotel voucher was also given to Ted Morton and Lesley Walker.

Mike mentioned that we would like to have members share their life experiences in 10 minute talks. He asked people who would be willing to do so to contact him.

Birthdays for the Month:

4th Adrienne Bowman
6th Barry Lowe
9th Judy Morton
18th Pam Allan & Warren Needs
19th Keith Wilson
25th Cherry Robinson
28th Chris Wood

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Minutes of the previous General Meeting held on 14 Aug 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.

REPORTS :

Treasurer's Report - September 14, 2025

Income and Expenditure Account August 2025

REVENUE

Subscriptions	150.00
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EXPENSES

Forest Hotel - cash	163.00
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Forest Hotel - Voucher	500.00
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Speaker's Gift	50.00
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Total Expenses	713.00
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Surplus/Deficit	-563.00
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BALANCE SHEET

Accumulated Funds

Opening Balance 1 August 2025	13,532.74
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Deficitt for July	-563.00
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Closing Balance 31 August 2025	12,969.74
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Total Assets

Bank Account 31 August 2025	51,223.66
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Liabilities

Net Funds for future Functions	38,253.92
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Net Assets	12,969.74
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Bank Reconciliation

Bank Balance 1 August 2025	20,787.82
Deficit	<u>-563.00</u>
	<u><u>20,224.82</u></u>

Net Function Movements	30,998.84
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Bank Account 31 August 2025	51,223.66
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Brian moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

Seconded by Robyn Wood
Carried.

ENTERTAINMENT Phil Allan for Warwick Brady.

The Grandparents Club is our next show - All the fun of a holiday with friends. The show features Lynne McGranger the Gold Logie winner from Home and Away and Wayne Scott Kermond who was the star of Spiegelesque earlier this year in Vayne's World .The show is on Saturday 20th September at 7.00pm and also the Matinee at 3.00pm at \$67.50.

A great Morning Musical " Bach to Broadway" through the Classical Music of Bach, Beethoven and Mozart to the hits of Broadway, such as - Phantom of the Opera, West Side Story, Chicago, Beauty and the Beast, Boy from Oz and More. Our Show is on Monday 20th October at 11.00am . Ticket are \$30.00 per each Please make your booking today.

Some Enchanted Evening - a theatrical celebration of Broadway's Golden Age under the Musical Direction of Glenn Amer accompanied by a full orchestra. The programme includes hits from South Pacific, My Fair Lady , Carousel, Man of La Mancha, West Side Story and more. There is only one Show at 2,00pm on Tickets cost \$45,00.

Andrew Lloyd Webber's production of "Music of the Night" includes melodies of Phantom of the Opera, Jesus Christ Superstar, Joseph and his Technicolour Dreamcoat, Les Misérables, Sound of Music, Miss Saigon, Jersey Boys and Boy from Oz among others . Enjoy the best Musical Theatre on Sunday 9th November at 2.00pm. Ticket Price \$75.00.

Thanks again for your support.

Warwick Brady - Entertainment Officer.

Phil also recommended we watch Life in 3D on YouTube [\(129\) I Think They Call This Love LIVE at Mountain View - Lifein3D - YouTube](#) It features three siblings, Daylon, Daura and Devon singing harmonies.

GUEST SPEAKER

Cherry Robinson

This month we heard from Trade Travel – a Probus travel partner.

The October speaker is Chris Darcy from Search Dogs Sydney.

Thanks to Margaret Ayre for taking the position last month.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Report - September 2025 – Members' Meeting – Before Meeting

Current Membership

Membership stands at 134 financial members (85 ladies, 48 Gents) (64%:36%)

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

Waiting List:6 (3 ladies, 3 Gents)

Members in Attendance August 2025

Attendance at meeting

Members – 99

Visitors – 2

Guest Speaker -1

Guest - 2

Total **104** attending Meeting

Apologies – 22

Absent - 12

Leave of Absence – 1

Visitors Apology – 2

Information for September 2025 Meeting

1. Visitors Attending Meeting:-

Susan Bailey – Second Visit

Kathy Pearce – Second visit

Ron Pearce – Second visit

2. Resignations / No Longer with Us:

Nil

3. Inductions this meeting:-

Nil

Tony Lovett
15/08/2025
Membership Officer

OUTING & TOURS

Mike Hartnel, Ted Morton and Geoff Jones

GOSFORD CHOCOLATE FACTORY Thursday November 20th, 12pm -Mike

6 Jusfrute Drive Gosford

20 minute factory tour followed by a 2 hour High Tea experience • Bubbles on arrival and bottomless tea coffee and hot chocolate during tour • Savoury nibbles including finger sandwiches • Fresh scones and cream • Chocolate dipped strawberries • Chocolate petit fours • 2 x chocolate bonbons \$65 per person Get there by car, car share, or train and bus plus a 10 minute walk.

Please let Mike know if you are interested

ZIGZAG RAILWAY and MUDGEE- Mike

20 people have booked and paid for this trip and are very much looking forward to the arrival of the bus in one month time.

TRADE TRAVEL- Ted Morton

. At the October meeting I will canvas you all to see if there is interest in having our own tour to an interesting new area from our presentation - likely October next year.

MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR- Geoff Jones

Thursday 18 September - This tour starts when you board the #283 Bus from Glenrose, then another bus to Chatswood Station and then get onto a train, possibly the Metro, either going north west to Tallawong or south east to Sydenham. I will send out a broadcast a few days before with more information.

Geoff Jones Mobile: 0412 420 213 Email: geoffjones1874@gmail.com

SOCIAL REPORT Megan

We have cancelled The Palms lunch planned for September so thought we might replace it with an Indian dinner at Phulkari, Sorlie Road Frenchs Forest on Thursday 25th September at 6pm. Order at the counter and pay as you go ... maybe share a couple of dishes with a friend. BYO or buy a drink there. Wheelchair friendly access. Please register your interest with me by 18th September so I can give them numbers .

LUNCH AT THE LITTLE SNAIL We have 39 people registered for The Little Snail lunch on Thursday 6th November at 12 noon. This is \$48 for three courses. Pay as you order please. We can travel on the Metro from Chatswood to Central then take the light rail to Pymont 50 metres from the restaurant. If you haven't registered but want to please let me know by 30 October.

SAVE THE DATE! Do I dare mention "Christmas" ? Our Christmas Lunch will be held at Cromer Golf Club on Thursday 18th December at midday. We will enjoy a drink and canapés, then a Christmas Carvery followed by desserts, tea/coffee and chocolates served

to your table so you only need to get up once ! Bookings will open at the September meeting. \$90 per person. Please pay through the club account by 11th December

COFFEE MORNINGS Di Pill and Ros Thompson

Our next breakfast/coffee morning will be on Monday 13th October at the same time and location. Ladies at Acacia Glenrose. Men at Imbue Cafe cnr Yindela and Pound Ave Davidson 9:30 AM. Please contact Ros or Di by phone, text or email if you would like to attend.

BOARD GAMES AND CARDS

These will be at Forest Kirk on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month starting at 9:30am. It is at the same venue as Mahjong but in a different room. There are lots of board and card games to play.

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

Our September walk is on Friday 26th, Como to Oatley and is led by Helen. Meet at the Glenrose bus stop at 7.55am for the 8.05am City Bus (271) to the QVB. We then catch a train at 9.31am from Town Hall to Como where we will walk down to the Marina for our Coffee. We then walk across the bridge towards Oatley with cheese and biscuits on the way. It is approx. 3km slightly uphill, we will be taking it easy. Lunch at Oatley if desired before returning home. Please let Helen know if you are coming from another direction.

Helen Miles Walks Coordinator Mobile: 0407 078 963 Email: milesawile@bigpond.com

WRAP WITH LOVE

Lesley Walker and Liz Pawsey

Lesley let us know that the group started 15 years ago and thought if we did 10 blankets a year that would be a good effort. In fact we did 50 in the first year and now on an average do 100 every year since.

She read out an amusing poem:

My Wife Is a Hooker

My wife is a hooker,
Of this she's mighty proud,
And the stories of her exploits,
Are legends on the town.

She's shameless with her talent,
She'll hook anywhere.
And if people want to watch her,
She doesn't really care.

It now seems a family thing,
Her mother taught her how,
Seems her grandma was a hooker too,
Any my daughter's hooking now.

She goes to hooker meetings,
To learn new techniques,
She starts hooking in a frenzy,
And won't talk to me for weeks.

She doesn't do the housework,
She doesn't make the bed,
No she doesn't have time for that,
she'd rather hook instead.

My wife she is a hooker,
And I curse that awful day,
When she first picked up the yarn and hook,
And learnt how to crochet.

WELFARE

Robyn Wood

Robyn reminded us that today is 9/11.

She also said that we need to take RSV seriously and consider getting a vaccination.

The meeting finished at 10:32

Morning Tea Break. Meeting resumed at 11:00am

Guest Speaker – Today's speaker was Trish Chapman from Trade Travel.

Vote of Thanks by Ted Morton

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 9 October 2025 at the Forest Hotel at 10am

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

