Minutes of the General Meeting of the Combined Probus Club of Belrose which was held on

13 Nov 2025 at the Forest Hotel, 5 Frenchs Forest Road E, Frenchs Forest at 10am.

President Mike welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The birthday draw winners were Val Gibbs and Ted Morton. A lucky door prize of a Forest Hotel voucher was also given to Pam Bennett and Geoff Huntington.

Two visitors, Jacqueline Taylor and Marion Chaffe, were welcomed to the meeting.

Birthdays for the Month:

4th Lesley Hackshall
7th Margaret Ayre & Kathryn Forrester
8th Ted Morton
13th Dianne Herrett & Tony Lovett
18th Clare Bassett
20th Judy Fuller
21st Val Gibbs & Tonia Glassock
22nd Jenny Jones
24th Mark Johnston
28th Catherine Bell
29th Lorna Brady.

_Mike gave his thanks on behalf of all members to Jenny Jones for her excellent newsletter. He told the meeting how he has had many positive comments from other clubs

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Minutes of the previous General Meeting held on 9 Oct 2025 have been posted on the Website.

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

Seconded by Colin Fordred Carried.

No 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 - November 11, 2025 Income and expenditure account October 2025

REVENUE

Subscriptions 120.00

EXPENSES

Forest Hotel 663.00

Deficit -543.00

BALANCE SHEET

Accumulated funds

Opening balance 1 Oct 2025 12,423.74

Deficit for Sept -543.00

Closing balance 31 Oct 2025 11,880.74

Total Assets

Bank account 31 Oct 2025 17,477.01

Liabilities

Net funds for future functions 5,596.27

Net Assets 11,880.74

Bank Reconciliation

Bank Balance 1 Sept 2025 17,872.66
Deficit -543.00
Total 17,329.66

Net function movements 147.35

Bank account 31 Oct 2025 17,477.01

Function movements		M/MENT	Funds
Christmas Lunch		2,430.00	2,430.00
Night Music	3,570	-3459.65	110.35
Doyles	24.84		24.84

Little Snail 384 1,632.00 2,016.00 Enchanted Evening -45 -45

 High Tea
 1,365
 _455.00
 910.00

 Surplus
 150.08
 150.08

 5448.92
 147.35
 5,596.27

Brian moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

Seconded by Mike Staniland Carried.

ENTERTAINMENT Warwick Brady.

A week ago a large number of our members had the opportunity to enjoy the fabulous "Music of the Night". We had 45 members attending and what a show it was - fabulous. The show was wonderful and the audience cheered every member of cast. We were told that this Company would be back at the end of 2026 or very early 2027 and I will have our bookings as soon the date is reported.

The last show for the year is "A Morning Music Event". - The Beggers Christmas on Monday 15th December at 11.00am. It is beginning to look like Christmas, the most wonderful time of the year. Already we have 28 Members asking for tickets. If you want to come with us please make a booking today Tickets are \$30. Morning Tea after the show will be served by Glen Street.

I would like to thank you for your support during 2025 we had 575 members attending in 16 shows. A great number and I feel we will again have the largest Group attending Glen Street in 2025,

Early today I was shown some of the shows already booked for February 2026 one show is "9 - 5 The Musical' yes the one inspired by the wonderful Dolly Parton. This time the show will be presented by Sydney Youth Musical Theatre for the cost of \$55.00 yes that is the cost.

Bookings are available and we have booked for Saturday 14th February, 2026 at 7 30. If you are interested, please confirm your bookings to me as soon as possible. The show presented in 2025 was the Company who presented Billy Elliott which was a wonderful show and we are hoping 2026 will be the same. Please make your booking as soon as possible. I will confirm when payment is required when I know

Other new shows will be advised shortly.

Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas and thank you for your support during 2025.

Kind Regards

Warwick Brady - Entertainment Officer

GUEST SPEAKER

Cherry Robinson

This month we heard from Mike Munro who told us his life story. He also has a book about it and one about his bushranger ancestors.

Next month Alison Soutter will give a talk titled:

57 years and counting- Insights from my life in Psychology

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Current Membership

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

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

Waiting List: 6 (4 ladies, 2 Gents)

Members in November 2025

Attendance at meeting

Members - 113

Visitors – 2

Guest Speaker - 1

Guest - 0

Total 116 attending Meeting

Apologies – 12 Absent - 9

Visitor Apology – 1 Leave of Absence – 0

Information From November 2025 Meeting

1. Visitors Attending Meeting:-

Susan Eason – Away until early December Barbara Edmunds – Apology Jacqueline Taylor – 1st Visit Marion Chaffe – 1st Visit

2. Resignations / No Longer with Us:

Nil

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

Nil

Tony Lovett

14/11/2025

Membership Officer

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

6 Jusfrute Drive Gosford. 29 people have booked Please let Mike know if you can take people or need a lift

TRADE TRAVEL- Ted Morton

The itinerary for Southern Queensland Tour with Trade Travel will be available next week because we have changed the first night's accommodation to Toowoomba

ART GALLERY TOUR January

We will be going to an exhibition titled *Dangerously Modern: Australian Women Artists in Europe 1890–1940* With more than 200 works, including the now-famous, such as Nora Heysen, Margaret Preston and Grace Cossington Smith, as well as the still under-recognised, such as Agnes Goodsir, Justine Kong Sing and Helen Stewart. Dangerously Modern expands our understanding of modern art movements, including realism, impressionism, post-impressionism, cubism and abstraction. The cost is \$35 and we will have our own guide. More details next month.

SOCIAL REPORT Megan

Lunch at the Little Snail was a great success and will be repeated next year.

60 people have booked Christmas Lunch 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! \$90 per person. Please pay through the club account by 11th December

On 29 January we are having lunch at Parliament House. The cost will be \$65. Please register ASAP as there is only room for 24 people

COFFEE MORNINGS Di Pill and Ros Thompson

The next picnic is 14 November at St Ives at 10am 4 December combined coffee at Glenaeon café Blue Gum at 9:30

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

November walk is from Coogee to Bronte on Friday 28 November. Meet at the Glenrose bus stop at 8:20 to catch the 8:27 bus to the city and then the light rail and a bus. For those not catching the bus meet at the Market St entrance to the QVB.

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

WRAP WITH LOVE Lesley Walker and Liz Pawsey

No report this week though many completed blankets were evident at the meeting

WELFARE Robyn Wood

Sue Marsh was in hospital with very bad RSV but she has recovered and was at the meeting. Robyn reminded us of the Rotary Tree of Joy at Glenrose and congratulated Carole Stewart on the wonderful job she does writing the cards and collecting the gifts

Other business

Mike told the meeting that proposed changes to the Constitution will be circulated in a broadcast message so that people can read them and vote on their acceptance at the next meeting.

The meeting finished at 10:32

Morning Tea Break. Meeting resumed at 11:00am

Guest Speaker – Today's speaker was Mike Monroe.

Vote of Thanks by Chris Nielsen

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 11 December 2025 at the Forest Hotel at 10am

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