



# *Combined Probus Club of Blackburn South*

## *Inc. No.58109*

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### **MINUTES: Minutes of Monthly Meeting 4th August 2021.**

**HELD:** Whitehorse Horticultural Centre, 82 Jolimont Road, Forest Hill Vic 3131.

**CHAIR:** President Kath Thompson opened the meeting at 10:00 am and welcomed all present.

**APOLOGIES:** Cushla Appleby, Rolf Arnoldi, Nita Bate, Keith Booth, Gerry Burton, Mary Burton, Jo Glasson, Jim Hancock, Mike McGorlick, Vic McNamara, Bill Moncrieff, Bruna Rosaia, Ian Rose, Eric Sutherland, Bill Wallis, Laurie Williams.

**VISITORS:** Denis Hawthorne, Lynne Howe, Maija Masinskas.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Ken Pakes 4<sup>th</sup>, John Ditchburn 16<sup>th</sup>, Laurie Williams 19<sup>th</sup>, Jo Hocking 24<sup>th</sup>, Les Sullivan 29<sup>th</sup>.

The President announced Ken Pakes was celebrating his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday today and led the members in singing Happy Birthday and congratulations to Ken.

**INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBER:** The President invited Mike Bampfield to come forward and be inducted as a member of our Probus Club. Mike and his wife Margaret live in Glen Waverley.

Mike was presented with a Probus Badge, Name badge, an outings badge, and a copy of the Constitution. The members warmly welcomed Mike as a new member.

**PRESENT:** Members 41, Apologies 16.

**MINUTES:** It was moved by Ken Pakes, seconded by Trish Clifton, the minutes of monthly meeting held on 07/07/2021 be accepted. **CARRIED.**

#### **REPORTS:**

**SECRETARY** – The only correspondence received was a financial report from PSPL setting out details of income and expenditure for year ended 31/03/2021. A copy of the report had been emailed to members and there were hard copies available at this meeting. It was moved by John Hally, seconded by Lois Cheevers, the Secretary's Report be received **CARRIED.**

**FINANCIAL** – The Treasurer reported current net funds totalled \$4,117.39.

It was moved by Bob Grierson, seconded by Val Nixon, the Treasurer's Report be received.

**CARRIED.**

**GUEST SPEAKER** – Beryl Pakes informed members, Annie Wysham, a poet and storyteller was our guest speaker today. Annie Wysham had previously spoken to our members in 2017 and 2018.

**WELFARE TEAM** – Ree Dowling reported Eric Sutherland was still at home with an infection which had again delayed proposed surgery.

**BULLETIN** – As published.

**CURRENT AFFAIRS DISCUSSION GROUP** – The next meeting would be on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 2.00pm at the home of Shirley & Mike McGorlick at 2/8 Terrara Road, Vermont.

**BISTRO** - Jo Hocking. The next Bistro will be held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August at "Poppies on Canterbury", 102 Canterbury Road, Blackburn South at 6.00pm. BYO wine or drinks at the Bar. No corkage. Payment \$46.00 to Club Bank Account by 17<sup>th</sup> AUGUST.

**LADIES & MENS LUNCHESES** – John Hally reported that due to clashes with other club events and "Lockdowns", no lunches had been organized. However, if there are no more closures, we shall aim for lunches in September.

**MOVIES** - Jo Hocking. Movies scheduled for Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August, cancelled due to lockdown.

**WALKS** – Ken Pakes. Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August, 10.00am. Mitcham – Simpson Park. Details in August Bulletin.

**GOLF** - Come along to Waverley Golf Club on Friday mornings, 9.30 am. start.

**OUTINGS** - Val Nixon – The tour of East Melbourne Fire Brigade has been rescheduled for Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> August.

Meet at Eastern Hill Fire Station at 10.15am. Cost is \$8.00 and must be paid to Treasurer or deposited directly into bank account prior to the event.

There are lists for members to place their names for a proposed outing to the Australian Sports Museum in October and a trip to Daylesford in September.

**TOURS** – Mary Rasmussen. Northern Victoria Silo Art Tour from 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> October  
4 Nights & 5 Days in the Benalla area. Cost is 1,599.00. Should there be a lockdown or cancellation, there will be an automatic refund of monies paid.

**AFTER MEETING LUNCH** - The Groove Train, Level 3, Forest Hill Chase.

**FRIDAY COFFEE** - Fridays 3pm at Shingle Inn, Forest Hill Chase. All welcome.

**WEBSITE** - Doug Westcott informed members the website was up to date.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

The President asked members to consider accepting committee positions for next year.

Following morning tea, Guest Speaker Co-Ordinator, Beryl Pakes introduced Annie Wysham to the meeting. Annie described herself as a poet, story reader and storyteller. Annie read poems and told stories involving Australians C. J. Dennis (Clarence Michael James Stanislaus), Banjo Paterson (Andrew Barton “Banjo”), Henry Lawson (Henry Archibald Hertzberg), Barry Humphries and English writer, poet, and comedian Pam Ayres. Her readings, recitations and accents were most informative and entertaining. Annie presented a wonderful “Pam Ayres” telephone conversation talking with her mother and father, with a “Pam Ayres” accent. She displayed her great versatility in voice, manner, and content during her talk, and also recited a poem she had written about a Probus Club. She admitted she was a member of Mont Albert North Probus Club and was the Guest Speaker Organiser for the past three years.

At the conclusion of her performance, Annie was given a great round of support by a delighted audience.

There being no further business, the Chairperson thanked the members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 12 noon.

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President.