Combined Probus Club of BlackburnSouth Inc.

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MINUTES: Minutes of Monthly Meeting 5th April 2023.

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

CHAIR: As President Mary Burton was visiting family in England, Past President Ree Dowling occupied the chair, opened the meeting at 10:00 am and welcomed all present.

APOLOGIES: Mike Bampfield, Gerry Burton, Mary Burton, Stephen Clifton, Trish Clifton, Gwenda Davey, Nancy Greenslade, Bob Grierson, Jo Hocking, Bill Moncrieff, Lorna Moncrieff, Val Nixon, Mary Rasmussen, Peter Rasmussen, Jackie Reilly, Bruna Rosaia, Ian Rose, Chris Stott, Warwick Stott, Bill Wallis, Keith Wickins, Laurie Williams

VISITORS: Jurgen Ahrens, Sibylle Ahrens.(2ND visit) Jim Ducrow, Wendy Ducrow. (1ST visit)

INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS: The President invited Rod and Sue Needham to come forward and be inducted as new members of our Probus Club. Rod and Sue who reside in Forest Hill, were presented with copies of the constitution, name badges and were welcomed as members of Combined Probus Club of Blackburn South.

PRESENT: 42 Members, 4 Visitors, 22 Apologies.

BIRTHDAYS: APRIL: Trish Hogan 13th, Gerry Burton 20th.

MINUTES: It was moved by John Hally, seconded by Ron Henderson, the minutes of monthly meeting held on 1st March 2023 be accepted.

CARRIED

REPORTS:-

SECRETARY – As per Bulletin.

Correspondence received: "Legends of Brass" concerts for 2023. Brochures available.

3 Concerts in coming months:-

"CENTRE STAGE" Sunday 7th May at Doncaster Secondary College

"LLLs CONCERT" Friday 23rd June at Greensborough

"THE LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS" Sunday 6th August at The Ivanhoe Centre.

Brochures available.

It was moved by John Hally and seconded by Kath Thompson, the Secretary's Report be received.

CARRIED

TREASURER – As the Treasurer was an apology, there was no report at the meeting. Subsequently, I have been advised net funds as of 05/04/2023 totalled \$3.201-83.

GUEST SPEAKER – Beryl Pakes. The speaker today would be Lorraine Smith who had written a book about a manuscript that had been found in a copy of "Alice in Wonderland". The speaker for next month will be Colin Neave.

WELFARE – Ree Dowling. Jackie Reilly is managing at present.

BULLETIN - As published.

DISCUSSION GROUP: Current Affairs is now known as "Discussion Group" and is at the home of Jaya and Harish Shah. More people are welcome to attend. Coffee provided. Information in Bulletin.

OUTINGS – Ree Dowling. Heide Museum, 7 Templestowe Road, Bulleen on Wednesday 26th April. Payment of \$34-00 by 12th April into Bendigo Bank.

Lilydale Theatre, 39 – 41 Castella Street, Lilydale, Wednesday 12th July at 7.30pm.

"Switzerland" Pay \$22 (discount) into the Club's bank account by 2th April.

LADIES' AND MEN'S LUNCH – Kath Thompson. Box Hill Golf Club, 202 Station Street, Box Hill South, Wednesday 19th April at 12.30pm.

DINE OUT – Ree Dowling. Persian Flavours, Forest Hill on 22nd March last was very enjoyable. However, due to patrons arriving at different times, the waiting time for service was long. In future orders for meals should be placed 15 minutes after advertised arrival time.

The next dine out will be at CAFÉ OGGI, 1 Lakeside Drive, Burwood East on Wednesday 24th May 2023 at 6pm.

WEBSITE – Doug Westcott. Up to date. We now have a screen monitor of notices and events being shown on the overhead screen during the meeting.

FRIDAY COFFEE - Moon & Spoon, level 2, Forest Hill Chase, Fridays 3.00pm.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

There being no general business, the President adjourned the meeting for morning tea.

Following morning tea, where members were treated to a pleasant surprise of hot cross buns with coffee and tea, supplied by Member Services Officer Kath Thompson, Beryl Pakes introduced the Guest Speaker, author Lorraine Smith who has written a book about an old manuscript found in a copy of "Alice In Wonderland". The manuscript, which was written about the year 1586, actually referred to the ownership of a piece of land in England. Lorraine gave a very humorous presentation of her years of research to have the document translated and obtain information about the persons who have owned the land over almost 500 years. Her performance was very much appreciated by the members.

Following the conclusion of the talk and there being no further business, the Chairperson thanked the members for their participation and closed the meeting at 12 noon.

President 03/05/2023