Combined Probus Club of BlackburnSouth

Inc. No.58109



Reg. No A0029946T

MINUTES: Minutes of Monthly Meeting 4th October 2023

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

CHAIR: Due to President Mary Burton being unable to be present, Past President Ree Dowling occupied the Chair, opened the meeting at 10:00 am and welcomed all present.

APOLOGIES: Cushla Appleby, Dennis Birt, Jenny Birt, Gerry Burton, Mary Burton, Nelsa Counsell, Ron Henderson, Jo Hocking, Shirley McGorlick, Bill Moncrieff, Lorna Moncrieff, Ron Needham, Sue Needham, Ian Rose, Chris Stott, Warwick Stott, Bev Sutherland, Eric Sutherland, Dorothy Thompson, Bill Wallis, Laurie Williams.

VISITORS: Ron Chidgey, Lorraine Low - Shang.

PRESENT: 43 Members, 2 Visitors. APOLOGIES: 21

BIRTHDAYS OCTOBER: Julie Stewart 3rd, Kath Thompson 3rd, Jurgen Ahrens 12th, Dennis Birt 13th, Shirley McGorlick 13th, Bill Wallis 16th, Nelsa Counsell 21st, Bill Moncrieff 21st, Terry Cheevers 22nd, Vic McNamara 24th, Sandra Knight 29th, Pauline Lavery 29th, Jackie Reilly 31st.

MINUTES: It was moved by John Hally, seconded by Val Nixon, the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 6TH September 2023 be accepted. CARRIED

REPORTS: -

SECRETARY: – As published in the Bulletin. Additional correspondence received since the publication of Bulletin: - Email from PSPL advising of proposed changes to the Standard Probus Club Constitution as part of the 2023 Constitutional Review. The first part of the review is to consult with Probus Clubs in relation to the Articles of Accreditation, then provide Clubs with Model Constitutions and Model Standing Resolutions for adoption by Probus Clubs. It was moved by John Hally, seconded by Kath Thompson, the Secretary's Report be received.

TREASURER: – Net funds total \$2531.31. It was moved by Bob Grierson, seconded by Stephen Clifton, the Treasurer's Report be received. CARRIED

GUEST SPEAKER: – Beryl Pakes. The speaker for this month is Margaret O'Mahoney who will speak on "writing your own memoirs." There will be no Speaker next month. Nelson Knight will be the speaker for February 2024 and his subject is Antiques.

WALK: - KEN GEORGE. Wednesday 18th October 10:00 am Schwerkolt Cottage Complex – Eastlink Indigenous Art Trail, walk 1,2,3 or 5Ks by choice, picnic tables and BBQs available.

WELFARE: Bev Sutherland is currently in rehabilitation after surgery.

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OUTINGS: REE DOWLING. Lilydale Theatre, Thursday 23rd November, \$25.00. Meet at Gracious Grace Café at 6:15 pm. Payment due by 4th October.

BOX HILL TOWN HALL: KATH THOMPSON. The Tour commenced at 10:00 am on Wednesday 13th September. The Head Guide showed us a quilting exhibition, opened doors to allow us to view old maps of Box Hill and its surrounds, Old Box Hill Council Chamber, by sliding a wall, we viewed old maps of the area. We also took in an Art Gallery and had an enjoyable lunch.

CLUB RINGWOOD: Wednesday 27th September. Thanks to Catherine Pratt for her help in running a very successful "dine out" evening at Club Ringwood.

DISCUSSION GROUP: MIKE BAMPFIELD. The next meeting on Monday, 16th October will be at the home of Harish and Jaya Shah, 12 Chippendale Terrace, Burwood East at 2:00 pm. The Group has friendly discussions on subjects such as the current Referendum and other topical matters of interest, which is then followed by afternoon tea.

LADIES & MENS LUNCH: – KATH THOMPSON. Box Hill Golf Club, Wednesday 25th October, 12:30 pm. Place your name on the list.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Wednesday 6th December, 12 noon at Chirnside Park Country Club. 3 Course Seniors Meal, \$35.00. Place your name on the list and indicate if you require transport.

WEBSITE: – Doug Westcott. All up to date.

FRIDAY COFFEE: – Moon & Spoon, Level 2, Forest Hill Shopping Centre, each Friday afternoon at 3:15 pm. All are welcome to attend.

AFTER MEETING LUNCH: – Sofia's, East Burwood.

GENERAL BUSINESS: Val Nixon spoke of the proposed Melba Garden Tour to Coombe Cottage and Devonshire Tea on 22nd November. Morning tea would be at 10:00 am and Garden Tour at 11.00 am. Total cost is \$30.00 per head, payable at morning tea. (No cheques accepted.) More details at the November meeting.

MORNING TEA:

Following morning tea, Beryl Pakes introduced our guest speaker Margaret O' Mahony who spoke of preparing your own "Family Memoirs" for your relatives. Margaret particularly emphasised the popularity of family history by grandchildren and great-grandchildren as it gave them knowledge and stories about those who had come before them. Her talk gave the audience "food for thought" about leaving a written heritage for our future generations. Margaret also conducts a business in helping people prepare their Family Histories.

At the conclusion of the presentation by Margaret, Beryl thanked our speaker for a most interesting talk.

Following the presentation, CHAIRPERSON REE DOWLING thanked the members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 11:50 am.