Combined Probus Club of BlackburnSouth Inc. No.58109



Reg. No A0029946T

MINUTES: Minutes of Monthly Meeting 7th February 2024

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

CHAIR: - Due to President Mary Burton being unable to be present, inaugural President and foundation member Ron Henderson occupied the Chair, opened the meeting at 10:00 am and welcomed all present.

VALE: - The Chairman informed the meeting Graeme Thomson, who joined our Club on the 6th of November 2002 and was the husband of current member Dot Thomson, died on the 29th of December 2023 and asked the members to stand for one minute of silence in tribute to Graeme.

APOLOGIES: - Dennis Birt, Keith Booth, Mary Burton, Nancy Greenslade, Alan Hunter, Shirley McGorlick, Bill Moncrieff, Lorna Moncrieff, Val Nixon, Ian Rose, Chris Stott, Warwick Stott, Bill Wallis, Keith Wickins, Laurie Williams.

VISITORS: Helen Carter, Bernie Starling (Second Visit), and Judith Sullivan.

PRESENT: 51 Members, 3 Visitors. APOLOGIES: 15.

BIRTHDAYS FEBRUARY: - Dot Browne 6th, Trish Clifton 6th, Jennifer Birt 12th, Beryl Marston 14th, Harish Shah 14th, Joyce Wickins 15th, Gwenda Davey 18th, John Hally 19th, Mike McGorlick 20th.

INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBER: - The Chairman invited Lorraine Low-Shang to come forward and be welcomed as a new member of our Club. The Chairman presented Lorraine with a copy of the Constitution, a history of our last ten years and name badges. He then presented Lorraine to the members, who welcomed her accordingly.

ORDER OF AUSTRALIA MEDAL: - On behalf of the members of the Club, the Chairman extended congratulations to Sandra Knight who was awarded the Order of Australia Medal in the "Australia Day Honours List" for service to people who are blind or have low vision.

MINUTES: - It was moved by John Hally, seconded by Kath Thompson, and the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 1st November 2023 be accepted.

CARRIED

REPORTS: - SECRETARY: - As published in the Bulletin. Additional correspondence received: - Notice from Probus South Pacific of proposed changes to the Constitution. The City of Whitehorse has granted our Club a 90% discount on the annual rental of the Horticultural Centre. Whitehorse City Council Positive Ageing Forum, 29th February at 10.00 am. Consumer Affairs Victoria, notification of requirement to lodge Annual Statement. It was moved by John Hally, seconded by Kath Thompson, the Secretary's Report be received.

TREASURER: – The Treasurer informed the members that funds at the bank totalled \$1,594.59. It was moved by Bob Grierson, seconded by Gerry Burton, the Treasurer's Report be received.

CARRIED

GUEST SPEAKER: – Beryl Pakes. Our guest speaker for this month is our member Nelson Knight and his subject is Antiques. There will not be a guest speaker next month as it is our Annual General Meeting.

WELFARE: - REE DOWLING As per bulletin.

BULLETIN: As published.

OUTINGS: - MARY RASMUSSEN. Picnic Lunch at SIMPSON PARK, Cochrane Street, Mitcham, 12 noon, Thursday 15th February. BYO Lunch, Chair, Drink, and enjoy the company.

DISCUSSION GROUP: - MIKE BAMPFIELD. The next meeting is on Monday, 19th FEBRUARY, at the home of Harish and Jaya Shah, 12 Chippendale Terrace, Burwood East, at 2.00 pm. Mike has taken over management of the Discussion Group from Bill Wallis, and he thanked Harish and Jaya for hosting the group.

LADIES & MENS LUNCH: - KATH THOMPSON: - Wheelers Hill Hotel, 871 – 881 Ferntree Gully Road, Wheelers Hill, 12 noon WEDNESDAY 28th FEBRUARY.

WEBSITE: - Doug Westcott. All are 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: - Wantirna Hill Club, 715 Boronia Road, Wantirna.

GENERAL BUSINESS: - Stephen Clifton distributed books of "The Acts" to be performed at "THE ROUND", Nunawading.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting for a long morning tea.

Following morning tea, Nelson Knight presented a very interesting talk and display of his personal collection of antique items. Nelson indicated this display represented about 10% of the collection at his residence. The members were delighted with his presentation, knowledge, value and range of items on display.

Following the conclusion of Nelson's presentation, the Chairman thanked the members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 11.50 am.

President. 6th March 2024