

Combined Probus Club of

Blackburn South Inc. No.58109

Reg. No A0029946T

MINUTES: Minutes of Monthly Meeting 5TH March 2025

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

PRESIDENT: opened the meeting at 10:00 am and welcomed all present

APOLOGIES: Woty Fanoy, Bill Wallis, Vin White, Vic McNamara, Graeme Brookes, Christina Hunter, Sandra Both, Cushla Appleby, Ian Rose,

There were 57 members in attendance, 3 visitors, 9 apologies and 1 absent.

VISITORS: Phil Colbert, Gillian Horlock, Denise Parry,

INDUCTION: An induction a new member was held for Rachel McAlavey, President Harish welcomed Rachel to our club and presented her with her welcome pack, and hoped she will enjoy the friendship and fellowship of Probus. Rachel responded by thanking everyone for making her feel welcome.

BIRTHDAYS: Val Nixon 22nd, Bev Sutherland 29th

MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING:

It was **Moved** by Gillian George, **Seconded** by – Gerry Burton, the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 5rh February 2025 be accepted as a true correct record of the meeting **CARRIED**

<u>Correspondence:</u>	IN:	Insurance policy cover letter Hall hire accounts Post office box account Falls Prevention and Recovery Seminar Mercy Ships
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OUT: Letter to Rod and Sue Needham Letter to Nancy Greenslade

REPORTS:

SECRETARY:

- Welcomed all visitors
- Thanked Ree for her Valentines Day chocolates for those attending the coffee Afternoon.
- Asked for help for after the meeting to pack up.
- Mentioned Dot Farr and wished her a belated birthday. As this was a special "0" birthday.
- We are still trialling a new coffee venue for our Friday coffee afternoons, this is at the Koffee Kult outside of Target on the 2nd floor, Forest Hill Chase shopping centre. This starts at 3.15pm. This is still a trial, as some members had asked

for a change of venue. The previous venue has been advised, and this will be trialled for the month of March when the management committee will see how this is working. The management committee welcomes your feedback.

• A thank you was given to Harish for all his assistance this year to the club. It has been greatly appreciated, and we thank him for all his hard work and dedication to the club.

TREASURER: – Bob Grierson

Reported bank balance \$2,413.78, plus \$500 on hold with the deposit for the Christmas party, we have \$2913.78. in funds

Moved: Bob GriersonSeconded: John HallyCarried.

GUEST SPEAKER: – BERYL PAKES – advised that the next meeting, we will be having Traveller's Aid to speak, and for May we will have the speaker from Mercy Ships.

BULLETIN: As published. Nelsa would like all articles to be with her by the 18^{th of} March so she can complete the bulletin before the Apollo Bay trip

WELFARE: - REE DOWLING – Christian Hunter still in pain with her knee but is doing lots of Rehab and hopes to return shortly.

ACTIVITIES:

• Catherine Pratt spoke on the activity which we had to the home of Dame Elizabeth Murdoch. She advised everyone enjoyed themselves looking around the lovely gardens, then went to the Langwarrin Hotel for a very nice lunch.

Ree Dowling then spoke on other outings and activities that are planned for members.

- Mornington Peninsula by Coach 24-seater bus. To be held April 10th. This trip includes Arthurs Seat and the Eagle, Glass blowing in Red Hill and lunch at Balnarring at the Tulum Store, with time to visit the beach. Bus to be paid now, Ree has 2 seats left to fill.
- Ree spoke on the outing to Lilydale Theatre to see the Matinee Performance of "Haunted" which is a comedy, this is to be held on Sunday 4th May, details in bulletin, Ree advised we will have lunch first for those who wish to attend. Notice on bench please put your name down and take a photo of the events you have written your name next to as this will help you to remember.
- Next Film Day is Black Bag on 13th March. This is a Thriller. Full details on bench and in bulletin. The movie we saw on 27th February, The Last Journey was enjoyed by all those who attended.
- Jazz in the Park was held on 2nd March at the Blackburn Lake Sanctuary About 6 Probus members attended and enjoyed the music.
- Dine out Persian Flavours 19th March at 6.00pm
- Sandra Knight spoke on the proposed tours she will be arranging for later in the year. One will be to Maldon and Castlemaine and a ride on the Goldfields Railway. The other tour is with Murray Magic Tours to Echuca and surrounds this one will occur 12th – 18th October. Itinerary on bench. Cost of the Murray

Magic Tour should be approx. \$1400 single and \$1600 with the single supplement. Further details next month.

- Ten Pin Bowling will no longer be held due to lack of numbers, but Sandra is very happy to start it again if you let her know you are interested.
- Ken George spoke on the walking group, proposed for 3rd April to Strathdon house and a look around the homestead and then walk back for morning tea at the Jolimont Café. Morning tea should be about 11.30am for those just wishing to come for the morning. You can also just come to the Strathdon House precinct if you are unable to walk and just look around the house, this is a Thursday as this is when the house is open.
- Kath Thompson spoke on Men's and Ladies Lunch at the Box Hill Golf Club on April 30th 202 Station Street. Everyone welcome.
- Roll Back the clock exercise group meet at the Vermont South Club each Friday at 11.30 for light exercise and wellness and morning tea. All welcome to attend. Notice on bench for those interested.

DISCUSSION GROUP: MIKE BAMPFIELD invited those present to attend the discussion group, next one to be held on Tuesday 18th March, 2pm to 4pm at the VSC club in Livingstone Rd, Vermont South. All members are welcome, many items are discussed with a fun item finishing off the day with afternoon tea. Please note this has moved to a Tuesday due to the lawn bowls change of season.

Gillian spoke on the book club, next one to be held 1st April. Also please take a book from the foyer book table. There is also a jigsaw if anyone want this.

WEBSITE: DOUG WESTCOTT: - All working well

FRIDAY COFFEE: – Koffee Kult Level 2, Forest Hill Shopping Centre, each Friday afternoon 3.15pm. All welcome to attend.

AFTER MEETING LUNCH: – will be held at the Waverley RSL Club, about 20 people responded they would like to attend.

GENERAL BUSINESS: Harish presented 2 10-year certificates to two members of the club, these were Trish Clifton and Jennifer Birt.

As Keith Booth has resigned from the club, Harish thanked him on behalf of all members and thanked him for all his hard work and dedication. Keith responded by saying how he had enjoyed his 20 years with the club. He is now moving on to the Cranbourne Probus club which is close to his home, this is a new club, and Keith has accepted the position of President at this club. His wife Helen will join this club with him. Harish wished them all the best and hope to see them again at another function.

Harish then advised the members it was time for morning tea, which would then be followed by our AGM for 2025/2026.

President. 2nd April 2025