



Combined Probud Club of Blackburn South Inc. No.58109

Reg. No A0029946T

MINUTES: Minutes of Monthly Meeting 4th June 2025

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

PRESIDENT: opened the meeting at 10:00 am and welcomed all present, she asked members to refrain from speaking during the meeting, so those with hearing problems can hear what is being discussed. Sandra also asked members to please turn off their mobile phones.

APOLOGIES: Woty Fanoy, Ron Chidgey, Alan Hunter, Kath Hawthorne, Denis Hawthorne, Mike McGorlick, Shirley McGorlick, Graeme Brookes, Mary Burton, Gerry Burton, Christine Hunter, Alan Hunter, John Henwood, Catherine Pratt, John Hally, Colin Farr, Dot Farr,

There were 49 members in attendance, 2 visitors, 16 apologies and 3 absent.

VISITORS: Elaine Kendler, Jenny Fackrell, these visitors were welcomed to our meeting.

BIRTHDAYS: Lorraine Hally 5th, Mike Bampfild 13th, Ken George 19th, Bob Grierson 20th, Nelson Knight 20th, Glen Knight 23rd, Gilly George 24th, Kath Hawthorne 26th, Philip Colbert 28th, Stephen Clifton 30th,

Vice President Lindsay handed out a chocolate to those celebrating their birthday in June,

INDUCTION: President Sandra welcomed our new member Gillian Horlock and said she hoped she would enjoy Probud and asked members to get to know her.

MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING:

It was **Moved** by Gillian George, **Seconded** by – Stephen Clifton, the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 7th May be accepted as a true correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

Correspondence:

IN:

- PSPL membership cards for new members
- Emails from Alex Brunetti Whitehorse Council re hall
- Eastern Health Dementia Directory flyers (on bench)
- Concert – Jennifer Fackrell to speak on this.
- (Jennifer spoke on the concert on 14th June, she is a member of the orchestra and plays the flute. She invited members to attend and placed some flyers on the bench for further information).

OUT:

- PSPL advice new members/retiring members

REPORTS:

PRESIDENT: Sandra reported that photos are being taken by Glen Knight and all members will receive a copy for their records once this has been completed

Constitution changes are being looked at by the Subcommittee and a report will be given to all members once the committee have looked at these and checked the recommendations from PSPL. We are also aware of our bank finances as it costs about \$450 to register any changes.

We now have an ABN number, so we were allowed to apply for a banking app, we are still in the process of getting the correct machine.

SECRETARY: Advised copies of the bulletin and Probian are on the bench for members to take.

If you have a change of address or phone number, could you please advise the secretary, so the records be kept up to date.

If you want to pay for an outing, tour or pay your fees, Harish is here from about 9.30am. It would be helpful if you are paying cash to please see him before the meeting, this allows him to still have morning tea and meet the members.

Please welcome our new members and visitors and assist them in any way you can.

A thank you was also given to Kath Thompson for all her work on behalf of members at morning tea, we thank Kath and her team for all their efforts.

TREASURER: – HARISH SHAH - Reported that he now has envelopes for your cash payments, these are on the front desk, please fill in with your details and which outing you are paying for and the amount. Harish thanked Ree for putting these envelopes together for the members.

There is also a payment voucher for anyone claiming expenses and these vouchers need to be filled out before payment can be made. Proof of payment is required.

Bank Balance is \$3145.00 some members are still to pay fees, could you please finalise these if you have not paid.

GUEST SPEAKER: – DOT THOMSON – speaker today will be from Seeing Eye Dogs and the lady will be Stephanie and hopefully she will have a dog with her.

BULLETIN: As published. Nelsa thanked all those who gave their articles early last month. Deadline for next bulletin is 20.6.25

WELLBEING: - REE DOWLING – John Henwood is in hospital. John Hally has had a foot operation. Welcomed Jaya back after her operation. Please advise Ree if you know of anyone else who is not well or needs any assistance.

ACTIVITIES: - REE DOWLING – reported that the CBD trip was very successful and 16 members attended.

Cath Pratt is organising a meet up at “The Round” in Nunawading for 11th June at 10.30, a designated area has been set aside for us. All welcome. Form on bench for names.

Lilydale theatre is 12th July, at 2.00pm, ‘The Diary of Anne Frank’ is the name of the show, please see form on bench for names. All welcome we will have lunch before the show.

A trip to the Tram Museum is organised for June 18th please catch number 75 tram at 9.00am. Lunch will be in Camberwell at Deco, then tram back to Vermont. We are on the 10.00am tour.

Darts at the VSC club will take place on Friday 13th June, come along and give it a try. Contact Ree if you would like to attend or put your name on the list on the bench. Everyone welcome.

An outing to the Australian Synchrotron is organised for 16th July, 800 Blackburn Rd, Clayton. Parking is available on site, and you will have to tell security on the gate you are there for a tour of the facility. Ree explained some of the research that is carried out at the facility which is helping the scientists in their research in many fields. This tour will be followed by lunch at the Mulgrave Country Club.

GUEST SERVICES – KATH THOMPSON – Kath reported we will be having cheese and bickies for morning tea today as today is World Cheese Day, she also advised she has organised chocolate biscuits for next month as it is Chocolate Day. Kath has other special foods organised for the year.

Roll back the clock is held at the VSC club 11.30 to 12.30pm, gentle exercise for seniors, all welcome to try this. VSC club is Livingstone Rd Vermont,

Men’s and Ladies Lunch is 25th June, at the Chase Hotel at Forest Hill. 12.30pm. All welcome to attend.

TOURS – President Sandra – spoke on the trip to Barham, deposits have been paid, and the final payment is due in August.

The trip to Castlemaine on 13-15th November, is still available but names must be placed on the form today as the accommodation is very hard to get in Castlemaine, we are still waiting on the details for the train trip to Maldon. More details at next meeting. This is a self-drive/share ride tour.

BOOK CLUB – Gillian spoke on the book club, next one to be held 1st July. Also please take a book from the foyer book table. All welcome to attend book club and enjoy a cuppa and friendship over a discussion on the book you are currently reading or an old favourite. 6 members attended the club this month, and we enjoyed a very interesting time together.

DISCUSSION GROUP – MIKE BAMPFIELD - invited those present to attend the discussion group, next one to be held on Tuesday 15th July, 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, which last month was the most embarrassing thing you have bought. This is followed by afternoon tea.

PUBLICITY OFFICER – MIKE BAMPFIELD - An article has been written to go into the next Probian magazine. Word of mouth is one of the best ways of letting people know of the benefits and activities of the club. Invite a friend or neighbour to attend.

Mike thanked Doug Westcott for all his hard work on the website and said it was such an asset to the club and congratulated Doug for all his efforts and said how much we all appreciated his work on behalf of the club.

WEBSITE: DOUG WESTCOTT: - All working well

AFTER MEETING LUNCH: – will be held at the Asia Garden Chinese Restaurant in Wantirna. Please indicate who is attending. Approx 23 members were to attend.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Sandra then advised the members it was time for morning tea, and asked members to look under their chairs and look for a snowflake, for those lucky members they were given a snowball and marshmallows to celebrate we are now in winter. Ree gave these out and we thank Ree for organising this activity.

No other general business

Members then went to morning tea.

After morning tea Dot Thomson introduced Stephaine from the Seeing Eye Dogs' Association. Stephanie had a dog which is currently in training with her. Jill Colbert also attended and brought her dog that she is also training. Stephanie spoke on the challenges of training the dogs to be ready to move onto the next part of their training. After question-and-answer time Dot presented Stephanie with a small gift of appreciation.

President Sandra thanked everyone for attending and invited members and visitors to lunch.

President closed the meeting at 11.45am

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President. 2nd July 2025