

Combined Probus Club of

Blackburn South Inc. No.58109

Reg. No A0029946T

MINUTES: Minutes of Monthly Meeting 1ST October 2025

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

PRESIDENT: Sandra Knight OAM - opened the meeting at 10.00 am and welcomed all present to a Happy Probus Month.

APOLOGIES: Cushla Appleby, Keith Wickins, Joyce Wickins, Jurgen Ahrens, Sibylle Ahrens, Bob Grierson, Shirley McGorlick Ian Rose, Vin White. Nelson Knight

VISITORS: Sandra welcomed our visitor, Vincent Winterbine and invited him and all members to the after-meeting lunch at the Asian Gardens in Wantirna.

BIRTHDAYS: Kathleen Thompson, 3rd, Jurgen Ahrens 12th, Dennis Birt 13th, Shirley McGorlick 13th, Jenny Fackrell 17th, Nelsa Counsell 21st, Vic McNamara, 24th, Sandra Knight 29th

These members were given chocolates to celebrate their birthdays.

INDUCTION: Elaine Kendler was welcomed into the club as a new member. Sandra gave some details on Elaine, and she was presented with her welcome pack. Welcome Elaine.

There were 58 members in attendance, 1 visitor, 10 apologies and 3 absent.

MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING:

It was **Moved** by Gillian George the minutes of the General Meeting held on 3rd September 2025, which were circulated to all members, be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Seconded: Stephen Clifton. CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

IN: PSPL outstanding capitation fees

Whitehorse City Council Hall Hire agreement

Various emails from PSPL advertising

Link community transport (forwarded to Ree)

OUT: Letter to Mayor re speaking in October

REPORTS:

PRESIDENT: Sandra Knight OAM.

Sandra asked members to welcome the visitors and new members, and to make them feel welcome and chat to them.

President Sandra explained that a few of the committee will not be seeking reelection and asked members to think about serving on the committee. Positions vacant are: Treasurer, Guest Services and Bulletin editor. Sandra asked if anyone was interested to please see one of the committee members after the meeting.

SECRETARY:

Secretary thanked Lindsay Borgas for doing the secretarial position whilst she was away and said she greatly appreciated his hard work.

Secretary advised as the mayor is our speaker today and he has requested questions from the floor and the secretary asked for everyone to think of any questions you would like to ask him.

Secretary advised no book club until February.

TREASURER:

Harish informed the meeting the Bank Balance as 30th September was \$7,704.39, \$4,241.50 of that amount are Member advances for trips/outings etc.

Tyro is available if you would like to pay for your outing or trip, by credit card see Harish and he will take the payment.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Dot advised that the Mayor Andrew Davenport will be a speaker this month. Next month is Dave from Guitars for Veterans.

BULLETIN EDITOR:

Nelsa advised all going well with the bulletin.

WELLBEING:

Ree referred to members who were not well. She asked if anyone needs a ride to an outing to please contact her and she will do her best to arrange this.

OUTINGS:

Ree advised that the coach trip to Parliament House had been cancelled and expressed her disappointment that she had to cancel due to lack of numbers. 14 members attended the Lilydale theatre and enjoyed a very delightful show.

Ree spoke on the visit to Pentridge H Division Thursday 23rd October - please put your name on the list if you would like to attend.

Mini Golf tournament to be held Wednesday 19th November, this will be followed by lunch at the Morack Golf Club.

Films: Ree thanked Catherine Pratt for looking after the last two films.

Upcoming films:

Downton Abbey - Tuesday 7th October

But Also, John Clarke documentary – 9th October

The Travellers - 12th November

Lists on the bench with further information

Ree spoke on the Christmas Lunch to be held 3rd December at the Chirnside Park Country Club. If you need any assistance getting there, please contact Ree.

Darts is being held on 10th October. All welcome, fun activity. Vermont South Club 10.15 am.

Cup Day at the Vermont South Club, all welcome. Ken George showed a slide of fun events on the day and advised that everyone is welcome to attend. Raffles, sweeps, BBQ, golf putting, nearest the Jack in bowling and other fun games.

TOURS:

Sandra Updated all on the Barham trip 12-18 October. All Booked,12 people attending. She asked those attending please take an emergency contact form from the front desk and asked that these be filled out and returned.

Castlemaine trip 13-15th November, please put your name down if you wish to attend. Proposed coach trip to Bright early April next year, form on bench. November – King Island and Flinders Island details to follow.

ROLL BACK THE CLOCK:

Kath highlighted the benefits being gained by those attending the Exercise sessions and encouraged more members to consider attending held at the Vermont South Club on Friday mornings at 11.30 am.

GUEST SERVICES:

Kath advised that Tic Toc biscuits are on the menu today as daylight saving starts this month. Cake is also available to celebrate Probus month.

Kath also advised of the men's and ladies' lunch to be held 29th October at the Box Hill RSL 11.45 am for 12 noon. List on bench all welcome to attend.

DISCUSSION GROUP/PUBLICITY:

Mike advised that the day of the meeting had been changed to the 3rd Monday of the month next one 20th October at the Vermont South Club.

Mike recapped on latest discussions and advised attendance has increased. Mike invited more Members to attend to enjoy the discussions and socialising. Mike thanked Doug for the great job with the website and said this helps greatly with the publicity side of the club.

BOOK EXCHANGE and DVDs AVAILABLE: Members reminded to feel free to take these items on the table.

WEB MASTER:

Doug advised All Good and going well. Sandra also thanked Doug for the great effort with the website.

Sandra asked those attending the after-meeting lunch at Asian Gardens to raise their hand to let us know who is attending. Approx 24 people indicated they were attending

MORNING TEA BREAK: 10.45 am - 11.05 am.

After morning tea, Dot introduced Cr. Andrew Davenport, the current Mayor of Whitehorse Council, who did a short talk on this role and advised on some of the activities and future plans of the Whitehorse Council. He also answered questions from members.

Dot and Sandra thanked Cr. Davenport for his presentation and meeting was closed at 11.35 am.

Next meeting scheduled for	r 5 th	November	2025

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