

Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc. General Meeting – Minutes 24-25

Forest Hotel, 5 Frenchs Forest Rd, E, Frenchs Forest.

10am Thursday 13th June 2024

President and Chair- Peter Moxham

Called meeting to order at 10am.

Please turn off mobile phones or turn to silent. Thank you.

Welcome to our guests and members.

New members Christopher and Adrienne Bowman. I'm sure you will enjoy being members of our Club. Members Warwick and Lorna Brady will be your mentors.

Warwick Brady and Robyn Wood announced that in recognition for outstanding community work, Tony Lovett was given an award by the Rotary Club.



Congratulations!

Birthdays – June

1st Peter Moxham, 5th Sandy Cameron, 5th Jeff Cameron, 7th Peter Loveday
7th Jill Pearce, 8th Felicity Lawn, 14th Chris Brownlee, 14th Margaret Gobsill,
15th Stephen Baker, 18th Karen Hopkins, 18th Ian Rickard, 19th Roger Morrow
19th Tova Swadling, 22nd Barbara Moxham, 26th Jan Standiland, 28th Jill
McDonald

Secretary's Report – Lesley McQuire

The previous minutes have been posted on the website. Move they be accepted as a true and correct record.

Seconded: Barley Stewart

All those in favour, those against?

The ayes have it, motion carried

All Correspondence is managed by the Executive Committee and there is no action required at this meeting. Last month's general meeting minutes have been uploaded on the Club's website.

Any business arising from the previous minutes? Nil

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President called for the following reports:

1. Treasurers Report – Colin Forded.

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Treasurer's Report - June 2024

Income and Expenditure Account - May
2024

<i>INCOME</i>	\$
Subscriptions	475.00
<i>EXPENSES</i>	
General Meeting Cost	600.00
Guest Speaker Gifts	91.99
Admin Expenses	0.00
Total Expenses	691.99
Surplus/(Deficit) for Period	-216.99
Balance Sheet at 31/5/2024	
Accumulated Funds	
Opening Balance 30/4/2024	13,040.97
Surplus/(Deficit) for period	-216.99
Closing balance 31/5/2024	12,823.98
Assets	
Bank Account 31/5/2024	20,019.88
Liabilities	
Net Funds for future functions (see below)	7,195.90
Net Assets	12,823.98
<i>Bank Reconciliation</i>	
Bank Balance 30/4/2024	14,403.67

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Surplus/(Deficit) for period	(216.99)
	14,186.68
Net Funds Function Movement	5,833.20
Bank Balance 31/5/2024	20,019.88
Function movements	
William Brothers	-139.80
The Proms	2,581.00
Anniversary Lunch	400.00
Lumieres de Paris	-150.00
SCG Tour	1,500.00
Mouse Trap	300.00
Christmas in July	342.00
Tulip Tops Tour	1,000.00
	5,833.20
Net Funds for future functions	
Tulip Tops Tour	2-3/10/24 1,000.00
S C G Tour	1-8-24 1,800.00
Mouse Trap	21-8-24 300.00
The Proms	11-8-24 3,026.00
Christmas in July	18-7-24 608.00
Anniversary Lunch	22-8-24 440.00
William Brothers	7-6-24 0.00
Lumeries de Paris	3-6-24 0.00
Surplus / Deficit	21.90
Net Function Funds	7,195.90

Moved the report be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded Geoff
Huntington

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2.Membership Report – Tony Lovett June 2024

Current Membership

Membership stands at 131 financial members (80 ladies, 51 Gents) (61%:39%)

Non-Active Members 4 (4 Ladies, 0 Gents)

Waiting List: 15 (12 ladies, 3 Gents)

Members in Attendance May 2024

Attendance at meeting

Members – 93

Visitors – 7

Guest Speaker -1

Guest - 0

Total 101 attending Meeting

Apologies – 27

Absent -10

Leave of Absence – 1

Visitors Apology – 2

June 2024 Meeting

Visitors Attending Meeting:-

Catherine Bell – 2nd

Kathryn Forrester – 2nd

Denka Van Den Bosch – 2nd

Lyn Low – 2nd

Jenny Birrell – 1st

Resignations: Nil

Inductions this meeting:-

Joan Wilson – Apology - Induction July

Keith Wilson – Apology - Induction July

Chris Bowman and Adrienne Bowman

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3. Entertainment Report – Warwick Brady

Lorna and I will be overseas for four (4) weeks September – October. For any entertainment queries, please contact Jock Cameron. 0401151877.

(a) **An Afternoon at the Proms** - A wonderful musical spectacular show on *Sunday 11th August at 2. 00pm. Tickets cost \$89.00 pp* for a fabulous afternoon of entertainment. Hosted by the loveable violin Maestro Ian Cooper featuring, Land of Hope and Glory, and Rule Britannia. Ian plays homage to the iconic BBC Proms of London's Royal Albert Hall with his Blue Danube Orchestra accompanied by Australian Vocalists. Tickets, sold out as of 20/06/24.

(b) **Agatha Christie's - The Mousetrap**. Our Club will be attending on *Wednesday 21st August at 7.30pm*. Anyone who hasn't made their booking yet should advise me ASAP. Ticket Prices are **\$100.00 pp**

(c). **Mark Vincent** the best so far. Mark's Vincent's greatest hits so far. This is more than a concert it's a celebration of an extraordinary talent. Secure your tickets now and immerse yourself in a show filled with music memories and the unrivalled voice of Mark Vincent. Group **Prices \$71.50** Mark's show is on *Sunday 1 September at 2.00pm*. Please let me know if you wish to attend ASAP.

(d). **The Australian Tenors** - Five of the best voices in Australia are bringing romance, excitement, warmth and humour. The concert captures the spirit the beauty and vocal demand of truly authentic tenor voices. Audiences will be thrilled by popular songs from Broadway Musicals & many stirring renditions. The Australian Tenors have performed extensively with Opera Australia and International Orchestras. Group Concessions (10 or more) are **\$89.00 pp**.

Bookings are open with Warwick Brady 0418793684.

4. Guest Speaker Report – Cherry Robinson –

June Speaker Norman Webb – Beekeeper.

5. Newsletter Report – Jenny Jones – Nil report) Newsletter is on the Club's website

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6. Outings and Tours – Margaret Ayre

The trip to Bright in May was a great success. We saw the Autumn leaves, visited museums and were treated to snow falling as we came into Thredbo. Each night there was Happy Hour prior to dinner. What happened in Bright stays in Bright. Jill McDonald led a talented choir. Phil Allen's musical renditions when playing the bells was wonderful. The staff stopped their work and listened to the ringing of the bells. Malcolm McLean wrote a report about the trip and is in the Newsletter. A special thank you to Jenny Jones for putting together a beautiful collage of photos from the Bright trip. Letters of thanks have been sent to On Course Coach tours and the motels which accommodated the group.

(a) **2-3rd October is the Tulip Tops Tour.** This is fully booked and has a waiting list. Payment is due now.

(b) **Banana Cabana Primate Sanctuary- Dural.** For 40 years Banana Cabana has been home to many monkeys retiring from Fauna Parks, Circus's, Research Facilities and private ownership. The tour lasts 3 hours. The cost is \$60pp. The cost covers a private tour where visitors can hand feed some of the monkeys through the wire and are invited after the tour to relax with complimentary light refreshments (tea/coffee/soft drinks/biscuits/scones etc) overlooking the Sanctuary and gardens.

Members were asked if they would be interested in one long or two short tours in 2025. A show of hands by the majority opted for two short tours. A few ideas could be the Murray River cruise, Lake Ayre, Flinders Ranges. **These are ideas only.**

My time as Outings and Tours coordinator is slowly coming to an end and time to hand the reins over to someone new. The position will be available from March 2025. I will have done it for 3 years and I have thoroughly enjoyed every minute of the journey.

Anyone interested in taking on the position please come and talk to me. It's not hard to do any is very rewarding.



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7.Social Report - Margaret Lovett

Tony and I will be away in September-October therefore, a social outing has not been organised.

Coming soon

The Totem Club at Stockland Shopping Centre at Balgowlah

20th June is the date and starting time is 12 md till whenever. This is a PAYG lunch. This venue is a pleasant club for lunch as it is nice and Quiet (till we arrive!!) The menu is varied and reasonably priced **Final numbers by 13th June.** This is purely so the Club can set up our area for the approximate number attending. If you find you are available at the last minute that won't be a problem. Just let me know and I will forward the info to the Club.

Please encourage your friends to come along, especially any of our new members!!

Following On

18th July Xmas in July at The Forest Hotel at 12 md.

Price \$38 per person. Comprising a two-course lunch of main course and dessert with alternate drop. Dietary requirements to be noted when booking.

Final numbers and full payment by 12th July

Don't forget some Xmas Bling

And Then

22nd August Anniversary Lunch at Cromer Golf Club at 12 md

Price is \$80 per person

Bookings may be made online or at the meeting.

Final numbers, booking and payment by 15th August.

Maybe

A lunch at Rosebud Café at Castlecrag on November 21st

And Last but Not Least

!9th December the Real Xmas Lunch at Monash Golf Club at 12 md

Price is \$85 per person. Lunch will comprise a welcome drink and canape followed by a two-course meal comprising a main course and dessert with alternate drop. As usual dietary requirements to be noted on booking.

Definitely Xmas Bling at this last function for the year

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8.Walking Group – Helen Miles

The June walk is on Friday 28th June, is in Paddington led by Malcolm McLean. Meet at Glenrose at 8.50am for the 8.59am City bus to Wynyard Park. After coffee in the city we then catch a bus to Taylor Square and after a quick look at the Old Gaol Darlinghurst, we proceed onto Paddington via Victoria Barracks. We then meander through the heritage backstreets to Woollahra and Edgecliff Station, roughly following the old Bellevue Tram line.

Anyone coming by a different bus please let Helen know and meet at Wynyard Park at approx. 9.40am.

9.Wrap with love – Margaret Hobson – nil

10.Welfare – Robyn Wood

As Warwick mentioned, Tony Lovett was the recipient of the Rotary Club Award. Heal Smoothers. Not only are these good for removing the buildup of skin, before going to bed, rub the heels with Vicks VapoRub and put on a pair of socks. There is some evidence that by putting Vicks on your feet with socks can ease coughs, colds, other chest infections and improve cracked heels, ease foot pain, and treat toenail fungus.



Jan Standiland is recuperating in Lady Davidson Rehab, Turramurra, from a wrist injury.

There is no update regarding Gloria Atwool.

A reminder that the staff at your local Fire Station will come and conduct a safety visit. They check the alarms are in good working condition and are installed in suitable areas. If you do not have one, firefighters will install a long-life battery-powered smoke alarm as well as replace existing smoke alarm batteries all at no cost. With your permission, firefighters will also ask you to show us around your home and property. This will allow us to give you personalised fire safety advice.

Call your local fire brigade and book a safety visit.

General Business Nil

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Morning Tea Break. Meeting resumed at 11am.

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Guest Speaker

Norman Webb Beekeeping Norman is – a former school teacher whose topic is Beekeeping. He has hives situated in many country areas. He will also have honey to sell.

Norman Webb has been involved with Beekeeping since the 1980's.

He educated us about Bees such as their social order, the life of the Queen Bees, the role of the drones, the working of the hives and the anatomy of bees.

Alan Bennet thanked Norman and presented a token gift of appreciation.

Meeting ended 12 md.

Next meeting: 11th July 2024 at the Forest Hotel 10am

Please contact Tony Lovett if you are unable to attend the meeting. Thank you.



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