Forest Hotel, 5 Frenchs Forest Rd, E, Frenchs Forest.
Thursday 8th August 2024

President and Chair- Peter Moxham

Meeting called to order at 10am.

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

Wishing Lesley McQuire a speedy recovery and welcome Assistant Secretary, Liz Pawsey, to the role today. Thank you Liz.

Welcome to our members and guests. Today's two guests are Ros Wells & Catherine Bell.

We have no inductions today

Birthdays - August 2024

3rd Ros Thompson

11th Silvia Gore

16th Di Pill

19th Carole Stewart

23rd Jane White

26th Les Basset

28th Alison Soutter

The Assistant Secretary's Report – Liz Pawsey

The previous minutes have been posted on the website. Move they be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded: Ros Thompson Motion carried.

Any business arising from the previous minutes? None.

All Correspondence is managed by the Executive Committee and there is no action required at this meeting.

President called for the following reports:



1.<u>Treasurer's Report - Colin Fordred</u> August 2024

Income and Expenditure Account - July 2024

INCOME Subscriptions	\$ 0.00
EXPENSES	0.00
General Meeting Cost	666.00
Guest Speaker Gifts	45.00
Admin Expenses	15.00
Total Expenses	726.00
Surplus/(Deficit) for Period	-726.00
Balance Sheet at 31/7/2024	
Accumulated Funds	
Opening Balance 30/6/2024	12,381.39
Surplus/(Deficit) for period	-726.00
Closing balance 31/7/2024	11,655.39
Assets	
Bank Account 31/7/2024	24,698.47
Liabilities	
Net Funds for future functions (see below)	13,043.08
Not Assets	44.055.00
Net Assets	11,655.39
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Bank Reconciliation	22 022 20
Bank Balance30/6/2024	23,932.29
Surplus/(Deficit) for period	-726.00
Net Funds Function Movement	23,206.29
	1,492.18
Bank Balance 31/7/2024	24,698.47
Function movements	
Australian Tenors	89.00
Mark Vincent	900.00
Anniversary Lunch	2,000.00
Christmas Lunch- Monash	85.00
SCG Tour	200.00
Mouse Trap	-1,080.00

Christmas in July Christmas Concert Dami Im Banana Cabana Tulip Tops Tour		-1,411.82 120.00 -100.00 300.00 390.00 1,492.18
Net Funds for future functions		
Tulip Tops Tour	2-3/10/24	4,870.00
S C G Tour	1/8/24	2,900.00
Mouse Trap	21/8/24	10.00
The Proms	11/8/24	0.00
Christmas in July	18/7/24	32.18
Anniversary Lunch	22/8/24	3,320.00
Christmas Lunch - Monash	19/12/24	680.00
Australian Tenors	27/10/24	-11.00
Mark Vincent	1/9/24	900.00
Christmas Concert	16/12/24	120.00
Dami Im	16/12/24	-100.00
Banana Cabana	5/12/24	300.00
Surplus / Deficit		21.90
Net Function Funds		13,043.08

Colin Fordred

6/08/2024

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

Seconded by Robyn Wood

2. Membership Report - August 2024 Tony Lovett

Current Membership

Membership stands at 135 financial members (84 ladies, 51 Gents) (62%:38%)

Non-Active Members 3 (3 Ladies, 0 Gent)

Waiting List: 9 (8 ladies, 1 Gents)

Members in August 2024 _Attendance at meeting Members - 100 Visitors - 2 Guest Speaker - 1 Guest - 0 Total 103 attending Meeting Apologies - 24 Absent - 11 Visitor Apology - 3

Information From August 2024 Meeting

<u>Visitors Attending Meeting:</u>-Catherine Bell – 2nd Visit

Ros Wells - 2nd Visit

Resignations:

Leave of Absence - 0

David Tomlinson

<u>Inductions this meeting (included in membership count above)</u>:-

NIL

Tony Lovett

08/08/2024 Membership Officer

3.Entertainment Report – Warwick Brady

I am pleased to report that Glen Street Theatre is now back in business with two shows being staged in August 2024.

An Afternoon at the Proms on Sunday 11th August at 2.00pm - We have 48 tickets to see this musical extravaganza.

The Mousetrap is on 21st August at 7.30pm - 15 of our Members are accepting the opportunity to see this magnificent production.

Then on the 1st September at 2.00pm Mark Vincent is presenting his show "The Best So Far" A celebration of Mark's Greatest Hits. 14 of our members are attending such a shame this show is being staged on Fathers Day.

Then Sunday 27th October at 2.00pm Five of the best voices in Australia "The Australian Tenors" are bringing us romance, excitement and humour of authentic tenor voices. The audience will be thrilled by the songs of Broadway and many more stirring renditions. Tickets are \$89.00. Reservations are required as soon as possible.

Finally if you are looking for a wonderful Christmas Present ,the Theatre is able to offer two shows on Monday 16th December for your enjoyment. The Morning at 11.00am is Charlie Chech who in 2023 won the ACE best Male Vocal Performer supported by his four piece jazz quartet. After the show the theatre will be offering us a lovely Morning Tea . Tickets are only \$30.00.and Bookings are very heavy.

Then after an afternoon rest or what ever you would like to do at 7.30pm you can get ready to enjoy the night show of the one and only DAMI IM with her first ever Chistmas Song Book. Fans of Dami and fans of the holiday season here's your chance to see DAMI live with her band performing a special lineup of tunes with a CHRISTMAS spirit. Tickets are only \$69.00. Are you interested, please make your bookings as soon as possible. Payments will not be required until later in October.

Thanks again for all the support you have given me during the year.

WARWICK BRADY - ENTERTAINMENT OFFICER

4. Guest Speaker Report - Cherry Robinson

Today's speaker is IAN HEMPHILL talking about Herbs & Spices and next month (September) we have our member, Bill McQuire with is retired colleague, Laurie Bromley (long-time friend of many of our members) talking about their careers as Aircraft Traffic Controllers.

5. Newsletter Report - Jenny Jones

Nil report. Newsletter is on the Club's website



6. Outings & Tours – Margaret Ayre

Thank you to everyone that came on the SCG tour from your feedback you all had a great day out.

Considering the weather, we managed to stay dry.

The rain stopped so we could have morning tea outdoors in Centennial Park, then our driver John took us on a tour around the park, one forgets just how big the parklands are.

Ron and Jim, our tour guides did a great job relating all the history of the SCG.

The 90-minute tour turned into over 2 hours; these men were so passionate about their cricket ground. We even got to step onto Hallowed ground.

The meals at the Paddington RSL were delicious. Finally, onto the fish markets to buy tasty fresh produce

I sent off Thank You notes to both On Course and the SCG.

I received a Thank You from Gail SCG Tours and mentioned the club may like to do a tour of the Allianz Stadium later.

Our next outing is the Southern Highland and Tulip Top tour 2nd 3rd October.

Fully booked. Final payment is due before the end of August. Please

Future outings are in the newsletter

At present the Cruise on the Murry River and the Young Cherry Festival in 2025 is not happening. At this point in time, it's too far off

Margaret Ayre 8th August 2024

7. Social Report – Margaret Lovett

Anniversary Lunch

Thursday22nd August at Cromer Golf Club at 12 o'clock

This lunch will be the 17th for the Club since its inception in 2007.

A milestone for any group to be running so well after all those years. Unfortunately, the Rotary Club President will be unable to attend due to work commitments, but he wished our Club well for the ensuing years.

Numbers are increasing so I think this will be a great lunch. The venue as we have already experienced is wonderful.

Final numbers and payment please by the 15^{th of} August.

There will be a seating plan Please inform me of any dietary requirements.

Breakfast at Hills Flower Shop at Terrey Hills on 19th September at 8:30am

This will be a PAYG, but I will need numbers please by 14th September.

October is free. November under negotiations.

December 19th Xmas celebration at Monash Country Club

The REAL Xmas will be a great opportunity to prepare your outfit for your family Xmas day and really sparkle!! I realise not every family is as crazy as ours but its something to look forward to !!!(Or NOT!!)

Bookings may be made online or at the meeting

8. Walking Group – Helen Miles

Our planned walk in Terrey Hills has been changed to St. Ives due to the very bad condition of the Terrey Hills track. The walk is on Friday 30th August at the Ku-Ring- Gai Wildflower Garden, St Ives, and is led by Ted. Meet at 9.00am outside the Visitors Information Centre, the car park is located next to the Centre. It is classed as an easy walk on good surface. We are hoping the Spring wildflowers will be starting. We plan to have coffee at the St.Ives Showgrounds afterwards.

Take care at the right hand turn to the Gardens, across Mona Vale Road, as it is rather dangerous and it may be a good idea to drive on a bit further to a right hand turn with lights street, do a u-turn down that street, and come back along Mona Vale Road turning left to the Gardens.

Anyone wanting a lift please speak to Helen and a lift will be organised.

9. Wrap with Love – Margaret Hobson

No report but a great display on the tables near the entrance of the Club of completed blankets, ready to be taken to WWL for various charities.

10. Welfare Report - Robyn Wood

Before Robyn gave her report, **Lesley Walker**, a current member and a volunteer at the NBH, had a few words to explain the parking system and how to obtain cheaper parking.

Lesley explained that the parking building is not owned by the hospital and is not involved with parking issues. However, the NSW Health recognises the burden that regular or long-term hospitalisation and treatment places on patients and their carers so have some concessional parking.

On entering the car park building, you take a ticket and this ticket must be presented to the Concierge Desk for a concession pass when you are ready to leave. Do not leave it in the car!

Eligible Concession cards are:

Pensioner – issued by Australia Gov

Australian Government Health Card – green

DVD Health Card eg. War Vets Gold Card

Disability Parking Permit

These cards get you 3 hours free parking. When you are ready to leave, go to the Concierge who will take your car park entry ticket and swap it for an exit pass which means you can go straight to the exit gate where the boom date is, scan it, the boom gate will let you out.

If you are more than 3 hours, the Concierge will give you a parking voucher when you are ready to leave. This means you will pay \$6.50 at the money machine at the entrance to the car park building and for that you can stay all day. It's a one exit. It's cheaper than \$8 an hour.



If you have someone in the hospital and need to make multiple entries and exits you can ask Concierge for a multi-pass form to fill in. A 3 day pass is \$13 and a 7 day pass is \$26. Payment for these is done at the Booking and Admissions Office – next to the Concierge Desk on the ground floor.

Patients receiving cancer treatments of any kind or patients on dialysis do not pay parking fees.

Robyn then presented her report. She thanked Lesley for letting people know the poorly advertised facts about the variations available to reduce the cost of parking at the hospital.

Wendy Matchett, a recent new member, enjoyed dancing at the Glenaeon Ball so much, she ended needing a bit of rehab at the hospital the following day.

Tried to contact Tony Somerville following his recent various problems but no answer on the phone. However, he is reported to be home.

Neville Marsh is now in permanent care at St Ives Bupa but unfortunately the place has been in lock-down following an outbreak of Covid so no visitors for Neville.

Chris W is still having regular treatment for his cellulitis.

Gloria is now home and is starting chemo.

GENERAL BUSINESS NIL

Morning Tea Break – Meeting resumed at 11am

Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc

General Meeting - Minutes 24-25

Guest Speaker

Cherry introduced Ian Hemphill (Herbie) who had an amazing way

of talking about his life-long obsession for herbs & spices. His first

question was "what is the difference between a herb and a

spice?" Ask anyone who was in attendance to give the answer!

His parents, John & Rosemary, were pioneering the herb and spice

scene in Australia in the 1950s. Over 50 years of working in the

spice industry has made Herbie a well-respected and popular

figure amongst his peers.

We certainly came away with greatly increased knowledge and

quite a few bought his latest book "Spice & Herb Bible" (3rd

edition) and will no doubt be even more knowledgeable!

His website is www.herbies.com.au

Herbie's Spices – Factory Door Sales

4/25 Arizona Road, Charmhaven, NSW, 2263

Jane White thanked Herbie for his presentation and reminisced

that she had visited his amazing "Aladdin's Cave" of herbs and

spices when it was in Rozelle. She gave Herbie a bottle of wine in

appreciation of his wonderful presentation and he emphasised

that wine accompanies all herbs and spices!

Meeting closed at 12.05pm

Next meeting: 12th September 2024 at the Forest Hotel

10am

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

President/Chair			
Peter Moxham	_		
Date:			