



Combined Probud Club of Belrose Inc

Minutes of the General Meeting of the Combined Probud Club of Belrose which was held on 13 February 2025 at the Forest Hotel, 5 Frenchs Forest Road E, Frenchs Forest at 10am.

President Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting. Reminded to turn off mobile phones etc. Ros Thompson and Mike Hartnell drew a man and woman to receive the birthday gift of a coffee voucher from Imbue or Acacia cafes. 2 lucky door prizes of a Forest Hotel voucher were also drawn.

Birthdays for the Month:

1st Gloria Attwooll
2nd Brian Soutter
3rd Robyn Steel and Barley Stewart
4th Diane Baker and Bill McQuire
6th Ken Attwooll and Judee Radford
11th Colin Fordred
14th Rosemary Daly
15th Peter Steel
16th Helen Hurley
19th Liz Pawsey
27th Edina Forsythe and Enid Oake

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Minutes of the previous General Meeting held on 9 January 2025 have been posted on the Website.

Alison Soutter moved that they be approved as a true and correct record.

Seconded by Phil Allan
Carried.

Any business arising from the Minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A beautiful thank you card was read out from Gloria Attwooll thanking members for their kindness to her during her long stay in hospital. She was warmly welcomed back.

All correspondence received by your Management Committee is managed by them, unless it requires consideration by Club Members. There is no action required at this meeting.

REPORTS :

TREASURER Colin Fordred

Combined Probus Club of Belrose Inc.

Treasurer's Report - February 2025

Income and Expenditure Account - January 2025

INCOME	\$
Subscriptions	
Gift Voucher - Glenaeon	500.00
EXPENSES	
General Meeting Cost	546.00
Guest Speaker Gifts	42.00
Total Expenses	<u>588.00</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for Period	<u>-88.00</u>

Balance Sheet at 31/1/2025

Accumulated Funds

Opening Balance 31/12/2024	7,880.73
Surplus/(Deficit) for period	<u>-88.00</u>
Closing balance 31/1/2025	<u><u>7,792.73</u></u>

Assets

Bank Account 31/1/2025	9,065.81
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Liabilities

Net Funds for future functions (see below)	1,273.08
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Net Assets

7,792.73

Bank Reconciliation

Bank Balance 31/12/2024	9,046.81
Surplus/(Deficit) for period	<u>-88.00</u>
	8,958.81

Net Funds Function Movement

Bank Balance 31/1/2025	<u><u>9,065.81</u></u>
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Function movements

Robertson Bros	77.00
Wharf Review	705.00
Yulefest Tour	-1,300.00

G P O Tour		520.00
Petula Clarke		5.00
Vaynes World		100.00
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Net Funds for future functions

Vaynes World Deposit	15/2/25	0.00
Robertson Bros Deposit	28/5/25	-23.00
Wharf Review	27/3/25	665.00
Petula Clarke		5.00
G P O Tour	6/2/25	580.00
Yulefest Tour	19/7/25	0.00
Surplus / Deficit		46.08
Net Function Funds		<hr/>
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Colin Fordred

4/02/2025

Colin moved that the Treasurer’s Report be accepted.

Seconded by Chris Wood

Carried.

ENTERTAINMENT Warwick Brady.

The first show of the year, Petula Clark and the Best of the British was enjoyed by members despite bad weather. The next show is SPIEGELESQUE with Wayne Scott Kermond and a cast of international claimed performers on Saturday 15 February at 7:30pm.

The biggest show for the year is the final production of "Wharf Revue" with the original cast of Jonathan Biggins, Mandy Bishop, Drew Forsythe, Phillip Scott and David Whitney. We have tickets for the show on two occasions - Thursday 27th March at 7.30pm. The show is almost full, however we have a Matinee on Wednesday 2nd April at 2.00pm. Cost at either show is \$80.00.

Sydney Youth Musical Theatre will be performing a wonderful production of Billy Elliott – the Musical in April at Glen Street. We have selected to book seats for Saturday 26th April at 7.30pm. Any interest should be discussed with me today. Ticket Price is \$55.00

Bookings are open for “The Robertson Brothers-1960s Variety Show” Wednesday 28May at 7pm. Tickets are \$76.95. The Robertson Brothers pay tribute to the musical giants of the 60s- the Beatles, Del Shannon, the Beach Boys, the Hollies, the Bee Gees and the Everley brothers. The Multi Talented Brook McLachlan (from the original cast of Jersey Boys will return). This show is described as being different from previous shows.

Warren Brady Entertainments officer

GUEST SPEAKER Cherry Robinson

Today's speaker was Andrew Gill, a lawyer practising on the beaches who specialises in Wills and Estates will be our speaker. His subject is Elder Financial Abuse, war stories, traps and tips and pointers re Estate Planning. He covered the topic clearly and with humour. Many members had questions for him

Next meeting is the A.G.M. so there will be no speaker.

In April Ian Thompson will speak on iconic Australian inventions and the May speaker is Allan Lawrenson on Australian energy transition.

MEMBERSHIP

Current Membership

Membership stands at 137 financial members (88 ladies, 49 Gents) (64%:36%)

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

Waiting List: 2(2 ladies, 0 Gents)

Members in February 2025

Attendance at meeting

Members – 106
Visitors – 0
Guest Speaker – 1
Guest – 0
Total 107 attending Meeting

Apologies – 16

Absent - 14

Visitor Apology – 1

Leave of Absence – 1

Information From February 2025 Meeting

1. **Visitors Attending Meeting:-**

Maree Stuart –Apology?

2. **Resignations:**

Nil

3. **Inductions this meeting (included in membership count above):-**

Nil

Tony Lovett

14/02/2025 Membership Officer

OUTING & TOURS

Margaret Ayre

As I am stepping down from the position of Outings and Tour coordinator in March, after 3 years I would appreciate someone putting their hand up for the position It's not hard, just very rewarding. I have a folder with future idea's should you need it.

The outing to the Sydney GPO on Thursday 6th February was well received by 33 participants who learnt a lot about the history of the building from 2 knowledgeable guides. If you look up at the building from any side you will see there are interesting details you may not have been aware of.

The outing to Purified Recycled Water Discovery Centre tour Thursday 6th March 2025 Has been confirmed 1.30pm-2.30pm meet at 240 Quakers Road Quakers Hill with a water bottle and fully enclosed sturdy shoes or trainers (no sandals or ballet pumps or similar light footwear) Please arrive 15minutes before your tour.

There is parking on the site. Beforehand those who wish can meet at Quakers Inn 7 Nirimba Drive Quakers Hill, NSW, 2763 for lunch at 12:00.

Limit of no more than 30 people.

On 1 May there is an outing to MACHU PICCHU AND THE GOLDEN EMPIRES OF PERU EXHIBITION Explore the rich heritage of some of the world's most captivating civilisations at the Australian Museum's *Machu Picchu and the Golden Empires of Peru* exhibition. Using a combination of state-of-the-art projections, video and priceless artefacts, this immersive experience offers an unparalleled glimpse into the opulent history of the Andean people. Tickets are \$33.50 for concessions and you need to buy your own. They are available at [Machu Picchu and the Golden Empires of Peru - The Australian Museum](#)

The Winter Yulefest 19th July 2025. We have 20 rooms booked.

SOCIAL

Margaret Lovett is stepping down as the coordinator of social

events but the final event she has planned for us is a banquet dinner at Silks Dining St Ives at a cost of \$56 pp. Megan Hartnell will be taking over this role.

Megan has planned a lunch for us at Limani at Narrabeen on 23 April

WALKING GROUP

Helen Miles

The first walk of the year will be from Artarmon to St Leonards. This is an easy walk with no hills to climb and no stairs so it would suit newcomers to the walking group. It runs parallel to the railway line going past two ovals and a tennis complex as well as some bushland and houses. Much of the way has tree cover if it is hot. The walk will be led by Ted (0412235400). Meet at the Glenrose bus stop at 8:35 to get the 8:45 Chatswood bus.

WRAP WITH LOVE

Merle Fox and Margaret Hobson

Any donations in wool or cash welcome. Keep knitting squares. We are always happy to hear from people who can sew the wraps together.

WELFARE

Robyn Wood

Margaret Knorr is still at BUPA St Ives after fracturing her foot but she is much better now and hopes to be home soon.

The funeral for Brian Fairweather was attended by about 200 people because he was so active in the community and did a great deal for Rotary. He was only 56 but he did so much in his life.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Peter reminded people of the AGM and election of office bearers in March. We are particularly looking for a Tours and Outings Co-ordinator and a Vice President. Please step out of your comfort zone and support your club. We desperately need a vice president in particular.

Ros reminded people of the change of date for the picnic next month which is now on Wednesday 5 March at St Ives showground at 10am. The date had to be changed because the coffee shop is not open on Mondays and Tuesdays. This is an opportunity for new members to meet people. Bring your own chair and nibbles if you wish. You don't have to buy coffee as You can bring your own if you prefer.

The coffee mornings have been a success and the next will be in April.

Meeting finished at 10:35am

Morning Tea Break. Meeting resumed at 11:00am

Guest Speaker – Today's speaker was Andrew Gill, a Northern Beaches Lawyer previously spoke to us whilst we were meeting at the Church. His subject this time was Elder Abuse, Estate Planning and War Stories.

Vote of Thanks by Steve Baker

NEXT MEETING: The AGM on Thursday 13 March 2025 at the Forest Hotel at 10am

Signed..... Date.....