

PROBUS Club of Cabarita and Breakfast Point Inc.

Monthly Meeting Friday 1 April 2016

Breakfast Point Community Hall

Village Drive, Breakfast Point

At 9.30am for a 10.00am start

Agenda

1. Welcome and Apologies

President Dorothy Faulder welcomed all those present and particularly new members attending their first Probus meeting. 126 members were present, 3 visitors attended and apologies were received from 23 members.

2. Guest Speaker: Ian Simpson, author of “Rolling with Punches”

Ms Denise Norman, Speakers Convener, introduced Mr Simpson who suffered a catastrophic accident as a 3-year-old, resulting in quadriplegia. Ian lives a busy and fulfilling life having worked as a History Teacher and Learning Designer and represented Australia as a Paralympian in table tennis and rugby. He conveyed stories of his childhood pranks, skills development, adaptation and attitude, with humour.

3. Vote of thanks

Ms Norman thanked Mr Simpson on behalf of those present.

4. Morning Tea

5. Introductory comments - President

Ms Faulder advised that the attendance at the Meeting was the largest to date.

She introduced members of the Management Committee: Senior Vice-President: Neil Price; Junior Vice-President: Ken McMurtrie; Treasurer: David Forsyth; Membership officer: Trish Brown; Outings Convener: Peter and Marian Lean; Groups Convener: Helen O'Neill; Speaker Convener: Denise Norman; Welfare Officer: Terry Dooley; Adviser, ex-officio: John Rae; Hospitality: Marjorie and Tom Hudders. Due to personal reasons, Suzette Wright has had to relinquish the Secretary's position and nominations for this position are sought.

6. Confirmation of Minutes

Proposed: Denise Norman

Seconded: Suzette Wright

7. Correspondence

The Breakfast Point Community Association has requested that the Probus Club of Cabarita and Breakfast Point contribute to its website and this will be done.

8. Treasurer's Report

Fees for renewals of membership are being received and the current status of funds is satisfactory. A report of finances is attached to these Minutes. Membership renewals are due by the end of April. Any members not paying by the due date will be deemed 'unfinancial' and another joining fee will be payable if membership is sought.

9. Outings Report

Peter Lean reported that a survey form for proposed outings is available and it would be appreciated if preferences could be indicated and the form returned at the end of the Meeting. Proposed Outings details will be included on our web site. A tour of Barangaroo on 19 April is possible; in May, an outing to Mount Annan Botanic Garden (\$20 bus fare); in June, theme walk for 200th anniversary of Sydney Botanic Garden; Heritage Boats 7 island tours proposed for July and August (24 people, cost \$45 including lunch); in September, Powerhouse at Castle Hill tour (\$20pp).

9A. Convener Reports

Helen O'Neill reported on the various groups such as Book Club, Canasta, 500 Club, Golf, Kayaking, Tennis, Walking, Travel, etc. A Walk of Interest is being held on 9 April 2016. Details are available on the Club's web site. If a Family History group is to be convened, a co-ordinator is required and it will run in association with the Breakfast Point Probus Club's Family History group. A Wine Appreciation group has been proposed and interest will be canvassed. The group is proposed to meet every two months.

10. General Business

Dorothy extended the Club's gratitude to Kathy Martin for her invaluable contribution to and maintenance of the Club's web site.

A reminder that the yellow and blue membership card which includes your membership number, is required when seeking information etc from Probus South Pacific. If you have not received a membership card, or if you require an Outings badge or if your name badge requires any corrections, please see Trish Brown. The cost of Outings badges has increased to \$20.

Ron Hutchinson provided handouts about Tai Chi (8 April at 11am, Canada Bay Club) from the NSW Government and Australian Academy of Tai Chi, Falls Prevention: Strength and Balance & Staying Active and on your Feet, both from the Clinical Excellence Commission, NSW Department of Health.

A request for assistance to Gil Vella to keep track of those attending meetings, apologies and non-attendees was made. Paula Patterson offered to assist.

Helen O'Neill advised that on 19 May, Probus member Nancy Sherry is co-hosting a lunch for the Cancer Council at The Deckhouse, Woolwich, at which Mr Mark Ferguson, Channel 7 News Reader will be the guest speaker. The all inclusive cost for lunch and beverages is \$90 and those wishing to attend should see Nancy.

There being no further Business, the meeting closed shortly before 12 noon.