

Monthly Meeting & AGM Friday 4 March 2016

**Breakfast Point Country Club
Village Drive, Breakfast Point**

At 9.30am for a 10.00am start

MINUTES

1. Welcome and apologies

In the absence, due to injury, of President John Rae, Vice-President Helen O'Neill chaired the meeting. She welcomed the 99 members present reminding them that future meetings will be convened at the Community Hall which was unavailable for the AGM. Apologies for non-attendance were received from 43 members.

2. Guest Speaker: *Detective Supt Deborah Wallace - Commander of the State Gangs Squad*

After a short delay, our guest speaker was introduced by Denise Norman. The wait was well worth it. Det. Supt. Deb Wallace was a charismatic speaker who gave a most informative talk about herself and her career in the NSW Police Force, which was very warmly received by the group.

3. Vote of thanks

Denise thanked Det. Supt. Wallace who declined to accept the gift of a bottle of wine for herself but will include it in a raffle fund-raising for "Grace's Place", a refuge planned for families affected by violent crime and dedicated to the memory of Anita Cobby's mother.

4. Morning tea

Annual General Meeting

1. Introductory comments

Vice-President Helen O'Neill advised that all positions on the Management Committee became vacant. Nominations for the positions closed on 5 February 2016. As there is only one nominee for each position, voting will not be necessary.

2. Apologies

No further apologies were received.

3. Confirmation of minutes AGM & February 2016

Proposed by Dorothy Faulder and seconded by Terry Dooley. Minutes confirmed.

4. Correspondence

No correspondence received.

5. Annual Reports

Annual Reports of the Treasurer, President and Interest Groups Convener were circulated prior to the Meeting and were accepted as read. In his absence, John Rae requested that his thanks be passed on to all Conveners and supporters and those who have assisted the Committee including Jack Taylor, Kathy Martin, Trish Brown, Ray Evans, Steve Taylor, Marjorie and Tom Hudders, Mike and Marlene Ward, Bernie Berry.

6. Returning Officer appointed

Conduct of the Meeting was handed to Brian Lawrenson, appointed as Returning Officer. There being only one nomination for each vacant position, these nominees were declared elected.

7. Induction of Committee members

The new Management Committee is:

President: Dorothy Faulder; Senior Vice-President: Neil Price; Junior Vice-President: Ken McMurtrie; Secretary: Suzette Wright; 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.

Following the induction and presentation of the chain of office to the incoming President Dorothy Faulder, Brian Lawrenson handed over to the new President to chair the meeting

8. Appointment of Auditor

The President proposed Bill Middleton as Club Auditor and he was accepted by a show of hands.

9. Re-Confirm Public Officer

Brian Lawrenson agreed to continue in the role of Public Officer dealing with issues arising from entities such as Fair Trading.

10. Set members joining and annual fees

Outgoing Treasurer Terry Dooley advised that currently the fees are \$20 to join and \$40 annual fee. However, the cost of hiring the Breakfast Point Community Hall for meetings is an additional \$260 per month. He proposed that the annual fee be raised to \$50 per member. This motion was carried on a show of hands. Terry reminded members that subs are now due.

11. Set ceiling membership

Currently there are 197 members in the Probus Club of Cabarita and Breakfast Point with a further 21 applicants seeking membership. Dorothy Faulder proposed that the membership ceiling of 200 set during last year, be raised to 220. This motion was carried on a show of hands.

12. Other business

At Past President John Rae's request, Dorothy passed on his special thanks to the Interest Groups' conveners, namely Steve Taylor, Stephanie Forsyth, Pam Floyd, Jo Duncan, Mike Ward, Neil Price, Marlene Ward, Peter Woodhouse, Gilda McRobert, Terry Dooley. Additionally, thanks to Jack Taylor for his work in promotion of the Club, Marjorie and Tom Hudders for our morning teas, and to Kathy Martin, Karin Canty and Ingrid Kaschik for setting up our Website and to Kathy Martin for its maintenance.

Next Meeting Friday 1 April 2016