



PROBUS CLUB OF CABARITA AND BREAKFAST POINT INC

AGM Friday 1 March 2019

**Breakfast Point Community Hall
Village Drive, Breakfast Point**

At 9:30am for a 10:00am start

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

Karin Canty opened the meeting at 10:00am and acknowledged the Wangal clan, traditional owners and paid respect to elders past and present.

2. Guest Speaker: Amy Medlow – Stepping On

Stepping On is a free, exciting and friendly community-based falls prevention program for seniors 65+. Designed to build knowledge, strength and confidence to prevent falls and stay active and independent.

3. Vote of thanks – Helen O’Neil

4. Morning tea

Annual General Meeting

5. President’s Introductory comments

Present: 128

Apologies: 64

6. Confirmation of minutes of previous AGM 2018

Proposed by: Rob Mitchell. Seconded by: Jo Glenday.

7. Correspondence

No correspondence received.

8. President’s Annual Report

The year in review...on reflection it seems appropriate to name 2018 as the Year of the Volunteer.

Importantly, this year we instigated a new approach to Outings. We asked people to volunteer to organise just one event, and if a few put up their hands then Outings would happen. And they did!

We asked for volunteers to join committees. And they did.! For BBQs, XMAS luncheons, catering for monthly meetings, helping with the membership badges, dealing with the chairs and projectors, organising a trip away to Broken Hill and most importantly contributing their expertise on our Management Committee.

We asked folk to convene and start new interest groups. And they did! So many people all putting their hands up and not stepping back. Volunteering is the oil that makes our club function like clockwork. Thank you to all!

Our membership has grown in number but most importantly our club is maturing. We are in a cycle of continuous improvement and as one year ends another starts with the promise of exciting activities, meetings and events for all.

Be assured the Management Committee has been focused on providing the opportunity for all to participate and enjoy a fulfilling membership.

So, let's celebrate our successes and look ahead actively embracing more fun, more friendship and more fellowship...and hopefully involving everyone in some volunteering opportunities in 2019.

9. Treasurer's Annual Report – Keith Stockall

Keith Stockall thanked all members for their support and tabled the following report:

- The club finished the year in a positive financial position with a surplus for the year of \$4,961. Income was \$18,580 with expenses totaling \$13,620.
- Accumulated members funds of \$15,705.
- The Audit was completed by Bill Middleton whom we owe a vote of thanks for undertaking this task.
- Budget surplus for 2019 is forecast to be \$3,113.

The full treasurer's report and audited accounts are available for members by request to Keith Stockall.

10. Membership Report – Gil Vella

Gil thanked the members for their support. He advised that membership is full and our Club has currently 247 members.

In applying for membership to our club, Gil outlined certain constraints. That is, all Probus clubs in the South Pacific area are strongly encouraged to maintain a gender balance of not more than 60% of any one gender. In our case we have 64.4% female membership. In other words, we need to have more male members, which is being worked on. Karin provided an update on that figure, it is now 50% according to the PSPL handbook.

Additionally, another requirement imposed by the Community Association of Breakfast Point is that if we are to use facilities, such as the Community Hall at a reduced rate or the Admin Building for free, we need to have at least 40% of our members actually living in Breakfast Point. I am pleased to report that at present, we have 41.7 % of our members living in Breakfast Point. So we are above that threshold.

Membership fees are due on the 1st April and anyone who hasn't paid by then will no longer be a member. All nonfinancial members will have to reapply for membership, along with others wishing to join our club. On the 1st April, we will be in a better position to know exactly how many new members we can accept.

The application form will be on the club website from 1st April and the committee will need to consider the constraints mentioned earlier, in deciding which applications are accepted. All new members will be informed towards the end of April and certainly before the May meeting.

Gil thanked two key people in our Membership team. They are Elisabeth Parrague and Regula Scheidegger. Elisabeth and Regula come to meetings about an hour earlier to prepare all our name tags and are the welcoming faces that greet us, as we arrive to our meetings. Elisabeth also registers your attendance for our records. Kathy Beresford filled in when Regula was away last year.

11. Group Co-ordinator's Annual Report

a. Interest Group Co-ordinator – Denise Norman

Denise's opening remarks reminded us that our interest groups are the core of our Club. She listed 20 active interest groups.

Physical - biking, kayaking, tennis, walking yoga.

Games - canasta, mah-jong, 500.

Eating and Drinking – wine appreciation, cookbook club.

Craft - Yarning, Bling it On.

Mental Stimulation - 2 different book clubs, Poddlers, Family History research, Photography, Movies, travel chat.

Denise thanked Connie Fraser who is taking over the role of Group Co-ordinator.

b. Outing's Co-ordinator's Annual Report – Gilda McRobert

It was a good year for outings. Something each month, nearly! And it was due to members coming up with suggestions which reflected their diverse interests and passions.

We start and end the year in a traditional way. New Year, summer BBQ, and Xmas Lunch, this year with choir and carols.

And thereafter member's diverse interests kicked in.

Train museum at Thirroul, Art Deco architecture at Mahratta, Art trail at Bundeena, Bald Archies and lunch at Leura.

Dinner at 1000 spices at Homebush, Australian Outback at Broken Hill,

Walks of interest at Sydney University, La Perouse, Coogee, Taronga Zoo/Balmoral,

Canberra War Museum for 1918 celebrations

Wharf Review

c. Travel Trips Annual Report – Jane Elliot

Jane reported on the 8 day Broken Hill trip that took place in 2018 of which 16 members attended.

Places visited were Sculptures at Sunset, Menindee lakes, White Cliffs, Silverton, Art galleries, Flying Doctors Service, Broken Hill Mine Tour, Kinchega Nat. Park & Wetlands cruise.

12. Returning Officer Appointed

Conduct of the Meeting was then handed to Ingrid Kaschik, appointed as Returning Officer. Ingrid advised nominations closed on 2 February. Nominations for all positions were received and as there was only one nominee for each position, voting was not required.

13. Election and Induction of Committee members

There being only one nomination for each of the following positions, these nominees were declared elected, and were duly inducted as the Club's new Management Committee.

President – Brian Royslance

Senior Vice-President – Kathy Beresford

Junior Vice-President – Colin Peterson

Secretary – Jan Sayers

Treasurer – Keith Stockall

Membership Officer – Gil Vella

Interest Group Coordinator – Connie Fraser

Outings Facilitator – Gilda McRobert

Speaker Coordinator – Victoria Mitchell

Assistant Speaker Coordinator – Pam Floyd

Member Support – Judy Mitchell

14. Induction of President

Following the induction and presentation of the chain of office to the incoming President Brian Roylance, Karin handed over to the new President to chair the meeting.

15. Appointment of Auditor

The President appointed Bill Middleton as Club Auditor.

16. Re-Confirm Public Officer

The President advised that the current Public Officer, Brian Lawrenson will continue his appointment in this role.

17. Set members joining and annual fees

The President advised no change to set members joining and annual fees. Set at \$20 joining fee and \$50 membership fee.

18. Set ceiling of membership

The President advised the set ceiling of membership remains unchanged at 250.

19. General Business – AGM related

Nil

In closing the meeting, new President, Brian Roylance, thanked the outgoing committee and welcomed the incoming committee. He is personally looking forward to his role as President for 2019 and has many ideas to put forward. Brian has an 'open door' policy and welcomes all members in making a great contribution.

Brian endorsed Karin's comments about our great volunteer group and made special mention of all the people who arrived at 9am each month at the Hall to have morning tea and the seating organized for all of us.

He also encouraged couples and single people who would like to visit a particular restaurant or show but would prefer to do it in the company of other Probians, to make their wish known to any of the committee so that it may be arranged with member input.

He thanked everyone for attending.

The meeting closed at 11.38am.

Next members general meeting Friday 5 April 2019.