



Probud Club of Cabarita and Breakfast Point Inc

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Friday 6TH March 2020

1. Welcome: B. Roylance

2. Guest Speaker: Rafaele Joudry provided an overview of hearing loss and its impact on personal interactions and daily life. The concept of Sound Therapy as an intervention to manage hearing loss was then explored.

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3. President's Opening Comments: Attendees: 160 Apologies: 57 Visitors: 8

4. Confirmation of Minutes 2019 AGM: Proposed by: K. Canty. Seconded: S. Jurd

5. Correspondence: Nil

6. President's Annual Report – Brian Roylance

The President aimed to increase participation in the Club and members getting to know one another during his term of office. Victoria Mitchell's efforts to attract engaging speakers contributed to high attendance numbers for general meetings in the last 6 months. The good attendance at the Christmas lunch and January BBQ shows Brian's aims of increased participation have been successful.

Renovations to the Country Club resulted in Meet and Greet being relocated to local venues. Brian acknowledged Gilda McRobert's work in making this possible.

In September our 5th Anniversary was celebrated at the Hall and was a great day especially for founding members.

A recent trial of Meet & Greet on a Thursday night at the Country Club with the option of staying on for dinner was successful and will continue on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

Thanks to some of our members who are on the BPCC Committee, the Audio system in the Hall was upgraded.

Interest Groups

We have 22 Active Groups. Cribbage and art are the newest groups.

Some groups have over 40 members - the wine appreciation group boasting 62 members. Several groups organised trips away during the year e.g wine appreciation; kayakers; golf.

Founding group convenors were acknowledged for their contributions: Pam Floyd - Movie Group; Peter Woodhouse – Tennis and David Davoren - Wine Appreciation.

Outings

Outings were many and varied this year: Opera on the Harbour, Tour of Sydney Cricket Ground, Tour of the HARS Aviation Museum and lunch at Doyle's by the Sea. Members also visited the Wharf and Hayes Theatres for Live Shows, dressed up for Melbourne Cup at the Country Club and celebrated Xmas in July in Manly. And there were plenty of walks in between.

Travel

Twenty members enjoyed a successful trip to Kangaroo Island. Others had enriching experiences in Japan. Tours planned for 2020/21 include: Kangaroo Island, Broome, the Flinders Ranges and Eastern Canada.

Our Loss

This year we lost two of our members in Michael Audcent and Brian Lawrenson. They will be sadly missed.

Acknowledgements

On the first Friday of each month at 9am we have been able to count on a consistent group of people to begin the set up for the day. Elisabeth and Patriccio Parrague, Regula and Peter Scheidegger, Vonnie and Bob Duckitt, Gil Vella, and Stephanie and David Forsyth. Their commitment is appreciated.

The Outgoing Committee was thanked for their robust discussion at Management meetings, personal contributions and support of the Chair. Keith Stockall was noted for his humorous endings to the Financial Report. Kathy Beresford and Jan Sayers were acknowledged as being "rock solid in keeping me on track".

The Incoming Committee were congratulated and wished 'Good Luck' for the next 12 months.

Finally, Brian noted the only permanent thing in life is Change. The more we change for the better the stronger the Club becomes and the Fun, Fellowship and Friendship will continue to flourish. As outgoing President he noted he had been enriched with many new friendships and fond memories and thanked members for their support.

4. Presentation of Annual Financial Statements – K. Stockall

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

The Club finished the financial year with a deficit of \$4,900. This was due mainly to \$2,000 in subscriptions being accounted for in the 2018 financial year and expenditure of \$1,400 for a replacement laptop. Subsidy of the members Christmas party and members New Year BBQ also contributed to the deficit. Members' reserves at the end of the year were \$10,700. Bill Middleton has audited the accounts and sincerely thanked for undertaking this work. The annual return will now be lodged with the Dept. of Fair Trading. The complete Treasurer's report is available to members on request.

Proposed by: D. Forsyth. Seconded by: P. Scheidegger.

5. Membership Report – G. Vella

The Club is full with 251 members. Factors influencing decisions regarding membership include:

- Probus South Pacific encourages a gender balance of not more than 60% of any one gender. We have 65.3% female membership and are working towards having more male members.
- At least 40% of members need to reside in Breakfast Point (currently 45%) in order to be able to use Community Association facilities. It is anticipated this threshold will be increased to 50%.

Membership fees are due on the 1st April. Those (25) who have submitted an EOI will be advised to submit an application form. Applications will be reviewed in accordance with the eligibility criteria. Applicants will be informed of the outcome prior to the May meeting

Gil thanked Elisabeth Parrague and Regula Scheidegger for their work within the membership team. He also thanked members for their support.

6. General Business

Setting of annual membership fees and joining fees for new members – B. Roylance

Membership fees will remain at \$50. The joining fee is \$20.

Reconfirming membership ceiling – B. Roylance

This was confirmed at 250 members.

7. Appointment of Returning Officer – B. Roylance

Conduct of the meeting was handed over to Ingrid Kaschik, appointed as Returning Officer. Nominations for Management Committee positions closed on February 7th. Nominations were received for all positions.

8. Election & Induction of Management Committee and Public Officer – I. Kaschik

Given only one nomination was received for all positions except that of Junior Vice President (JVP), nominees were therefore declared elected. Nominees for JVP were G. McRobert and M. Mahon. Both spoke briefly to the meeting, identifying their attributes and anticipated contributions to the Management Committee and the Club. Voting followed and including proxy votes. The successful nominee was Gilda McRobert.

The following members were thanked for assisting with the dissemination and collection of voting papers: Karin Canty, Dave Davoren, Terry Dooley, Judy Mitchell, Mike Ward, and Gil Vella. Karin and Judy also assisted as scrutineers.

The Management Committee for 2020 were introduced:

President	Kathy Beresford
Senior Vice-President	Colin Peterson
Junior Vice- President	Gilda McRobert

Secretary & Public Officer	Jan Sayers
Treasurer	Keith Stockall
Membership Officer	Gil Vella
Interest Group Facilitator	Connie Fraser
Outings Facilitator	Suzanne Colubriale *
Speaker Co-ordinator	Geoff Barnsley
Member Support	Helen O'Neill

* Suzanne Colubriale was unable to attend.

We thank Ingrid Kaschik for conducting the Election and Induction process so competently.

9. Induction of President

Following the induction and presentation of the chain of office to Kathy Beresford, Incoming President, Brian Roylance handed over to Kathy to chair the remainder of the meeting.

On behalf of members, Kathy thanked Brian Roylance for his contribution to the Club as President.

Kathy highlighted that friendship, fellowship and fun is what we are all about. As President, her intentions are to be proactive ensuring that members are happy, engaged and informed and have enjoyment and fun at all of our activity groups, outings and meetings. Kathy also noted her intention to reach out to members, to understand what takes place at our various groups and activities and to communicate with members and encourage their feedback.

10. Appointment of Auditor – K. Beresford

Bill Middleton was appointed as auditor.

Prior to closure of the meeting Kathy Beresford acknowledged the work of those members who arrange morning tea each month: Stephanie Forsyth, Vonnie Duckitt, Susan Robertson and Alice Thomas; Pam Floyd for taking up the challenge assisting with the website and Eisabeth Parrague and Regula Scheidegger for organising the name tags, recording attendance and welcoming members each month.

The meeting concluded at 12.40pm.
