

Probus Club of Templestowe Valley Inc.

Minutes of Meeting of the Club

**Held at the Bulleen and Templestowe Community Centre, Ted Ajani Reserve,
Thompsons Road
Lower Templestowe**

On Monday, 10 April 2006 at 9.45am

1. Induction of President.

Immediate Past President Margaret Cornell took the chair and welcomed those present to the meeting. She thanked the members for supporting her through the year. She then outlined the day's program.

Margaret then called Peter Fishley forward to be inducted as the third President of the Probus Club of Templestowe Valley (Combined) Inc.

After reciting to him the words for the installation of a president as set out in the *Probus Club Handbook* she invested him with the Collar of Office.

Peter responded by thanking the members for their support and good wishes. He then assumed the Chair to conduct the remainder of the meeting.

2. Presentation of New Committee.

Peter called on members of the new committee to come forward to the stage to be recognized and officially welcomed. New faces to the committee are Vice President, Helen Armstrong; Secretary, Ian Gault; Treasurer, Jacob Kerseboom, and Speaker-Procurement Officer Beverley McDowell.

Former Treasurer Lorraine Cooper now has the portfolio of Membership and John Mugridge and Val Reid continue in the positions of Activities and Welfare respectively.

3. Presentation to Retiring Committee Members.

President Peter presented Immediate Past President Margaret with a Certificate of Appreciation and indicated to her that her Past President's Badge would be given to her at a later date.

Former Secretary Doug Hayne, former Speaker-Procurement officer Gwen Young and former Treasurer Lorraine Cooper, were thanked by the President for dedication to their respective portfolios over the past three years. He presented each of them with Notes of Appreciation (Probus badges will follow).

Club Members then carried President Peter's words of thanks and appreciation by acclamation.

4. Attendance.

One hundred and two members attended the meeting.

There was one guest – Mavis Stapleton.

Apologies: 22 – Elizabeth Diffen, David and Elaine Dodds, June Duncan, Norm

and Pat Edwards, Jeff Crosbie, Lois Mason, Irene Baird, Bev Wignall, Maureen O'Brien, George Thomas, Ruth Ogier, Pat Sinclair, Ross Chapman, Tony and Yvonne Shembrey, Kay Mithen, Jane Pearlgood, Jan Hammond, Di Gibson, and Joan Planck

5. Treasurer's Report.

Money at the Bank = **\$8921.41**

Holding Deposits = **\$1525.00**

Actual Club Funds = **\$7396.41**

Moved -- Treasurer Jacob, seconded Alan Baker, CARRIED

6. Secretary's Report.

- Membership Roll under review.
- Payment to Probus South-Pacific of \$3.05 per member for Administration and Insurance to be paid by 28 April.
- Risk Management – to be advised at May club meeting.
- Meeting of all Probus Clubs within the Municipality of Manningham to be held on Friday, 28 April. President Peter Fishley and Vice President Helen Armstrong to represent the club.

Moved Secretary Ian, seconded Kerry McInerney, CARRIED.

7. Activities Report.

Pat McInerney – **Theatre** – “Crazy for You” – 18 May, “Six Dance Lessons in Six Weeks” – 3 June and “Swan Lake on Ice” – 28 June.

Elaine Hayne – **Trips.**

- BBQ at Birrarrung Park on 9 April a success.
- Next BBQ at Birrarrung planned – Saturday, 21 May.
- Social at Community Centre Meeting Hall on 27 May - \$20 per head.
- Christmas in June at Valley Vineyard on 20 June - \$35.00 per head.
- January/February 2007 – three-day excursion to SW Coast of Victoria?

Helen Armstrong – **Events.**

- Successful Introduction to Lawn Bowls was attended at Greythorn Bowling Club. Another Bowling Event is planned for Wednesday, 12 April at 4.30pm
- Craft Work – items on display at this meeting.
- There have been enquiries re Painting – no definites at present.

Margaret Campbell – **Day Walks.**

- Two-hour walk this Wednesday, 12 June.
- All-Day Event planned for 26 April. A 10 to 12-kilometre flat walk at Albert Park with a visit to the Aquatic Centre at completion of walk.

In July there will be new Day Walk Co-coordinators - Judy Chapman and Ann

Chatland. A proposed plan for walks and walk leaders for period July – December has been submitted to Activity Leader John Mugridge.

Lyn Crosbie – Golf

- Hugh McIntosh and Pauline Mugridge were the winners on 30 April.
- Golf at Camberwell on 14 April.
- Corowa Trip 30 April and 1-2 May. Forty-one to attend – 27 golfers and 14 walkers.
- Cobram/Barooga Trip planned for 24, 25 and 26 September - \$50.00 per head deposit required today for those intending to attend.

Faye Williams - Gardening

Faye suggested that prospective gardeners meet at her home on Wednesday, 26 April at 11.00am and then visit Acorn nursery, Surrey Hills. This date clashes with a day walk at Albert Park: alternative date made - Wednesday, 19 April.

Marion Cummins – Games

- Games Evenings to continue every second Tuesday.
- Evening of 11 April -- Lessons in “500” for beginners.

John Mugridge - Genealogy

- Reported that there was a successful visit to the Victorian Society of Genealogy. They run weekly lectures on every Thursday at 12 noon.
- A visit to AGIS is planned for Sunday, 7 May – there will be two tutors available for that visit.
- A return visit to the Latter Day Saints’ facility in Blackburn is being considered.
- Shoppingtown Library Resource Centre being considered as a venue.

Helga Braun - Book Reading

- Next meeting 18 April: new members welcome.

Doug Hayne – Newsletter

- May Newsletter Deadline – 26 April at 5.00 pm.

7. General Business.

President Peter called on Daryl Knight to report on the progress of the formation of new Probus Clubs in the Manningham area.

The initial meeting attracted some 150 interested people and due to this interest three new Clubs have been formed with a membership of approximately 50 in each club. The new clubs will be identified as Donvale Central, Bulleen Heights and Donvale Hill. Daryl further advised that our member Gwen Young has been elected as the first President of the Donvale Hill Club. Peter Fishley congratulated Gwen on behalf of the members

Daryl Knight further advised that he is a member of the Manningham Council Safety Committee and thought it may be of interest for us to know:

- Road accidents are on the increase in Manningham and drivers in the 60-plus age group contribute to many of them.
- Roadworks for the Shoppingtown redevelopment are to commence in August, with building work to commence early in 2007.
- Family violence is of concern and availability of safe havens is an issue.
- Drug dealing is a problem, with Tunstall Square and Shoppingtown Bus Terminal the hot spots.

8. Fellowship Break.

Because of the unscheduled business presented on the Manningham Safety Committee (above) the Fellowship Break was reduced to 15 minutes.

9. Guest Speaker.

Bev McDowell introduced Mr Paul Sheahan, Headmaster of Melbourne Grammar School and one-time Australian Test Cricketer. He made note that he had been a close friend of Pat Ajani's late husband Ted Ajani and had filled the vacancy left by Ted on the Melbourne Cricket Club Committee.

He commenced his teaching career at Noble Park High School and balanced his teaching commitments with cricket.

He commented on the great changes and attitudes in school life. Once a student could look forward to Certainty, Predictability and Stability in their life whereas now it seems to be Uncertainty (Career and Employment), Unpredictability and Instability.

The young worry about war and world instability and embrace risky action. Doubling of world wide knowledge and technological advances make it difficult for them to keep up to date. There have been enormous social changes, e.g. increase in divorce and disintegration of family life.

Poor advertising standards and the insidious influence of TV affect the young people of today.

However, there are many wonderful young people who are intelligent and positive and are a joy to know and who will succeed in their lives.

He finished his talk with a number of humorous cricket anecdotes.

10. Thanks to Speaker.

11. Wendy Fishley thanked Mr Sheahan for his interesting and informative talk and presented him with a bottle of wine on behalf of the members.

12. Next Meeting: To be held at this hall on Monday, 8 May 2006 at 9.45am.

13. Meeting closed at 12.05pm.

President..... Date.....

Attachment: The *Financial Report for March* is attached to these minutes

