

PROBUS CLUB OF TEMPLESTOWE VALLEY Inc.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CLUB

**Held at the Bulleen and Templestowe Community Centre,
Ted Ajani Reserve,
Thompsons Road
Lower Templestowe
On Monday, 11th December 2006.**

Members and Guests gathered at the Hall at 10.00am for fellowship with fellow members and enjoyed morning tea/coffee, and were able to sample a delicious fruit cake baked by Aimee Pretty and tasty shortbread provided by Barbara Green.

1. Welcome by the Chairperson:

President Peter Fishley called the meeting to order at 10.45am and welcomed members and guests to our 4th Annual Christmas Meeting.

- Peter made special mention of the Christmas themed wall hangings that Yvonne Boyall had made for our Christmas functions and drew members' attention to the one that she had made for this year's event and thanked her for her great effort. He also extended our thanks to Yvonne and the ladies of her busy craft group who had worked so diligently in making all of the Christmas decorations that adorned the hall. Members showed their appreciation with acclamation.
- Peter on behalf of members thanked those who had on Sunday, 10th attended the hall in sweltering conditions to arrange tables, chairs and decorations.
- Finally Peter thanked Alan and Judy Baker for their meticulous organization and setting up of the Christmas luncheon event.

2. Attendance:

Present: 115

Apologies: 15

Anne Chatland, Ann and Craig Lukeman, Kay and Philip Mithen, Tony and Yvonne Shembrey, Elaine Dodds, Marjory Coronica (attended lunch), Claire and Jim Douglas, Judy and Ross Chapman, Aimee Pretty, Allan Chambers.

Visitors: 5

Michael Murphy (Donvale Hill Probud Club), Terry Cummins (guest of Marion Cummins), Ken Platford and Ken Joseph (guests of Marilyn Platford) and Lee O'Brien (guest of Maureen O'Brien).

**3. Treasurer's Report: - Jacob Kerseboom
(As at 30/11/06)**

Balance on Hand - \$9,601.86
Deposits held for Activities - \$3,859.62
Club Funds at 30/11/06 - \$5,742.24

Moved: Treasurer Jake Kerseboom. **Seconded:** Kerry McInerney. **Carried.**

Attached: Treasurer's Report as at 30/11/06.

4. Secretary's Report: – Ian Gault

- Ian advised the meeting that the Secretary's Report remained unchanged to that as presented in the combined December 2006/January 2007 Newsletter.
- Nomination Forms for the Club Elections to be held in March were now available from him.
- All Committee positions would be open for nomination with the exception of that for President which would automatically be filled by our present Vice President Helen Armstrong.
- Nominations to be returned to the Secretary by the end of the fellowship break at the February meeting.

Moved: Secretary Ian Gault. **Seconded:** Ian Coleman. **Carried.**

5. Activities Reports: - John Mugridge.

Activities Officer John introduced the 13 Activity Leaders to give a short summary of the activities that they have organized over the year.

Walks – Judy Chapman.

On behalf of Judy who was unable to attend the meeting John read her report: Fun, Fitness and Muscles was the ambition of the walkers – City Walks were popular – there were bush land and local walks and a number of new walks were discovered.

Her thanks to John Hudgson and Ron McGregor for their assistance.

The Walkers program for the next 6 months was now available.

Trips and Events – Elaine Hayne.

Elaine reported: - Noon (winter) and afternoon (summer) Bar B-Qs were held and they will continue – a Supper/Dance was a great success – Xmas in June (Valley View Winery) - 2 Tramboat excursions with requests for more – Trips to Wandin, The Briars Homestead, TV World, Chateau Tahbilk and Point Nepean – Tour of MCG with Leon Magree and a day at Mornington Races and there was a successful overseas trip to Vietnam. Elaine thanked Jan, Helen and Irene for the support she had received from them.

Theatre – Pat McInerney.

There had been a mixture of amateur and professional theatre attendance and to name a few – “Lion King”, “Dusty”, “Crazy for You” and “Music Hall” at Eltham Little Theatre. In 2007 attendance at “Cirque du Soleil” and “Miss Saigon” are planned.

Scrapbook – Verity Moore.

This group meets at Verity’s home on the 4th Friday of each month. Time spent is productive and there is also a lot of chatter with some secrets divulged. Verity thanked all who attend for their support of the Scrapbook.

Golf – Lyn Crosbie.

The group play every fortnight at Freeway Golf – there were two “getaway weekends” at Corowa and Cobram-Barooga - walkers join the golfers at the “getaways” and a lot of fun is had by all – Wayne Eames and Pauline Mugridge have seen large reductions in their handicaps – Jenny Kerseboom had a “hole in one”- Denis Wheeler and John Mugridge had the most “closest to the pin”. Her thanks to all for making it another successful year.

Genealogy – Ray Lawley

Ray acknowledged John Mugridge for his assistance in getting this group started. The group of 17 has been meeting monthly at the Shoppingtown Library where it has had the use of the facilities. They have visited the Public Records Office and National Archives, Genealogical Society of Victoria and the State Library. Much information has been researched with success and some disappointment. A new meeting place will need to be found for 2007 due to the closure of the Shoppingtown Library.

Garden Group – Faye Williams.

A new group formed this year. Started with 10 members and now 25 members are regular participants. Visits have been made to local nurseries, National Rhododendron Festival at Olinda, the Manorhina Garden at Narre Warren East and recently to the Victorian State Rose Garden at Werribee. All meetings have been successful and there are plans to visit many more gardens in the future.

Games Group – Marion Cummins.

The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at the Templestowe Uniting Church Hall which is an excellent venue. Crazy Whist, Trivia nights, “500”, Canasta and lessons for beginners have been highlights. A bridge group meets most Thursdays and new bridge classes are to commence in February.

Exhibitions – Wendy Fishley.

A very interesting and enjoyable year with visits to the Immigration and Holocaust Museums. Walks with Kenneth Parker including Collins Street landmarks and lanes, Fitzroy and East Melbourne and a visit with him to the State Library. There were also visits to the Johnston Collection, the Supreme Court and the Shrine of Remembrance. Many more to be organized for next year.

Dining Out – Hugh Cornell.

Since August 2005, 75 members have joined and in groups of 6 have enjoyed fine dining experiences. 22 different restaurants have been visited. Hugh gave thanks to the group leaders and advised that the group would reconvene in February.

Craft Group – Yvonne Boyall.

The craft group has been busy and Yvonne thanked Helen, June and Beryl for the use of their homes and Edna, Claire and Lois for ideas.

Book Group – Helga Braun.

There was good discussion of the books read of which most were enjoyed and some not so enjoyable. For one meeting the group went to the cinema and saw “Jindabyne”. In 2007 the book group will be a mixed group of Probus members and others so will no longer be a dedicated Probus group. Helga will step down from being “leader” however she is happy to be the Probus contact for this group.

Book Swap – Pat Edwards.

1 box of books has now grown to 7 boxes and it is now an effort to transfer them to and from the meetings. Pat plans to have more modern books for 2007.

6. General Business:

President Peter advised:

1. The Committee Meeting to be held on Saturday, 20 January 2007 would be a Planning meeting and would be held at the home of Ian Gault, 41 Sunrise Crescent, Lower Templestowe at 1.00 pm.
2. To assist the Committee at the Planning Meeting, Activity Leaders are requested to submit their forward plans for the next 6 months and these to be in the hands of the Secretary by the January Club Meeting on Monday, 8 January.
3. Activity Leaders’ yearly reports for the year 2006 should also be in the hands of the Secretary by that date for inclusion in the 2006 Annual Report.
4. The summer edition of the “Victorian Probian” is available for collection at today’s meeting.

7. Other General Business.

There was no other General Business.

8. Next Meeting: At this hall on Monday, 8 January 2007 at 9.45 am.

Meeting Closed at 11.37 am.

Members then enjoyed a delicious Christmas Luncheon which was supplied by “Go for Gold Sizzling Spit Roast”.

During the luncheon, entertainment items with a strictly Australian flavour, produced and directed by Margaret Campbell and Wilma Pontefract, and provided by fellow Probian was enjoyed by those present.

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

