PROBUS CLUB OF TEMPLESTOWE VALLEY Inc.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CLUB

Held at Ajani Centre, Thompsons Road Lower Templestowe On Monday, 16 June, 2008 at 9:45am

1. President Ian opened the meeting with a warm welcome to members and visitors. Ian introduced the 28 visitors to members:

Judy Cooper, Dorothy Atkins, Rex Atkins (who are to be inducted at July meeting)Sue Williams, Sue Vennard, Jim Vennard, Loris Lacy, Lynette Lim, Beryl Mulligan, Tom Poon, Athina Poon, Lyn Casey, Rob Casey, Sandra Jackson, Brian Jackson, Arthur Cairncross, Pat Cairncross, Bill Davey, Dorothy Davey, Max Brown, Jean Brown, Pam Mentiplay, Kaye Kay, Don Withers, Anne-Marie Withers, Pam Baker, Diane Didier and Ken Joseph

2. President Ian's Communication Time

For the benefit of the visitors Ian gave a brief history of Probus. An association of retired and semi-retired people who meet regularly to enjoy fellowship and friendship. This fills a need for today's retirees to stay active in mind and spirit. There has been a rapid expansion of Probus and in September 2007 there were 1,792 clubs in Australia with an estimated membership of 141,765.

The inaugural meeting of our club was held on 12th June 2003 with 62 members who are now the foundation members of our club. The very first club meeting was held on Monday 14th July, 2003 and we will celebrate our 5th Birthday on Monday 14th July 2008 exactly 5 years to the day. Three new members will be inducted on that day to restore our membership to a ceiling of 130.

3. General Business

- **3.1.** Ian acknowledged Ellen Boyd's appointment as a Member (AM) of the Order of Australia. Ellen has been involved in many organizations however her dedication to the Girl Guides movement which included 5 years as Commissioner has been recognized with this award. Ellen stood and the meeting joined with Ian in applauding her honour and achievement.
- 3.2. Ian read a letter signed by Alan and Judy Baker proposing that Kerry McInerney be made a Life member of our club. Alan Baker formally moved the nomination Moved: Alan Baker Seconded: Peter Fishley No Discussion Carried

Ian requested members to "keep this decision under their hats" as it would be nice for it to be a surprise for Kerry at the next meeting.

3.3. Amendment to Standard Probus Club Constitution

To ensure our continued accreditation as a Probus Club we have been advised by Probus Centre – South Pacific Inc. that all accredited Probus Clubs are required to formally adopt and enact amendments to the *Standard Probus Club Constitution* as at February 2008. It is a requirement that members be given 21 days notice of such amendment and as that time has not elapsed since they were advised of these amendments in the June newsletter the matter will be dealt with at the July meeting.

As it is a requisite that once we have agreed to the amendments a Statutory Declaration be signed any member qualified to witness a Statutory Declaration was requested top make themselves known to Ian or a member of the committee.

3.4. Vial of Life

Any member absent from the May meeting and has not received a Vial of Life was asked to see Judy at fellowship break.

- 3.5. Our Speaker today is Dr Peter Hollingworth his topic is "Reflections of Office"
- 3.6. Birthdays the following people stood and "Happy Birthday" was sung by members. Pat Ajani, Dawn and Bob Anderson, Ian Coleman, Margaret Cornell, Norman Edwards, Lois Mason, John Mugridge, Merrill Smead and Les Thompson.
- 3.7. Lunch today at the Doncaster Inn, 855 Doncaster Road Doncaster. All visitors are welcome to attend.
- 3.8. A reminder of the BBQ in the park on 29 June at 12 noon, all welcome.

4. Attendance Report

Attendance: 89
Guests: 28
Apologies: 38
Total attendance: 127

Emma Lim, John Hudgson, Lyn Hudgson, Lorraine Cooper, Ray Cooper, Doug Hayne, Elaine Hayne, Ron McBain, Kerry McInerney, Pat McInerney, Jacob Kerseboom, Jenny Kerseboom, Allan Chambers, June Chambers, Merril Smead, Bev Wignall, John Wilson, Mary Wilson, Rose Cecchin, Norm Edwards, Pat Edwards, Hugh McIntosh, Diane McIntosh, Don Boyd, Noel Hatton, Brenda Hatton, Diana Burton, Jeff Crosbie, Pat Sinclair, Anne Doull, Graeme Morcom, Claire Douglas, George Thomas, Lois Mason, Anne Lukeman, Tony Shembrey, Yvonne Shembrey and Kay Mithen.

5. Margaret McGregor standing in for Jacob Kerseboom Treasurer's Report

(As at 31/05/08)

Balance on Hand \$8,563.31 Deposits held for Activities \$1,176.21 Club funds as at 30/05/08 \$7,387.10

Moved: Margaret Campbell Seconded: Heather Bindon No Discussion Carried

6. Judy Baker Secretary's Report

Judy welcomed all visitors, and acknowledged the efforts Doug Hayne puts into publishing, editing and distributing the newsletter; this month was milestone being the 60th edition. We received information from the Rotary Club of Balwyn informing us of "Fun in Retirement Expo" from 5 July to 7 July. Information received from the Combined Probus Club Manningham relating to the Community Visitors Scheme. One on one visits to Aged Care Homes within Manningham. Judy reported back on the Combined Probus Club of Manningham meeting held on the 30 May that our club is very young in our outlook and active in our approach compared to other Manningham clubs.

Moved: Wayne Eames Seconded: Ron McGregor No Discussion Carried

7. Wayne Eames standing in for Ron McBain Activity Reports

Summary of comments

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Bike Group Jo	ohn Hudgson	John absent and it will be a long ride this week

Book Group	Helga Braun	No Comment				
Book Swap	Pat Edwards	No Comment				
Craft Group	Yvonne Boyall	Meeting at Helen's place 17 June				
Entertainers	Margaret Campbell	Next meeting 24 June at 9am not 9.30am				
Exhibitions	Wendy Fishley	Wendy will be away in July, list up for Fitzroy walk				
		with Kenneth Park, pay today for Port Melbourne walk,				
		put names on the list for Art Deco Exhibition				
Fine Dining	Hugh Cornell	No Comment				
Games	Marion Cummins	June 24 regular games night, no games night in July,				
		Trivia in August, put your name down.				
Garden	Faye Williams	Attending Floriade with Probus Maling six of our club				
		members going				
Genealogy	Ray Lawley	Meeting tomorrow at State Library at 10am				
Getaway Group	Hudgsons/McBains	No Comment				
Golf	Lyn Crosbie	Albury get a way \$25 due today				
Photography/	Doug Hayne	No Comment				
Newsletter						
Scrapbook	Verity Moore	No Comment				
Theatre	Ellen Boyd	10 members went to the King and I, great night, Guy				
		and Dolls booked out, names required for Wicked on				
		10 September. Don's health – he will be transferred to				
		Donvale and he is still very optimistic, thanks for all the				
		good wishes from members				
Trips and Events	Helen Armstrong	Christmas in July only 20 names 30 required, not				
		looking good. CUB tour is a self drive				
Walks	Judy Chapman	Last week a great walk through the city, 25 June				
		Fairfield boathouse, bring back pack with morning tea.				
		July walk wear your sturdy shoes. Judy handed over to				
		Wayne Eames and Terry Cummins. Wayne thanked				
		Judy and Helga for all their efforts over the past 2				
		years.				

Moved: Jenny Eaton Seconded: John Mugridge No Discussion Carried

8. Fellowship Break

As our meeting was running early a 40 minute fellowship break was taken

9. President Ian called on Margaret McGregor to introduce our Guest Speaker Dr Peter Hollingworth the following is Margaret's introduction.

We are grateful to have such a prominent and distinguished gentleman to be our guest speaker, the Right Reverend Dr Peter Hollingworth AC OBE. Dr Hollingworth has such a long list of credentials, to name a few: Bachelor of Arts Degree and a Licentiate of Theology, Master of Arts Degree in Social Work, Chaplain and Director of the Brotherhood of St Laurence, Canon of St Pauls Cathedral, Archbishop of Brisbane, Officer of the Order of the British Empire and Companion of the Order of Australia, Australian of the Year, Chairman of the Centenary of Federation and Governor General of Australia as well as and most importantly I am sure, husband to Ann and father to three daughters and grandfather of six. Dr Hollingworth is now developing initiatives to build upon his 45 years experience as a Welfare Executive Director working with homeless and mentoring disadvantaged young people and Ambassador of the Lord Mayor's Charitable Fund, Youth in Philanthropy Program. I could go on listing the many

tireless duties Dr Hollingworth has experienced and performs in his life and especially those during his time as Governor General and on diplomatic missions but Ladies and Gentlemen lets welcome and hear it from Dr Peter Hollingworth himself on his "Reflections of Office".

10. Thanks were given by President Ian Gault

Ian thanked Dr Peter Hollingworth for his interesting and informative speech and presented him with two books.

11. Next meeting to be held at Ajani Centre on the 14 July, 2008

President Ian declared the meeting closed at 12:00.

President				Date				
(Margaret.	thanks fo	or forwarding	info to m	e, many	hands	make	light	work).