PROBUS CLUB OF TEMPLESTOWE VALLEY Inc. MINUTES OF THE CLUB MEETING

Held at Ajani Centre, Thompsons Road, Lower Templestowe On Monday, 13 July 2009 at 9:45am

1. President Liz welcomed members and guests: Joan Jackson

2. Liz's Talk Time

Liz briefly mentioned that today's lunch had originally been booked with the Marysville Bakery but because of the bushfires in February they were unable to cater. This led into encouraging members to visit the towns of Kinglake and Marysville to support the businesses that were operating. Liz thanked John Hudgson for his patience and support in taking a predominantly novice bike group of females on the bike paths around the Yarra River. Thanks also to Irene Baird who stepped into the breach when John was away. Liz encouraged all members to try other activities offered by the activity leaders. She spoke about this being our 6th year and how the earlier committee members had worked hard to make the Club what it is today. She reminded us all of the values and aims of Probus and added today was to be her first time inducting a new member. Liz also mentioned that Les Thompson, a member, has recently been awarded the Paul Harris Award from the Rotary Club of Manningham.

3. General Business:

- 3.1 Our guest speaker was Sophie Maj, retired Engineer and Lecturer in Mechanical Engineering 'Living in interesting times'.
- 3.2 Lunch today at the Hall and catering by First Choice Catering.
- 3.3 **Birthdays**:

James Campbell, June Chambers, Jim Douglas, Terry Cummins, Laurine Eames, Peter Fishley and Fay Ford.

3.4 Attendance Report:

Guests: 1 Apologies: 25

Total in Attendance: 95

3.5 Treasurer's Report:

(As at 30/6/09)

Balance on Hand \$10,578.26 Deposits Held for Activities 3,582.29 Club Funds as at 30/6/09 6,995.97

Moved: Wayne Eames Seconded: Terry Cummins No Discussion Carried

- 4. Secretary's Report: Jenny Morcom none
- 5. Induction of Susan DeBono as per Probus Handbook
- 6. **Activities Report** Wayne Eames (standing in for Ron McBain)

Bike Group	John Hudgson	Some in novice group ready to join 'big boys' on their
		ride on 15 July at Fitzsimons Lane.
Book Group	Val Reid	Meeting of members today to discuss next meeting.
Book Swap	Pat Edwards	No Comment
Craft Group	Yvonne Boyall	Next meeting 21 July 30 Pinehill Drive, E. Doncaster.
		10.am. Shoulder pads needed to make dolls with. 4/8/09
		at June Duncan's at 7.30pm – making a lotus flower
		Christmas decoration.
Cultural Walks	Wendy Fishley	Kenneth Park walks - Hawthorn 16 July is full. Still
		vacancies for walks in Richmond 13 August and

		Carlton 3 September. Dinner at Savage Club on 29
		October is filling. If interested please add your names
		to the list at fellowship break.
Entertainers	Margaret Campbell	Fourth Tuesday of the Month – new members welcome
Fine Dining	Hugh Cornell	Advised that as activity has been going for 4 years
		people will start to dine together again. There has been
		86 groups of 6 dining out regularly. Hugh has a
		restaurant list available for use by leaders.
Games	Marion Cummins	Crazy Whist night Wednesday 22 July at Uniting
		Church Hall. 7.30pm
Garden	Faye Williams	Visit to St Erth Garden & Nursery in Blackwood on
		21st September for the daffodil festival. Car pooling.
Genealogy	Ray Lawley	Thanked members who went to the National Archives
		Centre. He found it very informative. Next meeting at
		Doncaster Library at 10am on 20 July.
Getaway Group	Hudgsons/McBains	Expressions of Interest form up for Murray Princess
, ,		trip. Jake and Jenny Keresboom propose leading a 12
		day trip to Lake Mungo in March 2010. Please see them
		at conclusion of meeting if interested.
Golf	Lyn Crosbie	Need to know the numbers for Mansfield today as will
		be away next meeting. Balance of money to be paid by
		September meeting. Mike Bindon will stand in for Lyn
		whilst she is away with Jeff during July/August.
		Reminded form was up for Phillip Island Golf Getaway
Photography/	Doug Hayne	Still needing someone to take over the Newsletter as
Newsletter		Doug will be away for the October issue. He will still
		do badges. Asked if anyone has any cards or photos of
		Marysville as he and Verity Moore are collecting these
		for the Historical Society which lost everything in the
		bushfires.
Scrapbook	Verity Moore	Correction for Newsletter. Group meets 4 th Monday of
		month.
Theatre	Andrea Thomas	Must pay today for Chicago. Heard good reports about
		Jersey Boys. Expressions of interest forms are up for
		'High School Musical' and 'South Pacific'.
Trips and Events	Elaine Hayne	Reminded next BBQ is on 26th July 12 noon at
1		Birrarung Park. QV Market walk closes today and
		must be paid for. Beleura House and Garden luncheon
		on 8 December \$35.00. Car pool.
Walks	Wayne Eames	Next walk 22 July – Diamond Creek Trail. Mel: 21 K1.
Crosswords	Liz Turner	Group meets Tuesday and Thursday 4pm-5 pm.
		Tuesday 14th July—Liz Turner's Thursday 16th July
_		Val Reid's.
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Laurine Eames: Today members will be sitting 8 to a table in the Hall. Wayne to call out names and members asked to carry their chair to designated table at conclusion of Meeting.

Moved: Ron McGregor Seconded: Jenny Keresboom No Discussion Carried

- 7. Fellowship Break
- 8. President Liz called on Margaret McGregor to introduce Sophie Maj, retired Engineer and Lecturer Living in Interesting Times:

Our guest speaker today has had such an interesting life – born in Warsaw, Poland not religious but living in a close Jewish community, surviving through troubled war years, escaping with her family to Russia. Sophie later returned to Poland and trained as an engineer at the Warsaw Institute where she met her future husband. Marrying in 1957, the young married couple arrived in Melbourne in December 1958. Sophie gained an appointment in the Department of Metallurgy in the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Melbourne becoming the only woman on the staff. She was later asked by The Shoah Foundation (established by Steven Spielberg) for her story. Sophie, claiming 1 am not a holocaust survivor but let us hear her story – 'Living in Interesting Times'.

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9. Judy Chapman thanked Sophie for her talk and presented her with flowers and a card.

10. Next Meeting to be held on Monday 10 August 2009

11. President Liz declared the meeting closed at 12.00pm

Date:....

President:....