

MINUTES-OF-THE-2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MONDAY 20 MARCH 2023

OPENING: (President)

The President opened the 2023 Annual General Meeting of the Wentworth Point Probus Club at 11:50 am on Monday 20 March 2023. He then tabled his report.

PRESIDENTS' ANNUAL REPORT (Peter Logan / Albert Watts Co-Presidents)

At the start of the 2022, Paul Woodley continued as President and Albert Watts and Peter Logan were elected as Co-Vice-Presidents. Unfortunately, Paul Woodley had to resign as President for health reasons and Albert Watts and Peter Logan continued the year as Co-Presidents.

We would like to thank the Probus Executive Committee members for the wonderful work they did – Lynne McEvoy as the new Secretary, Robyn Watts and Des McEvoy organising speakers, Robyn Watts and Christine McKay organising outings, Alison Ross-Smith as Membership Officer, Anne Smith writing and editing the Newsletter, Barbara Browning as Welfare Officer distributing cards and Christine McKay as the new Treasurer. Christine McKay spent much effort organising Probus accounts with the bank.

During the year, the Wentworth Point Probus Club organised several outings and trips for its members. Some of the notable ones included:

- 1. Mudgee Bus Trip: The Club organised a bus trip to Mudgee, an historic town in New South Wales known for its wineries and heritage buildings. Members had the opportunity to visit wineries, enjoy wine tasting, and explore the town's historic landmarks.
- 2. Paddle Wheeler Lunch River Cruise: The Club organised a river cruise on a paddle wheeler, where members enjoyed a delicious lunch while admiring the scenic views of the Hawkesbury River.
- 3. HARS Aircraft Museum: The Club organised a visit to the Historical Aircraft Restoration Society (HARS) Museum in Albion Park. Members had the opportunity to explore the museum's collection of vintage aircraft and learn about the history of aviation in Australia.
- 4. Sydney Cricket Ground: The Club organised a tour of the Sydney Cricket Ground, one of Australia's most iconic sports venues. Members had the opportunity to learn about the history of the ground and its significance in Australian sports.



The Club invited several guest speakers to its meetings during the year. Some of the topics covered included:

- 1. Japanese Midget Submarines: A guest speaker talked about the Japanese midget submarines that attacked Sydney Harbour during World War II.
- 2. Macquarie Park Cemetery: A guest speaker talked the famous people buried there.
- 3. A guest speaker talked about a plane crash that occurred in the Kimberleys region of Western Australia.
- 4. A guest speaker talked about the unique slang words and phrases used in Australian English.
- 5. Another speaker told us "How to be an Australian".
- 6. One speaker told us of his time in New York at the time of 9/11.

The Club organised several celebrations and social events for its members. Some of the notable ones included

- 1. Melbourne Cup: The Club organised a Melbourne Cup celebration, where members dressed up in their best race-day outfits and enjoyed an afternoon of food and drinks.
- 2. Christmas Party: The Club organised a Christmas party, where members celebrated the festive season with a luncheon and drinks.

Overall, the Wentworth Point Probus Club had an eventful year, with a diverse range of outings, guest speakers, and celebrations that provided members with opportunities to learn, socialise and have fun.

In 2023, we aim to build upon the foundation established in 2022 and strive towards making it an even better year. We extend our gratitude to the departing committee members, namely Co-President Albert Watts; Secretary Lynne McEvoy; Treasurer Chris McKay and Welfare Officer Barbara Browning, for their exceptional contributions over the previous years. To maintain continuity, we have invited individuals who had nominated for the 2023 committee to attend our final executive meetings. Additionally, Albert Watts has kindly offered to assist for the next few months. With new members joining the committee, we kindly request that everyone respects their newcomer status. It is important to understand that the committee operates as a cohesive unit, and if any issues arise with the committee's decisions, please share them via the suggestion box or email the President. We discourage criticising individuals.

Albert Watts and Peter Logan Co-Presidents

The President's report was acknowledged by Geoff Strong and seconded by Suzie Smith.



APOLOGIES: (Alison Ross-Smith Membership Officer)

There were 18 Apologies as follows:

- Mary Camilleri Richard Camilleri Connie Di Giulio John Eggleston Patricia Eggleston Janet Fletcher
- Marion Griffith Ron Hancock Nadya Kapustin Bell Loughhead Ken Loughhead Di Nelson
- Joe Nelson Janice Pethybridge Helen Shume Lyndsay Shume Pala Wilshaw Lorraine Pleffer.

Apologies Given At The Meeting: Graham Griffiths Shelagh Poray

Non-Attending Members:

Leigh Maxwell Tom Murrie Pradip Roy Michele Scoufis

New Member At The Meeting: Chris Greef

Visitor At The Meeting: Ruth Rankin

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Lynne McEvoy Secretary)

The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 21 March 2022 were emailed to members on 14 March 2023 were tabled at the meeting They were acknowledged as true and correct by Jill Spooner and seconded by Barry Tozer. There were no matters arising from the minutes therefore they were acknowledged as correct and adopted by the members.



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TREASURER'S REPORT (Christine McKay Treasurer)

The Treasurer then tabled the yearly financial report.

FINANCIAL REPORT: INCOME & EXPENDITURE 4/3/2022 - 8/2/2023

OPENING BALANCE	14635.33		14635.33
Membership	3750		
Outings	6654 10404		10404
TOTAL INCOME			25039.33
Expenditure			
Paddle Boat		1482	
Choir		500	
Mudgee Tour		11792	
Sydney Cricket Ground		374	
Probus South Pacific Limited		1013.75	
Lanyards		21.99	
NSW Fair Trading		178	
Guest Speakers		132.49	
Stationery		260.22	
Melbourne Cup		1740	
Christmas Lunch		1980.07	
Cards, Cakes & Flowers		297.26	
Mudgee Tour Refund		500	
Choir Refund		40	
Melbourne Cup Refund		58	
Membership Refund		20	
HARS Refund		13	
		20402.78	
Total Expenditure			20402.78
Closing Balance 28/2/2023			4636.55
PREPARED BY: Christine McKay (Treasurer)			
DATED		17 April 2023	
ALL FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS CHECKED AS			
ACCURATE BY: Paul Woodley			
(Past President)			
DATED		17 April 2023	
SIGNED OFF BY:			
Peter Logan (President) DATED		17 4	
DAIED		17 April 2023	

The Treasurer's report was acknowledged by Erica McLean and seconded by Jill Collis.



MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Alison Ross-Smith Membership Officer)

The Wentworth Point Probus Club membership has overall increased in the Probus Financial Year of 2022 – 2023.

The current position is as follows:Current Membership Totals68New Members Total21 (Since March 2022)The new members include 2 previous members re-joining.Guests27 (March 2022 – Feb 2023)Guests Who Are Now Members12Members' Who Have Resigned5We have also lost 2 very well-loved members during this year.

OUTINGS & ACTIVITIES (Robyn Watts & Peter Purser Outings Officers)

The 2023 Outings were all approved by the Committee on 6 March 2023.

GOVERNANCE:

The Co-President Peter Logan thanked all the members of the 2022 – 2023 Committee for their invaluable work throughout the year and asked them to step down.

The nominations for each position were given and as only one nominee was stated for each position they were approved by the members. The members were also asked if there were any further nominations for positions but none were forthcoming.

The following members were nominated and positions accepted.

Executive Committee:

POSITION	NAME	ACCEPTED	VOTE
President	Peter Logan	Yes	Not Required
Vice-Presidents	Peter Purser and Rowline Brown	Yes	Not Required
Treasurer	Nancye Purser	Yes	Not Required
Secretary	Alison Ross-Smith	Yes	Not Required
Membership Officer	Alison Ross-Smith	Yes	Not Required
Club Service Officers:			

POSITION	NAME	ACCEPTED	VOTE
Outings Officers	Robyn Watts and Peter Purser	Yes	Not Required
Guest Speaker Officers	Robyn Watts and Des McEvoy	Yes	Not Required
Welfare Officer	Denise McManus	Yes	Not Required
Newsletter Officer	Anne Smith		Not Required
Kitchen Co-ordinator	Marilyn King	Yes	Not Required

The President welcomed the new committee and expressed his appreciation for their nominations.



SIGNATORIES:

Anne Smith moved that the signatures for the Wentworth Point Club bank account with Westpac Bank be changed to the following members of the committee.

President:	Peter Logan
Vice-President:	Peter Purser
Treasurer:	Nancye Purser
Secretary:	Alison Ross-Smith

And that all previous signatories be removed from the account.

<u>Agreed</u>

With any two of the committee members able to sign. This was acknowledged by Geoff Strong and seconded by John Spooner.

OTHER BUSINESS:

It was mentioned by the Secretary, Lynne McEvoy, that it is important that the President request the Secretary's report be acknowledged at the meeting as the report, being the minutes of the previous meeting, is sent to every member via email and if there is anything in that report not agreed with, it should be brought up at the meeting before the minutes are signed.

Des McEvoy spoke about the registration of the club's constitution and that they thought it was completed in the previous years. Barry Tozer also commented that it was done 3 years ago. The President stated that the constitution will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

With regard to the ongoing efforts to obtain a microphone, the Secretary, Lynne McEvoy, asked why did it have to go back to the committee when the whole membership was in the room to obtain an answer. After discussion, Barry Tozer moved a motion that it be looked at to appraise a microphone and come back to the next meeting with prices, he also stated that he thought that there should be at least three microphones with a headset for the speaker. Christopher Hollingsworth agreed to help look into this prospect. This was agreed by public acclamation of all members present.

The matters of grants, the website were discussed. It was agreed that these matters would be discussed at the committee meeting.

Chris McKay stood to welcome the new committee and this was acknowledged by the members.

The President then closed the official meeting at 12:06 pm.



SIGNED

Peter Logan	
	President
Alison Ross-Smith	
	Secretary
DATED	17 April 2023