

MINUTES-OF-THE-MEETING MONDAY 17 JUNE 2024

At 10:15 am members arrived helped to set-up the room for the meeting. They then had morning tea, again put on by our Kitchen Assistant Coral Starr, Christine McKay and other helpers. This is now, due to the new timeline limitations, a streamlined morning tea with members being asked to utilise the throw-away cups provided or bring their own takeaway cups so as to avoid the need for washing up crockery by the Kitchen Helpers.

OPENING: (President – Peter Logan)

The 153rd Meeting of the Wentworth Point Probus Club was then opened at 10:35 am by the President Peter Logan who welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The President then stated to the members that he was advised to let them know to turn off their mobile phones so as not to interrupt the meeting and especially the guest speaker.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (President Peter Logan)

President Peter Logan then stated that the meeting would proceed first and the Guest Speaker talk would be at the end of the meeting due to the topic and the time that it would take for this important message. He then called for the monthly reports from Officers.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Secretary – Alison Ross-Smith)

The Secretary tabled the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 20 May 2024 which were emailed to members on 3 June 2024. There were no appreciable information notices from Probus South Pacific Limited. The report was accepted by Des McEvoy and seconded by Barry Tozer.

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TREASURER'S REPORT (Treasurer – Nancye Purser)

BANK RECONCILIATION May 2024

OPENING BALANCE As At 3 May 2024			5465.18	
INCOME				
	Outings	Mark Vincent Concert	92.50	
		Christmas-In-July	628.00	
		Vivid Cruise	116.00	
		Zig Zag Railway	385.00	
		Parramatta Town Hall	30.00	
		Hickson House	40.00	
		Museum Of Fire	118.00	
		Membership	50.00	
TOTAL INCOME				1459.50
EXPENDITUR	RE			
	Outings	Buses Plus For Christmas-In-July	770.00	
		Camden Valley Inn For Christmas-In-July Deposit	200.00	
	Other	Stationery Toner Ink – Kmart – Alison Ross-Smith	79.00	
		## Probus S.P. Information Day 5/6	52.00	
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		Peter Logan Catering	69.23	
		Nancye Purser – Speaker Fee	50.00	
		Probus South Pacific Limited Capitation Fee	38.00	
		Coral Starr – Kitchen Supplies	50.60	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE				1360.83
CLOSING BALANCE AS AT 4 JUNE 2024				5563.85

Invoiced Twice – Paid Twice in error – As the second request appeared to be a 'letter of demand' it was paid again. Refund requested from Probus South Pacific Limited (PSPL) by email dated 6 June 2024. Payment was received back from PSPL on 10 June 2024.

The Treasurer stated that the balance at the end of May 2024 was \$5,563.85. The Treasurer stated that as of the date of the meeting, the closing balance was circa \$8,000.00 due to inclusion of organised outings. This report was tabled at the meeting and accepted by Barry Tozer and seconded by Coral Starr.

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Membership Officer – Alison Ross-Smith)

APOLOGIES:

There were a total of 18 Apologies:

Joan Abela; Rowline Brown; Warwick Georgeson; Chris Greef; Francesca Gullotta; Marie Hancock; Christopher Hollingsworth; Susan Kehoe; Rod Madgwick; Christine Maher; Phillip Maher; Christine McKay; Angie Murray; John Murray; Dianne Nelson; Joe Nelson; Julie Townsend; Paul Woodley.

Apologies Given Late Rod Madgwick; Paul Woodley

Late Attending Members Mary Eastman

Non-Attending Members Jill Collis; Stephen Collis; Erica McLean; Tom Murrie; Janice Pethybridge

Other Apologies Rowline Brown; Francesca Gullotta

Website Apologies Joan Abela; Warwick Georgeson; Chris Greef; Marie Hancock; Christopher

Hollingsworth; Susan Kehoe; Christine Maher; Phillip Maher; Angie Murray; John

Murray; Dianne Nelson; Joe Nelson; Julie Townsend

We had three visitors; the Probus visitor was Paulette Howard. She and her husband John were guests of Lynne McEvoy and they will be attending the Zig Zag Railway outing on Friday 21 June 2024. The other two visitors, Robert Colombo, President of the Local CA and Peter Doulman, Strata CA representative were in attendance for the Guest Speaker talk.

MEMBERS - NEW MEMBERS - VISITORS (Membership Officer - Alison Ross-Smith)

Members In Attendance	48	Non-Attending Members	5
Total Apologies	18	Members Who Resigned	0
Late Attending Members	1	New Members	0
Late Apologies	2	Visitors	3
Other Apologies	2		
Website Apologies	13	Total Members	72

This report was tabled at the meeting and accepted by Pala Wilshaw and seconded by Rita Haldane.

BIRTHDAYS / ANNIVERSARIES (Welfare Officer – Denise McManus)

Denise McManus wished the best to all members that were ill and let the members know that two of our members were having surgery and others were recovering. Stephen Collis had a fall and at the time of the meeting was still in hospital.

Birthdays	Nancye Purser	02 June		Julie Strong	05 June
	Roslyn Slade	02 June		Chris McKay	07 June
	Phil Maher	03 June		Chris Maher	11 June
	Alison Ross-Smith	05 June		Angie Murray	20 June
			W/A	Jill & Stephen Collis	06/06/92

All the birthday and Wedding Anniversary recipients were given a cheer and applause from all the members. There was a special birthday this month, the 70th birthday of Phil Maher; unfortunately he was an apology so we all gave him a special round of applause and hoped he had a wonderful day.



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OUTINGS & ACTIVITIES (Outings Officers – Peter Purser & Paul Woodley)

Peter Purser said that the bus for the Zig Zag Railway outing would leave promptly at 7:15 am on Friday 21 June and that there were 28 going, 3 people pulled out and that there was still 2 tickets on offer.

The Hickson House Distillery tour was \$40.00 and you would receive a drink upon arrival; shown how the Gin was made in the distillery.

Christmas-In-July lunch had reached the target for us to obtain a small coach and it was still open if people wanted to go.

The Museum of Fire & Norman Lindsay Gallery Tour included 22 people going but they needed to reach 30 to obtain a larger coach and discount.

Also the bespoke Parramatta Town Hall tour included lunch and wine and we would be going by Ferry to Parramatta.











Peter then outlined upcoming outings as follows:

Friday	21 June	7:15 am	5:30 pm	Zig Zag Railway Tour & Leura Lunch
Friday	19 July	11:30 am	4:00 pm	Hickson House Distillery
Tuesday	23 July	11:45 am	2:00 pm	Christmas-In-July Camden Valley Inn
Thursday	15 August	9:00 am	4:30 pm	Museum of Fire & Norman Lindsay Museum
Tuesday	10 September	10:00 am	4;00 pm	Parramatta Town Hall Bespoke Tour
				With Lunch at the Park Royal Hotel

Nancye and Peter both handed out a further compiled flyer with regards to updates on the upcoming outings which included all pertinent information on the reverse side.

Nancye then played one of Peter's video compilations which was again extremely good. These videos are very professional and take a lot of care and skill from the Purser Team and they seem to improve with every showing. Thus again it was applauded by the members.



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GENERAL BUSINESS (Any Items from the Committee & Members)

The President, Peter Logan, stated that discussions were made at our committee meeting with regards to the following:

The Grant was applied for on 1 June 2024 but nothing has been heard back as to whether it has been obtained by our Probus Club.

Meeting times having been changed and the Committee was pleased with how arrangements went at the May meeting but this morning's meeting was rushed. Starting set-up at 10:15 am and the meeting at 10:30 am is going to take a while to settle in. Members bringing along their own re-usable cups for the morning tea is encouraged and the use of throw-away cups by the Kitchen Staff Members makes it a lot easier to pack-up upon completion. Work-in-progress.

The Policy on Outings is now up on the Website which clarifies how the outings are to progress. Thank you to Robyn for updating this for the Website.

Peter Purser tries so hard to sell tickets for the outings but it is up to the members to take these up and to do so in a timely manner, so as to avoid any extra work for Peter when it comes to his booking these excellent outings. There is now a waiting list that members will be put on for each outing and when a place comes up they will be notified.

Posters for Probus have been obtained and the committee would like these, if possible, to be placed into all relevant apartment buildings in Wentworth Point.

No questions were forthcoming.



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GUEST SPEAKER: (Guest Speaker Co-ordinators –Robyn Watts & Des McEvoy)

There was a change for this meeting with regards to our Guest Speaker. It is our usual practice to have the Guest Speaker's talk at the beginning of our meeting but in this case as it was going to be a rather detailed session with various other people from the community attending it was thought more appropriate to have the meeting first and the Guest Speaker session afterwards, which turned out to be correct as the talk lasted for over an hour.

The President then handed over to Des McEvoy (Co-Guest Speaker Co-ordinator) to introduce the Guest Speaker. Des introduced our Guest Speaker at 10:40 am.



Greg Page – Heart Of The Nation

Heart of the Nation was born from a moment of crisis turned trigger-for-change. Founded in 2020 by Greg Page, the original Yellow Wiggle, Heart of the Nation story began with a terrifying experience that would redefine Greg's purpose and, eventually, the lives of countless Australians. Greg gave a wonderfully detailed and clear presentation on Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) and a practical demonstration of what to do in this situation. His presentation was the best I have heard from many a teacher of first aid, it was clear, precise and in words that made it very relatable to the audience.



Joanne Struck is the Operations and Corporate Relations Manager from Heart of the Nation who works with Greg Page in spreading the word on how important it is to have AED's (Defibrillators) not only in gyms, shopping centres, libraries but hopefully in homes all around Australia as you never know when you are going to need one, which was the main theme of the talk.

It was so nice to meet them and to thankfully be able to listen Greg Page's story from him in-person. The talk went from 11:00 am to after 12:00 pm and it was rivetting. The members gave a raucous round of applause and asked many questions. Des thanked both Greg Page and Joanne Struck, for coming along today

Joanne is not only the Operations and Corporate Relations Manager of Heart of the Nation but she is a former Wentworth Point resident and President of the local CA and the daughter of our esteemed members Des and Lynne McEvoy. Des also thanked members of the area including the current President of the local CA, Robert Colombo for attending the meeting.



Des also mentioned at the conclusion of the meeting that he had left some flyers regarding the upcoming performance of the Sydney Male Choir, of which he is a member. These performances are brilliant and well worth attending.



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CLOSE OF MEETING (Secretary – Alison Ross-Smith)

Meeting closed at 10:55 am to make way for the Guest Speaker, which talk concluded after 12:00 pm. Some Members adjourned to Iluka for lunch.

NEXT MEETING (Secretary – Alison Ross-Smith)

Stated that the next meeting would be held on Monday 15 July 2024.

SIGNED	
Peter Logan	
	PRESIDENT
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Alison Ross-Smith	
	SECRETARY
DATED	15 July 2024