



WENTWORTH POINT PROBUS CLUB INCORPORATED 9003853

MINUTES-OF-THE-MEETING MONDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2025

This meeting began with the trial of having the morning tea set-up in Pulse Room 2 for it to begin at 9:45 am so Nancye and Roslyn set-up the morning tea with Peter and Nancye setting up the screen to show various photos of our members during past events. This was a special morning tea for our member Trish Georgeson's 70th birthday celebration and a cake was bought for the occasion. This was fairly well attended but it was a rather confusing start with many members believing that the meeting was going to be held in that room but it was not and they had to move at 10:15 am to Pulse Room 1 for the actual Probud meeting starting at 10:30 am. As this was only a one-off trial the situation will be discussed at the next committee meeting as to which is the more appropriate way to go regarding the morning tea set-up.

OPENING: (President – Peter Logan)

The 158th, and first, meeting of the Wentworth Point Probud Club for 2025 was then opened at 10:30 am by the President Peter Logan who welcomed everyone to the meeting. He then let members know that due to the funeral of our dear member Phil Maher that afternoon that some members, including the committee, would be leaving early thus the meeting would be ending at an earlier time.



The President then handed over to Des McEvoy (Co-Guest Speaker Co-ordinator) to introduce the Guest Speaker.

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

Aaron Khor



**Date: Wednesdays T1 – 5/02/25; T2 – 30/04/25;
T3 – 23/07/25; & T4 – 15/10/25**

Courses and Time: 8:30 am

Khor Tai Chi Qigong Level 1 & 2 (Beginners)
And via Wentworth point Library website.

**Location: 10 Footbridge Blvd, Wentworth Point
Library Community Centre, Wentworth Point**



Australian Academy of Tai Chi

The Guest Speaker was Aaron Khor who, through the Australian Academy of Tai Chi, provides learning in the art of Tai Chi. He is the son of the founder of the Academy and is himself a Master in the art. The Australian Academy of Tai Chi & Qigong was established in 1976 by Grandmaster Gary Khor teaching of Tai Chi from a health and relaxation perspective suitable for the average person. The Academy has special programmes based on traditional Chinese exercises produced for those with asthma, arthritis, osteoporosis, low mobility and other conditions. A few members already partake of these classes. This was an extremely enlightening event which was well received by all members.



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT (President Peter Logan)

President Peter Logan spoke of the upcoming nominations and then called for the monthly reports from Officers.

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

As this was the first meeting of the year there was no previous minutes to be tabled.

The Secretary then outlined, in more detail, the upcoming Nominations for the March Annual General Meeting (AGM) wherein the normal March meeting would be held then closed and the AGM would begin and the current members of the Committee would step-down and the Nominations would be read out.

These will be read out by the Returning Officer, who was going to be Christopher Hollingsworth but unfortunately he cannot attend on that day so Albert Watts has stepped into the position.

The Returning Officer will then ask, for each position, if there is any member who wishes to nominate on the day, if none he will ask, if there is only one nomination per position, if that person wishes to accept the position and if accepted then they would be elected to that position, which in most positions this is the case.

The Secretary also stated that with regard to the position of Vice-President that there were 5 nominations so in this case the nominees would be asked to leave the room and the members would then be given paper and pencils/pens so as to place their nominations on for the two people they wish to nominate for the Vice-President position and then hand them to the Returning Officer for determination. These will then be collated and read out and then, as before, the Returning Officer will ask the nominees if they wish to accept the nomination.

At this point member Shelagh Poray asked if they could know the names of the 5 nominees to which the Secretary duly obliged and stated that they were: Robyn Watts; Marilyn King; Coral Starr; Paul Woodley and Rowline Brown.

The report was accepted by Roslyn Slade and seconded by Robyn Watts.



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TREASURER'S REPORT (Treasurer – Nancye Purser)

The Treasurer first presented the end-of-year 2024 Bank Reconciliation Balance Sheet.

BANK RECONCILIATION November – December 2024

OPENING BALANCE AS AT 4 November 2024	4863.29
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INCOME

Major Oak Theatre (Christmas Party)	198.00
TOTAL INCOME	198.00

EXPENDITURE

Family Brasserie (Melbourne Cup)	1595.00
Melbourne Cup Expenses (Sweeps Etc.) P. Purser	150.25
Cakes & Sandwiches – Peter Logan	52.10
Cakes & Cards – Denise McManus	89.00
Bus Hire Major Oaks Outing (Balance)	866.25
Toner – Alison Ross-Smith	89.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2841.60

CLOSING BALANCE AS AT 3 January 2025	2219.69
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Then presented the current January – February 2025 Bank Reconciliation Balance Sheet.

BANK RECONCILIATION JANUARY 2025

OPENING BALANCE AS AT 3 January 2025	2219.69
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INCOME

Membership Fee Payment (46 Members)	2300.00
Little Snail French Restaurant Outing	495.00

TOTAL INCOME	2795.00
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EXPENDITURE

Morning Tea Expenses (Peter Purser)	74.05
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE	74.05
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CLOSING BALANCE AS AT 4 February 2025	4940.64
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The Treasurer also stated that Barrie Browning would be the Auditor for the 2024 – 2025 Probud Year.

These reports were tabled at the meeting and accepted by John Spooner and seconded by Anne Smith.



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MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Membership Officer – Alison Ross-Smith)

APOLOGIES:

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Non-Attending Members	Connie Di Giulio; Erica McLean; Tom Murrie
Website Apologies	Joan Abela; Brian Drew; Christine McKay; Denise McManus; Jim McManus; Suzie Smith; Coral Starr; Barry Tozer; Pam Woodley; Paul Woodley
New Members	Garry Bingham; Ingrid Bingham; Denise Nelson (Returning Member); Sharon Ferguson

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

Apologies	21	Non-Attending Members	3
Late Apologies	0	Other Apologies	0
Late Attending Members	0	Total Apologies	21
Left Early	0	Visitors	0
Members In Attendance	44	Website Apologies	10
New Members	4		

There were no visitors at the meeting but two visitor apologies were received from Lynne Jenkins and Michael (Zeb) Jenkins.



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BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES (Welfare Officer – Denise McManus – Absent (Alison Ross-Smith))

January Birthdays	Ken Loughhead	6 January
	Marion Griffith	7 January
	Joe Nelson	7 January
	Trish Georgeson	24 January
January Anniversaries	Robyn & Albert Watts	4 January
	Angie & John Murray	10 January
	Jill & John Spooner	10 January
February Birthdays	Rod Madgwick	2 February
	Denise Nelson	2 February
	Anne Smith	4 February
	Janice Pethybridge	11 February
	Graham Griffiths	17 February
	Shelagh Poray	18 February
	Kaye Johnston	27 February
February Anniversaries	Rae & Robert O'Keefe	17 February

As there is no meeting in January, these Birthdays & Anniversaries were included in the February meeting.



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

Peter then outlined upcoming outings as follows:

Little Snail French Restaurant – Wednesday 26 February 2025

Peter stated that this outing is fully booked. With 22 members attending.

DETAILS: Sydney Olympic Park Ferry Wharf
TIME: 10:28 Side A (Please Arrive A Little Early)
What to Wear: Smart Casual Don't forget your
OPAL CARD

Other: We catch the Ferry at Olympic Park to
Barangaroo (side B) then transfer to wharf 25 (side A)
Catch the 11:49 ferry to the Maritime Museum then a short 5
minute walk to Murray St for the Restaurant



Escape To The Country Tour – 2-Day Tour – Thursday 20th – Friday 21st March 2025

Peter then handed out a flyer for other upcoming events. He outlined the information regarding this outing and noted that 8 members had shown interest in this event but if the outing cannot reach the numbers required then it will have to be cancelled.



Further Upcoming Events For Discussion

Also on the flyer were six possible outings for the information of the members.



Peter then showed a video outings and this as per usual was an excellent production and a great success with the members. Information regarding outings can be found on the Wentworth Point Probus Club Website.



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GENERAL BUSINESS (Any Items from the Committee & Members)

President Peter Logan stated the new start to the meeting would be discussed at the committee meeting to see if it would continue or not.

He then thanked Des McEvoy with regard to the last guest speaker Kenneth Buxton who failed to attend the November meeting, Des came up with the idea of each member that brought their antique item to have a small talk on each and also for the holiday pictures.

The Probus HQ Health Check Form, which was discussed at the committee meeting had been modified and would be handed out at the March meeting. This form would basically give the committee an insight into how members viewed the club and any matters that needed to be addressed.

Also he stated that the photos being shown on the screen at the meeting would be entered into the upcoming Photographic Competition which would be judged in March 2025. A prize has yet to be formulated.

CLOSE OF MEETING Secretary – Alison Ross-Smith)

Secretary stated that the post-Probus lunch was booked for 12:45 pm at Rosina's but that it would not matter if they went over early as the meeting was finishing early.

Due to the funeral of Phil Maher the meeting closed at 11:30 am.

NEXT MEETING (Secretary – Alison Ross-Smith)

Monday 17 March 2025

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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