



MINUTES-OF-THE-MEETING MONDAY 21 JULY 2025

The 163rd general meeting of the Wentworth Point Probus Club for 2025 was opened at 10:30 am by the President Peter Purser who welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated information for the members regarding the location of the amenities and the emergency exit rules of where to meet.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (President Peter Purser)

Peter updated the members letting them know that meetings had been had with the new Pulse Management and that changes will be made to the meeting agenda. Therefore, as of our August meeting the morning tea in Pulse Function Room 2 will not be continuing but will be incorporated into the general meeting where members will take their teas back to their seats so that the meeting can commence. The meeting will now be first on the agenda and the guest speaker will be at the end of proceedings before the formal closure of the meeting.

The President thanked Nancye Purser, Trish Georgeson and Roslyn Slade for once again putting on a lovely morning tea, this time with the Christmas-In-July theme for our last separate morning tea. The photograph is thanks to our Welfare Officer Roslyn Slade and further additions by our President Peter Purser.



President Peter Purser then called on the committee members for their relevant reports.

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

The minutes for the meeting held on Monday 16 June was emailed by the Secretary to all members on Monday 30 June 2025. Members were asked if they received the said minutes and if they had any questions with regards to those minutes. None was forthcoming so the Secretary requested that the minutes be accepted, which they duly were by Barry Tozer and seconded by Christopher Hollingsworth.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Membership Officer – Alison Ross-Smith)

Total Apologies	Joan Abela; Jill Collis; Stephen Collis; Peter Council; Brian Drew; Mary Eastman; Sharon Ferguson; Graham Griffiths; Marie Hancock; Bell Loughhead; Ken Loughhead; Rodney Madgwick; Christine Maher; Christine McKay; Denise McManus; Jim McManus; George Poray-Nizankowski; Shelagh Poray-Nizankowski; Evelyn Scott; Jill Spooner; John Spooner; Albert Watts; Robyn Watts; Pala Wilshaw; Pamela Woodley; Paul Woodley
Late Apologies	Joan Abela; Peter Council; Brian Drew; Graham Griffiths; George Poray-Nizankowski; Shelagh Poray-Nizankowski; Jill Spooner; John Spooner
Other	Marie Hancock (Overseas Member)
Absent	Erica McLean; Phillip Mulhearn; Tom Murrie; Rae O'Keefe
Website Apologies	Jill Collis; Stephen Collis; Peter Council; Brian Drew; Marie Hancock; Bell Loughhead; Ken Loughhead; Rodney Madgwick; Christine Maher; Christine McKay; Denise McManus; Jim McManus; George Poray-Nizankowski; Shelagh Poray-Nizankowski; Albert Watts; Robyn Watts; Pamela Woodley; Paul Woodley

MEMBERS – NEW MEMBERS – VISITORS

Total Apologies	26	Absent	4
Late Apologies	8	Other Apologies	1
Late Attending Members	1	Visitors	0
Left Early	2	Website Apologies	17
Members In Attendance	39	New Members	0

TREASURER'S REPORT (Treasurer – Nancye Purser)

Then the Treasurer presented the current June Bank Reconciliation Balance Sheet.

BANK RECONCILIATION JUNE 2025

OPENING BALANCE AS AT 4 JUNE 2025	3368.82
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INCOME

Outings

CATS	201.00
Christmas-In-July	1240.00
Murder Most Foul Tour	55.00
Hidden Cellars	711.00
Parliament House Tour & Lunch	390.00

TOTAL INCOME	2597.00
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EXPENDITURE

R.E. & N.L. Purser Credit Card Payments:

CATS Outing	129.05
Groceries	37.34
Hidden Cellars Outing	905.96
Stationery	95.98
Vikings Club (Christmas-In-July)	1120.00

Speaker's Fee	50.00
Website – Payment To Rachel Pedder	315.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2653.33
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CLOSING BALANCE AS AT 4 JULY 2025	3312.49
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The Treasurer also updated members with regards to the purchase of an EFTPOS machine. The Treasurer had discussions with companies and the bank and it was decided that if we were to obtain one that we would go with Westpac bank as this is where our Probus bank account is and it would be easier to manage as we would own the machine. It was decided to not purchase this at this point-in-time but that it would be more useful at the annual general meeting for payment of fees and outings after that time.

This balance sheet and report were tabled in detail by the Treasurer at the meeting and was then asked to be accepted by the members. This was then duly accepted by Barry Tozer and seconded by Roslyn Slade.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES (Welfare Officer – Roslyn Slade)

July Birthdays

Stephen Collis	07 July
Peter Logan	13 July
Peter Council	14 July
Robert Brandes	16 July
Nadya Kapustin	22 July

Wedding Anniversaries

Mary and Richard Camilleri	20 July
Philip and Marie Mulhearn	25 July

Roslyn also mentioned that apart from Peter Council not being well she did not have any information with regards to anyone else not being well and she asked the members that if they did know of any member that was in need of assistance or welfare to please let her know so she could follow-up on any matter.

Roslyn then called upon our Immediate Past President Peter Logan to take the floor with a very timely and important message. He spoke regarding the current swathe of scams going around Probus clubs, pertaining to gift certificate scams. He gave an example which involved Probus Birkenhead Point club where it was purported that a member's granddaughter had cancer and that it would be good if members could forward a gift certificate to help out the situation and some members actually did send money only to find out that it was all a scam. So he reiterated to all members to be very vigilant where these and other types of scams are concerned.

OUTINGS & ACTIVITIES (Outings Officers – Peter Purser & Peter Council)

Peter Purser also noted that the Assistant Outings Officer, Peter Council, was absent due to illness therefore Peter Purser outlined the following:

He mentioned the added sign-in boards on the table at the back of the room for members to state whether they would be interested in the upcoming outings. These were implemented by the Committee to facilitate the registration of members to outings as it was imperative that the Committee know as soon as possible regarding the booking of events.

Upcoming Outings

Christmas-In-July Viking Club Friday 25 July 2025 6:30pm \$59.00

This outing was fully booked and that members were going by their own transport or getting an Uber to the function as this was a less expensive way to travel rather than obtaining a coach as the function was only a short distance away at the Viking Club at Dundas



Murder Most Foul Thursday 14 August 2025 10:00 am – 12:30 pm \$55.00

We still need members to register for this outing. For those that had been on the previous outing around Surrey Hills this walk is a lot easier and we will finish up with lunch at Kinsellas, quite appropriate as it used to be one of Sydney's most prominent Funeral Parlours.



Hidden Cellars Friday 29 August 2025 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm \$79.00

This outing is also fully-booked.



Parliament House Tour and Lunch Monday 22 September – Lunch 12:00 pm Tour 1:30 pm \$65.00.

Peter stated that this is a very interesting tour and lunch in the Strangers' restaurant but we need extra people for this tour to go ahead so please look at this as it is a great day out.



OUTINGS & ACTIVITIES Continued

Peter then stated that there were further outings being put together for the balance of the year.

Riverboat Postman Trip Monday 27 October 2025 \$59

As Probus month is coming up in October a way to celebrate this was to do a special outing. All the information will be emailed to members and it can also be found on the website. So please register if you are interested.



Melbourne Cup Lunch Massey Park Golf Club Tuesday 4 November 2025 \$59.00

This was such a success last year so we hope you can join us for the first time or again.

All the information will be emailed to members and it can also be found on the website. So please register if you are interested.



Christmas Lunch Gledswood Homestead Farm & Winery Wednesday 3 December 2025 10:30 am to 3:30 pm \$115.00

This is going back to an old-fashioned Christmas at Gledswood Homestead Farm. The cost of this includes special wine tasting; traditional Christmas lunch and the cost of a coach there and back.

All the information will be emailed to members and it can also be found on the website. So please register if you are interested.



Wednesday 16 July 2025 1:00 pm

Peter then stated how this was a terrific outing and all the members that attended had a very good time. Firstly we had lunch at Club York where the food and service was excellent as the club has been renovated again and is now very pleasant. Then it was off to CATS which was an excellent production and then afterwards members wandered down to the Ship Inn at the Quay and finally home on the ferry. Peter then played a video outlining the day and this again was excellent as he again overlaid the members' faces into the CATS costumes, which made for a very funny video.



OUTINGS & ACTIVITIES Continued

Members were encouraged to register for the outings and pay as soon as possible so tickets can be booked and bought. All the information for the outings can be found on the Wentworth Point Probus Website where you can register your interest and find all details for payments to each event.

Committee approval was given for the outings and all Risk Assessments have been carried out and filed for each of the abovementioned outings

GENERAL BUSINESS (Any Items from the Committee & Members)

Peter let the members know that the new Constitution and Standing Resolutions were sent to Probus South Pacific Limited and they came back with a few minor technical changes that were accepted by the Committee and thus the documents were signed on 25 July by the President Peter Purser and Secretary Alison Ross-Smith. These documents will now be forwarded to Fair Trading for their approval.

Peter then restated the upcoming change in the meeting agenda which would begin in our August meeting.

Then Des McEvoy mentioned that there was training for the use of AED's to be held in Pulse Gym Function Room 2 at 2:00 pm on Saturday 2 August. This will help to develop your confidence in using an AED and to know how important this equipment is and to know how to properly use it. You may save a life. Everybody is welcome.

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

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

Paul Kearney



Our Guest Speaker is a rock historian, who gave an absolutely wonderful presentation on the history of rock & roll in the late 20th Century, as well as histories of the artists. He took us through the decades, showing original videos of the artists and their songs and where they are today.

Members were thrilled with the presentation and he was applauded for his very extensive knowledge and enthusiasm of presentation. We hope to get him back soon to do a presentation on Australian entertainers, such as The Deltones, Johnny O'Keefe and others.

CLOSE OF MEETING Secretary – Alison Ross-Smith)

Secretary stated that the post-Probus lunch was booked for Meu Dining Room, the Thai Restaurant for 12:30 pm.

Date of the Next Meeting: Monday 18 August 2025:

Meeting Venue: 10:20 am Pulse Function Room 1

The General Meeting was officially closed at 11:55 am.