



THE COMBINED PROBUS CLUB OF COONARA-CHERRYBROOK INC

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 17th MARCH 2026

AT

CASTLE HILL BOWLING CLUB

Opening

President Andre Maas opened the meeting at 10.30 am by welcoming members and visitors.

A Joke from Ken Sherwood.

Attendance

Membership Officer Sue advised the following numbers:

Total members present	154
Visitors	1
Apologies	21

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Lyn advised that the Minutes of the previous meeting had been emailed to members and thus could be taken as being read. Lyn moved a motion to accept the Minutes of the General Meeting held on Tuesday 17th February 2026 and this was seconded by Valerie Roy. The motion was carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising.

Correspondence

Lyn advised the following correspondence had been received and sent:

- In:** PSPL Active Retirees
Westpac e-Statement
Probus Management Committee Update
PO Box Renewal and Receipt
On Course Tours
Update PSPL Website & 50th Anniversary
- Out:** Minutes of the February General Meeting
Agenda March General Meeting
March Chatter
Social Media posts
Carol Copey re Scout Hall Rental

Lyn moved a motion that the Correspondence be accepted, seconded Paul Sweatman. The Motion was carried.

There was no Business arising from the Correspondence.

Groups Report – Leonie Lawson

The March bike ride is no longer to Wollongong. It has been changed due to the petrol situation.

Jenny Davis has asked that all Cards Group participants swipe in at West Pennant Hills Sports Club on arrival. If they do not have a card they will need to go to the desk.

The Wine Group Meeting will not be held on April 6 as it is Easter. The next meeting will be in May.

Events Report – Carolyn Powell

On March 6 we had a great day doing the **Zig Zag Railway Trip**, we were blessed with good weather. The actual train ride was really quite interesting – we could get off the train at each stop and watch them reversing the train's direction at two different stops. We then headed to Leura and had a really nice lunch at the Alexandra Hotel then a little free time to wander around Leura which is one of the favourite spots of that part of our world. As I said before, I had a substantial wait list for that trip so I am going to organise a second one later in the year.

Lynn Paterson is here today taking names for **"RADIOACTIVE LIVE"** on Sunday afternoon July 26 at the Hills Lodge. Full details will be in the April Chatter. This is a very casual "fun" afternoon – it's a theatre company run by volunteers performing live radio plays – advertised as "good old-fashioned entertainment" and includes a very nice afternoon tea.

THEATRE GROUP

Please collect tickets today for **Anastasia**.

There are Expressions of Interest for **Steel Magnolias** on May 20, **Waitress** on August 19, **Fiddler On the Roof** on September 2nd and **My Fair Lady** on September 23rd. There is also a Wait List for **Lion King** on July 8. The contact numbers of our theatre people are in the Chatter if you are unable to attend meetings.

The seating allocations for **today's lunch** are on the glass entrance doors, when you go to the bar area while we prepare the room, please check which table number is yours. Tables 1,2 and 3 are closest to the stage.

Please read the Chatter, check out our website and our Facebook page – always some great photos on there and remember to wear your badges so we can get to know each other's names.

Welfare Report – Jan Duffy

Colin Swindells is resigning as he is unable to get to the meetings due to poor mobility. He was our Club photographer for many years and has taken about 30,000 photos that document the many Club Events held from its foundation 19 years ago.

General Business

1. Information re Junior Bowls at Castle Hill RSL – Ken Sherwood

If members know any young people who might be interested in joining, please encourage them to come along.

2. Tasmania and Norfolk Island Trips Update – Andre Maas

- Norfolk Island Trip. Deposit of \$600 due May 15.
- There are still vacancies for the Tasmania Trip. You can put your name down today at the Fellowship Break. Deposit of \$600 due April 15.
- If anyone would like to invite friends to join either trip, they may do so while there are vacancies.

3. Motion on Notice – Risk Management Policy Document

‘That members approve the Risk Management Policy Document distributed for consultation on February 8, 2026.’

Moved – Andre Maas, Seconded Ken Sherwood and Carried.

Fellowship Break

Andre invited members to Morning Tea and advised them that the AGM would commence after the break at 11.15 am.

Closing

The General Meeting was closed by President Andre at 10.44 am.

The next General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st April 2026 at the Castle Hill Bowling Club.

Lyn Martel
Secretary

Leonie Lawson
President
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