



THE COMBINED PROBUS CLUB OF COONARA-CHERRYBROOK INC

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 2026

AT

CASTLE HILL BOWLING CLUB

Opening

Vice President Geoff Murray opened the meeting at 10.32 am by welcoming members and visitors.

A Joke from Ken Sherwood.

Attendance

Membership Officer Sue advised the following numbers:

Total members present	127
Visitors	4
Apologies	38

Induction of New Members

Vice-President Geoff Murray and Membership Secretary Sue Badcock inducted new members Barbara Suckau and Derek Morell.

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. Geoff moved a motion to accept the Minutes of the General Meeting held on Tuesday 18th August 2026 and this was seconded by Janette Mckenzie. The motion was carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising.

Correspondence

Andre advised the following correspondence had been received and sent:

In: Westpac e-Statement
Probud Management Committee Update
Message from PSPL re Celebrating 50 Years
Invoices from On Course
PSPL – unpaid invoices
Membership enquiry

Out: Minutes of the August General Meeting
September Chatter

Social Media Posts
My Fair Lady refunds
Joan Creed 100th Birthday photo

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

There was no Business arising from the Correspondence.

Treasurer's Report – Geoff Muray for Bob Walker

As at:

**31 August 2026
Amount**

Cash Position

Westpac Working Account

Less

Members Prepayments

Net Cash Position

Subsequent payments since the last Committee meeting will be ratified at the next Committee meeting.

Geoff moved a motion that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Seconded by Rodger Martel. The motion was carried.

Groups Report – Geoff Murray

Information for Group Activities can be found in The Chatter.

Some upcoming Events are Sunday Lunch, the Pizza and Pasta night and Jazz in the Pines. All Events and Activities are open to ALL members. Please join us.

A reminder that the Wine Tasting Group will not be meeting in October and November.

Events Report – Carolyn Powell

On Friday September 4, 50 of our members enjoyed a great day at the **Lucas Heights Nuclear Discovery Centre**. It was a very interesting tour of the facility, we were divided into 2 groups and both our guides were very informative, they answered our questions in the most simplistic way possible but many of us hoped that no one would ask us too many questions the next day. It was followed by a delicious lunch at Bundeena then a ferry ride across to Gunnamatta Bay where we were met by our coach and one of our favourite coach drivers Mic who took us through some parts of Sydney on the way home that some of us had either never been before or hadn't been for a very long time and like every part of Sydney these days, the way all our suburbs look continues to change.

Elaine is here taking last minute bookings with payment due today for a **Pizza and Pasta dinner** at Belmonte's Italian restaurant, 4 Olive Street Baulkham Hills on Wednesday September 30 - \$30 per person including corkage.

The month of October is the **50th Anniversary of Probus** in Australia. To help celebrate your committee is hoping our members will come along to a picnic immediately following our October meeting at the Castle Glen Reserve on Ridgecrop Drive, Castle Hill. This is just behind the Knightsbridge Shopping Centre. It's only a 5-minute drive from here. You can BYO your own picnic food and drinks or you can purchase from inside the shopping centre. Please bring your own picnic chairs and a small table if you have one. I have heard many of our members say that Probus is an important part of their lives so we hope you will come along and celebrate a very important birthday.

I am taking expressions of interest today for our **Annual Wine & Cheese Night**. Our president Leonie has again offered her beautiful home in Glenhaven. Cost is \$30 per person for nibbles, hot and cold finger food followed by tea & coffee with a sweet treat. Payment is due by the October meeting.

From our **THEATRE** people:

Please collect tickets for **"My Fair Lady"**. There is one spare ticket for My Fair Lady on September 23, please see our theatre people if you would like to see this show. They have expressions of interest for the Neil Diamond musical **"Beautiful Noise"** on December 16, **"Moulin Rouge"** April 7th, Noel Coward's **"Private Lives"** February 24. Sue, Howard and Pat's contact details are in the Chatter.

Please read our Chatter, check out our website and please remember to wear your badges so we can learn each other's names.

Welfare Report – Jan Duffy

General Business

Some email addresses were accidentally posted on our Club public site. They have now been removed. The Committee will investigate how we can ensure this does not happen again.

This Is Your Life – John Maker

John interviewed a Club member.

Special 100th Birthday Celebration.

The Club presented Joan Creed with a gift and we all sang Happy Birthday to Joan who celebrated her 100th Birthday. Congratulations Joan.

Leon thanked the Committee and members for their many cards and Best Wishes.

Fellowship Break

Geoff invited members to Morning Tea.

Guest Speaker

Irene Fisher introduced John Quek who spoke to members about "Your identity is important. Let's protect it".

Irene thanked John for his very interesting and informative presentation.

Closing

The General Meeting was closed by Vice-President Geoff Murray at 12.30 pm.

The next General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 20th October 2026 at the Castle Hill Bowling Club.

Lyn Martel
Secretary

Geoff Murray
Vice-President
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