

Probus Club of Templestowe Valley

Minutes of the Meeting of the Club

**Held at the Community Centre, Ted Ajani Reserve, Thompsons Road,
Templestowe**

On Monday, 8 September 2003 at 10am

1. The Vice President, Margaret Cornell, took the Chair, the President and his wife being on holiday for this meeting.

2. **Attendance:**

Sixty-five people, made up of 52 members, seven new members, five visitors and a speaker.

Apologies: seventeen - Yvonne Boyall, Don and Dorothy Borin, Don Boyd, Diana Burton, Jim and Claire Douglas, Mary Gault, Doug and Diane Gibson, Brenda Hatton, Kerry and Patricia McInerney, Pauline Mugridge, Wilma Pontifract, Judith Robinson, Merrill Smead. The five visitors were Val Reid, Ross and Judy Chapman, Anne Jewell, Beate Herring.

3. **Welcome:**

The Vice President welcomed the members and prospective members, as well as the visitors.

4. **New Members:**

The President read the names of the seven prospective new members: Patricia Burns, David and Elaine Dodds, Hugh and Diane McIntosh, Verity Moore, Carol Wilson, who were accepted into the club on the **motion** of Elaine Hayne, **seconded** by John Mugridge. P. Mitten

5. **REPORTS:**

5.1 **Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer presented her report: Cash in bank \$2510.61 - full report attached. A separate statement of Petty Cash shows that meetings cost around \$130 to run and that other expenses use up the balance of the \$150 Petty Cash advance.

5.2 **Secretary's Report:**

The Secretary reported that:

- the Activities Groups were receiving support from members,
- on behalf of members, the Committee had approved of his being the Club's Public Officer, whose principal role would be to lodge documents on time, and
- ~~that~~ the club needed to be Incorporated to protect the legal status of its members. To this end, he and John Mugridge had been asked by the Committee to examine the appropriateness of the Model Rules formulated by the Department of Consumer Affairs, Victoria and the standard By-Laws formulated by the Probus organisation.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Incorporation:

The Secretary explained that, upon examination, his sub-committee was of the view that no advantage was to be gained from adopting Model Rules other than those set down by the Department of Consumer Affairs, Victoria and By-Laws set down by the Probus organisation. He proposed, therefore, that the Club adopt them as its own. Discussion followed. There was some confusion over the order in which things should be done and whether or not the Constitution had been adopted at the Inaugural Meeting and what maximum number of members had been agreed to, but eventually two motions were passed:

- "That the Model Rules and By-Laws as here presented be accepted, while retaining the right to amend them at a later stage.": moved E Boyd, seconded J Plank; and
- "That the Club adopt the standard Probus Constitution.": moved I Baird, seconded G Young.

6.2 Lunch Participation:

Yvonne Shembry, the organiser of lunches, took a head count of about 40 people intending to participate in lunch. She explained that the Manningham Club was booked by the club until February although, if members wished, alternative lunch venues could be explored. The members indicated that they were happy with the present arrangement.

6.3 Christmas Lunch:

The proposition was put to the members that on 8 December we conduct a regular meeting minus a speaker and move on to the Eastern Golf Club for a Christmas

function at a cost of around \$25. Fifty members present indicated they would attend. Payment will be required by next month's Club meeting, 13 October.

6.4 January Meeting

Members said they wished to meet in January (12 Jan.): winter was cited as the off time.

6.5 Activities Groups

The Vice President said that as part of the Fellowship Break the Activities Groups would be taking enrolments for their functions. She requested that the Groups of Gardening, Golf, Reading, and Walking meet at this time and report on progress.

7. FELLOWSHIP BREAK:

The meeting broke for refreshments and fellowship, many taking the opportunity to register with Activities Leaders their interest in the activities scheduled.

8. SPEAKER:

Gwen Young then introduced the speaker Mr Peter Casey, Music Director, National Boys Choir. Mr Casey told us about the long-term involvement of his family in the choir; the wide-ranging scope of its musical engagements - from Carols by Candlelight, chorus work in Opera Australia productions and other stage shows, through to corporate advertising on commercial television, referring specifically to the advertisements the Choir made for Qantas Airlines. He spoke of the rigours and the joy of the 11 international tours the choir had made during his directorship, and the high musical standard and the discipline required of the boys to ensure their success in the choir and in their studies.

8.1 Thanks to Speaker:

Wendy Fishley thanked Mr Casey for his address and presented him with a bottle of wine.

9. NEXT MEETING AND CLOSING REMARKS:

The Vice President reminded members that the next Club meeting is Monday, 13 October.

She then thanked the members for their attendance, reminded people to return their name badges to John Mugridge if not attending the lunch but to retain them for that occasion if attending.

10. CLOSE:

The meeting closed on time at noon; lunch at Manningham Club completed the function.

President.....

Note: Treasurer's Report is attached

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Meeting held on Monday September 8, 2003

Bank Account

Balance B/Forward \$ 2,106.31

Deposits

Joining Fees 180.00

Membership Fees 180.00

Door Fees 100.00

Total Credits \$ 2,566.31

Withdrawals

BAD Tax .70

Manningham Council (Hall Rental) 55.00

Total Debits \$ 55.70

Total held at Bank \$ 2,510.61

If anyone would like to see the monthly report it will be available for your perusal during the fellowship break.