

# **PROBUS CLUB OF TEMPLESTOWE VALLEY Inc.**

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CLUB**

**Held at Ajani Centre,**

**Thompsons Road**

**Lower Templestowe**

**On Monday, 11 August, 2008 at 9:45am**

### **1. President Ian welcomes members and visitors**

### **2. Induction of Judy Cooper, as per the guidelines in the 2008 Probus South Pacific Handbook.**

### **3. Ian's Communicating Time**

Judy has been waiting since August 2004 to join us, and we hope the wait will be worthwhile.

Ian then read the letter of appreciation sent to the committee from Kerry McInerney thanking the club for bestowing on him the honour of being the clubs first "Life Member".

Ian encouraged members to attend club activities, knowing that we all have family commitments and also recognizing that some of us are happy to just attend our monthly meetings. We are all rostered on to help with the morning tea, maybe some of us would like to volunteer for some other small jobs, volunteering to give the vote of thanks to our guest speaker, helping Doug with the newsletter, or helping set up the room on meeting mornings as many hands make light work. If anyone is would like to assist with any of these jobs please let Ian know.

Ian reinforced the use of the Suggestion Box, and all signed suggestions will be responded to. Complaints see Ian as "The buck stops with the President".

Ian then conveyed our best wishes to those that have not been well.

### **4. General Business**

4.1. Speaker this month: Shane Green, National News Editor for the Age – "Trust me I am a Journalist"

4.2. Birthdays: Mike Bindon, Jo Danahay, Doug Hayne, Daryl Knight, Hugh McIntosh, Verity Moore, Jenny Morcom, Aimee Pretty, Pat Sinclair and Len Williams

4.3. Lunch today at the Blackburn Hotel, 111 Whitehorse Road, Blackburn.

### **5. Attendance Report**

Visitors: Anne and Stewart McCulloch - Peter and Wendy Fishley's guest

Attendance: 85

Apologies: 35 - Ellen and Don Boyd, Helga Braun, David and Elaine Dodds, Anne and Craig Lukeman, Elizabeth Turner, Pat Sinclair, Lyn and Ron McBain, Rose Cecchin, John and Pauline Mugridge, Andrea Thomas, Marilyn Platford, Ray and Esma Lawley, Dorothy Macaulay, Val and John Reid, Laurel Bishop, Maureen Dubock, Yvonne Shembrey, Judy Chapman, Aimee Pretty, Rex and Dee Atkins, Ray and Lorraine Cooper, Kay Mithen, Allan and June Chambers, Lyn Hudgson and Jan Hammond.

### **6. Treasurer's Report - Jacob Kerseboom**

(As at 31/07/08)

Balance on Hand                      \$8,646.53

Deposits Held for Activities        \$1,669.41

Club Funds as at 30/6/08                      \$6,977.12

Moved: Kerry McInerney                      Seconded: Jennifer Eaton                      Carried

#### 7. Secretary's Report

Judy encouraged members to order the club polo shirts, the order will be placed tomorrow and another order will not be placed until early 2009.

A letter of thanks from Meg McDonald (RN Breast Care Nurse) was read to members, thanking our craft group for the gifts of cushions to oncology patients.

Moved: Hugh Cornell                      Seconded: Mary Wilson                      Carried

#### 8. Activities Report - Wayne Eames standing in for Ron McBain -

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| Bike Group                 | John Hudgson      | Next ride Kevin Bartlett Reserve up the Creek. Sept 17 Lilydale to Warburton Trail walkers and riders – lunch at Launching Place Hotel, need numbers.  |
| Book Group                 | Helga Braun       | No Comment   |
| Book Swap                  | Pat Edwards       | No Comment   |
| Craft Group                | Yvonne Boyall     | Meeting at Elaine's place 19 September at 10am   |
| Entertainers               | Margaret Campbell | Probus Annual Concert 12 Nov at 1pm, our group will be performing, put your name down for tickets  |
| Exhibitions                | Wendy Fishley     | Thursday Port Melbourne walk meet at 9.45. 10 October Yarra Concert Hall to Docklands. Thanks to all the knitters.   |
| Fine Dining                | Hugh Cornell      | No Comment   |
| Games                      | Marion Cummins    | Trivia 26 August cancelled will be Crazy Whist, Trivia will be in November   |
| Garden                     | Faye Williams     | Next meeting 1 Sept, Krunda Native Nursery.  |
| Genealogy                  | Ray Lawley        | 19 August Heidelberg Rd Northcote – English Records  |
| Getaway Group              | Hudgsons/McBains  | Over view of King Island trip in November. Bright Getaway fully booked more info next meeting  |
| Golf                       | Lyn Crosbie       | Albury getaway 21-23 September still 5 rooms left, need money today  |
| Photography/<br>Newsletter | Doug Hayne        | Wilma has had a photo selected in the Manningham competition. Photo excursion to be discussed at next meeting. Need profiles for newsletter and stories written by members. Our new website is up and running. |
| Scrapbook                  | Verity Moore      | No Comment.  |
| Theatre                    | Ellen Boyd        | 40 tickets for Billy Elliot, 2 spare tickets for Wicked  |
| Trips and Events           | Elaine Hayne      | Friday 19 September Tramboat for lunch cruise need more members to attend.   |
| Walks                      | Wayne Eames       | Wrong Melway reference for next walk should be 45K7. Getaway at Anglesea YMCA \$135 per person all meals included, must book and pay deposit today.  |

Daryl Knight passed on to members that the Rotary Club of Manningham is looking for volunteers to work in the Opportunity Shop in Jackson Court, for more information contact Daryl

Moved: Margaret McGregor                      Seconded: James Campbell                      Carried

#### 9. Fellowship Break

President Ian called on Margaret McGregor to introduce our Guest Speaker Shane Green.

Introduction:

Shane’s dream began in 1978 when he was employed as a copy boy at the Melbourne Herald. His 3 year cadetship took him to the Trades Hall where he learnt the basics of how to tell the story, what you write as the way you approach stories affects people. After working in Canberra a move to Hong Kong for an exciting period and experiencing the after shock of the Tiananmen Square massacre. Shane returned to Melbourne in 1991 to join the “Australian” as industrial correspondent. A subsequent move to “The Age” and later appointment as state political editor which included a scoop by Shane in early 1996 when he wrote articles based on a Cabinet Notebook kept during Kennett’s era. No doubt he has many interesting tales to tell of those years plus the couple of years in Tokyo as correspondent before returning to Melbourne in 2004. Described as a quiet achiever, a reporter with great intellect, integrity and determination with many awards for excellence and with over 30 year’s experience - please welcome Shane Green - National News Editor of “The Age” with “Trust me – I am a Journalist”.

10. Thanks were given by Phillip Mithen and a bottle of wine was presented to Shane Green.
11. Next Meeting to be held on Monday 8 September, 2008, at the Ajani Centre.
12. President Ian declared the meeting closed at 12:00

President: .....

Date: .....

(Thanks Jacob and Margaret for forwarding info to me, many hands make light work)