

Probus Club of Templestowe Valley Inc.

Annual Report 2014 - 2015

Compiled by Libby (Elizabeth) Jones - Secretary

Introduction

Craig Lukeman

This is the twelfth Annual Report of the Probus Club of Templestowe Valley (Combined) Inc.

What is Probus ?

The Probus movement had its genesis in two ancestors – both in the UK and both established by Rotary Clubs. The first was formed in 1965 and was known as the Campus Club – its name was derived from the area of the town in which it was conceived – the Campus. The second was formed by the Rotary Club of Caterham in 1966 and was named the Probus Club for the "PRO" in professional and the "BUS" in business and which also made up the Latin word from which "PROBITY" is derived.

Both were formed to meet the need for companionship of their peers and mental stimulation for retired business and professional men. Today there are Clubs for male, female and combined gender.

The first Club in Rotary's South Pacific area was the Probus Club of Kapiti Coast, New Zealand in 1974. The first Club in Australia was the Probus Club of Hunter's Hill, NSW in 1976.

Today Probus is a world-wide movement in twenty three countries with Probus South Pacific having some 50% of the world number of Probus Clubs.

Probus South Pacific Limited

What is now known as PSPL was formed in 1981 in Sydney when five Rotarians, all of whom had been involved in the formation of Probus Clubs got together to share their experiences. They recommended the provision of an information service to Rotary Clubs throughout the region. The result was the Probus Information Centre.

At the time of formation it was noted that "It was important however that the Centre would not be a controlling body, or Probus Head Office, but rather a service or information centre."

In 2010 the Board of Probus Centre – South Pacific created a new organisation to replace the Centre.

The new organisation is a company limited by guarantee, and Probus South Pacific Ltd. (PSPL) is formed under NSW law. It is a commercial organisation but simultaneously takes for itself the right to control all non-profit Probus Clubs and organisational structures in the South Pacific.

MISSION

PSPL is dedicated to promoting the development of friendship, fellowship and the advancement of intellectual interests for active retirees through Probus Clubs in the South Pacific area.

VISION

The vision of PSPL is to co-ordinate the growth, development and ongoing support for Probus Clubs, as the most widely recognised organisation for active retirees, in fostering the true spirit of Probus – friendship, fellowship and fun.

CORE VALUES

- Friendship, fellowship and fun
- Supportive Active Retirees
- Adaptable Growth
- Diversity.

MOTTO

PROBUS – Tomorrow's vision for Active Retirees ™

Growth of Probus membership in the PSPL geographical area seems to have peaked in 2007 and there has been a gradual decline in membership numbers since then.

Some Clubs have had increasing concern with the activities of PSPL and in 2014 some 221 Clubs in New Zealand have disaffiliated from PSPL and set up their own Service Centre. PSPL is refusing to accept this new organisation and has commenced litigation against Probus New Zealand Inc. regarding intellectual property rights to the Probus name. New Zealand has almost one third of current PSPL membership so if these Members succeed in disaffiliating then PSPL capitation fees are going to be adversely effected.

Probus Club of Templestowe Valley Inc.

Currently we have 150 Club Members, including two Life Members, Kerry McInerney and Doug Hayne. It is 11 years since our Club had its inaugural meeting on June 12, 2003, under the guidance of Manningham Rotarians, Ken Murray and Max Didier, when 62 Foundation Members signed up in the hall at the Ted Ajani Reserve.

The Club was incorporated in 2004 and Doug Hayne was appointed the first Public Officer. Today this position is held by the Club Secretary.

By being incorporated, any litigation needs to be directed to the incorporated body and cannot be directed to individual members.

The Club meetings are held on the second Monday of every month throughout the year and commence at 0945 in the Ajani Centre, 284 Thompsons Road, Lower Templestowe, 3106

Club Insurance

PSPL provides an universal insurance cover for Members and third parties attending official and approved Club events. Each Club is levied an annual fee to cover this insurance. The PSPL annual fee of \$11.50 per Member has increased for 2015, however our Member's Annual Club Fees will remain the same for 2015.

Manningham Probus Interest Group.

There are 24 Clubs in the Municipality of Manningham and these have formed the Manningham Probus Interest Group. Two delegates from each of the Manningham Clubs are invited to attend twice yearly meetings of the Group where items of mutual interest are discussed and information on speakers and outings exchanged.

An Information Day is also organised in April for any interested Members. This day can be a valuable resource for Committee Members.

Management Committee Meetings

These meetings are held monthly at 3pm on the second Monday of the month in a Committee member's home.

The Management Committee for 2014-2015

President	Craig Lukeman
Vice President	Wendy Fishley
Immediate Past President	Ellen Boyd
Treasurer	David Moodie
Secretary	Libby Jones
Membership/Welfare	Laurine Eames
Speakers	John Reid
Activities Leader	Alan Baker
Assistant Secretary	Jenny Morcom
Newsletter	Phil Mithen

PEREHITANA TAUTAHI PURONGORONGO (PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2014) Craig Lukeman

The bush band lunch in July was the last celebration of the achievements of the past 10 years and I thank the Members who have ensured we have more than met the Probus ideals of friendship, fellowship and fun over the lifetime of our Club.

Our Club continues to be one of the strongest performing entities in the Manningham Probus Interest Group and this is due to the efforts of our Activity Group Leaders in organising our many outings and activities and the invariably interesting speakers obtained by John Reid for our monthly meetings – thank you to you all.

The past year was the first year we have been operating under our new Constitution and Risk Management, Privacy and Tour and Refund Policies and we have survived this with remarkable ease thanks to the goodwill of our Members.

During the year we reviewed whether we needed a guest policy and decided that we should continue to welcome guests without having any formal policy.

PSPL suggested we consider having a policy on gender balance and we have rejected this. Our Special Resolutions include a requirement to have alternating male and female Presidents and in the absence of an agreed gender balance and with the increasing ratio of female membership of the Club, this requirement may have to be reviewed at some time in the future.

PSPL also suggested that we conduct a Club Health Check using a PSPL supplied template and this was carried out on a voluntary basis and the results showed that those Members who responded are happy with the way the Club is operating.

Thanks to the persistence of Daryl Knight we finally got Manningham Council to establish Emergency Evacuation Procedures for the Ajani Centre and we were the first tenant to carry out a practice evacuation - very successfully thankfully!

We were also successful in obtaining a monetary grant from Manningham Council and this has been used to purchase wireless microphone replacements for use during Club meetings and by The Entertainers. A portable amplifier was also purchased (from Club funds) for use at various events.

PSPL continues to have operating problems and have finally acknowledged this and claim to have put measures in place to rectify the currently unacceptable situation. One announced measure is to again increase capitation fees and we can either ask Members to agree to an increase or we can keep our Annual Fees at the existing level and use Club funds to cover the difference. The latter option could mean that the subsidy of our annual Christmas Luncheon may have to cease.

I have been fortunate to have had a strong and effective Committee and enthusiastic Activity Group Leaders who are all dedicated to ensuring that our Members continue to enjoy the benefits of having a strong and vibrant Club – thank you to you all.

We have a couple of Committee Members retiring this year - Laurine Eames (Welfare and Membership), and John Reid (Speakers) and on behalf of the Club I thank them for the tremendous efforts they have contributed.

Thanks also to the continuing Committee Members, Wendy Fishley (President Elect), Ellen Boyd (Past President) now taking the role of Speakers, Libby Jones (Secretary), Alan Baker (Activities) Jenny Morcom (Assistant Secretary/Publicity), David Moodie (Treasurer) and Phil Mithen (Newsletter), I wish you all the best for the coming year.

Finally, thank you to all Members who have continued to support the Club and the Committee and made my year as President an enjoyable and rewarding one. May the next ten years be as good as the last ten. Haere ra

Craig Lukeman

VICE PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT - 2014

Wendy Fishley

Another busy year has passed and we look forward to more fun and fellowship in 2015. All our Activities groups seemed to work well and many and varied activities were enjoyed by members. Thanks to all those members who worked so hard to make everything go ahead successfully.

My thanks go especially to the Entertainers, Singing groups and all the members who worked tirelessly to make our Christmas Lunch such a great day. The Christmas Committee, headed by Verity Moore and members Anne Lukeman, Carole English and Wendy Fishley, enjoyed their task of bringing it all together.

Thanks to Craig Lukeman for his thoughtful and diligent leadership of our club in keeping the members informed of all that is going on both in Victoria and with Probus South Pacific.

Thanks also to Libby Jones for her wonderful work as Club Secretary this year. She has always presented her reports clearly and the work she has done behind the scenes is beyond measure. It has been a huge task, especially with all the material engendered by Probus South Pacific, making emailing and messaging back and forth a lot of work. So thank you, Libby, we really appreciate what you do!

My thanks too, go to David Moodie for his faithful keeping of the books.

With the help of Jeni Moodie, I have put together a guide for Emergency measures to be taken when the need arises. Please familiarise.

The Probus Committee has also worked well together to manage the club as a cohesive and successful group of like-minded retirees and I trust we have achieved our aim. We are hoping that 2015 will be another good year and we wish our members good health and happiness.

SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT 2014

Libby Jones

Another busy year, for this thriving Probus Club, with all its many and varied activity groups, outings and events to keep us all interested and occupied.

The role of Secretary was occupying, but far more manageable than the hectic year of 2013.

I have enjoyed the position and thank the many people who made my year interesting and gave me all the assistance I required. Again my thanks to Jenny Morcom and Judy Baker for attending to the Minutes when we were away. To Rhys, my patient, supportive and understanding husband, who has collected the PO Box mail throughout the year, thank you.

To all the Management Committee (and their spouses who have to wade through my copious emails) many thanks for your friendship and assistance, I have enjoyed my year very much.

I would like to thank Craig Lukeman, whose guidance, knowledge of PSPL, and wit has made the job easy. Thank you, Doug Hayne, who quietly behind the scene, continues to play a very important part with his assistance and webmaster skills.

My life in 2014, with elderly parents, new grandchildren, being on another committee as it's Minute secretary and various holidays has been busy, but all the ups and downs of life, fun, fellowship and great friends we have made in Probus, have certainly made 2014 an interesting year.

All the very best to the 2015 Committee and indeed all members of this great Club.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT 2014/15

David Moodie

The Treasurer's Report and Auditors Report are attached at the end of the Annual Report.

ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR'S ANNUAL REPORT 2014 Alan Baker

This is my first year as Activities Coordinator and I have enjoyed working with the Activity Leaders. The club is fortunate to have such a dedicated group of "Activity Leaders" who work very hard to provide a wide range of activities for our members. These people are the backbone of the club and I thank them all for another successful year. Regards, Alan Baker

SPEAKERS ANNUAL REPORT 2014

John Reid

I have attempted to continue past form and have along a variety of speakers. Fortunately most have been excellent and some inspirational. We started the year with Brian Williams from Consumer Affairs who presented Retirement Village Options which was a very valuable source. He was followed by Adrian Paterson talking about Visual Profiles and Cartooning particularly in relation to fighting crime, Keith Wehl in 'Where did I leave my Glasses' gave us a background to Alzheimers, Lambis Englezos OAM related the moving saga of the 'Finding of Fromelles' and Geoff Gaff spoke from his experience and the 'Position of women in Saudi Arabia'.

There was no speaker in June when we had an exercise in Emergency Evacuation of the Hall, Graeme Smith followed with tales from The Lost Dogs Home, Ian Crawford then spoke about Crawford Productions and the dramas of early television, Graeme Robin gave an enthralling account of 'Travels in my trustee Fiat', representatives from the Uniting Church Lifeassist programme described measures to help older persons stay in their homes, and finally Molly Sasson spoke about life in the secret service in Britain and Europe and in ASIO in Australia giving us a whole new perspective on the second half of the twentieth century.

I would like to thank all those who assisted me, who thanked speakers and particularly Wayne Eames who was always on hand and who quietly behind the scene ensured that technical apparatus was operational.

John Reid

MEMBERSHIP AND WELFARE ANNUAL REPORT 2014 Laurine Eames

Membership is now at the optimum number of 150. Three members joined the Club in 2014 and they are -

Jeanne Ellis inducted on 12/5/14 Colin Neal inducted on 11/8/14 Jan Bartlett inducted on 8/9/14

The wait list now has 11 prospective members, and we have had many enquiries from other interested people.

A number of our members have offered support and have helped sick and disadvantaged members during the year. As Welfare Officer I give my sincere thanks to those helpers.

We wish those members who have serious health problems well for a speedy recovery. Laurine Eames

NEWSLETTER

Phil Mithen

We have successfully produced a newsletter each month informing members of current items and some of the plans for the future. Many thanks to all who contribute material monthly for the various activities, especially those who get their material in early. I know some are restricted because of the timing of their events.

My grateful thanks to the proof readers for their assistance and comments each month.

A special thank you to those who give me "Fill Material" as back up when there are sizable spaces to fill.

This year the Committee made the decision to email the newsletter to all those with email addresses and only to post them to members without email facilities. This has greatly reduced the cost of postage and has saved me a considerable amount of time in collating, folding and stamping those for post.

The local Member for State Parliament, formerly Nick Kotsiras and now Matthew Guy, have generously allowed the newsletter to be run off in their electorate office at Bulleen Village. Special thanks to the girls in the electorate office for their generous assistance during the year. Only during the State election period and January (when the electorate office is closed) have I had to go to Officeworks and paid to have it printed.

I look forward to many interesting contributions in the year ahead.

Phil Mithen Editor

GROUP LEADERS ANNUAL REPORTS 2014

Bike Riding

John Hudgson

Our riding group are a happy band of people, we average about eight to twelve riders every fortnight, most rides are between ten and twenty klm As our legs are getting older this may reduce in the future? The coffee stop during our ride is always welcome. Please join us if you would like some exercise and fellowship. John Hudgson

Book Group Helga Braun

The Book Group had a great year again. After 10 years still going strong But for 2015 changing the format:

Relying on Libraries and not the Council of Adult Education, saving a lot of money,

14 Readers are looking forward to 2015. I also hand over the reigns to somebody else after 10 years being the leader,

Helga Braun

Book Swap Patricia Edwards

The book library has had another successful year, thanks to all the contributors and customers who arrive regularly with new books and borrow from the display at each monthly meeting.

We have a wide selection to choose from and many members are regular browsers. When our members no longer borrow some of the books, we continue to give them to charity shops such as the Salvation Army that gives them a useful new life. This freshens the collection and makes the job of storing the books in the cupboard manageable.

Craft Report Yvonne Boyall

On February 18th 2014 the Craft Ladies began the year as they have done over the past eight years, giving their time in making breast cancer pillows, drainage bags, bowel cancer bags, rugs and garments knitted for premature babies. These items have been delivered to six hospitals and The Flying Doctor Service throughout the year.

This is all voluntary and the group has great pleasure in knowing they are helping others less fortunate themselves. The Thank You Cards and emails received make it all worthwhile. Yvonne Boyall – Craft Co-ordinator

Entertainers Report Margaret Campbell and Wilma Pontefract

We have had a very successful year with the singers and entertainers all attending each month with lots of enthusiasm fun and support for each other. There were 30 members participating in many different areas singing dancing acting sewing, painting and making of props, creating the music, typing the songs etc. We are very lucky to have our own members band, all together we have a very talented group. This year we saw our fantastic band play great music at our annual Australia Day BBQ, our talented men perform the synchronised swimming item, and the whole group perform the show, Grease the Reunion, with the singing group performing brilliantly, the acting and dancing was unsurpassed, we are so proud of everyone. We are all looking forward to 2015, with many new faces to help continue the fun and friendship. Marg Campbell / Wilma Pontefract

Event Trips and Outings Elaine Hayne

Probus Club of Templestowe Valley members enjoyed many trips and outings during 2014 with between 30 and 50 members and friends attending most events.

Helen Armstrong and I regularly get together and work on plans for our outings. These plans are presented to the Activities Officer for approval by the Committee. We would particularly like to thank, Jan Shinners, and Irene Baird for managing the funds collection and booking for our events at fellowship meetings.

During 2014 we organized the following events which all had good attendance.

Barbecues

Regular Barbecues at a local park are popular. During daylight saving time these are held in the evenings and at other times Sunday afternoons. An attendance of up to 40 members and friends is typical for these events and members often say these outings are their favourite. A special barbeque was held on Australia Day at Finns Reserve attended by over 70 members and friends with Aussie music and regalia.

Social and Dance

The yearly evening social event in the hall where we hold our meetings was held in our hall with the usual band led by Diana Mayne. They play all of the favourite music and dances, complete with lucky spot and door prizes. This year we had an Aussie Rules Football theme with members dressing in their favourite team regalia and tables were decorated with a footy theme as well. A Trivia competition with the theme was held with much fun. This is a popular event attended by many members and friends who bring along their own finger food and of course drinks.

Day Trips and Outings

Most months we have trips which often involve car pooling and lunch. Sometimes we use public transport.

Outings for this year were:

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January	Australia Day BBQ at Finns Reserve.
	Mont Delancey – a heritage property at Wandin. – Suzuki night market in the city.
March	A tour of The Melbourne Zoological Gardens

	Morning Melodies at Hamer Hall
April	Bus trip and South Gippsland Railway ride.
May	Club Social.
June	Lunch at William Angliss Hospitality College.
August	Melbourne Sports Museum.
September	Australian Jazz Museum. The Blue Ribbon Association – Inside Stories of crime solving. The Kevin Heinz Garden in Doncaster.
October	Swipers College Restaurant – Student waiters.
November	Morning Melodies at Hamer Hall.
December Elaine Hayne	Tramboat Cruise shared with Donvale Hill Probus

Fine dining Anne Lukeman

It was with some trepidation that I took over the Fine Dining from Hugh Cornell, he has led the Fine Dining group with such competence and grace and I know that everyone involved with the group would like to thank him for his efforts over the last ten years.

Membership has increased over the year to eighty five and from all accounts all groups have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to get to know other members a little better.

<u>District</u>	Frequency
Templestowe	3
North Balwyn	2
Templestowe	1
Ivanhoe	1
Doncaster	1
North Canterbury	1
North Balwyn	1
Clifton Hill	1
Doncaster	3
Templestowe	2
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In nearly every case the groups have enjoyed excellent food. However, whether the food was up to scratch or not everybody thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

It is my hope that the fine Dining group will continue to grow in 2015. If you aren't already a member do think about joining because it is a wonderful way to get to know your fellow Probians Anne Lukeman

GAMES REPORT Marion Cummins

Our Games Club was **10 YEARS OLD** this year and is always well attended. Crazy Whist was a great hit with our new and old members mixing and playing together. All nights were held in the Old Church Hall at the Templestowe Uniting Church.

A unanimous decision to continue in 2015 was made at our last games night in November. It should be promoted as one of the best ways for new and old members to meet, mix and mingle. Financially we meet costs and occasionally have a splurge on prizes.

Bridge Club

We meet every Thursday morning and enjoy our social, fun bridge.

Our standard is slowly improving as we have a couple of experienced players whom we treasure.

Bridge by the Beach was held at Lorne this year and was fantastic fun. Weather in March was perfect and the Bishops were generous and gracious hosts. We all look forward to a challenge each week and enjoy each others company.

Always room for new members.

We have our 10th Birthday March 2015. Well done all you GAMERS

Marion

Gardening Report Faye Williams

It has been my pleasure to lead the Garden Group once again this year.

We started off the year combining with the Events, Trips and Outings group for a visit to Mont Delancy on a very hot 7th February. However, there was plenty of shade and the day was a great success. I was away for an extensive period this year, so our next outing was to The Australian Botanical Gardens at Cranbourne, where a large group enjoyed a conducted tour of the gardens and lunch at the cafe afterwards. My final visit this year was to Alowyn Gardens at Yarra Glen where we enjoyed a talk by the owner about the construction of the Garden followed by a stroll around the beautiful garden and a share picnic lunch under the shady pergola.

After 10 years of leading the Garden Group, I have handed my responsibilities over to 2 new leaders. Jeni Moodie and Ann Doull, I thank them for volunteering to take my place and I wish them success for next year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many members who have supported the group whilst I was leader over the past 10 years, and wish you all happy gardening in the future. Faye Williams

Genealogy

Pam Brown & Pat Marsh

Since taking over earlier this year, the group has continued to meet at MC² on a monthly basis and grown to ten regular members. Outings for the year included LDS in Braeside and Public Records Office of Victoria in North Melbourne with plans afoot to visit other research facilities in 2015.

The laptops which have been donated are in the process of having discs loaded by David Moodie for the use of members. Verity Moore has also made available extra discs for research which are in the process of being copied.

We would welcome any new members and look forward to making some exciting discoveries about our ancestors in 2015.

Getaway Group Lyn Hudgson

Getaway trips for 2013-2014 were well attended. Echuca and Norfolk Island.

The highlight of 2014 was our trip to the tip of Australia.

After meeting in Cairns twenty four Probus members boarded a 4wd bus for

seven memorable days to Cape York. Lots of great outback scenery, unmade roads, a few river crossings, lots of good fun laughing and talking all the time.

March 2015 we are going to Canberra and Cooma, all on the list are looking forward to some interesting sightseeing.

Thankyou to my fellow travellers for supporting Getaway Group over all our trips. Lyn Hudgson.

Golf Report

John Mugridge

A year of sadness and reflection.

Our loss and condolences has given us time for reflection over the ten years we as a group have promoted the aims and commitments we made at the beginning of our club. Our thanks goes to all those who have been involved in advancing these goals.

Our two major cup events in the Spring and Autumn have again been a successful club activity, which has expanded through the invitation to the walkers, cyclists and spouses to join us.

The weather and very expensive holidays often reduces the numbers on our Friday freeway games, but it is always pleasant to see a familiar face.

Our Autumn Cup, event this year is being held in the Historic City of Bendigo on the 19th to 21st April, 2015 and for those not playing golf the adventures are unlimited.

Let us enjoy the year ahead and take Jeff with us in our hearts.

John Mugridge .

Investment Group Bob Anderson

It has been another interesting and successful year for our Group.

Although there has been a few changes in membership, we continue to maintain the maximum level of 20 Members.

During the year we sold our share investment in 6 diversified Australian companies and purchased shares in a further 7 different companies. Our current investment holding comprises 12 Australian diversified companies.

We had one outside guest speaker (a share market analyst, trader, consultant & educator), speaking on the topic of "investment tips & success secrets, using technical analysis". Some of our own Group Members also gave presentations on various investment topics and of course many lively discussions occurred during our various monthly meetings.

Thank you to Phil Mithen (retiring Secretary), Jacob Kerseboom (Treasurer) and Joan Planck (Share Trader) for your contribution and support during the year. Also, a further thank you to Joan Planck, who accepted the additional role of Secretary, following Phil's retirement from the role.

Movie Group

Merrill Smead

We watched eleven movies with a variety of genre in 2014 some out of our comfort zone! The most popular was The Judge watched by 22 people. The was a core of 7 people who came the most often and two people were the most consistent.

Several people gave apologies as they had a clash of interests. I am sure with busy Probus members there is no day which would suit everyone. Despite encouraging new members to attend, none have attended so far. Some members brought friends and family members to join us. Most members enjoyed a friendly chat over coffee after the movie. All the people who attended the December movie were given free refreshments after as well as giving feedback to Sharon Peters from Manningham Council. At the conclusion she gave out free movie tickets!

Next year another movie lunch at the Palace Balwyn is planned as the last one was so successful with 40 members attending. The Christmas party for group activity leaders at Judy and Alan Bakers was most appreciated giving leaders an opportunity to discuss past activities. I look forward to enjoying more movies with the group in 2015.

Merrill Smead, Movie Group organiser.

Photography Group Doug Hayne

We meet on the evening of the day after our fellowship meeting which is a Tuesday.

We set a theme for the year and in 2014 we decided to concentrate on the theme of "Movement In Photography" as well as other themes over the year.

Members presented their contributions on our themes as well as other interesting subjects. Suggestions for improvement of images by editing as well as suggestions as to how, when taking the image, a better result may have been produced were well accepted and helped members with ideas and better techniques.

Webmaster Doug Hayne

Our web site has been on line for 8 years now and has been useful for members to access information concerning the club including our newsletters which are all available from our first edition.

Minutes of our Club meetings and AGMs and other documents of interest to members and our forms are also available for viewing and download if necessary for member use

We have several presentations from Probus outings, and other information that can be downloaded.

Due to privacy concerns our newsletters and some other documents containing members personal details have been quarantined from public access but can be accessed by using an unpublished link which can be obtained from the Webmaster for members only. We also have several external links to other Probus entities such as Probus South Pacific and Probus Association of Victoria.

Scrapbooking Verity Moore

This small group meets regularly throughout the year recording the club events plus our own holidays and the growth and development of family members. The albums produced are an important part of family memories, which can be shared for years to come. We all look forward to meeting again in 2015.

Verity Moore

Theatre

Judy Baker and Lois Mason

Another fantastic year for the "Theatre Group" we attended ten outings during 2014 with Lilydale Athenaeum Theatre being a favourite. We travel to Lilydale and meet at the Crown Hotel, for lunch and a glass of wine then we walk to the theatre. The theatre is old fashioned with a small museum of Dame Nellie Melba memorabilia. We enjoy a sherry on arrival then the first act, tea, coffee and biscuits at interval then back into the theatre for the second act. At the end of the show we all share in a glass of "Champagne" cheese and biscuits followed by a discussion about the show and meet with the cast, crew and producers. We all find this very interesting to hear the stories of all involved in the production of these shows. Then it is time to head for home after a great day out.

The following is a list of theatre outings attended by members and friends of our club during 2014.

Double Act: Sunday 16th March at Lilydale Athenaeum Theatre **Grease:** Wednesday 26th March at Her Majesty's Theatre **My Fair Lady:** Friday 23rd May at the Whitehorse Centre **The Phantom of the Opera:** Sunday 1st June at the Whitehorse Centre **The King and I:** Tuesday 22nd July at the Princess Theatre **The Rise and Fall of Little Voice:** Sunday 24th August at Lilydale Athenaeum Theatre **Crazy for You:** Sunday 12th October at the Whitehorse Centre **CATS:** Saturday 25th October at the Whitehorse Centre **Les Miserables:** Wednesday 5th November at Her Majesty's Theatre **Faulty Towers:** Sunday 9th November at Lilydale Athenaeum Theatre

A total of 208 members and friends attended these 10 outings. We are now very busy planning our 2015 calendar.

Thanks to our "Theatre Go'ers" for supporting us, we look forward to another great year in 2015.

Judy and Lois

Walking GroupBeverley Wignall and Rhys Jones

The walking group has had a good year with 20 walks approximately 6 kms long and an average of 20 people attending.

The group has done some new walks, one in particular, Mt Lofty, proved quite challenging.

We were invited to the McBain's and the Eames' for morning tea in the New Year and also to the Eames' for lunch in September. Thank you to both couples for their hospitality.

We had a sausage sizzle on the banks of the Yarra at Warrandyte in July. Our breakup breakfast at Carluccis was a great success.

Looking forward to 2015. Beverley Wignall and Rhys Jones. PROBUS CLUB OF TEMPLESTOWE VALLEY INC.

Treasurer's Annual Report

for Year Ended 31 January 2015

Our balance of Club Funds at the start of this financial year was \$2,443. This year's Club income was \$7,658 and our expenditure was \$7,030 which resulted in a surplus of \$628, leaving a balance of \$3,071 in Club Funds.

The deposits held for Activities at 1 February 2014 were \$10,254. The Activities income for the year amounted to \$37,490 and the expenditure was \$40,202 this resulted in a decrease of \$2,712 leaving a balance of \$7,542 held for Activities at the end of the financial year.

This year the club subsidised \$692 (including hall hire @ 3) towards the cost of our Annual Christmas lunch and a grant to the Genealogy Group of \$72 to establish loan databases which will now be available to all members.

The club spent \$198- on audio equipment to be used at our meetings and replaced equipment currently owned by some of our members. We also spent \$40 for replacement champagne glasses to be used at our Christmas lunch and other functions.

An application for \$1,998- was made to Manningham City Council for a grant under the Small Grants Program for wireless microphone replacements. This was necessary due to government changes to radio frequencies, making it illegal to use the present club equipment after January 2015. The application was successful, and we purchased head sets and hand held microphones in time for the entertainers and choir to use at our Christmas lunch and are available for use at club meetings and future functions.

The financial records have been audited by Kerry McInerney and are attached to this report. His time and expertise in undertaking this audit is appreciated and I thank him on behalf of the club.

David Moodie Treasurer 12th February 2015



PROBUS CLUB OF TEMPLESTOWE VALLEY INC.

Statement of Financial Position as at 31st January 2015

Balance Brought Forward as at 1st February 2014		\$12,697.53
INCOME		
Club:	7,657.76	
Activities:	37,490.42	
Total Income		\$45,148.18
EXPENDITURE		
Club:	7,029.93	
Activities:	40,202.37	
Total Expenditure		\$47,232.30
Balance on Hand as at 31st January 2015		\$10,613.41
RECONCILIATIONS		
Club Funds		3,071.37
Activities Funds		7,542.04
		\$10,613.41

Independent Auditors Report

I have reviewed the above "Statement of Financial Position" as at 31 January 2015 and the attached "Statement of Income and Expenditure" for the year ended 31 January 2015 for both the clubs and activities funds. I have also examined the records, comprising cheque butts, bank statements, receipts and other supporting documents.

The accounts are prepared on a "cash basis" with Nil accruals or provisions for income or costs, apart from "activities" that have not been completed in the current year and net funds of the Craft Group, which are recorded in the "Statement of Financial Position" (above).

Based on the records and information presented to me, it is my opinion that the Financial Statements of the Probus Club of Templestowe Valley Inc. are properly drawn up so as to give a proper and fair view of the "Statement of Income and Expenditure" reports for the year ended 31 January 2015 and Total Members Funds, as reported in the "Statement of Financial Position" as at 31 January 2015.

Kerry McInerney 12th February 2015