

#### **MINUTES**

# **Management Committee Meeting**

# Combined Probus Club of Castle Hill Inc.

Date: 6 December 2022

Venue: Castle Hill Tavern, 25 Victoria Rd Castle Hill, opposite Bunnings

# Open meeting: 9.30am

### Agenda items:

1. Management Committee: Peter Wolnizer, Bev Rooney, Anne Lockwood, John Michell, Glenys Pye, John Perry

2. Invited Attendees: Annette Watson, Rodica Benton

3. Apologies: Aldo Cantori, Barry Haywood, Chris Savage, Colin Yates, Elizabeth Lessells

# 4. Confirmation of minutes of management committee meeting held on 1 November 2022

Mover	John Michell
Seconder	John Perry
Motion Carried (yes/no)	Yes

#### 5. Matters arising from minutes of management committee meeting of 1 November 2022

Action	Nil

## 6. President's Report (Aldo Cantori)

This will be the final newsletter for 2022. It will soon be Christmas again – hasn't the year just flown past!

It is at this time of the year in particular that I think of those who are less fortunate than we are. This year has seen a number of natural disasters including an endless series of major floods that have severely affected peoples' lives and have in many cases taken away their home and personal possessions. It's difficult to imagine the stress and anguish that these events cause to normal everyday people. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the many unfortunate families who have been impacted by these devastating events.

Australians are a very resilient and compassionate lot and this is clearly demonstrated by the overwhelming response to last month's Toy Drive. I'd like to once again thank Jenny Wilson for her initiative and I also thank everyone who contributed generously to this worthy cause – the collection tables at the November general meeting were overloaded with great toys and children's books. Well done everyone!

This month our "SPOTLIGHT on a MEMBER" features a husband-and-wife team in Tony and Noni Folland. I thank them both for sharing their interesting stories. I will soon be following up a few more members to be SPOTLIGHTED — everyone is special and unique and having been on this planet

for as long as we all have, every one of us has remarkable experiences that I'm sure will be interesting to our fellow members.

As this will be my final message for the year, I'd like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a wonderful start to 2023. I hope you all have the opportunity to spend some quality time with family and friends during this happy and joyous time of the year.

Aldo Cantori President

#### 7. Secretary's Report (Bev Rooney)

- Secretary to advise committee of anything placed in the suggestion box-Nil in the box but
  anonymous verbal suggestion that the club magazine is now to long with photos & spotlight
  on a member-too much to digest. Suggestions regarding layout are to be sent to Annette.
  This led to a committee discussion that precipitated an immediate change to the front-page
  presentation.
- Leave of absence-Celia Kerr, Terry & Marion Bishop, Chris & July Savage.

Actions	Nil

#### 8. Treasurer's Report (Anne Lockwood)

- Anne is finding difficulty in paying restaurants without incurring a charge for a credit card
  fee, & many won't accept cheques. Anne is unable to get a debit card as the account
  requires 2 signatures to charge. Anne is forced to draw cash from the account to be able to
  make payment, & has been forced to draw cash from her own account. Anne will continue
  to speak to CBA, with options at the January meeting.
- Anne moved: Motion 1: Close the Heritage Account

Motion 2: Commence a CTB IBD for \$10,000.00

Motion 3: Open a CTB interest bearing Cash Management account

Mover	Anne Lockwood	
Seconder	Bev Rooney	
Motions Carried (yes/no)	Unanimous	
Actions	Treasurer to announce the fees for next year at the December	
	general meeting	

#### 9. Committee reports

- Next 5-minute presentation by an activity coordinator (Chris to advise)-Viv Wilson volunteered to fill this role at the December General Meeting to discuss the walking group next year.
- Rodica Benton has volunteered to be the International Tours convenor Rodica attended
  this next committee meeting. Aldo to speak to the General meeting with regard to a
  possible assistant for Rodica. John Michell recommended formalization of this role at this
  role as below.

Mover	John Michell
Seconder	Peter Wolnizer
Motion Carried (yes/no)	Yes

• Chris to advise status of convenor / coordinator Roles and Responsibilities provided to him by Aldo - action outstanding.

Committee reports	Coordinator
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Week away tours	Colin Yates has revised details of Adelaide & Peninsulas Trip from On Course. The Trip has been cut by 1 day to 8 days (24 September to 1st October 2023). The cost has been reduced \$3395 with single supplement \$640. The committee approved this tour in principle, subject to Colin's address to the General Meeting. Peter Wolnizer will contact Colin re requesting 2 quotes per tour in
Special events & SAPPS	the future.  John Michell-took responsibility for the overcharge on the wines & soft drink. However, John stated that the promised red had been changed as the ordered item was not available, the orange juice turned into Coca-Cola & the pre-dinner drinks had to be requested as not supplied as per the order. Further the food was generally not at the required standard. Next year Christmas in July will be again at the Fiddler, at the request of members. The committee chose mains of Chargrilled Chicken with creamy Peppercorn sauce & Tender Pork Roast & desserts of Sticky Date Pudding & Classic Lemon Meringue. The changeover lunch will be at Springfield house. Allegros will be the
	choice for our Christmas Party. Crazy Whist dates in John Perry proposed removing SAPPS from this event description. John considered that this upper level of dining should be retained. Someone else could take it over. January 10, 23 is Breakfast in the Park. John Perry has examined access to the park for the BBQ & it is fine. The final date for expressions of interest is 3 <sup>rd</sup> January.
International tours	Rodica Benton-Has contacted Bunnik tours who are slightly more expensive but include all meals, travel & 4- & 5-star hotels. Rodica is researching Turkey, Morocco & Sri Lanka. There will be further reports as research is undertaken.
Day Tours	Elizabeth Lessells: Sydney Fish Markets, Bahai Temple & West Head Seafood Dinner Twilight Tour. Cost \$116, leaving Fred Caterson Reserve at approx. 8.30 am. Returning approx. 8.30 pm. Deadline 24 <sup>th</sup> January.
Activity groups	Chris Savage: Book Club-Karin Regel We had a very lovely Christmas get together. Good food and champagne. We also discussed the book of the month. Room Made of Leaves by Kate Grenville.  250 Club-Glenys Pye: There will be no outings for December or January.  Welfare Report-Anne Gover: I have phoned Terry Baker re Hello, Robin Jenkin re Shoulder injury & Harry Koller re III health.

Golf Group-Nigel Nield: Monday December 12th at Windsor golf course with a tee off time approx. 8:30 to 9:00 am Coffee and Chat – Anne Gover: Christmas Lunch on Friday, 16th December at 12.00 noon at Baulkham Hills Sports Club, Renoun Rd. Baulkham Hills. The Men's Group-John Lucas: will resume on Wednesday 1 February 2023, at the Castle Hill Tavern, Victoria Road Castle Hill (opposite Bunnings) commencing at 10:45 am. Theatre Group-Ellen Frear: There will be no outings for December or January. TAICHI – John Lucas: will hopefully resume for 2023 on Monday 6 February. A final decision on the venue and whether it continues or not will be made and announced in January. Lawn Bowls-Robert Cochrane: 9th December is the last game for 2022. Please arrive by 9am. Wine & Cheese-Julie Savage: There will be no Wine & Cheese Night in December or January. Hosts for February will be Peter & Gayle Wolnizer. Caravans & Cabins-Sue Donnelly: Sue would like expressions of interest for the Sussex Inlet area on the south coast for March or May. Sue can get a similar deal as Fingal Bay. Trvl 3 hrs. Fishing Group-Brian Simpson: There will be no outings for December or January. Next Meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> February-lunch at the Mooney Mooney Heritage & History Group-John Wilkes: HHG will take a 2 month break & resume on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February at the Crestwood Community Centre. Anne Lockwood has confirmation of two excursions in 2023 being a guided tour by Judith Dunn OAM to the Parramatta Female Factory (convict Women's Gaol) and a tour of the NSW State Archives at Werrington. Both tours have taken over 3 years to secure due covid-19 and renovation works. Membership and welfare Glenys Pye- Induction - Maria Rosa Nineham. **Guest Speakers** Barry Haywood- Our guest presenters at our December Meeting are David & Noeleen Neideck, talented Musicians. David and Noeleen will present an hour of a mixture of Popular and classical music with some Christmas Carols. The audience may be asked to single along. John Perry- 1. Hall secured for 2023. **Property** The Whist dates will not be received until February 2023. The Hall must be vacated by 12.00 pm. This will mean a reduction of the Guest Speaker segment.

2. The defibrillator should remain in the hall
where it can be used for large groups, or for
large week away tours.

# 10. Acceptance of Reports

Mover acceptance of all reports	John Michell
Seconder	Glenys Pye
Motion carried (yes/no)	Yes

#### 11. Inductions

• Scheduled for inductees for the December general meeting (Glenys to advice)

Actions	Maria Rosa Nineham will be inducted at the December general meeting.

# 12. Newsletter

Approval of draft newsletter

Actions	Again, include the nomination form in the December newsletter (Annette
	Watson).

# 13. 2022 Yearly Planner (John Perry)

Actions	This Planner will be issued in the next few days.

#### 14. Web Site

Actions	Review and improvement of our website (Aldo Cantori) – action outstanding.

#### 15. General Business

- It was confirmed that there will be no general meeting in January.
- The list of vacant convenors displayed in the Newsletter contains the Theatre Convenor, Temporary Convenor Garden Club, & upcoming Convenors required for Membership & Refreshments.

Actions	Review of stored documents for destruction of old. Action assigned to Aldo and
	Anne Lockwood – action outstanding.

- 16. Next meeting: Tuesday, 3 January 2022, at Castle Hill Tavern at 9.30am
- 17. Meeting Closed: 11.10 pm

The Combined Probus Club of Castle Hill supported by



Peter Wolnizer Bev Rooney

Vice President Secretary