

PROBUS CLUB OF BALGOWLAH – MANLY (INC.)

Probus Club No. 56824



Notice of Annual General Meeting of Members of the Probus Club of Balgowlah – Manly Inc.

**Meeting to take place following the Monthly Meeting of Members
on 8th March, 2018 at 10.30 AM, Balgowlah Bowling Club.**

Business on notice.

- 1. To receive and adopt the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 10th March, 2017.**
- 2. To receive the Presidents Report for the year 2017-2018 as attached.**
- 3. To adopt the Presidents Report for the year 2017-2018.**
- 4. To receive the Treasurers Report for the year 2017 2018 as attached.**
- 5. To adopt the Treasures Report for the year 2017-2018.**
- 6. To receive the Auditors Report for the year 2017 2018 as attached.**
- 7. To adopt the Auditors Report for the year 2017-2018.**
- 8. To declare all positions on the Committee vacant and elect the new Committee for the 2017-2018 year.**
- 9. Elect an Auditor for the 2017-2018 year.**
- 10. General Business. (See Attached.)**
- 11. Declare the Meeting closed.**

President's Report 2017/2018.

It is my pleasure to present the President's Report for our Club for the year 2017-2018.

Most will remember that I was elected as the Vice. President at our last Annual General Meeting and was then elevated to the position as President during the year following the passing of President Warwick Gazzard.

Everything has been made easy by the most capable committee we have had, by those who have assisted so willingly at our meetings and on outings and by the members themselves who have been most co-operative in every way.

This has been our second year as the Balgowlah-Manly Probus Club, and this has given the club renewed energy and an increase in membership. During the year, we have inducted a few new members, we were very pleased to welcome all new members and they will be a great asset to our club.

In addition to our normal monthly Guest Speakers, Functions were held during the year including:

1. Annual Christmas Dinner;
2. BBQ at Clontarf;
3. Luncheons at Brookvale TAFE and Manly International School of Management;
4. Glen Street Theatre;
5. The introduction of a regular monthly outing on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

All these functions were well received and enjoyed those participating. A very special thank you to Warwick Gazzard, Bill Richards, Glenda Johnson and Brenda Traves who arranged and managed most of these functions.

On a sadder note, we have lost several members during the year with the passing of Warwick Gazzard, Allen Vogan, and Harold Reader.

I wish the committee a very successful and exciting year.

Mary Bacon, President.

Functions Report 2017-2018.

We have been in the capable hands of Mary Bacon for the most part of 2017 and as usual Mary has done a great job of providing us with exceptional value for money with the most notable being the International School of Management (St Patricks) for Christmas in July along with a Luncheons at Brookvale TAFE.

The Christmas Luncheon was held at the Balgowlah RSL and all who attended had according to reports a very memorable Christmas Luncheon.

Peter Bracher Functions Co - coordinator

GUEST SPEAKERS ANNUAL REPORT 2017

February 2017

In February we were entertained with a Stage Play "Exiles of Canada Bay" under the direction of Trish Skehan.

April 2017

April was a talk was from John Dickenson OAM (one of our own members) who presented an interesting summary of his very interesting career from working at an electrical retailer to being recognised as the inventor of the modern hang glider. John's talk was well received by all members who attended the meeting.

May 2017

Our speakers of May was Ambre Hammond, an internationally renowned concert pianist, who entertained all members with a very interesting talk on her "An Unorthodox Life in Music"

June 2017

In June we were entertained by Allister Lugsdin from the Australian Meat and Livestock Industry who spoke on the great potential Australian has with this industry in as far as the export industry is concerned.

July 2017

In July Margaret Booth from the Guide Dogs of NSW explained some of the assistance that sight impaired people can use and spoke own her own journey.

August 2017

In August Graham Wilcox spoke on "The Struggle for Unity- The story of Federation"

September 2017

Our speaker for September was Ron Humpherson from Chatswood Probus presented "Seniors v Computers", a light hearted look at the problems older people have with modern technology.

October 2017

At our October meeting we had the pleasure of a very interesting talk from John Donohoe who spoke about Ben Hall, his life and missing Treasure. John's talk was well received.

November 2018

In November we were entertained by Dr Robert Eales who has had a varied career working in management consulting and banking. He was based at various times in Johannesburg, Sydney, London and briefly in San Francisco. He retired from the business world in 2005 and has been researching the South African War of 1899-1902 ever since.

Rob has delivered many talks on the South African War, presented papers at conferences and been published in historical journals. Robert's talk was based on "The Compassionate Englishwoman" which is his first book.

January 2018

In January we had the pleasure of having JENNIFER FARRER present her talk on "Australian Plants used by the Early Settlers". We all learned a lot and have a better understanding of the Australian bush, especially the loss of many Australian trees. [Peter Amos](#) [Guest Speakers Corner](#)

TOURS ANNUAL REPORT 2017/2018

The Club members continue to prefer one day coach trips, accordingly the following three one day trips, through OnCourse Tours went ahead.

- (1) The Windsor Heritage Tour & Farm gate Autumn Trail. 15th March 2017
- (2) Red Cow Farm & Southern Highlands Gardens. 19th April 2017
- (3) The Guide Dogs Trip. 16th August 2017

The general feeling was that the trips were very successful and all concerned has a great time.

At the invitation of Manly Probus our members were offered to go on a three day tour of the Western Plains, departing 11th September 2017.

Further, at the invitation of Brookvale Probus members were offered to go on a six day tour to Bright & the Victoria High Country 4th September 2017.

As anticipated, there was little support from members to join these trips.

We will continue to research & identify desirable one day trips as well as one off extended tours to offer members in the coming year.

There were no losses generated as a result of the above trips.

Bill Richards, Tours Co-ordinator.

TREASURERS ANNUAL REPORT 2017-2018

The Club achieved a small surplus of \$459, however if unanticipated gains from outings and functions of \$761 are excluded there would have been a deficit for the year. The Clubs financial position remains strong with a closing funds balance of \$4818.

At the commencement of the year the committee was advised by the Balgowlah RSL that a room charge of \$300 would be incurred for our monthly meetings commencing from May 2017, this is the first time that a charge has been made and was unforeseen. A charge of \$200 would be made for morning tea as compared previously with a charge based on the number of members present. As a result of this decision it was necessary to substantially increase membership fees in order to budget for a breakeven position for the 2017-18 year.

It is anticipated that the level of membership fees for 2018-19 will need to be addressed by the committee prior to the next members meeting.

.Membership of the Club commenced the year with 75 which with the addition of a further 18 partners resulted in a total membership of 93. Sadly 4 of our members died during the year which to-gether with 4 resignations were partly offset the introduction of 4 new members. The Club's closing membership is 89.

Max Cooper Treasurer

**PROBUS CLUB OF BALGOWLAH-MANLY INC.
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 JANUARY 2018**

	2018	2017
MEMBERS FUNDS	<u>4818.03</u>	<u>4359.02</u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
CURRENT ASSETS		
OPENING CASH BOOK BALANCE	4051.02	4025.48
ADD - Manly Ladies Probus Club bank balance transfer	0.00	1290.00
- Surplus for 2017/18	459.01	0.00
LESS - Deficit for 2016/17	0.00	-1056.46
- Prepaid Expense for 2017/18	0.00	-208.00
CLOSING CASH BOOK BALANCE	4510.03	4051.02
PETTY CASH on hand	100.00	100.00
PREPAID EXPENSE	208.00	208.00
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	<u>4818.03</u>	<u>4359.02</u>

Hon. Treasurer
M.C. Cooper

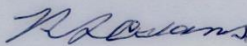


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AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the records and amounts representing income, expenses and assets as shown above and in my opinion they represent a true and correct record.

Hon. Auditor
R.L. Adams



8/02/2018

PROBUS CLUB OF BALGOWLAH-MANLY INC.

YEAR ENDED 31ST JANUARY 2018

INCOME	YEAR ENDED 31/01/2018	YEAR ENDED 31/01/2017
Subscriptions	4390.00	1780.00
Joining Fees	70.00	30.00
Interest	6.91	5.82
Functions (lunches) - net	374.95	150.07
Day Outings - net	386.20	0.00
Trips	0.00	300.00
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	5228.06	2265.89
EXPENDITURE		
Probus South Pacific Limited - Capitation Fees	1198.5	857.50
Probus South Pacific Limited - Magazine Subscription	200	300.00
Badges	107.00	684.55
Postage & PO Box	414.70	149.00
Morning Tea - net	98.50	203.50
Stationery/Printing	188.10	346.83
Insurance - Non Members	63.75	245.00
Visiting Speaker's expenses	94.50	281.95
Room Hire	2235.00	0.00
Projector & Laptop hire	125.00	0.00
Department Fair Trading	44.00	174.00
Sundries	—	80.02
EXPENDITURE ON OPERATIONS	4769.05	3322.35
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	459.01	-1056.46
TOTALS	<u>5228.06</u>	<u>2265.89</u>
EXTRAORDINARY INCOME ITEM		
Manly Ladies Probus Club - bank account	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1290.00</u>