

# Linlithgow & Bo'Ness Probus Club

Minutes of Meeting held on: 27<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at Linlithgow Rose Club

WELCOME: Neil welcomed all the members and visitor Gillian Grant.

#### **APOLOGIES:**

Alan Bennie; Bruce Jamieson; Donald Macdonald; Janice & Pete Tidswell; Garry Withnell

#### **ALMONERS REPORT**

In the absence of Garry, George advised the club of the sad death of Margot Watson. Margot had never really recovered after falling ill at last year's Christmas lunch at West Lothian Golf Club and had been in and out of hospital ever since. Margot's funeral is on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 11.00am and afterwards at the Murrayfield Hotel

Ross confirmed that Dale's funeral will take place at Craigmailen United Free Church, Bo'ness at 12.30pm followed by committal at Falkirk Crematorium at 1.45pm.

Ross has been trying to contact Phil Bullen but to no avail.

#### **MATTERS ARISING**

George reported it was all systems go for the Festival of Christmas Trees in St Michael's Church, Linlithgow, with preparation of the tree on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December, then the event on Friday, Saturday from 10.00am to 7.00pm and Sunday from 1.00pm to 7.00pm.

### AOCB

Christmas Lunch will be held at Linlithgow Golf Club on TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> December at 12.00 for 12.30. A raffle will be held and members are invited to contribute prizes.

## INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER

Neil then proceeded to introduce guests Cockleroy, without mentioning that he would be one of the stars, providing a superb rhythm accompaniment. What with him and the wonderful solo tones of member Murdoch Kennedy, the professionals were on their mettle. Fortunately, they rose to the occasion and a good time was had by all.

## NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be the Christmas lunch on  $10^{th}$  December with the next normal meeting being on  $8^{th}$  January 2025 when, in a change to the advertised programme, Kathryn Welch will be speaking about "The Munitionettes of Linlithgow"

Chris Collen Secretary 27/11/2024