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NEWSLETTER NO 21

We have now reached the date by which those Clubs who have not already removed Probus from their names, now leave themselves open to the threat of legal action from Probus South Pacific Ltd. They may need deep pockets?

We are aware that a handful have given in to these threats and decided to return to PSPL – if only to save the name. At a cost of \$6.25 per member, that is quite a price when most see little if any other benefit.

The PSPL Reform Group in their October Bulletin (copy attached) summarized over 100 submissions made by Australian Clubs to PSPL over the terms of the proposed new Constitution. ***It makes compulsive reading!*** One NZ Club after reading that Bulletin, responded (in part) to the Reform Group as follows:

Best wishes and well done to you all in your efforts. Our Club is still affiliated with PSPL in name only because we are not interested in what they do and the supposed services they offer. The question is not money, at this time at least. We are an independent club and run our own affairs. We have taken the easy way of accepting the status quo in the meantime, may be to retain the name.

You are correct PSPL really blew a big hole in their credibility when they took on the NZ Clubs. Of the near 400 there are now only about 50 still affiliated.

I can't understand why they did not enable NZ to manage their own affairs and invite them to purchase services from PSPL if they wished to. PSPL is now trying to recover the situation with Ambassadors and Promotional members, they are wasting their time.

Since we issued Newsletter No 20, the groundswell of support for the fuss-free option **REBUS** provides of a finalized and trade-marked **Name, Constitution, Public Liability, Fit- to- Travel Insurance, password-free Website and Regalia etc**, has been very positive with a number of additional Clubs declaring their intention to come on board.

With our modest budget, it has not been possible for us to conduct “roadshows” around NZ. However, it is our intention to hold two information days in early February, one for Clubs north of the Harbour Bridge, and the other for Auckland City and south. Another is also possible in Christchurch. ***If your Club would like to be represented and meet us face to face, please respond to this Newsletter. Dates and venues are currently being arranged.***

Sincerely,

THE TEAM at REBUS