

# Membership Forum

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**Q** If a President is absent who chairs the meeting?

**A** In the absence of the President usually the Vice President would chair the meeting. In the absence of both the president and the vice president, the members present shall elect a chairman of the meeting. (Check your Constitution for further details.)

**Q** How many bank accounts can a club operate?

**A** It is usual for a club to operate **one** bank account approved by the committee. The Treasurer deposits all funds of the club and reconciles all sub activities. The money in the club bank account however derived belongs to the club and not to individual sub activities or groups. All monies must be banked within two working days to be covered by Probus insurance.

**Q** What is the difference between By-Laws and Standing Resolutions?

**A** These details appear on page 26 of the 2008 Probus Club Hand Book. N.B – amendment percentages may vary from 50-75%.

**Q** What are the requirements to utilize the Rental Vehicle Excess Waiver component of the PCSP Optional Travel Insurance?

**A** Probus Centre has successfully re negotiated the Rental Excess Waiver of the PCSP Travel Insurance cover - trips must exceed 50klms – there is no overnight stay requirement. The cost within Australia is the \$50.00 for travel and \$20.00 for the excess waiver for the driver.

**Q** Can a club use the Trademarked Probus name and Probus emblem and can they authorize a third party to use?

**A** An **accredited Probus club** (*not individual members*) may use the Trademarked Probus name and Probus Emblem for club purposes only.

A club **may not** authorize the use of these trademarks to a third party without the authority from Probus Centre – South Pacific Inc. – to do this is a breach of the Trademarks Act and legal action against the parties will be taken should this breach occur. Clubs are asked to protect Probus Trademarks and to inform PCSP of any possible illegal use.