



Chartered 25/10/2001

P.O. Box 514, Lantzville, BC, V0R 2H0

The PROBUS LANTZVILLE CLUB NEWSLETTER

April 2014

Click [HERE](#) to go to our website

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Easter!

April is the month to get out and enjoy the sunshine. Exercise with your friends from Probus by going for our walks, photography, golf and biking. We welcome back our Probus snow birds; please come and enjoy our many activities.

Our next function will be the Spring Luncheon at the Quality Bayside Hotel in Parksville on April 15th. I personally would like to thank all the volunteers involved in the very successful pancake breakfast that was held in March. Please join all your Probus friends to celebrate spring, sunshine, warm weather, longer days and our Probus Association.



Have a great month and stay healthy.

Lia Van Wassenaar
President

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

President	Lia Van Wassenaar	250-751-1801	vw1944@gmail.com
Vice-President	Keith McGregor	250-758-6384	hikerliker@shaw.ca
Past President	Carole Bullock	250-751-3709	cbullock2@shaw.ca
Treasurer	George Norris	250-585-3601	grnorris@shaw.ca
Secretary	Doreen Schaefer	250-729-8007	dwschaefer@shaw.ca
Membership	Dan & Sharon Tettamanti	250-729-9668	dstettamanti@hotmail.com
Social Activities	Vacant!!!		
Sunshine Person	Dianna Bradley	250-585-5636	dibill@shaw.ca
Newsletter	Brendan & Annabel Rogers	250-585-6684	a-b@shaw.ca

Next Meeting: Thursday 24th April

9:30 am. At Costin Hall, Lantzville

(Please Remember Your Coffee Mug)

No Promotion, Advertisements Or Solicitation For Non-Probus Related Causes Is Permitted At Our General Meetings Or Our Activities

MEMBERSHIP

As of April 8th our membership stands at 219, with a further 2 expected to join at the next meeting.

MEETING NOTICES

MARCH 27th 2014 (last meeting)

Click [here](#) to open the Minutes of the last General Meeting directly.

APRIL 24th 2014 (next meeting)

Our speaker on April 24th will be **Jenn Houtby-Ferguson**, CMP CMM, who is the Destination Development Officer at Tourism Nanaimo. She will address the challenges and successes associated with developing Nanaimo as an attractive stopping place for tourists whether they arrive by air, by car, by ferry, or by cruise ship.

Having been involved in various aspects of the tourism and hospitality industries for more nearly 15 years, Jenn is a seasoned Sales & Marketing professional with a proven track record in leadership, strategic planning and facilitation. Most recently Jenn presented sessions at the Host Conference in Vancouver and at Meeting Professionals International's BC Chapter Education Conference.



In April 2012, after 4.5 years marketing the largest Resort on Vancouver Island, Jenn joined the Nanaimo Economic Development Corporation (NEDC) working with the Tourism Nanaimo team as Destination Development Officer. Originally from Niagara, Ontario, Jenn spent nearly four years managing the Yukon Convention Bureau in the senior staff role of Managing Director.

Jenn has received several awards for her work including being named a Finalist for the Vancouver Island Top 20 Under-40, a Creative Contributor by the Young Professionals of Nanaimo and Tourism Employee of the Year by Tourism Vancouver Island.

MAY 22nd 2014 (following meeting)

Our speaker on May 22nd will be Jeffrey Morris who is President and CEO of Angel Flight. He will tell us more about Angel Flight's operations whose primary clients are cancer patients with suppressed immune systems that require a contagion free environment.

Jeff began a long and illustrious career in the aircraft industry when he joined the British Royal Air Force as an Apprentice Airframe Fitter at the tender age of 15. He started flying in 1964 as a Flight Engineer on helicopters and served in Borneo during 1964-65 whilst defending Malaysia for which he received a medal from the King of Malaysia for his actions.

Upon leaving the RAF in 1973 Jeff joined Court Line, a UK Charter Airline, and subsequently joined Cathay Pacific Airways in Hong Kong flying the Boeing 707, Lockheed Tristar and Boeing 747.

He eventually became the Deputy Chief Flight Engineer, then Chief Flight Engineer on the Boeing 747, and ultimately Cathay Pacific's Chief Flight Engineer.



Jeff retired from Cathay Pacific in 1996 and came to BC to, in his words, “play golf and garden”. In 1999 he met Chuck Lovallo, the first President of Angel Flight of British Columbia. He initially worked with Mr Lovallo to set up Angel Flight and has since taken on the roles of President, Chief Executive Officer and Director Flight Operations. In 2008, Jeff was awarded a Governor General’s “Caring Canadian Award” for his work with Angel Flight.

If anyone has suggestions for speakers or topics, please contact **Keith McGregor** at **250-758-6384** or hikerliker@shaw.ca

BIRTHDAYS

APRIL

Barry Lapointe, Brian Smith, Donna McAskile, Donna Seaman, Doug Slowski, Herman Maldonado, Evelyn Caven, Gaye Culpepper, George Norris, Judy Reid, Keith Trail, Ken Jones, Margaret Carmichael, Margaret Pierce, Mike Finch, Ray Honig, Verlie Carney, Walter Kilback.

MAY

Alan Deamer, Anne Rasmussen, Arlene McCulloch, Barbara Wilson, Brenda-Gail Rowbottom, Christina Kjerulf, Janet Winton, Lynda Farrell, Marie Hammons, Marie Rickwood, Mary Dickie, Richard Chahley, Trudy Teneycke, Vivian Streader, Wayne Schaefer, Zorka Becir.

ACTIVITY NOTICES

Walking Group

- April 23** Rathtrevor Beach – meet in the parking lot at Rathtrevor (**not at Tigh Na Mara**)
- April 30** Jack Point – meet in the parking lot near the Duke Point ferry terminal.
- May 7** Bowen Park and Buttertubs Marsh – meet in the parking lot behind the tennis courts at Bowen Park
- May 14** Colliery Dam Park – meet at the parking lot at the end of Wakesiah Ave.
- May 21** Westwood Lake – meet in the Westwood parking lot at the end of Westwood Rd.
- May 28** Moorecroft Regional Park – in Nanoose Bay – follow northwest Bay Rd. to Stewart Rd. and watch for the (small) signs to the park.

Special Movie Night

Sunday April 20th, Monday April 21st

A very good movie **Le Weekend** is being shown on Sunday April 20th at 1:00, 4:00 and 7:00, and on Monday the 21st at 7:00 PM. The cost is \$12.50 per ticket and it is sponsored by Fringe Flicks at the Woodgrove Avalon Theatre.

Convener: Barbara Samarin

Bus Trip, Butchart Gardens

Friday, April 25th

There is room for a few more passengers on this trip. Please contact Lia Van Wassenaar directly ASAP for further details and to reserve your seat(s).

Janie's Bus will take us to Butchart Gardens for the day on Friday, April 25th. We will leave from Chapters in Woodgrove at 8:00 a.m., returning at 5:30 p.m. The fare of \$85.00 per person includes transportation, entry to Butchart Gardens and a two-course lunch in the Dining Room Restaurant. The bus seats 20; let's see if we can fill it!



Pub Night

Tuesday, May 20th

The May Pub Night will be held at the Lighthouse Bistro in Nanaimo Harbour on Tuesday May 20th commencing at 6:00 p.m.

Conveners: Al Whittall, Carolyne Fyfe



Dining Out

April

There is no Dining Out scheduled in April.

Friday, May 23rd

Dining Out in May will be at Giovanni's Ristorante, 180 Second Avenue West in Qualicum Beach commencing at 6:00 p.m. ([Map](#))

Convener: Helen Lemmon

INTEREST GROUPS

BRIDGE, MIXED

Conveners, **Mervyn & Marlene Jones** 250-751-1785 or call Gary & Suzanne Brothers (when the Jones are away) 250-758-0877 the location is St. Philips-by-the-Sea Anglican Church on Lantzville Road; meets every other Thursday at 7:00 p.m. starting January 9th .

BOWLING

Convener, **Vacant.**

The North Nanaimo Probus Club has invited the Lantzville Club to bowl with them the Last Tuesday of each month at 3:30pm at BRECHIN LANES. This is two games of mixed bowling and everyone is welcome.

CHAIR SET UP

Al Whitcomb (250 729 0378) and **Wayne Schaefer** (250 729 8007) Helpers welcome. Contact Al or Wayne

- COFFEE SET UP** **Joan Sawicki** 756 4679, joansaw@shaw.ca Helpers wanted, contact Joan.
- CRAFTS** Convener (Group 1), **Arlene McCulloch** 250-751-8898.
Convener (Group 2), **Margaret Carmichael** 250-758-4729.
- CURLING** Convener, **Doreen Schaefer** 250-729-8007
- CYCLING GROUP** Convener – **Anita White**, 250-816-4668 or anita8white@hotmail.com
- DINING OUT** Conveners, **Helen Lemmon** 250-753-6681. Meets the 4th Friday of every month at 6:00pm at a restaurant to be selected.
- DRINKS & APPIES** Convener, **Carole Bullock** 250-751-3709. cbullock2@shaw.ca.
If you are new to Drinks & Appies and would like to join: Functions are held the third weekend of each month with two homes participating. It is a reciprocal agreement where, if you join, you are expected to “Host” a function. Small or large homes, it’s always fun. Call Carole at 250-751-3709 or email. Info for where and when to be on a sign-up sheet at each General Meeting.
- EXCURSIONS** Ad hoc organization by interested parties
- GOLF, MIXED** Convener, **Mervyn Jones** 250-751-1785 or mandmjones@shaw.ca.
- HELPING HANDS** A list of members who have volunteered to help anyone needing assistance. Call **Dianne Tucker**, at 250-758-8042 or **Berta Trail** at 250-751-1055.

Back up-Janet McGregor at 250-758-6384, Claire Martens 250-751-0930, Carmen Aziz at 250-758-4258
- HIKING GROUP** Convener, **Any hiker** who wishes to lead the group at any week. Meets Every Thursday but *not* the 4th Thursday.
(Note: “NO DOGS” policy.)
- iPAD ‘APPY GANG** Convener, **Trevor Cradduck**, 250-933-6563. Meeting third Thursday of each month at 2:00pm at 402-6728 Dickinson Rd, Nanaimo.
- LADIES BOOK CLUB**
Group 1 Convener **Adele Klatt**, len-adele@shaw.ca, 250 758 0906
Group 2 Convener **Janet McGregor**, hikerliker@shaw.ca 250 758 6384. This group has space for some new members and meets on the first Wednesday of each month from 1:30 to 3:30pm at members’ homes.
- LADIES BRIDGE** Convener, **Barb Myden**, bmyden@shaw.ca, phone 250-756-0804. Ladies Monday Afternoon Bridge Group, Dates -: alternate Monday afternoons. Time: 1:00 – 4:00pm.
- LADIES COFFEE 'N CHAT**
Convener **Barb Norris** @ 250-585-3601 or e-mail at gnorris@shaw.ca
2:00pm, 2nd Tuesday at Serious Coffee, beside Piper’s Pub at 4700 Hammond Bay Rd, Nanaimo, BC.
- LADIES LUNCH GROUP**
Convener is **Barb Samarin** at 250-390-2805. Meets the 2nd Thursday of each month.

- MEN'S BRIDGE** Convener, **Lawrence Johnson** 250-760-0113, there are two groups who meet on alternating Wednesdays September thru April, with a 4 week break around Christmas. Each player takes a turn hosting in their home at 6:30pm. We are always looking for new players as regulars or those who are willing to substitute on an "as needed" basis.
- MEN'S COFFEE** Convener, **Ron Walker** 250-756-1949. The group meets, every **Tuesday at 10:00am** at the Windward Pub, Beaufort Centre, Boundary Crescent, across from the hospital.
- MEN'S POKER** Convener, **Vacant**. Two groups. The groups meet on alternate Monday nights at 6:30-10:00pm in player's homes.
- MIXED BRIDGE** Conveners - **Merv and Marlene Jones**, Gary and Suzanne Brothers Mixed Bridge will be held every second Thursday from October 10th. The group meets at 7:00pm at St Philips by the Sea Anglican Church on Lantzville Rd, Lantzville. [Map](#).
- NIGHT AT THE MOVIES** Convener is **Barb Samarin** at 250-390-2805, bjamarin@shaw.ca. This group meets on Tuesday evenings to enjoy a movie of their selection. The date each month depends on which movie is chosen.
- PUB NIGHT** Conveners, **Carolyn Fyfe** 250-756-1307 or **Alan Whittall** 250-758-7965. Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month.
- PHOTO CLUB** Convener **Lia Van Wassenaar** lvw1944@gmail.com , 250-751-1801, Back up Margaret Pierce, marmar@island.net, 250-390-4893. Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 8:30am -12:30pm including on location shoot and 'show and tell' with lunch to follow. Meeting location to be determined monthly.
- PROBUS RAMBLERS** Convener, **John Halliwell** halliwellfour@shaw.ca Meets Thursdays but *not* the 4th Thursday. Ramblers will be notified by e-mail if a ramble is planned. (Note: "NO DOGS" policy.)
- SKIING/SNOW SPORTS** Convener **Anita White**, anita8white@hotmail.com
- SOUND MAN** **Gary Brothers** at 250-758-0877, garyw@brothers.ca 250-816-4668 Back-up, Keith Trail at 250-751-1055 or Don Carmichael at 250-758-4729.
- SUNSHINE** If anyone has a special event in their life, such as a significant birthday, anniversary, new grand/great grandchild you would like to share with us, or if you know of any member who is unwell or in need of a little "sunshine" in their life, please contact **Dianna Bradley**, dibill@shaw.ca 250-585-5636. Please notify Dianna if you know of anyone who would appreciate a card.
- THEATRE GROUP** Convener, **Marie Rickwood** 250-758-0121 Meeting as required for rehearsals.
- TRAVEL** PROBUS CANADA GROUP TRAVEL INSURANCE - [Website](#)

WALKING GROUP Conveners - **Phil Wilson/Doreen Schaefer**

Unless otherwise stated all walks start at 10:00am and last for about an hour and a half on well-established trails, usually finishing at a coffee shop to discuss current events and set the world to rights. (Dogs welcome)

WEBMASTER

[Trevor Craddock](#) at 250-468-9489,
assisted by [Brendan Rogers](#) at 250-585-6684.

Recipe

SEVEN LAYER BARS

1 ½ cups	Graham cracker crumbs
½ cup	Butter
1 cup	Flaked coconut
1 cup	Semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 cup	Butterscotch chips
1 cup	Sliced almonds (or chopped walnuts)
1 can	Sweetened condensed milk

In a 9x13 pan, melt butter. Sprinkle Graham crumbs over evenly. Don't stir. Layer coconut, then chocolate, then butterscotch chips, then almonds. Don't stir. Pour sweetened condensed milk all over.

In a preheated oven, bake at 350 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes. (If the edges are too hard, just trim them off.) Makes over 40 squares.

Submitted by **Val Wakelin**

An Elderly Couple

An elderly couple was married for many years. Whenever there was a confrontation, yelling could be heard deep into the night. The old man would shout: "When I die, I will dig my way up and out of the grave and come back and haunt you for the rest of your life!"

Neighbours feared him. The old man liked the fact that he was feared.

To everyone's relief, he died of a heart attack when he was 98. His wife had a closed casket at the funeral.

After the burial, her neighbours, concerned for her safety, asked: "Aren't you afraid that he may indeed be able to dig his way out of the grave and haunt you for the rest of your life?"

The wife said, "Let him dig. I had him buried upside down, and I know he won't ask for directions."