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The PROBUS LANTZVILLE CLUB NEWSLETTER

November 2015

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



When I sit down to try and compose the president's message I feel that I should be able to offer some wise words.

However, my wife Barb has suggested that no one would really expect anything all that wise from me. So with that in mind and no great expectations, I'll do my best.

Summer is definitely gone and we're well into fall with the cooler weather and the occasional wind and rain. Thus, other than the normal yard work it's time to turn to more indoor activities.

Our club offers lots of opportunity from men's coffee, lunches, movie nights and pub nights and of course the upcoming Christmas party.

It's hoped that we get some snow this winter so our ski group can venture up the mountain (and slide down safely), and the walking and hiking group are both active all year.

So, even with the cooler weather there is still lots to do with the club. Don't hesitate to join in.

Phil Wilson
President

Thursday 26th November – General Meeting

9:30 am – Costin Hall

(Please Remember To Bring Your Coffee Cups)

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

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2014-15

President	Phil Wilson	250-468-9418
Vice-President	Barry Chapman	250-758-6976
Past President	Keith McGregor	250-758-6384
Treasurer	George Norris	250-585-3601
Secretary	Allan McAskile	250-248-9386
Membership	Dan & Sharon Tettamanti	250-729-9668
Social Activities	Barry Chapman	250-758-6976
Sunshine Person	Dianne Tucker	250-758-8042
Webmaster/Newsletter	Brendan & Annabel Rogers	250-585-6684

MEMBERSHIP

As of October 22nd we had 149 paid-up members. *Would those members who have not yet paid their dues for 2015-2016 please contact Dan or Sharon Tettamanti as soon as possible please, as they were due at the end of October!*

MEETING NOTICES

OCTOBER 22nd 2015 (last meeting)

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

NOVEMBER 26th 2015 (next meeting)

Speaker: Bert Hadley

Our speaker for November will be Bert Hadley who will be telling us about the Ducks Unlimited charity and their work. Bert has been a volunteer with them for 30 years. He started fundraising chapters in Vegerville, Morinville and Saba Beach in Alberta and has held fundraising positions with chapters in the Edmonton area. Bert was provincial Council Secretary of Alberta for five years and District chair for Edmonton for six years.

On moving to Nanaimo, Bert joined the local chapter. He has served as the Provincial Education Chair where he was responsible for educating the general public in what Ducks Unlimited does in BC.

Ducks Unlimited is a registered charity and works with government, industry, and land owners to conserve wetlands for waterfowl, wildlife and the environment. They have completed almost 10,000 habitat projects and conserved 6.4 million acres across Canada.

DECEMBER 24th 2015 – Christmas Eve – NO MEETING

If anyone has suggestions for meeting speakers or topics, please contact **Barry Chapman** on **250-758-6976**.

BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER

Brenda Savage, Carmen Aziz, Don Carmichael, Jack Whittaker, Ken Keenan, Pat Wimmer, Ronald Neil, Ross Fraser, Roy Farrell, Sharon Tettamanti, Tessie Wallace.

DECEMBER

Al Whitcomb, Anne Henderson, Anne Thomas, Barbara Coy, Bill Bradley, Bill Joss, Carol Michayluik, David Hammons, Geri Reamer, Hans Nielsen, Heather Slowski, Jed Dagenais, Linda Fulton, Lynn Matthews, Margaret Fyfe, Mary Lou Nordstrom, Michael Hepples, Shirley Jones, Violet Kilback.

GENERAL NOTICES

Membership Dues

Please note that dues for the 2015-2016 (\$30 per person) were due at the end of October, and need to be paid to Dan or Sharon Tettamanti **as soon as possible**. Therefore kindly remember to bring your cheque books with you to the General Meeting on 26th November if you have not already paid by that date.

(They also accept cash!!)

While renewing your membership, if you have moved house in the last year or so, would you also make sure that Dan and Sharon have your current address and telephone details. Thank you.

Activity Convenors

Would all Activity Convenors please review the details published later in this Newsletter and email any discrepancies or changes required to lantzvilleprobus@gmail.com

Thank You

ACTIVITY NOTICES

Walking Group (Wednesdays)

The walks all start at 10:00, except where noted. Try coming a little earlier, as we leave right at 10:00am.

- November 11** Linley Valley – meet at the end of Linley Road off Hammond Bay Rd.
- November 18** Morrell Sanctuary – meet in the parking lot off Nanaimo Lakes Rd.
- November 25** Moorecroft Park – meet at Moorecroft Park off Stewart Rd in Nanoose.
- December 2** Jacks Point - meet at the Jacks Point parking lot near the Duke Point Ferry.
- December 9** Neck Point - meet in the Neck Point lot off Hammond Bay rd.
- December 16** Rath Trevor Beach - meet in the main parking lot at the park
- December 23** Nanaimo Waterfront - meet in the Maffeo Sutton upper parking lot. Lunch to follow at Mrs Riches Restaurant (please confirm with Doreen if you plan to attend lunch)
- December 30** Morrell Sanctuary - meet in the Morrell lot off Nanaimo Lakes Rd.

Convenors: Doreen Schaefer, 250-729-8007 and Phil Wilson, 250-468-9418.

Dining Out Group

The **November** Dining Out will be on **Friday, November 27th** at 6:00 pm at:
Asteras Taverna, 347 Wesley Street, Nanaimo (250-716-0451)
Convenor: Helen Lemmon, 250-753-6681

There will be no Dining Out event in December.

Ladies Lunch Group

The November Ladies Luncheon will be on **Thursday, November 12th** at noon at:
The Longwood Brew Pub, Longwood Station, 5775 Turner Rd, Nanaimo, BC V9T 6L8.

Convenor: Barbara Samarin, 250-390-2805 or bjsamarin@shaw.ca

There will be no Ladies Lunch event in December.

SUGGESTIONS NEEDED

October 2016 will be the 15th anniversary of the Club's inauguration. If anyone has any suggestions for events to mark the occasion, would they please pass them on to Phil Wilson, or any other member of the Management Committee. Thank You.

Other Probus Groups

Our club receives newsletters from PROBUS Canada every quarter, containing various articles about the organisation in Canada as a whole. If you are interested, the latest issue (**September 2015**) is available on their website ([click here](#)).

Also on the PROBUS Canada website ([click here](#)) you will find links to the newsletters of other PROBUS local clubs, and where they have one, their websites. For example all the BC clubs are listed [here](#).

Paraprosdokians

A *Paraprosdokian* is a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected; frequently humorous. (Winston Churchill loved them.)

1. "You can always count on the Americans to do the right thing . . . after they have tried everything else." —Winston Churchill
2. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
3. The last thing I want to do is hurt you. But it's still on my list.
4. Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright, until you hear them speak.
5. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
6. We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.
7. War does not determine who is right - only who is left.
8. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit . . . Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
9. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
10. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
11. In filling out an application, where it says, 'In case of emergency, Notify:' I put "DOCTOR".
12. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
13. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
14. I used to be indecisive . . . now I'm not so sure.
15. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
16. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a mechanic.
17. You're never too old to learn something stupid.
18. I want to die peacefully in my sleep like my father . . . not screaming and yelling like his passengers.
19. Evening news is where they begin with 'Good evening' and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
20. A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.
21. The voices in my head may not be real, but they have some good ideas!
22. Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with.
23. Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.
24. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find any now.
25. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
26. I thought I wanted a career . . . turns out, I just wanted paychecks.
27. Behind every successful man is his woman. Behind the fall of a successful man is usually another woman.
28. Where there's a will, there are relatives.
29. Time flies like an arrow, fruit flies like a banana.
30. One thing that humbles me deeply is to see that human genius has its limits while human stupidity does not.
31. Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.
32. Dolphins are so smart that within a few weeks of captivity, they can train people to stand on the very edge of the pool.
33. If everything seems under control, you've probably forgotten something.
34. I asked God for a bike, but I know God doesn't work that way. So I stole a bike and asked for forgiveness.
35. Always borrow money from a pessimist. He won't expect it back.
36. It has been said that democracy is the worst form of government, except for all those other forms that have been tried.
37. Happiness is the absence of striving for happiness.
38. I've had a perfectly wonderful evening. But this wasn't it.
39. Hospitality: making your guests feel like they're at home, even if you wish they were.
40. A bus is a vehicle that runs twice as fast when you are after it as when you are on it.
41. When tempted to fight fire with fire, remember that the Fire Department usually uses water.
42. Some cause happiness wherever they go. Others, whenever they go.
43. The early bird gets the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.
44. Two guys walked into a bar . . . the third one ducked.
45. I used to be conceited, but now I'm perfect.

INTEREST GROUPS

- BRIDGE, MIXED** Convenors, **Mervyn & Marlene Jones** 250-751-1785 or call Gary & Suzanne Brothers (when the Joneses are away) 250-758-0877 the location is St. Philips-by-the-Sea Anglican Church on Lantzville Road; meets on *alternate* Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.
- BOWLING** The North Nanaimo Probus Club has invited the Lantzville Club to bowl with them the Last Tuesday of each month at 3:30 pm 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** **Lia Van Wassenaar** 250-751-1801, Helpers wanted, contact Lia.
- CRAFTS** Convenor (Group 1), **Arlene McCulloch** 250-751-8898.
Convenor (Group 2), **Margaret Carmichael** 250-758-4729.
- CURLING** Convenor, **Doreen Schaefer** 250-729-8007
- DINING OUT** Convenors, **Helen Lemmon** 250-753-6681. Meets the 4th Friday of every month at 6:00 pm at a restaurant to be selected.
- DRINKS & APPIES** Convenor, **Carole Bullock** 250-751-3709. 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. Info for where and when will be on a sign-up sheet at each General Meeting.
- GOLF, MIXED** Convenor, **Mervyn Jones** 250-751-1785.
- HELPING HANDS** A list of members who have volunteered to help anyone needing assistance. Call **Dianne Tucker**, at 250-758-8042.

Back-up: Janet McGregor at 250-758-6384, Carmen Aziz at 250-758-4258
- HIKING GROUP** Meets every Thursday but not the 4th Thursday.
Convenors: **Brenda Savage**, 250-390-3368,
Mervyn Jones, 250-751-1785.
- LADIES BOOK CLUB**
Group 1 Convenor **Adele Klatt**, 250-758-0906
Group 2 Convenor **Janet McGregor**, 250-758-6384. This group has space for some new members and meets on the first Wednesday of each month from 1:30 to 3:30 pm at members' homes.
- LADIES BRIDGE** Convenor, **Barb Myden**, phone 250-756-0804. Ladies Monday Afternoon Bridge Group; held on *alternate* Monday afternoons. Time: 1:00 4:00 pm.

LADIES COFFEE 'N CHAT

Convenor **Barb Norris**, 250-585-3601. The group meets at 2:00 pm on the 2nd Tuesday each month at Polly Anna's High Tea House, Nanaimo North Shopping Centre, 201-4950 Rutherford Road.

LADIES LUNCH GROUP

Convenor is **Barb Samarin** at 250-390-2805. Meets the 2nd Thursday of each month.

MEN'S BRIDGE

Convenors, **John Collett** 250-729-0198 and **Bob Jordan** 250-729-9939. We meet on alternating Wednesdays from September to April, with a 4 week break around Christmas. Each player takes a turn hosting in their home at 6:30 pm. *We are always looking for new players as regulars or those who are willing to substitute on an "as needed" basis.*

MEN'S COFFEE

Convenor, **Ron Walker** 250-756-1949. The group meets every **Tuesday at 10:00 am** at the Windward Pub, Beaufort Centre, Boundary Crescent, across from the hospital.

NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

Convenor is **Barb Samarin** at 250-390-2805. 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

Convenors, **Dot Johnson** 250-933-6331, or **Alan Whittall** 250-729-3108. Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

PHOTO CLUB

Convenor **Lia Van Wassenaar**, 250-751-1801. Back-up: Margaret Pierce, 250-390-4893. Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 10:00 am -12:30 pm including 'on-location shoot' and 'show and tell' with lunch to follow. Meeting location to be determined monthly.

RAMBLERS

Convenor, **John Halliwell**. Meets Thursdays but *not* the 4th Thursday. Ramblers will be notified by e-mail if a ramble is planned. (Note: "NO DOGS" policy.)

SOUND MAN

Gary Brothers at 250-758-0877. Back-up: Keith Trail, 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 anyone on the Management Committee.

WALKING GROUP

Convenors, **Doreen Schaefer**, 250-729-8007, and **Phil Wilson**, 250-468-9418. Unless otherwise stated all walks start at 10:00 am 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)