



The PROBUS LANTZVILLE CLUB NEWSLETTER

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As we listen to stories of last weekend's massacre in Orlando, Florida it makes us appreciate that we live in such a peaceful country and probably in one of the more peaceful parts of Canada.

I have to wonder why such a large part of the American population feels it necessary to own guns and especially automatic assault rifles. It would be terrible to live in fear and feel that you need such a lethal weapon to protect yourself and your family.

So appreciate what we have, where we live and the fact that our friends and neighbours don't need to sleep with an AK47 tucked under their pillow.

Enough of my rant . . . summer is finally here, a time to get out and enjoy the fine area we live in. Wednesday walks, golfing on Fridays, yard work on Monday, Tuesday, etc and a few days of fishing in between. Enjoy the summer.

Phil Wilson
President

Thursday 23rd June – 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	250-734-1383
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 June 14th we had 198 paid-up members. A copy of the current members list is available upon request by email from Dan Tettamanti (dstettamanti@hotmail.com).

MEETING NOTICES

MAY 26th 2016 (last meeting)

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

JUNE 23rd 2016 (next meeting)

Speaker: Martin Wood

Our speaker for the June meeting will be Martin Wood, a professional engineer who has worked in many parts of the world.

Martin was born in the UK and emigrated to Canada in 1977, and as a professional engineer he worked in Nigeria and Egypt in the 1980's. More recently Martin spent eleven years in Bosnia and Kosovo between 1998 and 2012 working on programs financed by the United States Agency for International Development [USAID]. Two of the programs were concerned with infrastructure rehabilitation in both countries following the Balkan wars, but the two programs in the last five years embraced many aspects of economic regeneration, particularly agriculture. Martin's talk is built around the work of the USAID programs, though the origins and consequences of the conflicts in the region are also addressed. Martin's talk is liberally illustrated with slides.

JULY 28th 2016 (following meeting)

Speaker: Paul Kolodziej

At our July meeting, Paul Kolodziej, a NASA engineer, will speak about supporting the STS-132 mission of the Space Shuttle Atlantis.

CLUB NOTICE

Notice of Call for Nominations

As your Past-President it is my duty to chair the Nominating Committee for 2016 and to issue a call to the general membership for nominations to the Management Committee. The other members of the Nominating Committee are **John Halliwell** and **Lia Van Wassenaar**. In accordance with the Club Policies and Procedures the positions of Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer are open for nomination effective immediately. Nominations made on the forms below must be received by the Nominating Committee **before August 15th, 2016** and must include the nominee's signature confirming their willingness to serve in the capacity for which they are nominated. Those elected will take office effective September 22nd, 2016, following the General Meeting on that date.

Please note that nominations will **NOT** be accepted from the floor at the Annual General Meeting.

Keith McGregor

Past-President, Chair – Nominating Committee

Probus Club of Lantzville

ELECTION OF OFFICERS -- Annual General Meeting – September 22, 2016

NAME of person nominated: _____ Phone: _____

POSITION: (Please check one) Vice-President _____ Secretary _____ Treasurer _____

I consent to my nomination for the above position

Signature of Nominee: _____

Nominated By: _____ Phone: _____

*Please print and give to a member of the Nominating Committee **no later than August 15, 2016.***

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BIRTHDAYS

JUNE

Barry Jones, Carol Halliwell, Dan Tettamanti, Edward Lord, George Fulton, Gloria Johnson, Graham Savage, Jack Whittaker, Jim Holland, Joe Samarin, John Collett, Ken Lemmon, Len Klatt, Liz Barker, Marian Lord, Ronald Walker, Suzanne Brothers.

JULY

Adele Klatt, Alan Whittall, Don Day, Eric Kjerulf, Joan Moody, John Halliwell, John Yurichuk, Leslie Sorsdahl, Mary McCafferty, Nick Becir, Norman Myden, Trevor Craddock, Valorie Wakelin.

ACTIVITY NOTICES

Walking Group (Wednesdays)

The walks all start at 10:00, unless noted below. Try coming a little earlier, as we leave promptly at 10:00am.

- June 22** Bowen and Buttertubs -- meet in the parking lot behind the Bowen Park tennis courts.
- June 29** Newcastle Island -- See notice below.
- July 6** Englishman River – Leave the highway and go towards Parksville. Turn left onto Franklin's Gull Rd at the first light (tourist centre), then right onto the first road (Industrial Way). Parking is on the left side of the road just after Tuan Rd.
- July 13** Linley Valley -- Meet at the end of Linley Valley Road, off Hammond Bay Road
- July 20** Morrell Sanctuary -- Off the Parkway take the 5th Street exit to Wakesiah, turn right at Wakesiah and then right again at Nanaimo Lakes Road. Meet in the parking lot at Morrell Sanctuary.
- July 27** Cable Bay /Dodds Narrows -- follow Cedar Road to McMillan Road. Right on Holden Corso and watch for the small red Cable Bay sign on the left side of road. Meet at the parking lot at Cable Bay. Bring a lunch to eat at the Narrows.

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

Walking Group - NEWCASTLE ISLAND

The Wednesday Walking group will be hiking on **Newcastle Island** on **Wednesday, June 29th**.

We will catch the 10:00am ferry and come back on the 1:00pm ferry. The ferry costs \$6.00 for Seniors and \$8.00 for adults. Please bring correct change (\$6/\$8) to the ferry as I will be collecting the money there. Bring a lunch and we will eat at Giovanni Point on the island.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Meet at the ferry at Maffeo Sutton Park (beside the playground) and be there at 9:45am in preparation for the ferry leaving at 10:00am.

Please contact Doreen Schaefer @ dwschaefer@shaw.ca or 250-729- 8007 if you have any questions.

Pub Night

Pub Night is on the **3rd Tuesday** of each month @ **6:00pm**.

June 21st Fox and Hounds, Ladysmith. (NB Change of venue.)

July 19th Black Goose, Parksville.

August No Pub Night.

September 20th Rocking Horse, Nanoose Bay

October 18th Carlos O'Bryan's, Nanaimo

November 15th The Taphouse, Nanaimo [*used to be Fibber McGee's*]

Convenor: Alan Whittall

Ladies Luncheon

The next Ladies Luncheon will be at noon on **Thursday, July 14th** at:

The Beefeater, 1840 Stewart Avenue, Nanaimo.

Anyone who hasn't signed up and wishes to come should contact me.

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

Dining Out Group

The June Dining Out evening will be on **Friday, June 24th @ 6:00pm** at:

C View Restaurant, Qualicum Beach Inn,
2690 Island Hwy, Qualicum Beach. (250-752-6914)

Coordinator: Helen C Lemmon 250-253-6681

UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer BBQ

This year the Summer Barbeque will again be held at the Cottonwood Golf Course. It will take place on Thursday, August 25th in place of the General Meeting. The cost is \$27 for members and \$32 for guests. **Tickets will be on sale at the General Meeting on Thursday, 23rd June – please remember to bring your cheque books or cash.** Further details will be available at the meeting.

Christmas Lunch

The Christmas Lunch this year will return to the Coast Bastion Hotel, Nanaimo, and will be held on Tuesday, December 13th. More details later.

PROBUS CANADA INFORMATION

PROBUS Canada publishes a newsletter a number of times each year, containing various articles about the organisation in Canada as a whole. If you are interested, the latest issue (**January 2016**) 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](#).

PROBUS Canada have negotiated a Health Care/Travel Plan for PROBUS club members. Details of the plan can be found on the PROBUS national website (as above), or you access it directly [here](#).

Men and Barbecues

When a man volunteers to do the BBQ the following chain of events is put into motion:

Routine...

- (1) The woman buys the food.
- (2) The woman makes the salad, prepares the vegetables, and makes dessert.
- (3) The woman prepares the meat for cooking, places it on a tray along with the necessary cooking utensils and sauces, and takes it to the man who is lounging beside the grill – beer in hand.

Here comes the important part:

(4) THE MAN PLACES THE MEAT ON THE GRILL.

More routine....

- (5) The woman goes inside to organise the plates and cutlery.
- (6) The woman comes out to tell the man that the meat is burning. He thanks her and asks if she will bring another beer while he deals with the situation.

Important again:

(7) THE MAN TAKES THE MEAT OFF THE GRILL AND HANDS IT TO THE WOMAN.

More routine....

- (8) The woman prepares the plates, salad, bread, utensils, napkins, sauces, and brings them to the table.
- (9) After eating, the woman clears the table and does the dishes.

And most important of all:

(10) Everyone PRAISES the MAN and THANKS HIM for his cooking efforts.

- (11) The man asks the woman how she enjoyed 'her day off.' And, upon seeing her annoyed reaction, concludes that there's just no pleasing some women . . .

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, **Allan McAskile** 250-248-9386
- DINING OUT** Convenor, **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.
Convenor, **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 to 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 Quality Foods, Northridge Centre, 101-5800 Turner Rd.

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.

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.

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 or anniversary that they 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 **Dianne Tucker**, 250-758-8042.

WALKING GROUP

Convenors, **Doreen Schaefer**, 250-729-8007, and **Phil Wilson**, 250-468-9418. Walks take place each Wednesday. 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)