



The PROBUS LANTZVILLE CLUB NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



This is one of my last tasks as President of the club, and I have to say that with all the help and advice I received during the year, it has been quite easy and uneventful.

Thanks to the members of the Management Committee for doing a great job in keeping things operating well. Most of the tasks are far more demanding than that of President and they don't get to share in much of the glory. The Newsletter and all the individual notices just show up on your computer, Membership is dealt with quietly and efficiently, and Helping Hands/Sunshine does a great job keeping up with the happy and sad occasions with the club.

Arranging speakers can be an interesting task, but it always works well. The minutes are recorded for all to see, and our accounts are kept in good order and we always seem to have money in the bank when we need it.

So thanks again for a job well done. Thanks also to all the members who have coordinated the activities throughout the year. We are always aware of special functions such as the Summer BBQ, Christmas Party, and the Spring Lunch, but we should also be aware of, and thankful for the many members who organize the regular activities of our club. Thanks to everyone for making our club great.

And, thanks to my wife Barb, for letting me catch the biggest fish this summer!

Phil Wilson, President

Thursday 22nd September – Annual 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 September 14th we had 199 paid-up members. A copy of the current members list is available upon request by email from Dan Tettamanti (dstettamanti@hotmail.com).

MEETING NOTICES

AUGUST 25th 2016 (summer BBQ – no minutes)

SEPTEMBER 22nd (next meeting) Annual General Meeting

Speaker: Rob Hallam

Rob Hallam is the executive director for the Mid-Vancouver Island affiliate of Habitat for Humanity and joined Habitat in May 2016.

Rob has more than 25 years experience as a senior executive in the non-profit sector, and has worked in multiple countries with diverse organizations. Prior to joining Habitat for Humanity, Rob was the Executive Director of Playground Builders, a non-governmental organization building playgrounds in war-torn regions with focus on Afghanistan. He also gained experience working with the Canadian Network for International Surgery as Executive Director and prior to that was the President and CEO of the Omaha Symphony Orchestra where he spear-headed an endowment fund campaign which raised 17 million dollars.

We look forward to hearing from Rob about our local Habitat for Humanity organization and all the great work they do to break the cycle of poverty in our area.

BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER

Annette Mackey, Barbara Hembleton, Blaine Denesyk, Bob Jordan, Donna Jordan, Irwin Axness, Joanne Byrne, Larry McCafferty, Lloyd Dejonghe, Marilyn Day, Norm Winton, Pat McCarville, Peter Barker, Sheila Joss, Vivianne Bohl, Warren Nolte.

OCTOBER

Allan McAskile, Del Haylock, Dianna Bradley, Earl Culpepper, Frank Hillier, Gerry Streader, Jessie Mennie, Jim Tucker, Joan Nolte, John King, Judy King, Lavern Hillier, Marilynn Whitcomb, Marlene Jones, Sharon Deamer, Susan Collett.

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.

- September 21** Englishman River - Take Highway 19 towards Parksville. Turn left onto Franklin's Gull Road (Tourist Centre) and then right at the first road (Industrial Way). Parking is on the left side of the road just after Tuan Rd.
- September 28** Bowen Park/Buttertubs - meet in Bowen Park by the tennis court parking lot.
- October 5** Nanaimo Waterfront - meet in the top parking lot at Maffeo Sutton Park.
- October 12** Westwood Lake - meet in the Westwood parking lot at the top of Westwood Road.
- October 19** Neck Point - meet in the Neck Point parking lot off Hammond Bay Rd.
- October 26** Moorecroft Regional Park (Nanoose Bay) - follow the signs along Northwest Bay Rd to Stewart Rd and watch for the Moorecroft sign.

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

Pub Night

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

- 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

Dining Out Group

Friday, September 23rd, @ 6:00pm
Butler's Restaurant,
292 Crescent Rd E,
Qualicum Beach.
(250 752-5776)

Coordinator: Helen C Lemmon, 250 753-6681

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting is on Thursday, 22nd September. Please remember to bring your cheques for membership renewal to the meeting. The membership fee is \$30 per person for 2016-2017.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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 (**June 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 may access it directly [here](#).

Church Slip-ups

The following have actually appeared (unintentionally) in church bulletins or have been announced in church services:

1. The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.
2. The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water." The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."
3. Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house: bring your husbands.
4. Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say "Hell" to someone who doesn't care much about you.
5. Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.
6. The visiting soloist sang "I will not pass this way again," which gave great pleasure to the congregation.
7. For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
8. Next Thursday there will be auditions for the choir; they need all the help they can get.
9. At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What Is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.
10. Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.
11. Scouts are saving aluminium cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to disable children.
12. The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.
13. Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM - prayer and medication to follow.
14. The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be viewed in the basement on Friday afternoon.
15. This evening at 7 PM there will be Carol Singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.
16. The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.
17. The Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM. Please use the back door.
18. The Junior Church members will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7 PM. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.
19. Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.
20. The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new campaign slogan last Sunday: "I Upped My Pledge - Up Yours."

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)