LINDSAY MEN'S PROBUS CLUB

Chapter #185 Charter Date: February 23rd 2007

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15th Anniversary Edition

On July 12th we held our second, post COVID, in-person monthly meeting at Celebrations, with 24 members attending. Following a 30 minute social time, President Ron Wallace opened the meeting at 10:30am and welcomed everyone. There were no guests at this meeting.

After we stood for O'Canada, Ron welcomed and introduced Brenda Andrews, President of Probus Canada and Director of Ontario District #2, the district our club is in. Brenda was with us to celebrate and mark the 15th anniversary of the founding of our club in February 2007.

Before presenting the club with a certificate in recognition of the past 15 years, Brenda told us about activity at Probus Canada and in her Ontario district…there are currently 248 Probus clubs across Canada with 38,000 members. Since the beginning of COVID about 6,000 members have been lost and 7 clubs have ceased to be. The two most important features of Probus are: #1 Social Interactions & Events and #2 Volunteers for Club Management Positions. Brenda indicated that membership should bounce back once clubs start meeting again but she was more concerned that volunteers to run the clubs are in short supply.

Brenda talked about her own district which has 33 clubs; 27 Mixed, 3 Ladies & 3 Mens. She also has 7 new clubs starting this year. She gave an example of Bobcaygeon, who were ready to start up preCovid, only to have 2 years of lost time due to the pandemic. Bobcaygeon had 150 members sign up at the initial meet and greet, with a waiting list of 75.

Brenda went on to answer numerous questions from our members and then presented the 15 year certificate to Club President, Ron Wallace, with and number of Past Presidents and Charter Members in close attendance.

Subsequently, Ron thanked Brenda and closed the meeting at 11:30am.

Following the meeting, 13 members went to lunch at 'One Eyed Jack' for extended fellowship and chat.

Here are 2 Websites that will provide members with information about Probus activities nationally and internationally.

Probus Canada - www.probus.org/
Probus Global - www.probusglobal.org

Health & Welfare

If you know of any member who is experiencing health issues at this time, please contact Bruce Cameron ~ cam48retired@gmail.com

Brenda Andrews presents the 15 year Probus Certificate to club President Ron Wallace

Left to Right:
Charter Member - Jim Buchanan
Past Presidents - Mike Catling, Ted Abbot, John Sale & Sal Polito.
Club President - Ron Wallace
Probus Canada President - Brenda Andrews

The group moved to the floor to include Charter Member Ron Morgan in the commemoration.

Thanks go to all who went before in making this day happen.

The first Management Committee was:
President - Bruce Faulkner
V/P & Program - Ed Stephenson
Treasurer - Will Gilbert
Secretary - Pat Dunn
Membership - Bill Coe
House Manager - Ron Morgan

Brenda's complete talk is availble on the club's website.

Upcoming Social Events

Car Treasure Hunt - Tuesday August 30th

Similar format as 2021 (but different route), beginning at 'Celebrations' with staggered start from 10.00am, as many passengers as you like per car; ending at a local restaurant for lunch between 12.00 and 12.30; entry fee $5 per car to cover winner's prize.

Please confirm your participation to Bill Thompson, email: bthompson21212@gmail.com; or tel. 705 793 9892.

Golf Day at Dunsford Golf Club - Thursday September 15th

"Nine holes better ball" in teams of two. Arrive 10.00am for coffee, 1st tee time 10.30am. Cost including burger and salad lunch and tax $43 walking, $53 riding. Trophy and prizes for some; fellowship for all.

Please confirm your participation to John Sale, email: johna.sale@gmail.com, tel. 705 879 4090. ('rain-check' date September 22nd).

Proposed Hike and Picnic - Wednesday October 12th

This proposed event has not yet been presented to our club's Management Committee for approval. Provided that approval is given at our next M.C. meeting, this hike will be led by (then Past President) Ron Wallace.

This will be a beginner's level hike to give club members and their partners an opportunity for fellowship, as together, we enjoy the fall colours at our local Ken Reid Conservation Area. Details regarding the meeting time and place and what to bring will be sent out closer to the proposed date for this event.

Next Meeting - Tuesday, August 9th at 10AM
Speaker: Mike Bidder - "Cruising in Antarctica"

Management Committee 2021-2022	
President - Ron Wallace	Club Services - John Rose
Vice President - Doug Dent	Communications - John Saunders
Past President - Sal Polito	Health & Welfare - Bruce Cameron
Secretary - John Sale	Membership - Bob Whitfield
Treasurer - Paul MacPherson	Program - Bruce Thompson
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