



## LINDSAY MEN'S PROBUS CLUB

Chapter #185 Charter Date: February 23rd 2007

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On September 12th we held our monthly meeting at Celebrations, with ~50 members attending. Following a 30 minute social time, Club President, Sal Polito opened the meeting at 10:30am and welcomed everyone. Owing to a technical issue we had no audio for O'Canada, and club members rose to the occasion by creating a choral rendition of our national anthem.

Following this, we remained standing to observe a minute of silence in memory of club member Robert Coleman who recently passed away. (See page 2)

There was one guest at this meeting; Jim Geddes a guest of Sal Polito.

In a departure from normal, we then moved to the speaker presentation with Ted Abbott introducing Jarret Merriam, Superintendent of the Central East Correctional Centre. Jarret described the history and operations of the CECC and focused on some of the upcoming changes to the internal staff organization and the reasons behind them. Jarrett left a lot of time for Q&A and fielded many questions from Probus members who were very interested in a wide variety matters concerning the CECC itself, as well as, the broader environment in which CECC operates. For this reason the Q&A forms part of the audio that is available on the club's website.

Dave Robertson thanked Jarret for his time and his talk. Jarret very kindly returned his speaker's fee to the club, with the wish that it be donated to a local charity. The funds will go to the Ross Memorial Hospital Foundation, following a suggestion from members present.

Before departing, Jarret drew the Share-the-Wealth ticket, with winner being Bob Armstrong.

Sal opened the business portion of the meeting, drawing members attention to the AGM which is next month. The club's executive and management committee is in place although a Vice-President is needed for the coming year. Sal also asked that if any members wish to join the management committee in any other capacity, that they contact him before the AGM.

More information on the AGM will be published separately and ahead of the meeting, although Sal did mention that there will be a catered lunch following the AGM at Celebrations, that will be funded by the club.

Sal thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting at 12noon, with ~20 members, heading to the Lindsay Golf & Country Club for lunch.



Guest Speaker Jarret Merriam was thanked by Dave Robertson

**Jarret Merriam** has worked in the Corrections Services for more than twenty years and today oversees the operation of the Central East Correctional Centre in Lindsay. Jarret took up this position in March 2021, having been the Deputy Superintendent since June 2019. Prior to that date Jarret served in a number of increasingly responsible roles at facilities around the province.

The Central East Corrections Facility is one of nine in Ontario. The facility which was completed in 2002, is a medium/maximum security Provincial Jail and houses up to 1,247 adult male and female offenders in both remanded and sentenced custody.

### Remembering Robert “Bob” Coleman



Robert “Bob” Strachan Coleman passed away peacefully in his sleep at home on Friday, August 18, 2023 at age 84. Beloved spouse of Gina, dearest father of Johnathan and Christina, wonderful father-in law of Kathleen, and treasured grandfather of Laura, Robert, Rebecca and Sebastian, Bob leaves us all with much sadness but also with amazing memories of a life well lived. A highly respected teacher and coach at Upper Canada College in Toronto for thirty-six years, Bob had a keen interest in physics, astronomy, and a passion for learning in general that endured all his life. Born in Montreal QC and growing up in Saint John

NB, Bob graduated from Saint John High School (1956), earned his B.Sc. from Bishop’s University (1961), and M.Ed. from University of Toronto (1970). After retiring, Bob and Gina moved from Toronto to Cameron ON in 1998 and enjoyed 25 years together at their beautiful property on Robin Road. Bob and Gina moved to the welcoming community of Rivermill in Lindsay last year. Bob loved being outdoors, skiing, curling, boating, animals, travel, and above all, his family. We will all miss him tremendously. Services was held at Mackey Funeral Home, 33 Peel Street, Lindsay on Saturday, August 26 at 1:00pm. If desired memorial donations may be made to the Humane Society of Kawartha Lakes and Amnesty International. Donations may be made by cheque through the funeral home or online at [www.mackeys.ca](http://www.mackeys.ca)

Obituary c/o Mackey Funeral Home



## Club Notices

### Notice of Annual Meeting ~ Tuesday, October 10th @ 10AM

Adoption of Agenda : Approval of Minutes of the 2022 AGM : President’s Report : Treasurer’s Report : Registrar’s Report : Program Director’s Report : Awarding of 10 Year Pins : Awarding of 15 Year Pins : Approval of the Management Committee for 2023-2024 : Any Other Business : Adjournment

Any club member wishing to serve on the Management Committee should contact Sal Polito.

### Next Club Meeting - Tuesday, October 10th at 10am

Speaker: Wayne Davis

“St. John Ambulance & the Therapy Dog Program”

Club Member, Wayne Klein will be with us with his dog “Pumpkin”

### Lindsay Men’s Probus Club - Golf Tournament

- Date:** Thursday, October 12, 2023
- Location:** Dunsford Golf Club, 337 Scotch Line Road, Dunsford, ON
- Costs:** Green Fees - \$21.00 : Gas Cart - \$12.00 : Lunch - \$21.00 (Burger Plate and Salads)
- Contests:** Putting Contest : Longest Drive : Closest to Pin
- Format:** 2 Person Scramble

Please contact Ron Posner to sign up... [rposner14@gmail.com](mailto:rposner14@gmail.com)

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL for those who have not already paid** ~ The annual renewal fee for the 2023-2024 fiscal year (October 1st, 2023 to September 30th, 2024) is **\$85.00**. Please contact Bob Whitfield, before September 30th 2023.

### Health & Welfare

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*My work and support from the community has allowed me to live in my hometown and raise a family here too*

*I am pleased to continue to sponsor your club, which I understand is recovering well after Covid.*

*Thank You  
Adam Hayward*

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