



LINDSAY MEN'S PROBUS CLUB

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On Tuesday March 12th, we held our monthly meeting at Celebrations, with 50+ members attending. Following a 30 minute social time, Vice-President, Bill Mackasey opened the meeting at 10:30am and welcomed everyone. We then stood for O'Canada.

We had one guest at this meeting; Brian Lafort attending as Jan Mikkelsen's guest. We also welcomed back a returning member, Robert Nesbitt. Both Brian and Robert were greeted with around of applause.

Bill then asked John Sale to address the membership as the “Who Am I” speaker for this month. John joined the club in 2016 and has served as Vice-President, President and most recently as Secretary. John's presentation is reprinted on page 2.

Bill called on Bruce Cameron to introduce our guest speaker Justine Todd.



Justine took us through her hockey career in her younger days and explained how she got into officiating following her “retirement” from playing for the UT Varsity Blues. In addition to being a top level official she also has to work for a living and is a police officer with York Regional Police. She was very complimentary and appreciative of her employer and the support she has received in pursuing her hockey passion, over the years.

Justine explained the process of starting at the bottom of the officiating ladder and working through the various levels, being evaluated at each stage, in order to reach the pinnacle...

representing Canada at an Olympic Games in Korea in 2018. She was also selected to go to the Olympics in China in 2022, but contracted Covid, 2 days before she was due to travel.

Since that disappointment Justine has continued to set high standards and forge a path, as she officiates in a number of leagues; AHL, OHL and most recently the Women's Professional Hockey League. She is in fact due to fly to Minnesota in a couple of days for the game between Ottawa and Minnesota.



Justine answered many questions from members, in fact more than any speaker in recent memory! Following her talk, Justine was thanked by Sal Polito.

Justine then drew the winning 50/50 ticket, won by Rod Brown, and the meeting was adjourned at noon, with ~ 20 members heading to Kelseys for lunch.



WHO AM I? - Featuring John Sale



I was born on the 28th July 1943 and christened John Andrew Sale, in Kingswood Surrey, England.

I went to a boys preparatory school, and then a Grammar School and enjoyed a happy family life, living at home until I married aged 21.

The first home of my own was a terraced 100 year old dilapidated cottage backing onto Epsom Downs, with a race horse training gallop just behind. I paid 3,250 pounds for this home, which would now fetch over 100 times the price I paid. This first step on the property ladder taught me the lesson to buy the worst house in a good area. You can easily improve a property, but not the area.

I started work as a management trainee with a building company, constructing relatively high end houses, and then progressed to managing contracts ranging from estates of homes, laboratories, offices, schools and hospitals.

After 18 years in the construction industry I became the client’s project manager with one of the large UK banks, managing the development and maintenance of the bank’s buildings.

I left the bank at 52, and enjoyed a third career as a consultant and practicing facilities manager with a variety of major clients.

At 60 I decided that retirement seemed like a good idea, and we moved to Cornwall in the South West of England to a home on a golf course, my first exposure to the game. I was hooked.

By this time our daughter Stephanie had completed her training as a ballet teacher, moved to Canada, first to Mississauga, and then to Lindsay. We started to visit her in Lindsay, and my wife had made 49 visits across the pond before we finally made the decision to move here in 2015.

Apart from being closer to the Mackey family, we have enjoyed the fellowship and activities with the Probus clubs, St Paul’s Church, the Lindsay Curling Club, Gothic Lodge, the Canadian Club and our local community in Snug Harbour

I leave you with this advice - Soon after moving to Lindsay and joining Lindsay Men’s Probus Club, I asked past president Mike Catling if he thought there was anything I could do to help, and was immediately invited to be Vice-President. This seemed a rather large step having just joined, but I am happy to say that I enjoyed that task as well as the subsequent role of club secretary. As a result I can unhesitatingly recommend that you volunteer to help with this club’s organization and management, and enjoy the additional fellowship offered.



John Sale was recently in contact with former Club President Bob Doran. Here is a message from Bob...

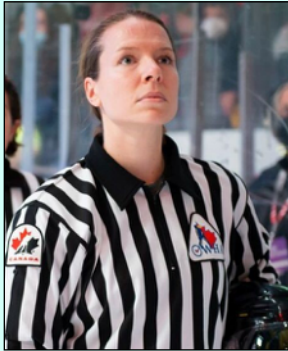
Hi John, good to hear from you.

I moved from Lindsay to Brooklin to be closer to my wife Pat who had been in Long Term care (Fairview Lodge where she had been an RN for some 15 yrs) Unfortunately Pat passed away in January. She had been diagnosed with Alzheimer's some 12 yrs ago and had been in LTC for 7 yrs. So I'm now picking up the pieces and trying to

determine what the next chapter of my life will look like. I've been a member of the Whitby Probus club for the past 4 years and golf twice a week. But I would enjoy a game at Mill Run with you guys so keep me in the loop. I have a new e-mail address at bobdoran3@gmail.com.

Take care

Bob



More about our Guest Speaker

Justine is married to a wonderful and very supportive husband and has a fur baby Harley (no children). She lives in Woodville and is very happy with their quiet home in the Kawartha's.

She started her hockey career in Smiths Falls, Ontario, and then played competitively growing up in Ottawa. She finished her playing career after five years with the University of Toronto Blues. That was when Justine started officiating in Ottawa and from there it became her passion.

An Olympic veteran with 14 years of officiating experience, Todd is also an officer with the York Regional Police. That may sound like a lot to juggle but Justine says the flexibility of officiating allows her to find balance between the two jobs.

She has skated three World Championships, two U18 World Championships, two Four Nations, and many other games and tournaments along the way as a lines person. She officiated at the 2018 Pyeong Chang Olympic games and was on the ice for the first game of the tournament: a sold-out game between Sweden and Korea.

Justine's talk is available on the Club's website.

Update from the Tech Team...

You may have noticed that the club has upgraded its audio visual equipment over the past few months. In order to accommodate the larger and much brighter room at Celebrations a new larger screen together with a new projector were purchased late in 2023.

This month, the club purchased new powered Yamaha speakers and a digital mixer to improve audio in the room as well as capture the speaker's talk for the web site.

Earlier in 2023 we also upgraded the club's laptop with a Solid State Drive (SSD) which should prolong its useful life by a few years.

We will continue to invest in gear that helps improve the club meetings. For anyone interested we would be pleased to discuss the set up with you.

Bill Legere & Brian Gowan

Next Probus Meeting

Tuesday, April 9th 2024

Speaker - Ron Taylor (CAO)

“Future Growth & Infrastructure, City of Kawartha Lakes”

Social Events

A small committee has been formed to consider and plan future social events.

Members are invited to contact Sal Polito with suggestions and ideas.

Health & Welfare

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



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