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PROBUS CLUB OF TRENT HILLS

NEWSLETTER

ISSUE FIVE



Bill Hogle - President

The President's Voice

"There are no strangers here, only friends you haven't yet met"

W.B. Yeats

Those of my vintage, (and they really were very good years), will remember Nat's lyrics:

"Roll out those lazy, crazy, hazy days of Summer
those days of soda, pretzels and beer.."

Well your president hopes you're enjoying those days yet again.

But time flies. September will mark twelve months since our "PROBUS information meeting and a month later our official Foundation meeting. The Club's October Annual General Meeting is staring us in the face. With this in mind, your executive has begun preparations.

Many times you have heard me say publicly what a pleasure it's been to work with my colleagues on this year's Management Committee. Truly a privilege. But time moves on and so do people. There will be vacancies for the positions of Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Communications Manager and Program Manager. An election will be held at the AGM.

Section IV C of the Constitution reads: "At each AGM the presiding officer shall present nominations from a Nominating Committee for positions on the Management Committee. Elections, when necessary, shall be by ballot." Section 5 (A) of the By-Laws identifies the Nominating Committee. Section 5 (C) reads: "Nominations from the floor (with prior consent to stand) shall be accepted at an AGM with the approval of the membership".

A Nominating Committee has been struck consisting of the President, Treasurer and a member at large, in the person of PROBIAN Art Nelson. The committee has been active and will present a proposed slate of officers no later than one month prior to the AGM.

Membership renewal fees for 2014-2015 remain at \$40.00 payable by cheque and due in October. Renewals will be accepted at the membership table beginning at the August meeting. I would encourage you to renew as soon as possible. There are currently 23 names on the PROBUS waiting list. Adjustments to our membership cap will be on the agenda of the AGM.

I am pleased to report that our the Club's Illness/Condolences/ Other Events Policy has been ratified by your executive and appears in full elsewhere in the newsletter. Whenever a member becomes aware of a situation falling into one of these categories, they should phone the Condolence Secretary (Bev McComb 705-632-0394?) to get the ball rolling.

As a result of a question at the July 9 meeting your executive has developed a policy for handling requests from members who wish to have a non-PROBUS event promoted at monthly meetings. That policy can also be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

And the song goes on: "You'll wish that Summer could always be here."

PROBUS CLUB OF TRENT HILLS - CONDOLENCE POLICY

PURPOSE: To sensitively acknowledge, on behalf of the club, one of the following events: illness, hospitalization, or death of a member or significant other.

PROCESS: This policy will be managed by a contact secretary (CS) reporting to the membership chair. Club membership will be encouraged to advise the CS whenever it is known that another member has suffered an event. The CS will then implement this policy, and advise the membership chair who will include the event in the monthly report to Management Committee.

ILLNESS AND HOSPITALIZATION POLICY: A club approved "get well card" bearing the club logo shall be sent as quickly as circumstances permit to the affected member.

DEATH OF MEMBER OR SIGNIFICANT OTHER: A club approved "sympathy card" bearing the club logo shall be sent as quickly as circumstances permit to the partner or family of the deceased. This will be followed by a donation of \$50. in the member's name, to the Campbellford Memorial Hospital Foundation. The Foundation will then respond with an acknowledgement to the member's family.

COMMUNICATION: An announcement of the event shall be made from the podium at the next regular club meeting. The membership chair shall advise the communications manager who will handle any appropriate subsequent announcements, ie: newsletter.

OTHER EVENTS: Extraordinary events, not included in the above, where recognition may be appropriate shall be brought to Management Committee by the membership chair for discussion and decision.

FINANCIAL: The Treasurer shall arrange to provide the contact secretary with a cash "float" of \$25, topped up as needed, to cover ongoing expenses.

CONTACT SECRETARY: Bev. McComb (705-623-0394)

IMPLEMENTATION: Immediate

AUTHORITY: Management Committee, 09.VII.14

NON PROBUS ANNOUNCEMENTS POLICY

PURPOSE: From time to time at regular monthly meetings, a member may wish to advertise or otherwise promote a non PROBUS event which they believe would be of interest to those present. This policy is to provide a framework for delivering such messages.

PROCESS:

- 1) Members wishing to promote an event should forward the announcement via email to the Events Manager prior to the next regular meeting for approval and addition to the events manager's agenda.
- 2) A copy of the email or paper copy of the announcement will be placed on the bulletin board.
- 3) The Events Manager will then make a brief announcement from the podium, directing those interested to the bulletin board at coffee break where the promoting member will be available to answer questions.
- 4) The Events manager will have the announcement published in the newsletter if timely and appropriate.

IMPLEMENTATION: Immediate

AUTHORITY: Management Committee 15.VII.14



Probus Canada Website

**If you are interested in reading the
newsletter of Probus Canada it is
available at the following web
address:**

www.probus.org/cnews114a.pdf

Fishing Charters

Hello everyone. Everyone is back from our adventure and safely back on the shores of Lake Ontario.

On Thursday July 17th. Team One went on their fishing charter. They started early. To be there at 5:15 am. we left home around 4 am. Yikes!

Team One consisted of Tom Terentiew, Patricia Connor, Stephen Reid and Ken Bursey. We caught 9 fish of which, 6 were rainbow trout, a lake trout, a coho salmon and a chinook salmon. Our group had a great time. The weather was perfect. Along with the good fishing, captain Mike Mulligan shared a lot of fishing stories with us.

Great weather, great comraderie, great fishing!

On Thursday July 24th. Team Two left on their charter, same time, same place. Team members included Fred Lee, Shirley Simpson, Mike Englehart and Roger McDevitt. Their trip was also a success. Their catch consisted of 6 fish, all rainbow trout.

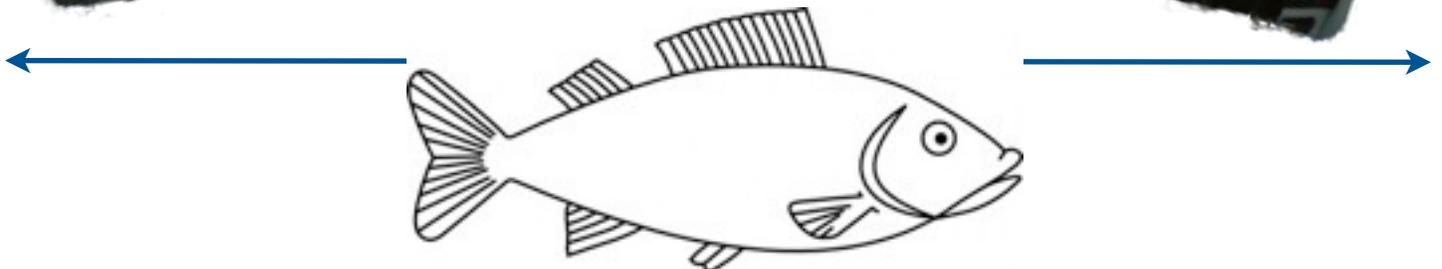
Overall, the crowd unanimously enjoyed the adventure and agreed that they would do it again. Thanks to Probus for providing the venue to gather old and new friends together, to make this a special event.

I have already heard of other people that have expressed an interest in doing this event next year. It would be my pleasure to organize it again.

Oh yes, the trout tastes GREAT!

These pics are only from Team One's trip. I hope Team 2 has some photos too.

Tom Trentiew





Stoney Lake Cruise



Those of us who went on this cruise are feeling badly for the rest of the members and their friends who did not get to experience this wonderful event.

Everything was great: the weather, the hot lunch, the cruise, on one of the prettiest lakes in the Kawarthas, and best of all - enjoying it with old and new friends.

We were conducted throughout the tour by a very knowledgeable captain, who gave a running commentary on the history, and character of the people and places we passed by.

For members who didn't get to go, this is a great idea for a summer outing with friends - an afternoon cruise around the lake followed by dinner at the Viamede Inn right next door to the docks.

Many thanks to the operators of the Stoney Lake Cruises for a smooth and capable handling of our delightful afternoon.

WATSON'S SUNNYBROOKE FARM



Robotic Milking - who knew? - and yet there it was at the farm owned by Probus member Lorna Watson, her husband Ron and their son and daughter-in-law.

Their new and very expensive barn features cow comfort at it's best - spacious sand-bedded stalls, lots of room to move about and socialize (the cows, that is). There is plenty of food and water available for whenever the mood strikes, rotating cleaning brushes to rub up against and get at that annoying itch on the left shank, and the "piece de resistance" - the robot in the milking parlor that cleans a cow up attaches a milking machine using laser lights, and collects and refrigerates the milk without the farmer having to lift a finger. (Well almost).

This gives time to curl, golf and socialize (the Watsons that is).

Thank you Lorna, Ron and family for giving us this opportunity to see for ourselves this "whole farm" approach to dairy farming - you must be so proud! Oh! and thank you also for the great lunch!!!



Speakers Past

JUNE 11/14

ANN ROWE

AUTHOR AND HISTORIAN

Ann gave a fine presentation about "The Barnardo Children".

From 1869 to 1939 various workhouses, sheltering homes, orphanages and child care organizations in Great Britain immigrated over 100,000 orphaned, abandoned, pauper children ages 1 to 18 to Canada. Known as the British Home Children (BHC), life for these children, coming alone to Canada to work as domestics and farm labourers, forging ahead in a new land was not always easy.

A startling story - and it was surprising when Ann asked if anyone had any connection to a Barnardo child, many hands were raised. Ann revealed that her mother was a Barnardo child.

It was difficult in the past, to get information on the children because so many Government regulations stood in the way. It is easier now and Ann provided our members with a list of reference material. This is available now to members and copies can be had at our August meeting.



JULY 9/14

ANDREW BANDLER

INVESTMENT ADVISOR

A great deal of good investment advice was provided to our members by Andrew. He encouraged us to set goals, invest prudently, and to hold on to our investments for the long term. Once goals are established he talked about steps to take, to ensure these goals are reached, by reducing risk and volatility and keeping a well balanced portfolio.

He pointed out that it was a good idea to do follow-ups and reviews with your financial planner, taking into consideration any life changes or economic situations you may have encountered.

He also discussed Estate planning in order to provide a smooth transfer of assets and make sure your estate is distributed in the way you want.

A very informative and interesting presentation!



Upcoming Probus Events

The Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir



Tickets Are Still Available

FOR THIS PREMIUM EVENT
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 14
PRICE PER TICKET - \$40.00

Tickets are also available for the pre-performance
BBQ at \$8.00 per person

The BBQ will start at 12 noon
The performance will begin at 2:00 PM

DON'T MISS THIS EVENT!!

AN INVITATION

TO THE PROBUS CLUB OF TRENT HILLS

The Probus Quinte Club has invited our club to
join them for their meeting

WHEN: Thursday October 2, 2014 for their
meeting and a luncheon.

WHERE: The Marantha Church on College Street
West in Belleville
and...to join them for a catered lunch afterward.

Their guest Speaker will be a representative from
the Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games.

Cost for the luncheon is \$22.00 per person and the
club must know how many of our members are
attending by September 25th.

This is a great chance to meet members from
another club, see how their meetings are run
and listen to a great speaker.

SIGN UP NOW!!!

WE NEED HELP!.....REALLY!!!!



Looking for a member to look after/coordinate special interest groups

A two year sentence - and train your replacement in year 2, that is, sit back and watch them do the work!

Please talk to Anne Linton. She has been doing both this and the Events Manager job. Last January she was 6 feet tall!??? Currently, shorter!! But she is still smiling and whoever replies to this request will be her HERO.

Upcoming Speakers

August meeting: Michelle Falone from the Ontario Ministry of Consumer Services. Michelle will speak to us about Senior Scams.

September meeting: Martha Murphy Executive Director of the Campbellford/ Seymour Foundation will bring us up to date on the Foundations activities and also give us some background history on the Foundation.

October meeting: This is our Annual General Meeting – the program is to be announced.

November meeting: Cheryl Cooper is an author and native of Bracebridge Ontario. She has written two historical novels – **Come Looking for Me** and **Second Summer of War**. Both novels are set on the high seas during the War of 1812.



MEMBERS OF YOUR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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