

Probus Club of Burlington



Newsletter

March 2023

Did you miss this at our February meeting?



We had a peaceful transition of power as our current President Bob English handed the gavel over to our new President Chris Walker.

Coming up in our March 16 meeting is speaker Andrew McKinney



“Andrew McKinney’s” presentation this month is titled *Living Your Dreams in Retirement – the writing of a memoir*. He will talk about the unique opportunity in retirement to pursue dormant hobbies and dreams, which for him was writing a humorous memoir and song writing. He’ll also speak about his book: “*How I Lost My Hair Raising Teenage Girls and the lessons I learned*”.

Despite some difficult years, he cherishes the good times and funny moments that occurred when least expected. After living with his family in Brampton for decades, he has been on the run from his daughters since his book was published. (Because the stories are all true, our actual speaker - John Collins - publishes under the above pen name in order to protect the innocent and not-so-innocent characters.)

Upcoming Speakers

20 April - Katherine Cappellacci and Jane Robertson from Single Seniors for Tax Fairness will talk to us in person about the need for remedy to the current tax rules where many breaks are available to senior couples which allow them to take advantage in ways that singles cannot.

17 May - Catherine Morgan will talk to us about mental fitness, focusing on Positive Intelligence - the science and practice of developing mastery over your own mind so you can reach your full potential for both happiness and success.

President's message



Greetings from your 2023 President, Chris Walker. I'd like to first acknowledge the sterling efforts that your 2022 President, Bob English, made to getting our Club moving forward again after the "Covid hiatus" when it was not safe to meet in person and our other social activities were severely curtailed. Bob had a terrific ability to both go with the flow and yet still recognize that long term issues need to be identified and plans made to address them as soon as possible. We were very fortunate to have Bob as our President and I am pleased that he has indicated he will take an active role as Past President.

Personally, I think our "hybrid" meetings have been working very well as they allow both in person and "Zoom" attendance. That not only helps our "senior demographic" deal with still lingering Covid issues but also provides more flexible attendance to both speakers and our members. It also looks as if there will be a much wider range of interest groups for members to get involved with this year, thanks in particular to Bob's efforts. We were also very fortunate to have a very wide range of interesting speakers last year and we've got more coming up. In fact, we have speakers lined up for April and May. I enjoyed finding speakers but there's some work involved. We need someone to take on the role of Speakers Chair as I do the President thing. Please contact me if you would like to help out.

Cheers, Chris

President Probus Men's club of Burlington

Future events

Golf Tournament Friday May 26, 2023 at the Flamborough Hills Golf Club.

In late March, lookout for a separate notice which will open the event for registrations and contain all pertinent details on the tournament.

This is your last notice for ANNUAL PARKING PASSES — If you tired of using the parking meter then consider purchasing an Annual Probus Meeting parking pass. These passes are still available directly from the AGB at a cost of \$3 times the number of remaining months/meetings in 2023. If you attend the vast majority of meetings this will save you money and the inconvenience of having to use that parking meter. To purchase one simply stop at the AGB reception desk, located just inside the parking lot door, and ask to purchase a parking pass for the Burlington Probus Club meetings."

List of Your Probus Club Executive

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Computer Interest Group



We are a joint, Burlington and Lakeshore Probus Club group, who get together to discuss current developments in the computer fields and help solve each others computer related issues. We meet the 4th Thursday of the month at 10 am (one week after our regular Probus meeting). Currently we meet via Zoom but plan to get back to live meetings later in the Spring. The cost is free until we go to live meetings. If you would like to join us please email Bob Dickison at rgdickison@gmail.com and he will add you to our email list.



Bill Derksen

Who has been a member since 2019 is shown here celebrating his 90th birthday with family and friends on Jan 29th

Do you have a major milestone to share?

If you have a major milestone birthday, anniversary or some other major event you would like to share with our members send them to Gary Hindley at Ghindley1@gmail.com to get them published in the next newsletter.

Do you enjoy being a member of Probus?



If you do, then, no doubt you have friends who would also like Probus. Do them a favor and invite them to join you as a guest at one of our meetings. We have many interesting speakers over the next few months!

Should you need an application form for friends who would like to join us this year, you can visit our website at <https://www.probusclubofburlington.ca/> or email kdobson1257@gmail.com