



August 2021 Newsletter

PROBUS CLUB OF WHITE ROCK & SOUTH SURREY General Meeting Wednesday August 11, 2021

Zoom Meeting No 16



Our August speaker was White Rock Deputy Fire Chief Norm MacLeod.

Since May of 2020 Norm MacLeod has been Deputy Fire Chief with White Rock Fire Rescue. Norm started Firefighting as a Paid on Call firefighter in 1988 with Mission Fire Rescue Service and is now on his 33rd year in the fire service. Outside of Norm's work with the fire department, He is also involved with Fire Rescue International Training

Association(FRITA). Norm has deployed 13 times to Latin America as a member of this organization and currently serves on the Board as Vice President. To date Norm has travelled to work with the Bomberos (Firefighters) of Paraguay, El Salvador and Peru.

He will speak about the contributions of Canadian firefighters to fellow firefighters in many countries in Central and South America. Norm has visited many of those countries to help local communities with donations of used fire trucks and other equipment along with training.



We are privileged to have one of our own members as guest speaker in September.

Aroon Shah is recognized as an outstanding person in the field of Employee Advocacy Programs (EAP).

Over the past 30 years Aroon has delivered a wide variety of services to promote employee health and organizational effectiveness. He has also provided counselling, executive coaching and soft training skills to government, corporations and First Nations globally. Aroon has provided counselling for critical events such as airline disasters, earthquakes, sudden death in the workplace, 9/11 and Covid 19.

Aroon's Executive Coaching Workshops help people impacted by mergers, acquisitions, downsizing and uncertainty.

We are fortunate to have such a world class professional as our September 8th Guest Speaker.

Management Committee and Activities Management Committee

Up-date:

1. **Return To In Person Monthly Meetings:** September 8th we will meet in person @ Oceana PARC on 1575 George St, White Rock, BC. An email with details will be sent for time and full details. Our last Zoom Meeting was held in August: August 11th.
 2. **Fall BBQ.** We have arranged for us to meet @ 5 Star Catering@ Sunrise Banquet & Conference, 5640 – 188th St. The event will be held on the 19th of September Starting at 4:00pm for the bar and food at 5:30pm. Full Details re Program, Menu, and Cost are outlined further on in the news letter..
 3. **Christmas Lunch Hazelmere.** We have a booked date on December 8. Full details will be published in late fall.
 4. **Group Activities:** All of our Activities are now live. Please see the Newsletter for full details. We are also hoping to begin more small group activities; but we need leaders. If you have an interest in forming a group please let us know and we will help you round up interested souls.
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Walking Groups

Regular Walking Group

The walking group has had successful walks and will continue in the summer.

Cheers – Stay Safe – Walk Solo, 

Al Zemrau

Probus Walking Group Coordinator

Contact Al Zemrau at azemrau@shaw.ca to be added to the Group Distribution list. Please note that due to provincial health regulations all activities in this group maybe suspended for a period.

Mixed Walking Group

Just a reminder that the Sunday's Aug 15th walk will be at Portage Park in Langley. Head south off of 52 Avenue on 204th Street. At the end turn right and we will meet in the parking lot.

For Sunday, Aug 22, the walk will be at Tynehead Park. We will meet in the parking lot off of 168Street North of 96th on the west side.

All walks begin at 10:00 am. Look forward to seeing you there.

Cheers

Ted Cartier tedcartier@gmail.com

Investment Group

IDG (Investment & Discussion)

The IDG Group meets regularly on the third Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 17th at 10:00 AM. We plan on a live, face to face meeting. There are no Zoom meetings planned at this time. We currently have two groups: one RIF oriented and the other, a more aggressive TFSA group. We review and discuss the stock picks previously selected by the members. Discussion, comments and opinions are always interesting. We do have limited room for new participants. Please contact either Gerry Burns or Al Zemrau to have your name added to the list.

Book Club Group

6 of us meet every second Tuesday. Once a month we discuss a book and once a month each of us pick the topic for discussion. of July. Contact Bill Jones at bjones17@shaw.ca

We are taking the summer off. Our next meeting will be IN PERSON at 10am on September 14th @ Bill Jones' home. We will be discussing the book "Black Swan". Our September 28th meeting will be @ Dave Bruce's home. Before the 28th members will submit 3 recommendations each and we will choose the books for the next few months at that meeting. If you would like to join us for spirited discussions please contact any one of us. We are Henry Lazar, Dave Bruce, Harry White, Brian Sullivan, Percy Smith, and Bill Jones.

Wednesday Morning Coffee Hour:

Outdoors: Bakerview Park

Wednesday Morning Coffee Hour will be Outdoors @ Bakerview Park in Surrey for the remainder of the summer. (18th Ave and 154th St.) Time 10:30 a.m. Please bring a chair and something to drink.

We say good morning and break up into small groups of three for 15 minutes. Back to the large group for a few minutes and new groups are formed. On average we are getting 15 to 16 people. Everyone welcome.

Afterwards we meet @ BELLES for lunch, (140 and 32). Belles has a wonderful shaded outdoor patio and lots of Parking

Invitation sent out weekly.

Monday Evening Chat:

We decided future meetings will consist of one member giving a sketch of their personal history; early beginnings, work history, family etc. Half the hour will be devoted to personal histories and the other half; who knows? We start at seven and finish around eight. Everyone's Welcome. If you can't find your invitation please contact Bill Carlson.

Golf Group

Probus Golf Group activities got underway and we will play on the 4th Thursday of each month. Those interested in having libations and/or food service after golf will be able to do so. Outings during the following months will take place at Nico Wynd and other potential locations such as Surrey Golf Course, Morgan Creek, Country Meadows and Poppy Estates.

We will NOT be holding a monthly golf group event in August. Instead, the Annual Probus Golf Tournament [which was not held in 2020 due to Covid-19], which of course will be for ALL members of the Probus Club, will be held on Thursday, August 26 @ Nico Wynd Golf Course. An explanatory message about this event is being distributed to the general membership via Probus Communications, and I expect you will receive more information shortly. I look forward to seeing many of you at this event. if you wish to join contact Frank Palmer frank@fgpalmer.com , via text message at (604) 612-2114 or phone (604) 535-8300.

We will be holding a Golf Group event in September. Details on this will be sent to you when details as to location, etc. have been finalized. That will likely be the final Golf Group event for 2021, depending on weather conditions encountered.

Dinner and Movie Group

Pre - Covid we had a flourishing Movie Group(Singles, husbands and partners) which would go out together for a meal, (Boston Pizza, White Spot etc- about 14-

16 people) at 5pm and then attend a movie at one of the two South Surrey theaters, usually about 6.30 or 645 pm.

I see the movie group being activated in full force October and we will likely go to a matinee and then dinner or an early show with dinner before. I see us going to Richmond, Delta, or Langley cineplexes with restaurants nearby and occasionally here at the Caprice theatre if the movies improve.

I also see us going as a group to several of the VIFF films in downtown Vancouver during the first three weeks in October.

Please let me know if you are interested in being included in the Dinner and Movie group contact list if you have not already done so.

Bill Lambert wg.lambert@gmail.com

Dinner and Movie Group Coordinator

BARBEQUE DINNER

Place: Sunrise Banquet & Conference Centre(Horizon room)

5640-188th St. Surrey, B.C.

Time: 4:00pm for drinks

5:30pm dinner

Menu for the Barbeque Buffet

New York Steak or Wild Salmon Filet

Roast Potatoes, Rice Pilaf

Corn on the Cob

Caesar Salad, Fresh Pasta Salad

Fresh Vegetable and Dip

Fresh Fruit Platter

Bakery Rolls and Butter

Chef's Choice Dessert,

Coffee & Tea Station

Bar: Wine & Beer \$5.50 each-tax included

\$6.00-tax include for imports, coolers and cider

Pop and Juice \$1.75

Cost: \$40 per person

Purchase will be by credit card or cheque. No sales at the door. We need to have the purchases in by Sept. 5 to advise the facility of the number of people coming. If you need to cancel before this date your money will be refunded.

After this date NO refunds. As part of the health protocol we need all attendees to have two vaccine shots.

There will be a webpage on the PROBUS CLUB OF WHITE ROCK website under MORE titled Purchase BBQ Tickets. After you place the order your purchase will be confirmed by e-mail with a 48 hours. No physical tickets will be given out.

When you arrive at the barbeque we will check off your name on our master list. If you have a problem contact Barry at bsd1@shaw.ca

Interest of the Month

Random thoughts

~ To me, "drink responsibly" means don't spill it.

~ When I say, "The other day," I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15 years ago.

~ Cop: "Please step out of the car."

Me: "I'm too drunk. You get in."

~ I remember being able to get up without making sound effects.

~ I had my patience tested. I'm negative.

~ Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any of your containers.

~ If you're sitting in public and a stranger takes the seat next to you, just stare straight ahead and say "Did you bring the money?"

~ When you ask me what I am doing today, and I say "nothing," it does not mean I am free. It means I am doing nothing.

- ~ Age 60 might be the new 40, but 9:00 is new midnight.
- ~ I finally got eight hours of sleep. It took me three days, but whatever.
- ~ I run like the winded.
- ~ I hate when a couple argues in public and I missed the beginning and don't know whose side I'm on.
- ~ When someone asks what I did over the weekend, I squint and ask, "Why, what did you hear?"
- ~ I don't remember much from last night, but the fact that I needed sunglasses to open the fridge this morning tells me it was awesome.
- ~ When you do squats, are your knees supposed to sound like a goat chewing on an aluminum can stuffed with celery?
- ~ I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.
- ~ When I ask for directions, please don't use words like "east."
- ~ Don't bother walking a mile in my shoes. That would be boring. Spend 30 seconds in my head. That'll freak you right out.
- ~ That moment when you walk into a spider web suddenly turns you into a karate master.
- ~ The older I get, the earlier it gets late.

Gets you thinking.

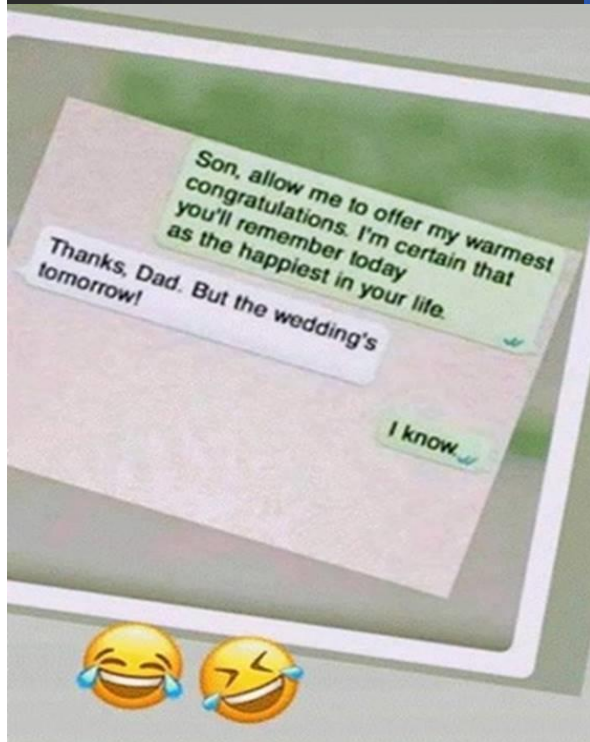
So let me get this straight. I go to the grocery store and buy a pound of sliced ham wrapped in plastic, a load of bread in a plastic bag, a gallon of milk in a plastic jug, a pack of napkins wrapped in plastic, a Greek salad in a plastic container, a plastic bottle of mustard and a plastic bottle of ketchup but they won't give me a plastic bag to carry it home because the plastic bag is bad for the environment!!!

Struggling to
get your wife's
attention?

Just sit down and
look comfortable.

I tried donating blood
today...NEVER
AGAIN!!!

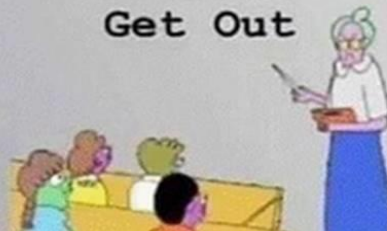
Too many stupid
questions. Who's
blood is it? Where did
you get it from? Why
is it in a bucket?



English Teacher:
Give me the opposite
of this sentence:
"Children In the dark
make mistakes"

Student:
"Mistakes in the dark
make Children"

Teacher:
Get Out

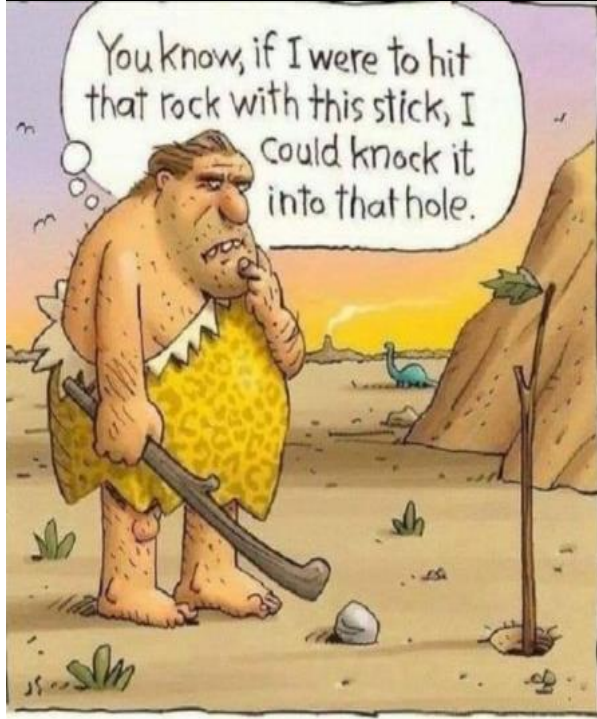




**I'll never forget the
look on the cashier's
face, when she
scanned the packet of
bird seed,
And I asked her how
long does it take for
the birds to grow once
I plant them.**



Graphics by Jill Jackson



How Man Learned to Swear.



**IF YOU USED ONE OF THESE
BACK IN THE DAY**

**CHANCES ARE YOU'RE
IMMUNE TO EVERYTHING**

Let me get this straight: you've eaten bologna your entire life, but you'll refuse a vaccine because you don't know what's in it.

In 20 years when kids ask about the 2020 toilet paper shortage,

I'm telling them we had to drag our butt's across the lawn.

In the snow.

Uphill. Both ways.

Dodging murder hornets

When I see lovers' names carved on trees, I think it's strange how many people **bring knives** on a date.



**4 OUT OF 3 PEOPLE
STRUGGLE WITH MATH**

