



November 2022 Newsletter

PROBUS CLUB OF WHITE ROCK & SOUTH SURREY General Meeting Wednesday November 9, 2022

Remembrance Day Ceremonies.



The programme began with a few words by Percy Smith on where he served and what the meaning of the programme to follow meant to one and all. O CANADA was played and after a reading of the soldier's prayer (Psalm 97), the Last Post, Reveille, and the playing of the Lament on the Bag pipe by Larry Gillott followed. The Act of remembrance was next read followed by Laurence Binyon's poem "The Fallen" and the Kohima Epitaph recited.

An article written by Matt Gurney was read which spoke of how Canada's soldiers are always there for us and how these personnel helped with the COVID pandemic. Our military personnel have always come forward, as they always have, in war and peace, to serve their country and how their country could do right by them.

A movie presentation on Juno Beach was last on the programme depicting several veteran men and women from different services on what they did on D Day and what effect it has had on society today ended with applause.

It was a programme to remember veterans of all wars and missions and greatly appreciated by the members.

Percy Smith.MN



Percy at the Cenotaph in Vancouver Nov 11.

Speakers

Dec. Christmas Luncheon at Hazelmere Golf Course \$50 per person Guest invited.

Jan. Joslyn Young, Manager External Relations, Port of Vancouver Authority.

Topic: Port of Vancouver, It's Operations and Challenges.

Feb. Gang crime in Vancouver presented by Dr. Kieron McConnell

March. Memory improvement for Seniors by Graham Best

Christmas Lunch

When-December 14, 2022, doors open 11 am

Where-Hazelmere Golf Course

18150 8 Ave, Surrey, BC

MUSIC BY: Greg Hampson – Solo Entertainer

CLASSIC BUFFET

Start-Assorted dinner rolls

Salads-Heritage Green Salad of lettuce with dressings & vinaigrettes,

Classic Caesar Salad with shaved parmesan, garlic lemon aioli,

Greek Pasta Salad with feta cheese, orzo and red wine vinaigrette

Asian Noodle Salad with hoisin and cilantro

Pesto Potato Salad with red nuggets, basil vinaigrette

Platters-Stuffed eggs baby shrimp, scallions and paprika

Assorted sliced deli meats, turkey, honey ham, pepperoni

Pickled vegetables, olives, gherkins, pearl onions

Vegetable Crudite with chef's selection of vegetables with in-house dip

Hot items-Carved AAA Baron of Beef with a selection of mustards, horseradish, au jus

Grilled BC Chicken Breast with creamy mushroom and bacon gravy

Wild Sockeye Salmon with dill-yogurt sauce

Penne Marinara with parmesan, fresh basil, plum tomatoes

Roasted Potato Medallions with green onions, shredded cheese

Rice Pilaf with fresh parsley and peppers

Steamed Vegetables honey butter

Desserts-Assortment of Dessert Squares

Assortment of Fresh Fruits

Beverages

Freshly Brewed Coffee & Tea

Price \$50 per person. Members and guest are invited to this function.

Confirmation of attendance will be by your purchase of the Lunch by credit card or cheque. No sales at the door. **We need to have the purchases in by Nov.30** 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.

We request that if you are joining us for the Christmas Lunch that you please confirm by making a purchase ASAP to help us get a clear picture of how many are attending.

BY Credit Card: Please follow this link to the Probus Purchase page of our Probus WRSS website:

-----> [Purchase Christmas Lunch Tickets](#) <-----

Click on the Christmas Lunch image below the Website Banner on the Left of the screen

Select 1 or 2 Tickets

Click add to cart,

Click View cart,

Click Checkout and follow the secure CC payment process that follows.

If your paying by Cheque: Please mail your Cheque to:

Bruce Sinclair

5344 Spetifore Crescent,
Delta, BC V4M 4H6

After you place the order your purchase will be confirmed by email from the website. No physical tickets will be given out. When you arrive at the luncheon we will check off your name on our master list. If you have a problem contact Jamie at jfear@telus.net

There are a limited number of seats available so do not leave to the last minute.

Regards,

Your Management Committee

Connections

Bill Jones is handling the leadership of the Connections committee.

Activities

Appies Social Group

The White Rock/South Surrey Probus club has initiated a monthly co-ed "Appies Social Group". Both couples and singles are welcome to participate. Both couples and singles are welcome to participate.

Time: 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Where: Food: You must bring one shareable appetizer, enough for 10 or 12 people. Bring your own plates and cutlery.

Drinks: BYOB including glasses.

Rules: 1) Take your leftover food and drinks home. 2) Meet people. 3) Have fun!

Anyone wishing to take part should reply to Bob Pedersen

at bob_pedersen@shaw.ca or by phone at 604-535-0272. Please also advise if you are willing to host an event and, if so, how many people you can accommodate.

Where: Members' homes, gardens, patios, back yards, common rooms, etc.

Suggested sizes of groups: 10, 12, and/or 20, depending on the size of the venue and the total number of guests attending.

Hosts: Hosting is optional, but encouraged. Hosts will be given ample notice of who their guests will be.

Signing up: There will be a sign-up sheet for the upcoming event at each monthly Probus meeting. You will be notified by phone four or five days before the event as to whose home you will be attending.

Rules: 1) No “trading” of houses is allowed. 2) Take your leftover food and drinks home with you. 3) Meet people. 4) Have fun!

Please advise which month you are willing to host, and also an alternate month.

Bridge Group

Dick Baker, Coordinator 604-536-4734

Al Zemrau, Assistant Coordinator

Calling all bridge players.

If you play bridge this is an important announcement.

Evening Bridge (Ongoing)

- As you are aware, Dick Baker has organized and run a Probus Bridge Group for YEARS and YEARS. Unfortunately, Covid sidelined group play for the past many months, but now that everyone has had 3-4 or 5 vaccine shots, bridge is about to begin again.
- In speaking with Dick the other day, he has indicated that evening bridge, at the Peninsula, may start soon. The atmosphere is casual as we play and enjoy a beverage and the occasional treat.
- We need to know if you are interested in joining the Evening Bridge group.
 - PLEASE **phone Dick** and/or email myself if you wish to play evenings once a week.

2. Afternoon Bridge (New)

- This is a new Group activity. Recently, Henry Lazar and myself met to discuss the prospect of starting a weekly afternoon bridge group.
- We need to know how many people would attend before selecting a location.
- **Please email me** if you have an interest in playing afternoon bridge once a week.

Cheers,

Al Zemrau azemrau@shaw.ca

Walking Groups

Probus Walking Group

Our Probus Walking Group welcomes all levels of walking ability.

You can expect a variety of enjoyable walks once a week. Walks start at 10:00 am and typically last 45 to 75 minutes. Walks incorporate great comradery and always end with coffee.

Monthly walking schedules are issued to registered members of the “Probus Walking Group”.

Please email Al Zemrau, Coordinator to have your name added to the distribution list.

PROBUS - Walking Group - Outings 2022

This Walking Group is designed to accommodate the “fitter” walker - those individuals who can walk 10+ km, navigate the occasional hill, and elevations up to 500 feet. More challenging walks, selected by the group, take us throughout the lower Mainland.

Routes, dates, and times vary.

Currently collecting expressions of interest in walking Buntzen Lake – 10+ kms complete with small rolling hills.

Contact Al Zemrau, Coordinator directly to have your name added to the distribution list.

All walks start at 10:00 am sharp, rain or shine.

Contact: Al Zemrau if you have questions.

Several important things to communicate including a onetime excursion:

- At the suggestion of several regulars we are introducing a onetime dual walking option for Sunday Nov. 13th. See details below.
- o Option A – Co-ed - bus and rail into Vancouver to walk through parks and around False Creek. This will take approximately 3 hours.
- 📧 Please email me if you intend to take this option.
- o Option B – Serpentine Fenn
- If you have any suggestions for improving future walks, in any way, please let me know. We are an adventurous and flexible lot. 😊

Walk #	Day	Date	Description	Meeting Location
273	Sunday (Option A)	13-Nov	Co-ed and All Regulars - Bus and Light Rail into Vancouver to Olympic Village - Walk around False Creek to Granville Island. Lunch/Coffee and return.	Meet at South Surrey Park and Ride @ 9:30am
274	Sunday (Option B)	13-Nov	Serpentine Fenn	Pking area on KG near bridge
275	Sunday	20-Nov	Semiahmoo Trail	On street behind Dairy Queen on 152st & 20ave
276	Sunday	27-Nov	Nicomekl Floodplain Trail (Langley)	Portage Park 203st & 52ave Langley

Cheers 🚶🏻‍♂️,
 Al Zemrau, Coordinator
 Probus Walking Group

Wanderers Walking Group (WWG)

This Walking Group is designed to accommodate the “fitter” walker - those individuals who can walk 10+ km, navigate the occasional hill, and elevations up to 500 feet. More challenging walks, selected by the group, take us throughout the lower Mainland.

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Mixed Walking Group

Here are the walks for November. In view of the season and the potential for inclement weather, please check your emails on Sunday mornings prior to the walk. Based on the weather at that time, the walking portion of the outing may be cancelled or delayed. An opportunity to still gather together for coffee and conversation will be offered including the meeting place. IN that case we will meet later, likely at 10:30.

Nov 6 - Sunnyside Acres Urban Forest. The meeting place will be SS Ice Rink Parking lot by tennis courts (2199 148th Street.)

Nov 13 - Tynehead Park. We will meet in the parking lot off 168 Street North of 96th on the west side

Nov 20 - Crescent Beach. We will meet in front of the Beecher Street Washrooms.

Nov 27 - Campbell Valley Park. Entrance is off 16th Ave at about 204th.

All walks begin at 10:00 am. See you there.

Investment Group

Our Probus Investment Discussion Group meets monthly to discuss stock, bond, and real estate investments. This group will be of particular interest to those who manage their own investments. Sharing our collective knowledge with each other is the cornerstone of the IDG.

Current macroeconomic conditions are discussed and Hypothetical RIF and TFSA portfolios reviewed and analyzed. Group discussion leaders include: Gerry Burns, Damon Bowman, and Ken Maycock.

The IDG meets the third Tuesday of every month at 10:00 am at the Crescent Housing Society. Coffee and donuts make the conversations easy and friendly.

Contact Al Zemrau, Coordinator for more information.

Book Club Group

Presently 6 of us meet every second Tuesday @ 10:00am. Once a month we discuss a book and once a month each of us pick the topic for discussion. At this time we are on Zoom every second Tuesday. Contact Bill Jones at bjones17@shaw.ca 604-328-5360

Wednesday Morning Coffee Hour:

Wednesday Morning Coffee Hour – The Roadhouse
Coffee hour has moved to the private room at the Roadhouse House. 1781 King George Blvd. Call to get set up. 604-531-3167
Bill Jones

Monday Evening Coffee 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. wacinbc@gmail.com
Time: Every week on Mon, Bill Carlson sends the Zoom invite out each Friday with the weekly events reminder.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81189822438?pwd=QVJEWjVsdXRSZ2F0ekRzU2x1LzRxdz09>

Meeting ID: 811 8982 2438
Passcode: 134435

Golf Group

See you next year.

The Probus Club Golf Group is a group of members who have identified a desire to take part in some golf activity with other members during the summer months, or at least be made aware of the current and ongoing golfing activities, even though they may not actively participate on a regular basis. Being part of the Golf Group does not require any member to participate in any of the events. No costs are involved in being part of the Golf Group. Costs are incurred only when members participate in a specific event, i.e. green fees, cart fees, etc.

The normal golf day is the 4th Thursday of each month [identified on the Club Activities Calendar], with group members being advised of each event approx. 2-3 weeks in advance by the coordinator, with follow-up calls for involvement up to a few days before the event. The 'go-to' location has become Nico Wynd Golf Course in recent years, however for 2022 that has been altered somewhat due to major on-site re-construction of the clubhouse which has hampered the usual social gatherings following golf; as a result we have begun attending at other local course which offer 9 hole bookings.

Any Probus Club member wishing to take part in the Golf Group activities or at least being placed on the mailing list, should contact the coordinator, Frank Palmer [604-535-8300], email frank@fgpalmer.com. at any time.

In addition to the regular 9 hole golf activities, a new venture has been undertaken in the form of playing in local Par 3 courses with in addition to or in lieu of participation in the regular 9 hole events. This activity is currently being organized by Rob Leeson, with at least one event already concluded. Those with an interest should contact Rob Leeson, whose contact information may be found in the Probus Club Directory.

Anyone wishing to become part of this activity should contact the coordinator, Frank Palmer, at frank@fgpalmer.com

Pub Night

Our Pub Night for November, will be at the Ocean Park Village Pub on Thursday November 19 at 6:00 PM.

Pub Night for October was on October 20th at the Tap & Barrel on 152nd St. with 20 attending. I did a survey of everyone who attended that function, to see what the reaction was as to its suitability, compared to Ocean Park Village Pub {OPP}. Of the 20 who attended, 15 responded to the survey. The results were as follows:

LOCATION/CONVENIENCE - most found it **BETTER** than OPP; slightly fewer split between EQUAL & WORSE.

ATMOSPHERE - most found it **EQUAL** to OPP; slightly less found it WORSE; fewer said BETTER.

NOISE LEVEL - most found it **WORSE** than OPP; fewer found it EQUAL; only one said BETTER.

SERVICE - most found it **EQUAL** to OPP; slightly fewer split between BETTER & WORSE.

MENU OPTIONS - most found it **POORER** than OPP; slightly fewer split between BETTER & EQUAL.

FOOD QUALITY - even split between **EQUAL & POORER**; slightly fewer found it BETTER than OPP.

SERVING SIZES - most found it **EQUAL** to OPP; fewer split between BETTER & WORSE.

TIMELINESS OF DELIVERY - most found it **EQUAL** to OPP; fewer split between BETTER & WORSE.

PRICES - even split between **EQUAL TO & POORER** than OPP; none found it BETTER

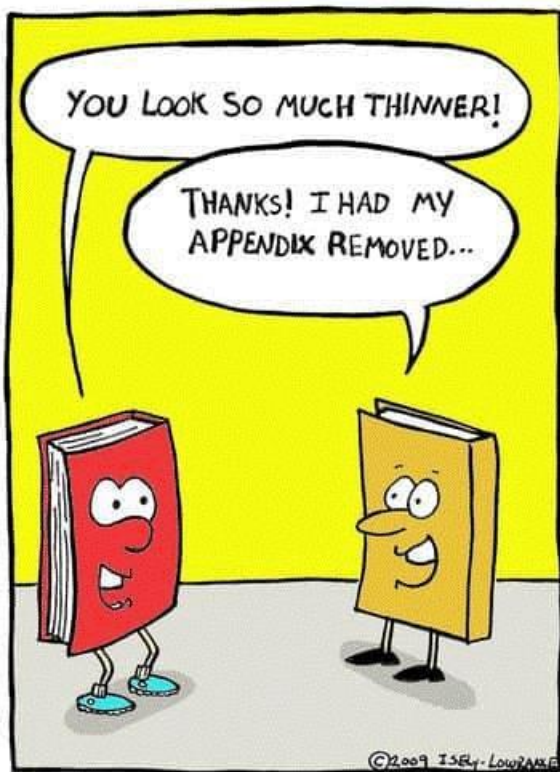
RETURN IN FUTURE - vast majority said **ONCE IN A WHILE**; a few said ALTERNATE WITH OPP

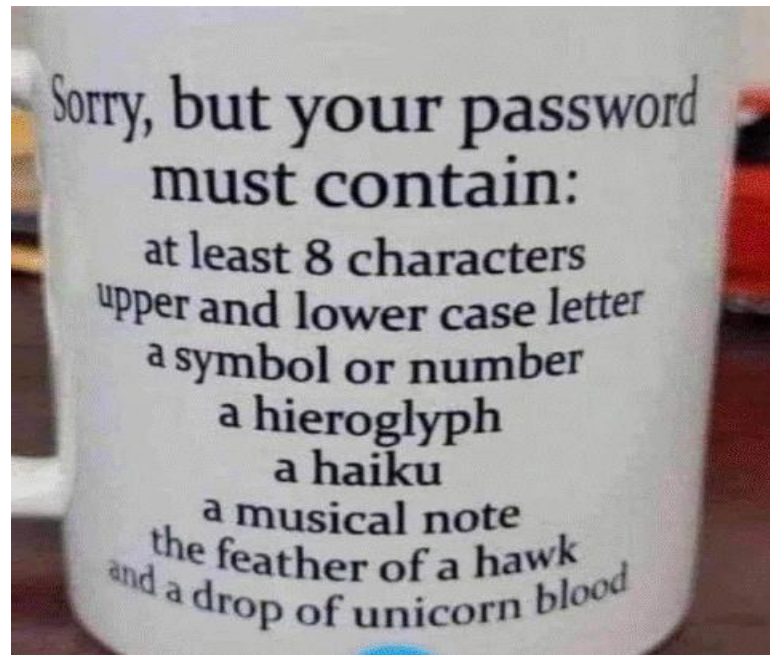
It seems reasonably clear to me that as a whole, the group found the Tap & Barrel okay as a venue but there is a strong preference for the Ocean Park Pub. As a result, we will not go back to the Tap & Barrel for some time but we will go again, once in a while. Our go-to location will remain the Ocean Park Pub, where we will go for the next few months.

The Ocean Park location has been tentatively booked for Thursday, December 15th for a Pub Night event. I would like to hear if any would NOT attend on that date because of its proximity to Christmas. If the potential numbers are very low, Pub Night for December will be cancelled. Get a note to me or speak to me about this if you can.

I hope to see most of you at Ocean Park Village Pub on Thursday, November 17th.

Smile and Chuckles





If I waited until I had all my ducks in a row, I'd never get across the street. Sometimes you just have to gather up what you've got and make a run for it.

- Judge Lynn Turner
@thegravillzone | #thegravillzone



Life is short...be the girl on the left...

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**Some days
I amaze myself.**

**Other days, I put my
keys in the fridge.**

I FOUND A BOOK CALLED
HOW TO SOLVE 50% OF
YOUR PROBLEMS. SO, I
BOUGHT TWO.

Friends have a way of speaking without words.

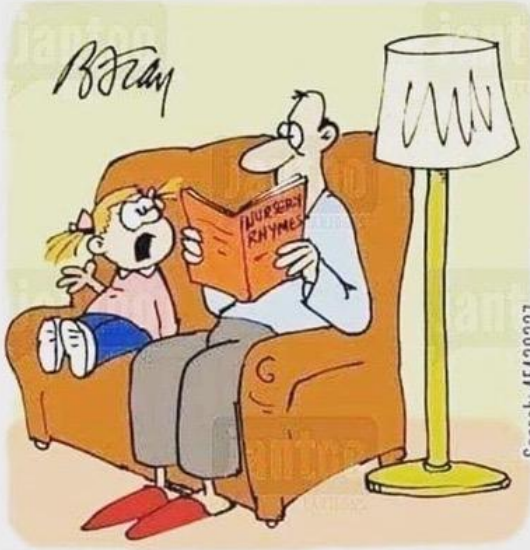
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