

May 2020 Newsletter

PROBUS CLUB OF WHITE ROCK & SOUTH SURREY General Meeting Wednesday May 13, 2020

Zoom Meeting NO. 1

Our first Zoom meeting had an attendance of **forty-two members**. We at the management Committee thought this was an excellent turnout. Feedback from those who attended was very positive and there were few problems getting online. The software was accessible and easy to use to most. Our very own Ross Leeder made an engaging presentation concerning coal. See below for more about the presentation.



Going forward we intend to continue with Zoom sessions at our regular meeting date and time: 10 am second Wednesday of every month. Our intrepid Speakers Chair, George Garrett is working on arranging some excellent speakers and truthfully since speakers do not have to travel to our area Zoom has broadened their availability. Our next meeting on June 10 will feature Wally Oppal who needs no introduction and I am sure will be well attended. As we get closer to that date, you will receive more information and of course the link via email to attend the Zoom session. **That link is sent out a day or two before the session. Keep your**

eyes open for the link you don't want to be looking for it just before the session starts.

Brian Sullivan
President

Probus Covid 19 Recovery plan

Presentation by Steve Banham, MC Special Projects Chair

President Brian Sullivan initiated a sub group of the Management Committee to consider how we may start to reopen Probus activities suspended due to the Covid virus. At the Club's monthly meeting held on 13th May Steve Banham coordinator of the sub group summarized the plans agreed by the Management Committee for the re-opening of various activities



Steve confirmed that the overall direction will be to follow the restrictions and Guidelines provided by the Provincial Health Officer and the BC Centre for Disease Control. We will also consider the direction taken by similar groups such as other Probus Clubs and walking groups. We continue to monitor the situation as it evolves.

-The Connections group is up and running using the phone to contact all members

The following groups may meet using Zoom:

- the Book Club
- the Investment discussion group
- the monthly Management Committee
- the monthly meetings

The Golf group have been given the go ahead provided that Social distancing is observed and no meeting for lunch afterward. Golf Courses also have specific rules for play and group bookings. These place further restrictions on playing.

The Walking group has been specifically excluded from the Province's phase 2,

All the following groups continue to be suspended until further notice:

- the Pub group
- Tours and Visitations

- Movie and Pizza
- Dine and Theatre

The Bridge Group operates independently of the Probus Club and for information on its status please contact its Coordinator.

Preparations for the **Bar-B-Q** and the **Christmas lunch** are being held in abeyance for the time being. Both require substantial lead times.



First Speaker Via ZOOM: Club Member **Ross Leeder** made an engaging presentation concerning coal. As a real expert in the industry he certainly influenced many of us to reconsider coal's importance in the world and to reassess its image as "dirty coal". I encourage those who did not see the talk to read it, its not long and is very informative. We are grateful to Ross for serving as our first speaker and helping us sort out using Zoom.

Topic: COAL IS IT "DIRTY" OR "BEAUTIFUL AND CLEAN"

To View Ross's presentation in PDF format Click here: [COAL, dirty or clean?](#)



Probus Connections Leadership Change

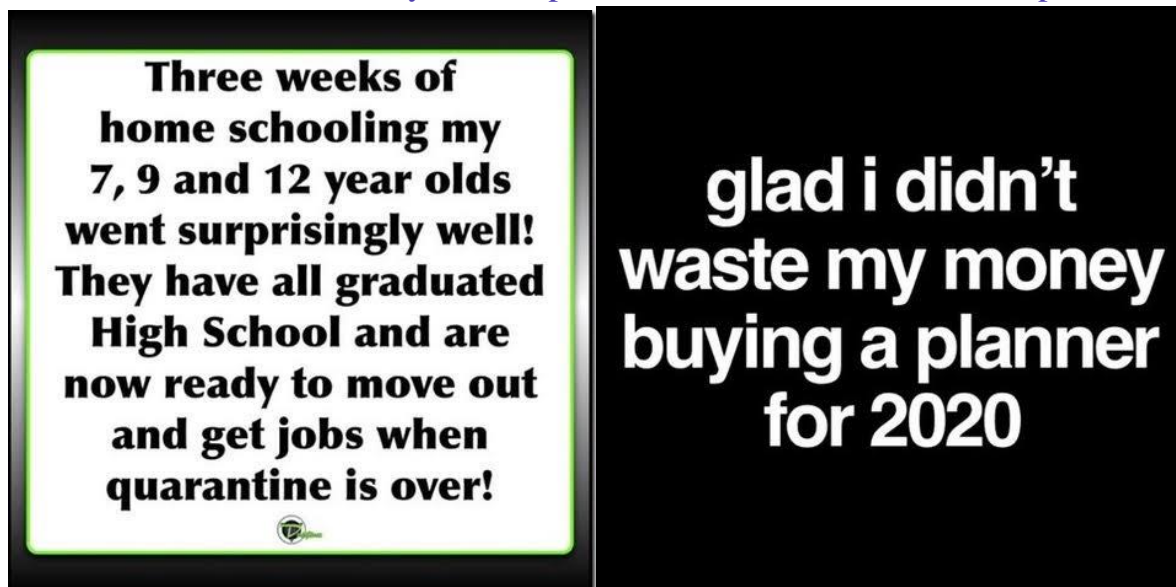
Bill Jones has passed on the Leadership of Probus Connections to **David Bruce**. Thanks to David for agreeing to take on this important Job and thanks to Bill for creating the Connections Group and making it such a success. Bill will remain a member of the Connections Team.

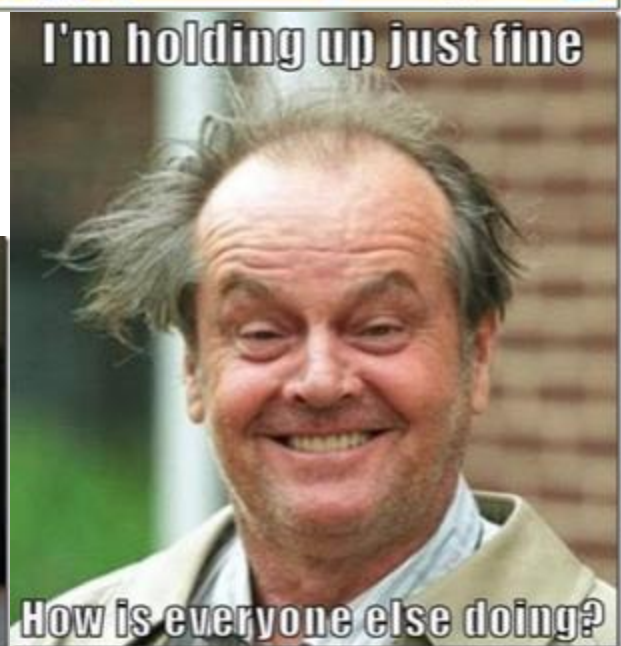


Quote of the Month

Smiles and Chuckles

You may have to pause the slideshow to read the captions





**The toilet paper truck
rolling up to Walmart**



**QUARANTINE DAY 20:
TODAY, I MELTED AN
ICE CUBE WITH MY
MIND JUST BY STARING
AT IT. IT TOOK A LOT
LONGER THAN I
THOUGHT IT WOULD.**

**All those
grandparents who are
missing their grand
kids right now. Once
this is over you can
have them for a
month. Sincerely, a
tired mom.**