



South Muskoka

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Virtual AGM

Annual General Meeting

**August
Monthly
Newsletter**

**Our virtual meeting via Zoom August 5th
Gathering at 9:45AM Starting at 10:00AM**

Following COVID-19 precautionary guidelines.

Bios and Passions: Annual General Meeting Business

Our August Virtual: Graydon Smith Mayor of Bracebridge

Care Bear:

Please remember that if you know of a member who might appreciate a word of encouragement, get well wishes, or a condolence message, contact

Cathy Collard 705 646-8848 or cathy_collard@live.ca

..Dear South Muskoka PROBUS Members,

For our upcoming Virtual Annual General Meeting on August 5th, we offer some tips on making the most of this meeting. I expect some of you have already used ZOOM with Family or maybe some business or with the Investment Club.

It would be best to download the ZOOM program well before the meeting, in case you run into difficulties. You can find the download at zoom.us remember to download the correct version for your computer. ZOOM is free, with 40 minutes available. If you want more time, you have to purchase that service. For our meeting, we have paid the fee, so we can go as long as we like. We will be limiting the meeting to about 90 minutes.

In the coming days, you will receive a message from Ralph Webbe, inviting you to the ZOOM meeting. When you click on the link in that message, you will be (after a minute or two) placed into a "Waiting Room". This is to prevent a stranger from entering our meeting. Ralph will bring you into the meeting. That may take a minute or two, so be patient.

We plan on letting people join in at about 9:45, where depending on the number of people, you can socialize for a few minutes. Once you are in the meeting, please keep your microphone on mute, unless in a conversation. Background noise can be very distracting and disruptive.

Please turn-on your Video, so we can see you. If you are on a computer, you will see in the upper right corner "Gallery View", this is a nice function, as about 25 of our members will be seen per page. You can scroll through the pages of attendees, using an arrow on the right side of the screen.

At 10:00 we will start the actual meeting, with the National Anthem. We will follow the basic format for the meeting, as best we can.

Since we decided to run this during our May Management Committee Meeting, we may have a few hiccups, so bear with us.

If you run into problems downloading ZOOM or want to do a dry run, give one of your management members a call for assistance.

Best Regards and Stay Safe,

Your Management Committee

PRESIDENT's Message for August 2020,

Members of South Muskoka PROBUS,

Judging by the number of COVID cases in Muskoka, I trust everyone is in good health. With our seasonal residents/guests back in our area, it is a relief that we have not experienced a sudden rise in cases.

Well, I must say that this has been one interesting term to serve as your president. I look forward to leading our Club out of the pandemic and seeing everyone, face to face. I hope that everyone will continue to support our efforts through ZOOM and those members that have not yet joined in, will consider stepping into the world of Virtual Meetings.

And speaking of our meetings, as you know, our August general meeting is our Annual General Meeting (AGM). The business portion of this meeting is relatively short, then we have a very interesting speaker, which you can read about below.

I hope to see everyone on Wednesday August 5th.

Take care,

Paul Kuebler, President

PROBUS Club of South Muskoka

THANK YOU FOR KEEPING US SAFE



Over 40,000 seniors who gather in friendship and learning in the 256 PROBUS clubs across Canada want to express our heartfelt appreciation to the front line and essential workers keeping us safe during the current pandemic.

Our thanks to all members of the medical community who are placing themselves at risk, those who provide the services to keep our homes functioning, and those who maintain the food supply chain without which we could not survive. Our thanks also to the combined efforts of every level of government and the companies who have collaborated to ease the financial burdens faced by so many at this time.

You make us incredibly proud and grateful to be Canadians

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for further information www.probus.org

A Really Big, Very Important Notice!!!

Hello dear members! It's now summer time, (yes summer time!) and on behalf of our club membership, your nominating committee is planning for the 2020-2021 Management team.

This is a group of fellow members who share great camaraderie with each other, enjoying the fun, fellowship, and planning for a wonderful social club like ours and we need your help!!

Please consider stepping up to join us to administer the functions of the club for another fun, active, and social year. We would really appreciate having someone be the 'Social Outings Chairperson' and someone be the 'Special Interests Chairperson'. This is your opportunity to join a dynamic team, working enthusiastically on behalf of our club, with the benefit of getting to know so many in our membership. In addition your fellow management team members are always there to assist you in any way they can.

Looking forward to your support with thanks. Please contact me if you can help!!

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Membership



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Special Interest Groups are a very important social component of our Probus Group, however, since we are not meeting, we will not be holding a Special Interest Fair in September, as we usually do. I had mentioned that we may try to do this over Zoom, and we have decided to get things back up and running after our General Probus Group is meeting in person, once again. See you over Zoom for our General Meetings! Thanks, Pat

Special Interest Groups

Event & Place	Date & Time	Coordinator
Armchair Travel James St Retirement Residence		Ted Daghish 705-765-0330 daghish@muskoka.com
Computer Group 503 - 10A Kimberley Ave		Ralph Webbe 705-788-1254 ralphwebbe@gmail.com
Crafters Circle 34 Meadow Heights Dr		Shirley Stafford 705 646-8949 sisathome@outlook.com
Dine & Unwind		Margaret McLaren 705-645-1015 mpmclaren@sympatico.ca
Dynamic Diners		John Vellinga 705-644-4453 jmvellinga@sympatico.ca
Film Buff Group		Kevin McAllindon 705-684-8456 kmcallindon1@cogeco.ca
Friendly Foodies		Marg Vellinga 705 637 0452 jmvellinga@sympatico.ca
History and Current Affairs Nicks Restaurant		Paul Kuebler 416 560-1802 paulkueber@icloud.com
Hooked on Books - Nick's Restaurant		New Coordinator Needed
Investment Club James St. Retirement Residence	ZOOM meeting August 10th at 10 am. If you are interested in participating or just observing, contact Paul Kuebler	David Low 705-646-8798 djlow@vianet.ca
Movie Night - Norwood Theatre Your Movie Choice		Jan Sharman 705 646-1398 janet.sharman@gmail.com
New & Views Nick's Restaurant		Barb Rigby 705-646-2150 brigby@outlook.com
Probus Games South Muskoka Curling Club		Don & Mildred Edwards 705-646-0013 donmil@sympatico.ca
Strolling Club		Coordinator needed

Social Outings

As I mentioned previously, all outings are cancelled except the Distillery Market on Tuesday, December 15 cost \$60.00. Hammond Travel have cancelled all discounts at this time. If you are interested, please let me know. No money is needed at this time. There is still a possibility it may be cancelled. We need to wait and see what happens with Covid 19.

I thought, I would explain why all outings are cancelled beside the obvious reason, even though we are in stage 3.

Jamie Doolittle, President of PROBUS Canada communicated to all Clubs the following. If something was to happen, our insurance would not cover our members, our management committee nor the PROBUS as a whole. The risk may not only be the claim itself, but the thousands of dollars in legal fees. We will not resume ANY face to face activities under the PROBUS banner, until the Emergency Rules are COMPLETELY lifted.

Please consider chairing the Social Outings or writing about our outings for the Newsletter.

This month we have a virtual outing. Hope you enjoy it. For those who missed the Honda tour last year, this gives you an idea of what you would have seen. Enjoy!!!!

Sister Act

Because of restrictions due to COVID-19, The Huntsville Festival of Arts and The Algonquin Theatre have decided to move the presentation of "Sister Act" to April 2021. We had a block of 18 seats for a performance on September 20, 2020, this has now been re-booked for The 2:00 pm Matinee, Sunday April 18, 2021.

I will post a notice for the January newsletter and follow up with the Theatre at that time.

Virtual Social Outing This Month: A Tesla plant video
<https://www.youtube.com/embed/8IfxPI5ObM?rel=0>

Tuesday Dec 15 2020: Distillery Market by Hammond Travel at \$60.00.

For more information look up our web sites
<https://sites.google.com/site/smprobus/> for our club and
www.probus.org for our national body

Management Team for 2019 – 2020

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Front row(Left to Right): Cathy Collard, Petie Thickett, Ralph Webbe, Ghislaine Laferriere, Jan Davidson, Bev Hyatt, Ginny Medland, Pat Kuebler, Paul Kuebler
 Back row(Left to Right) Doug Harris,Christine Wilde



Bus Trip with Muskoka Travel
Bus leaves Walmart at 9:10 AM
arrives at the district at 1:00 PM
Departs at 6:00 PM
Dinner stop at 7:30PM

***Members will also be able
to walk to the
St Lawrence Market***



Dress warm

Sign up through email to Ghislaine

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and send cheques to Ralph Webbe

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