



**Our Annual Winery Tour,  
is at the Chaberton Estate Winery!**



**August 18th, 2022**

**At Noon!**

**Enjoy a Tasting 'Flight' of wines as you eat your picnic lunch at one of the umbrella covered picnic tables. *See page 7 for details***

**PLEASE NOTE!**

**Car pooling is recommended!**



# Probus Club of Maple Ridge

## President's Message and Program



Sam Lewindon, President

### Our Probus Summer Activities Continue!

Given the doubtful weather conditions at the start to this year's Outdoor Summer Activity schedule, there was a concern that we may have to cancel some events, however, we have fortunately been able to complete most of our planned activities. As the monthly General Meetings have been cancelled for July and August the Outdoor events are planned to maintain member contact. Our club's 'Special Interest Groups'; Coffee Morning, Lunch Group, Dining Group and Wine Club activities which were to have been put on hold for the summer, have, by popular demand, been continued for July and August! This opportunity to meet in person has certainly been appreciated by our members. Of course, safety precautions are still in effect and everyone is following the necessary guidelines.

The Annual Probus '**Picnic in the Park**' was a great success! With 24 members showing up at Maple Ridge Park, on July 20th. Arriving with chairs, a lunch and a beverage, the fun and games began with a Bean Bag toss, a game of 'Boule's' and 'Pick-up-sticks'. Following lunch, a quiz on 'Celebrity Names' had members racking their brains. The weather was perfect and the riverside setting kept everyone cool. A great outdoor event!

A visit to the **Emerald Pig production of 'As you Like It'**, performed at the Memorial Park bandstand on July 22nd, completed our activities for July.

Our summer activities continue in August with the Annual Winery Tour, which will take place on **August 18th**, at noon, at the **Chaberton Estate Winery** in Langley, further details will be found on page 7 of this newsletter, sign-up is by email. Also planned is a tour of the recently renovated **Pitt Meadows Airport, YPK, on Wednesday August 10th, at 11am**, more information on that excursion is on page 7, so get ready to 'sign-up' for these activities NOW!

*August rain, the best of the summer gone, and the new fall not yet born. Sylvia Plath*



## **Tea for Me**

My mouth waters at the very prospect. A perfect cup of tea is a work of art, and its beauty definitely lies in the eyes of the beholder. For me the secret ingredients are the right creamy milk and the exact strength to colour it just so.

In the morning, when I wake up my first thought is - the tea I am about to enjoy. My dearest friend, who happens to be my husband, will deposit my elixir from the heavens at my bedside upon hearing my waking rustle.

I will carefully clear a space on my night table in anticipation. The kettle slowly rumbles to a bubbling crescendo, as I follow the sounds of his morning movements. The cup clunks to the counter as the cupboard door slaps shut. A 'thunk' of the tea caddy lid, and the spoon diving into my cup to perform its washer-like agitation that teases the essence from my tea bag. Then the fridge door will slap, and the jug of milk will release just the right amount of milk as he stirs vigorously to insist on the correct proportions. Then the slurp of a chef testing his creation, and voila!

That first sip paints a smile on my sleepy lips. The cascade of creamy tea washes my awakening body with well-being, and sets me on my way to a new day.

With a start like this to my day, is there any wealth in the world that can compete?

*Michaela O'Doherty*



## **The Second Annual Probus 'Picnic in the Park', at Maple Ridge Park**



The second offering of our Annual Picnic was a great success. With a perfectly sunny day, 24 members attended the event. This location has a setting on the Alouette River, with picnic areas, washrooms, a playground, and a host of old growth trees to provide dappled shade.

The games portion of the 'Fun and Games' promised, consisted of a Bean Bag Toss, a more energetic game of 'Boules' and Croquet. An option to play Pick-up-sticks was also offered. As this was a 'Bring your Own' event, lunches and favourite beverages were next on the agenda. As lunch was being digested, a quiz on guessing the actual names of Celebrities was conducted - with varying levels of success!!

All in all, a very successful day at the park ensued.

The general comment heard was; "Same again next year".



## Member Happenings

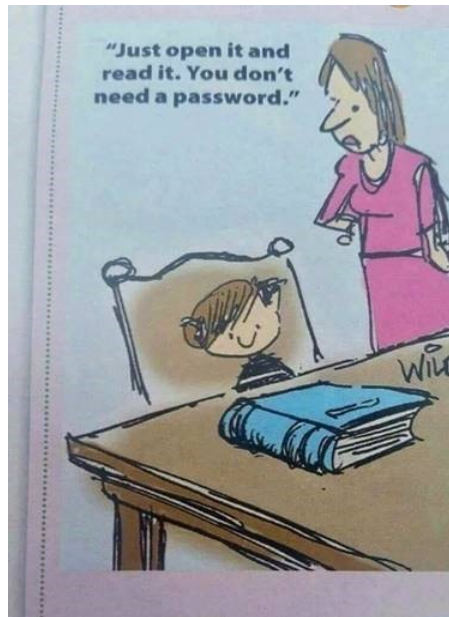
### The Second Annual Probus Picnic, Maple Ridge Park



*A great time was had by all!*



## Monthly Mirth



Pee on the electric fence  
they said...  
It will be fun they said...



climate change hits New York



A guy walks into a lumberyard and asks for some two-by-fours. The clerk asks, "How long do you need them?" The guy answers, "A long time. We're gonna build a house."



## Messages, Notices and Information

### **Pitt Meadows Airport Tour, YPK**

Wednesday August 10th at 11am.

Explore the newly re-opened Airport facility  
at Pitt Meadows.

Sign up now; samlewindon@gmail.com

### **Don't miss our Annual Winery Tour!**

**Thursday August 18th, at Noon**

**Chaberton Estate Winery**

1064 216th St, Langley

Enjoy a \$12. 'Flight' of four wines to taste as  
you eat your picnic lunch on one of the many  
umbrella covered tables at this popular winery!

Car pooling is recommended!

**Sign up Now!**

**Contact Sam at;**  
**samlewindon@gmail.com**

### **Origin of the Phrase:**

#### **Cat got your tongue?**

**Definition:** A question thrown to a  
person when they don't seem to know  
what to say.

**Origin:** One of the possible sources  
for this phrase is the cat-o'-nine-tails,  
a whip used for flogging in the English  
Navy.

Being whipped caused severe pain  
that the victim would stay mute for an  
extended time. A second possible  
origin is ancient Egypt where people  
would cut out blasphemers' and liars'  
tongues and feed them to the cats!

### **Probus in-person 'Coffee Morning'**

***First Wednesday of the month, at 10am***

***Next meeting: August 3rd***

**The Maple Ridge Music Society presents**

### **A FIELD CONCERT**

Sunday August 28, 6.30 pm

**Westacres**

23575 124 Ave.

Maple Ridge BC

(in Josine Eikelenboom's hay field)

The performers are:  
One2 Trio plus a guest, on trumpet, horn,  
sax and trombone.

Admission \$30.-  
Reservation 604 467-3162

Refreshments after the concert,  
Mosquito repellent available, (if needed)

Please bring your own lawn chair!

*Why an admission fee? These are professional mu-  
sicians and it's their much-needed income! Please  
support the Art, Covid has been hard on it.*

### **"Groaner" of the Month:**

**What's the difference between a  
poorly dressed man on a bicycle,  
and a nicely dressed man on a  
tricycle?  
Attire.**