

Milton Probus Pulse



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Next Meeting: Wednesday, Dec. 7th, 2022 @ 10:45 A.M. at Granite Ridge Golf Course

Please note that our January meeting will be delayed until the second Wednesday, January 11th 2023

December Greeters will be William Scarrow and Henry Popp

From the President: (William Scarrow 905-878-7176; billy@scarrow.ca)



FROM WILLIAM SCARROW, PRESIDENT

This year (and 2020 and 2021) witnessed a public health upheaval comparable to the 1918 flu and the polio outbreak in the 50's, the latter culminating with the development of a polio vaccine that has almost eradicated the disease. Unfortunately, the Covid vaccines have not been as successful. The current vaccines have however, allowed us to return to a new normal this year. We as management, continue to follow Covid events and have updated our Covid protocols to a list that I can write on the back of my hand. We hope this trend will continue. However, we must remain vigilant for negative changes.

The year started with Zoom General Meetings up to and including the AGM in April where the current management was sworn in. Time flies. Management has already started the process of identifying those in management due to retire and to be replaced with new blood.

Will you participate in management? We would like to hear from you.

Get ready, the Christmas gala, the first since 2019 is coming December 7. At last count, about 80 members will be attending. Heddy Wright, our Special Events Director that took on the lead planner job for the gala, has done a remarkable job, with help and input from our other Special Events Director, Darlene Scarrow, and all other management members. We hope to see you there.

Management met Monday November 21 and reviewed speakers for the coming year, which are already planned up to May, the website changes and improvements made, but most importantly the Christmas luncheon. Future agenda items include the possibility of moving to cashless for all Probus events and other financial transactions. The benefits of cashless are the written trail left with cheques and E transfers, and the elimination of the possibility of a physical loss, which can occur when using cash.

And remember

Quoted from Shirley Mathews our then president, one year ago:

“OUR STRENGTH IS IN FELLOWSHIP, OUR SUCCESS IS IN PARTICIPATION”



If you know who these folks are, you are as old as am I.

A presentation slide with a black border. The text on the slide reads:

It's Renewal Time!

The Christmas luncheon is an opportunity to renew your Probus Membership for 2023. Alice and Nancy will welcome you with an opportunity to pay your \$50 annual fee (January to December). Please have a cheque addressed to [The Probus Club of Milton](#)

OR consider an e-transfer sent to miltonprobustreasurer@gmail.com
We'll have a cheque list and a thank you smile

You can do this ahead of time too!

In the foreground, there is a stylized illustration of an audience of nine people sitting in rows of seats, viewed from behind. The people have various colored hair and are wearing simple clothing.

FROM WILLIAM SCARROW YOUR PRESIDENT

Covid Safety precautions for the December Christmas party and beyond

(There are major changes from November as decided at our November Management meeting after a thorough review)

As a result of the changing Covid environment, including medical advances and the adoption of safety measures by our members and others, we have changed our protocols and many have been deleted.

The adjusted protocols remaining are now guidelines with one major exception: Vaccination requirement for members to attend in person meetings and for new members joining, has been retained. Vaccination boosters for members and new members is strongly recommended but not mandatory.

Updated list.

Do you have Covid symptoms? *(No change)*

Members or others who have any Covid symptoms are requested **NOT** to attend. If unsure, go to COVID-19 self-assessment on the Ontario Ministry of Health website.

Masks *(Change)*

Masks when socially distancing is difficult, for members and others attending a meeting are strongly encouraged especially for those at risk.

Vaccinations *(Change)*

Members and new members are still required to be vaccinated. Booster shots are strongly recommended.

Sanitization *(Deleted)*

Hand sanitizers and masks *(Deleted)*

Hugs and handshakes *(No change)*

Discouraged

Intermingling with other guests *(Change)*

Covid precautions including social distancing recommended.

Seating - chairs and tables *(No change)*

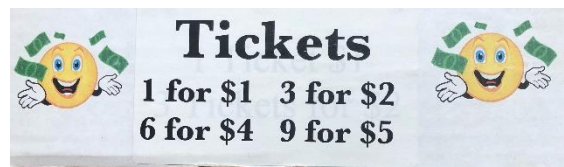
Members are encouraged not to move chairs or tables

Microphones *(deleted)*

Questions from members *(deleted)*

Share the wealth *(No change)*

Exact change only Please



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT AND YOUR TREASURER

MEMBER PAYMENTS FOR DUES AND OTHER EVENTS

Our Club official name is
THE PROBUS CLUB OF MILTON

It is not
Probus Milton or Milton Probus or some other variation.

Just like my official name is William, NOT Bill as I am often called, this is important when preparing documents including cheques for events and dues.

Our Club banker, TD Canada Trust has lately been strict about the payee name on your cheques and has rejected some cheque deposits made by Alice, our treasurer. This rejection has resulted in additional work for her of as she has been required to obtain replacement cheques from you or an initialed payee change on the cheque rejected.

So, when making cheque remittances, please use our official name **AND tell our treasurer** by way of note on or with your remittance, **what cheque is for and who it is for**, if this is not obvious.

Thank you and Alice thanks you even more.

Also, a reminder that our 2023 dues are due December 31. Dues will be collected at the Christmas gala.

William Scarrow your president and Alice

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Somewhere, ST 12345

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Somewhere, ST 12345

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DATE: 2022-11-22

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\$ ***1,000,000.00

One Million Dollars and 0/100 *****

THE PROBUS CLUB OF MILTON DOLLARS

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From Our Program Directors: (Carol Streeter 343-996-7519, streeter.ci@gmail.com
Carole & Brian Budworth 905-878-8545, caroleb42@hotmail.com)

A follow up note from our June Speaker:

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 29th at 10 a.m. –THE LAND DEDICATION AND SIGN RAISING FOR OUR NEW HOSPICE TO BE BUILT TO SERVE ALL IN NORTH HALTON –ACTON, GEORGETOWN and MILTON. It was held at the site location –HILLCREST CHURCH at Five Side Road and Trafalgar Road in Halton Hills. THE SIGNS ARE RAISED and this exciting event moves us forward in reaching our goal. The official campaign has already started and this special day coincides with GIVING TUESDAY. WE ARE MOVING AHEAD!!!!

This is a very exciting time for all of us who have been involved and we appreciate our community support.

LAURIE ANDREWS

From Our Editor: (David Hunt 905-875-0350, david.hunt@cogeco.ca)

Future inclement weather

If you wake up to bad weather on the day of a general meeting or other club function, **check your emails** for a possible notice of cancellation. In the case of a general meeting being cancelled, an email will be sent AND a phone call will also be made by a management committee member to you.

From Our Special Events Directors: (Darlene Scarrow 647-588-7176 darlins@scarrow.ca
Heddy Wright 905-483-6445 wright.heddy@gmail.com)

Upcoming Events:

Bowling January 2023

Organize a team of 4 persons. If there is sufficient interest, I will arrange an afternoon competition at an area bowling alley- probably in Burlington. This will be a fun and active way to start the New Year. We might even have a bowling champion in the club!

Steel Magnolias February 10

We are planning to attend a performance of Steel Magnolias presented by the Milton Players at the Milton Art Centre. Cost is \$29 a ticket (\$58 for 2) I will be accepting payment by cheque or e-transfer at the November meeting. I intend to purchase tickets the third week of November to ensure good seat availability. **.Only paid for tickets will be purchased. No Cash accepted.**

Steel Magnolias is a great book and film. The play is sure to be a great evening of entertainment. Dinner at a restaurant before the performance will be arranged for those interested. This evening will support local venues and our Arts community. Please join us on February 10. for a theatrical evening.

From Our Fellowship Director: (Patricia McIntyre 905-691-3261 pat.mcintyre@sympatico.ca)

Greeting Cards



Dear Probus Members:

If you are aware of a member who is ill, hospitalized or lost a loved one, please advise the Fellowship Team or a member of the Management Committee.

Pat McIntyre.. 905-691-3261 pat.mcintyre@sympatico.ca



Thank you.

Special Interest Groups

1 Bits and Bites (Marlene Murphy 905-659-2288; marlene_murphy@hotmail.com)
(Anne Eadie 905-878-7143 aeadiehome@cogeco.ca)

There has been a lot of interest in the Bits and Bites Appetizer group. We meet the third Thursday of the month from 5 pm to 8 pm. The host for the month indicates how many people they are able to host in their home. Members are then asked if they plan to attend.

Attendance has been higher for the last two months. We have had to divide the group into two, with two members hosting in their homes.

In November Carol Elliot and Anne Eadie hosted.

We welcomed Marjorie Clarke, and David and Angela Hunt to the group. Walter Eadie reminded the group that you cannot sit in the same seat twice; if you get up, you must choose another seat.

It was a fun evening.



Venue 2.

Meanwhile, at Carol Elliott's.

From the line up of men, to the hugging group on the sofa, to the help in the kitchen, a whole lot of visiting was going on. Despite the red wine mishap and Carol's response to avoiding another spill, and the need to bandage a broken glass 'wound', we certainly enjoyed the food and friends at Carol's home in November.



2 Bridge (Ruth Parkinson 416-371-2357; ruth.parkinson@sympatico.ca)



Our November bridge was held at Ruth's with 2 tables. Jean Lillie was the high scorer. We will skip Dec. Bridge and plans for January's are not finalized. Any bridge players are welcome. Please contact Ruth Parkinson.

Happy Birthday Ruth!



3 Canasta (Anna Marie Jones)



The October canasta games were played at the home of Carol Elliott. A fun time was had, and three two game winners were declared. Bill Turnbull, Anne Taylor, and Brian Budworth were our winners. Thanks to Carol for hosting, and providing snacks.



5 Friday Bid Euchre (Joe & Zina Yaworski 905-878-3959; joe_zina@hotmail.com)



November 14th, Friday Bid Euchre games were hosted by Corinne and Bill Turnbull.
It was a rainy , foggy day, PERFECT for playing cards with friends! Throughout the afternoon everyone enjoyed snacking and drinking while making those important decisions on what to bid.
The top three players were very focussed, Bonnie Chapman, Carol Elliott and Bob Streeter. Bob also had a MOON.
The December games will be hosted by Zina and Joe Yaworski.

6 Wednesday Bid Euchre (Myra Faichnie 905-878-6615; billmyra@sympatico.ca)



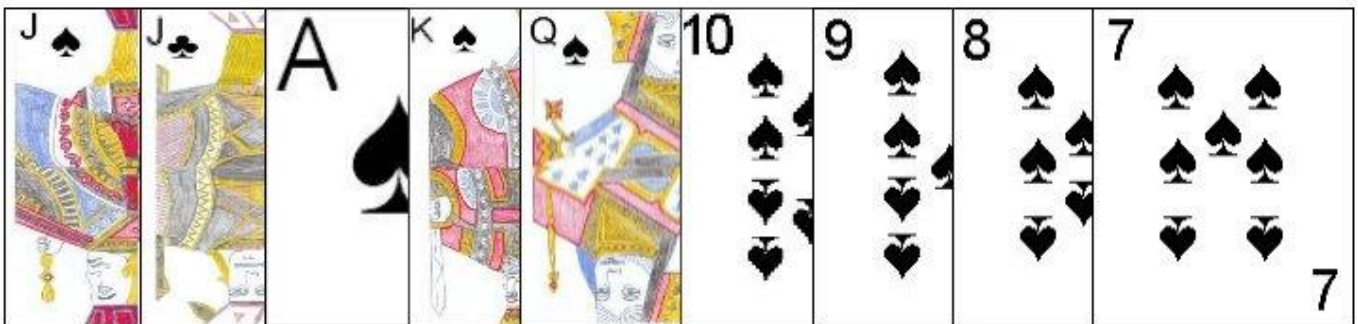
Results of our Wednesday afternoon Bid Euchre games are as follows:

In October we were hosted by the Lynns. Tom Jones had high score of 178 followed closely by Dan Reid at 175 and Anna Marie Jones with 166.

Diane Mitchell hosted the November game. Linda Reid & Tom Jones tied for first with a score of 177 and Myra Faichnie was close behind with a score of 170.

The next game, January 25th (next year - WOW how time flies) will be held at the Jones home.

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everyone.



7 The Walking Group (Terry Cole 905-845-0171; terryjane@sympatico.ca)
(Walter Eadie 905-691-5100 walter.eadie@cogeco.ca)

Well November turned out to be a month where there were some weather extremes. We began the new month on a rather soggy not on October 31. The regular walk was cancelled but a number of members brave the rain or walked at the velodrome or Milton Sports Center walking tracks

As you can see by the photo below our next walk was through the trails of Bronte Creek Park. It definitely was a grand and glorious one. The weather was truly mild for November and Mother Nature was showing off the last of her fall beauty.



The following week was a harbinger of what is to come. The day was mostly sunny but there was a definite nip in the air. The folks were required to bundle up by comparison to the previous week. Thank you to Brian and Marlene Murphy for their guidance through the myriad of intersecting trail at this venue. No one got lost.

Our final reported walk took us to Crawford Lake. Here we were greeted with a taste of winter. Due to his intimate knowledge of the venue. Walter Eadie led on a hike that took the group to a new trail that had been undiscovered to most of the group prior to this day. We were also fortunate to find the trail covered with light, fluffy snow and no slippery spots. As one can see we are slowly increasing our participants to pre-pandemic numbers which shortens the time to achieve our next goal of 100,000,000 steps



The PWG is always looking for new members to join us. If you are interest in joining us, we usually meet at the south parking lot of Milton Mall near the Fit 4 Less. We meet at 9:10 AM with departure for the chosen venue at 9:30 AM. We try to carpool so if you need a ride it can be arranged. If Interest please contact myself (Terry Cole) at terryjane@sympatico.ca or Walter Eadie at walter.eadie@cogeco.ca .

8-1 Jokers (Venue 1 - Linda Reid 905-878-7717; dlreid@sympatico.ca)

(Venue 2 – Joe & Zina Yaworski 905-878-3959; joe_zina@hotmail.com)

Venue 1



Jokers was hosted by Carol Elliott for an enjoyable afternoon. There were numerous funny comments and lots of laughing during the games.

Brenda Morrow spared for Dan as he had a cold and could not attend and guess who won all 3 games - Brenda Morrow.

In the picture Brenda is holding our Joker mascot. Everyone had a great time playing jokers.

Venue 2

Carol and Brian Budworth hosted the Venue 2 Joker games on Friday November 4th. The afternoon began with a banquet of goodies: chocolates, desserts (the butter tarts were fabulous), the cheese tray and beverages.

The afternoon was competitive and loud at times especially from the guys' table!

Joe Bernardino and Anne Taylor won three games.

After the games everyone relaxed with a drink and reminisced about the good old days.....when the kids were happy with what they had, listening to radio programs, enjoying one tv station, asking dad to borrow the car to cruise Main Street. Those were our good old days.

Thank you, Joe Bernardino, for stepping in at the very last minute.



The Joker game was hosted by Ruth Parkinson for a very enjoyable afternoon. Ruth made a delicious apple pie and pumpkin pie for us to enjoy with our tea and coffee.

Thank you to Bob and Carol Streeter for playing with us as we needed 2 spares.

Linda won three games and everyone had a good time playing.

8-2 Jester Jokers

The Jester group met on Nov. 8th, and had the privilege of welcoming two new players to our group. Maureen Rolph and Pat Oates joined us for the first time as new players, and certainly held their own at the tables. Again, we had sufficient players to warrant two venues.

Venue 1, hosted by the Turnbull's, produced two - 3 game winners, Brenda Morrow & Corinne Turnbull.



However, at Venue 2, which was hosted by the Bernadino's, things progressed at a very fast pace and players completing four games, with Shirley Mathews stealing the show, handily winning all four of her matches. Congratulations, Shirley.

Our next games will be held on December 13th



8-3 Wee Joker (Brian & Marlene Murphy 905-659-2288; brian_e_murphy@hotmail.com; marlene_murphy@hotmail.com)

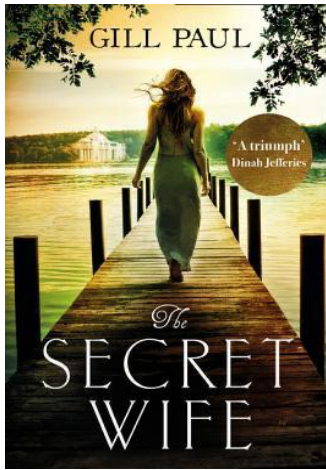
We wish all of our friends a Happy Solstice and a very Merry Christmas.

Our November joker games were hosted by Bob Streeter and Rose Ryan. To switch it up, the ladies played at Roses home and the four gentlemen played at Bobs.

There was lots of conversation and an enjoyable afternoon of visiting and playing Jokers was had by all. Brian was the four game winner with the men. Angela was the three game winner with the women....and I will not mention what Carols status was.



9 Spinecrackers (Nancy Lynn 905-319-0191; lynn67.personal@gmail.com)



Alice and Tom Carey hosted this month's meeting and managed to seat everyone, even without living room furniture. It's amazing what technology can do. We had Carroll Williams joining our group via FaceTime. It was great having her participate in real time especially as she is unable to travel at the moment. Our discussion ranged from the latest novels read (Baldacci/Childs/Woods) to awaiting the new Louise Penny novel as well as the new Three Pines movie coming on Amazon Prime.

Tom Carey's choice this month was a great example of a 'What If?' Book. What if one of the Romanov's escaped the massacre? What if a descendant can be found? What if the pendant hadn't been discovered? The story is told in two time frames - 2016 and 1917 at the time of the Russian revolution. We all enjoyed the novel from the historical facts to the love stories within. An easy, comfortable read.



PROBUS TRAVEL (Walter Eadie)

For a number of reasons, we have delayed any Probus Club travel plans to 2024.

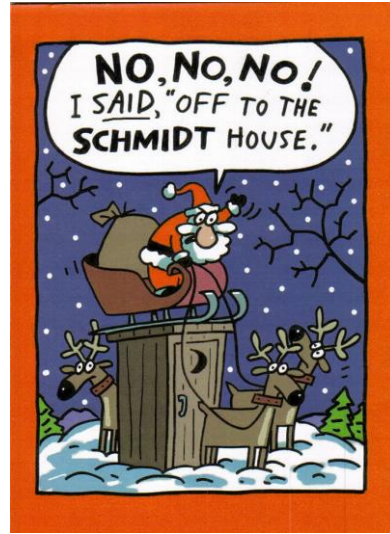
We are now looking at a 7 or 8-day "Tulip Time" river cruise in April 2024 with one of the major river cruise lines.

The itinerary is round-trip from Amsterdam covering the Netherlands and Belgium, and including the famous Keukenhof Gardens.

If you are interested, or would like to know more, please contact Walter Eadie, 905 691-5100.

JOKES AND WISE WORDS OF THE MONTH

(Send your submission for possible inclusion in a future newsletter)



Management Committee: 2021/22

President	Bill Scarrow	905-878-7176
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Special Events Dir.	Darlene Scarrow	647-588-7176
	Heddy Wright	905-483-6445
Treasurer	Alice Carey	905-336-6309

Club Activity Schedule

Club	Date/Time	Convenor	Telephone	Email
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Joker</i> V1	1st Fri. - 1:30 pm	Linda Reid	905-878-7717	dlreid@sympatico.ca
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Joker</i> V2	1st Fri. - 1:30 pm	Joe & Zina Yaworski	905-878-3959	joe_zina@hotmail.com
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Jester Joker</i>	2nd Tues.- 1:30 pm	Bill Turnbull	905-878-9573	turnbullwt@yahoo.com
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Wee Joker</i>	3rd Fri. - 1:30 pm	Brian Murphy	905-659-2288	brian_e_murphy@hotmail.com
Book Club - <i>Spinecrackers</i>	2nd Thurs. - 1:30 pm	Nancy Lynn	905-319-0191	lynn67.personal@gmail.com
Classical Music	2 nd Wed. – 2:00 pm	David Wentzell	647-227-7036	david.g.wentzell@gmail.com
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Friday</i>	2nd Fri. – 1:30 pm	Zina Yaworski	905-878-3959	joe_zina@hotmail.com
Cards - Bid Euchre – <i>Wednesday</i>	4th Wed. - 1:30 pm	Myra Faichnie	905-878-6615	billmyra@sympatico.ca
Cards - Bridge	4th Thurs. - 1:00 pm	Ruth Parkinson	416-371-2357	ruth.pakinson@sympatico.ca
Cards - Canasta	4th Fri. - 1:00 pm	Anna Marie Jones	905-878-5707	annamariejones@sympatico.ca
Cards - Euchre	3rd Wed. - 7:30 pm	TBA		
Dining – <i>Bits and Bites</i>	3rd Thurs. - 5:00 pm	Marlene Murphy	905-659-2288	marlene_murphy@hotmail.com
Photography	3 rd Tues. – 2:00 pm	David Wentzell	647-227-7036	david.g.wentzell@gmail.com
Probus Info Network - PIN	Online only - no meetings	Bill Turnbull	905-878-9573	turnbullwt@yahoo.com
Tastings – Wine - <i>Grape Expectations</i>	4th Tues. - 7:00 pm	Alice Carey	905-336-6309	carealic@sympatico.ca
Travel – Event Coordinator		Walter Eadie	905-691-5100	walter.eadie@cogeco.ca
Walkers – <i>The Walking Group</i>	Every Mon. - 9:30 am	Terry Cole	905-845-0171	terryjane@sympatico.ca

December

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
5	6	7	1	2
				1:30 PM Jokers - Joker V1 - Linda Reid V2 - J&Z Yaworski
9:30 AM The Walking Group E-mail notification Terry Cole		10:45 AM Christmas Party Granite Ridge Golf Club	1:30 PM Book Club - Spinecrackers Nancy Lynn	1:30 PM Bid Euchre - Friday Zina Yaworski
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