

Milton Probus Pulse



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Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 4th, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M. at Milton Sports Centre

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



April showers will bring us May flowers and our May meeting may bring us the New Normal

Your management is preparing for our May 2022 in person general meeting with an interesting speaker arranged by your **Program Director, Carole Budworth**. In preparation for the meeting, your management met last week and ironed out some of the meeting details. Since it has been an eternity since we all met in person, we have forgotten the atmosphere of an in person meeting and how to run such a meeting. We are all out of practice.

Your Fellowship Director Pat McIntyre has planned greeters including herself, and **Nancy Lynn your Membership Director** has planned a table to hand out Member pins and provide member guidance in the meeting room.

As I write, **Bob Streeter your Property Director** is working to establish what our Probus equipment can accomplish in the constraints of Covid. He did a test run Tuesday April 26 at the Milton Sports Centre.

In a nutshell, our Directors are doing a fabulous job.

At the meeting, **your Special Events Directors** plan to have a table to assess interest in Special events suggested and provide information on those same suggested events. We will have the normal question period and time to socialize, but without coffee supplied. Other Directors may speak but none have yet come forward with their plans.

If all goes well, the May meeting experience will allow our Club to permanently meet in person.

AND

We can enter **“the New Normal”**



Later in the Pulse is my message on Covid meeting protocols for our May meeting. After the May meeting experience, your management will re-assess our meeting protocols for any changes deemed appropriate for the June meeting. Suggestions are welcome. Some of you have already provided some suggestions, and potential protocol changes will be discussed at our May Management meeting.

See you on May the 4th.



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

The speaker for May will be Doreen Clarke



Doreen Clarke and her husband David Clarke are lifelong Milton Residents. They have 3 children and 1 grandchild. Doreen has been employed at the Town of Milton since 1999. She is a certified canfitpro licensed fitness/cycle instructor and a certified yoga instructor. She is an avid cyclist on both road and indoor track at our Velodrome. She is now enjoying an active retirement and travelling the world.

Fitness and living a healthy lifestyle have been part of her life since she was young and she truly believes that the more active you are in retirement, the longer and happier life you will lead.

Doreen will demonstrate that for us today.

FROM WILLIAM SCARROW YOUR PRESIDENT
Covid Safety precautions for the May in person general meeting.

Do you have Covid symptoms?

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

Members and others attending must wear masks. Your mask can be removed, while social distancing, when speaking to the meeting as a whole.

Greeters

As in the past, you will be greeted outside the door to the meeting room (by your Fellowship Director Pat McIntyre and member Heather Ley in May) who will guide you to the table manned by our Membership Director, Nancy Lynn and former Membership Director Anne Eadie to pick up your pins and **sign in**. A **list of attendees** will be kept in case of need.

Vaccinations

Any member, guests or others who have not submitted their vaccination certificate to our Membership Director must submit them at this time.

Sanitization

Member pins and other meeting items will be sanitized.

We will attempt to provide ventilation to the room as much as can be done.

Hand sanitizers and masks

for those who need them will be provided.

Hugs and handshakes

will be discouraged; greeters will politely decline if a member indicates a handshake or hug and can offer a bow, elbow bump or nod instead

Intermingling with other guests

Guests may intermingle but we suggest following Covid precautions including social distancing.

Coffee break

Coffee will not be served but there will be a 15 minute break for washroom or just to relax

Seating - chairs and tables

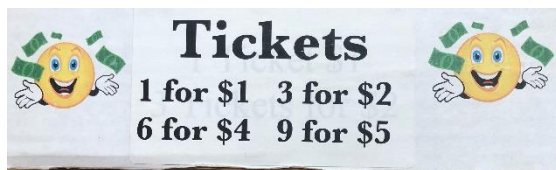
Members are encouraged not to move chairs or tables

Microphones

Two microphones will be provided, one for the meeting convener (usually the President) and one for the guest speaker if the speaker is attending in person. These microphones will not be available to any other persons for hygiene purposes.

Questions from members

Members must present questions in writing or orally to the convener at the front, OR if they can be heard without the use of a microphone, orally to members. Answers, if given from other than the speaker or convener, will be handled in the same way.



Share the wealth

Exact change only will be accepted.

Management believes the foregoing protocols will create for members and guests, a meeting environment that minimizes risks of transmission of COVID-19 based on best practices and public health guidelines and have our members and guests feel safe and secure.

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

SPECIAL EVENTS 2022 & 2023



As we move to the next New Normal, Heddy and Darlene are planning a variety of Special Events that we hope will be interesting, fulfilling and **FUN** with something for everyone in the club.

In **September**, a group will see a performance of **Damn Yankees** at the **Shaw Festival** in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

A **Walking Tour of Historical Milton** is also being planned for September. Cost is \$10/person paid at the start of the walk. Group size is limited to 10 people.

In **October**, Lady Luck will shine on us as we enjoy an evening at **Mohawk Racetrack**. There will be good food, good fortune and great camaraderie.

November brings remembrance of the role played by Canada in maintaining freedom and democracy in the world. A visit to the **Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum** in Hamilton will inform and enlighten us of the bravery and dedication our Service members have shown. Hopefully, the Lancaster bomber (picture from Lancaster cockpit approaching CN Tower) will be on view before its Annual Flight on Remembrance Day.



The Festive Season in **December** kicks off with our beloved **Christmas Luncheon and Party** at the Granite Ridge Golf Club. Good boys and girls will be sure to enjoy it.

January is a time for New Year's resolutions. What better way to start 2023 than with a lively and competitive **Bowling Game** at the local alley.

A **Valentine's Luncheon in February** will bring us together to celebrate our Probus relationships and friendships.

A table will be set up at the May General Meeting for you to sign up for these Special Events and to ask questions. We encourage you to share other ideas for future events We look forward to being able to get together again and enjoy Special Events. **The more the merrier- Please Join Us.**

From Our Fellowship Director: (Patricia McIntyre 905-876-4040; 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..905 876 4040 pat.mcintyre@simpatico.ca

Thank you.



From Communications: (David Hunt 905-875-0350: david.hunt@cogeco.ca)
(David Wentzell 905-878-5862; david.g.wentzell@gmail.com)

Message from George Morita:

We wish to express our appreciation for being awarded the Lifetime Probus memberships. We feel quite honoured to be the recipients just for being involved in club projects that made our retirement so enjoyable! The friendships that have formed while participating in Probus Activities are so dear to us. The free annual membership is very thoughtful and in my case, I will go out of my way to make that generous gesture a bad financial decision! Thank you to all the wonderful members of our Milton Probus Club!

Sincerely,

George and Marilyn Morita

Special Interest Groups

1 Bits and Bites on Thursday night (Marlene Murphy 905-659-2288;
marlene_murphy@hotmail.com)

A social “pot luck” held in rotating members’ homes. The host sets the number of attendees depending on size of their home.

Attendees bring “Bits & Bites (finger food) appetizers, BYOB/refreshment of their choosing, glasses & serving dishes.

The host provides dessert and coffee/tea.

Clean up is a breeze as everyone takes home their own dishes/leftovers.

Bits and Bites is scheduled to commence again on Thursday, May 19th. An e-mail will be sent to members who have indicated an interest in participating, providing detailed information and requesting your intentions to attend.

We may require one or two hosts, depending on the number of people that plan on attending on any given month.

A signup sheet for hosting for the rest of the year will be made available at this first Bits and Bites evening.

Looking forward to meeting with the group in May

2 Bridge (Kathy Sellers (647-227-7036; kathleensellers@hotmail.com))

Games will be online or in-person depending on players' preferences each month.

3 Canasta (Alice Carey 905-336-6309; carealic@sympatico.ca)

The Canasta team remain in safety mode and are evaluating monthly. Stay tuned for updates.

4 Euchre

The Euchre group is looking of a new Coordinator. Any volunteers?

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

We cancelled our April games.
Carol Elliot will host our May games.
The games will begin at 1.30pm,
We are looking forward to seeing everyone.

6 Wednesday Bid Euchre

The Bid Euchre group is looking of a new Co-ordinator. Any volunteers?

7 The Walking Group (Terry Cole 905-845-0171; terryjane@sympatico.ca)



Well its been a marvelous few weeks. PWG got back on track and with the cooperation of the weather we have been on a number of group walks on the trails in town. It appears that our walkers have gotten their legs back to some semblance of fitness. We have been able to socialize again. It is nice to get to know and chat with Probus friends again. Plans are being made to visit the Halton conservation areas once again. As the pictures indicate, we have experienced an uptick in the number of participants and with rising temperatures of Spring (hopefully) the numbers will

continue to increase. As of this writing, we have 89,083,047 steps. April has contributed some 460,000 steps alone. As you can see we are fast closing in on 90,000,000 step goal. Anyone interested in joining us are welcome. For now you can call Walter Eadie or myself on Sunday afternoons for details of the Monday walk or you can request to be added to the PWG mailing list.



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

May - the games begin:

It's time to have fun and play indoor jokers with our friends.

The Joker group will be playing on Friday, May 6th at 1:30pm.

The hosts this month are Zina Yaworski and Linda Reid.

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



It has been two years since the Wee Jokers have met in person. Nine Joker players joined in a fun afternoon of play and bantering. It was a good mental health break for all of us. We missed four of our comrades. Hopefully we all will be able to play in May.

The games were just for fun, but there were a couple players that have not lost their competitive edge. They were in it, to win it.

Hurray for Angela Hunt! She was on a winning streak, winning four games. Henry Popp and Carol Streeter were close behind her with three wins each.

Angela dressed to coordinate with Wee. A picture was taken to preserve this first time top winner position for Angela.

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



Via Zoom, the Spinecrackers had the opportunity to visit with friends and discuss a book without the worry of the ever present Covid virus. We shared vaccination expectations and recent weather promising flowers sprouting in our gardens.

The book for this month, chosen by Caroll Williams, was **Falling** by T.J. Newman. Spinecrackers described this book as entertaining, suspenseful and believable. It is the story of how a pilot must choose between crashing his plane with 143 'souls' aboard or having his family murdered. We feel this is a book with all the necessary ingredients for a movie.



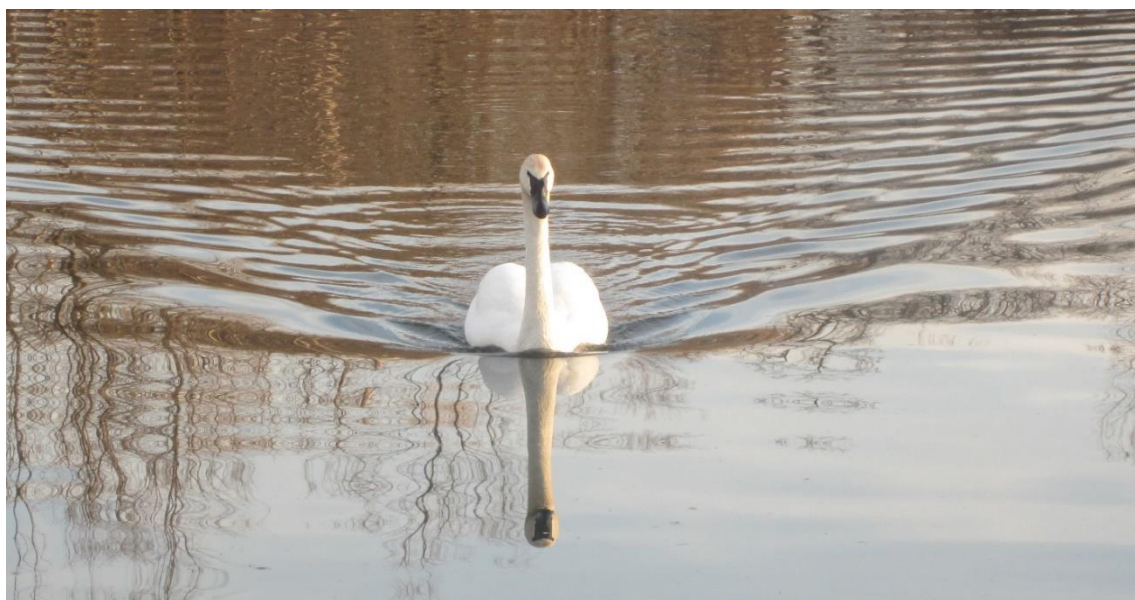
11 Suds Sippers Beer Tasting Club (Walter Eadie 905-691-5100; walter.eadie@cogeco.ca)

We're looking forward to a May 17th in person meeting.

12 Shutterbugs (905-878-5862; david.g.wentzell@gmail.com)

Shutterbugs is the Special Interest Group for you if you have any type of camera (yes, even your phone) and you enjoy taking photos of the people and places around you.

On Tuesday April 19, we met over Zoom and shared some of our recent photographs including this beautiful image from new club member Wendy Mistruzzi. Trumpeter Swans on the Milton mill pond are a sure sign that Spring has arrived!



For more information or to share photographs, please contact David Wentzell.

13 Classical Crüe (905-878-5862; david.g.wentzell@gmail.com)

The Classical Crue Crew at the Ballet!

Our April Zoomfest was devoted to three musical offerings by composers who were commissioned to write these works to go with the ballets:

- “The Sleeping Beauty”, by Tchaikovsky – five pieces from different parts of the ballet, which was first performed in St. Petersburg in January 1890, and has become a timeless classic. A five-second story synopsis: At Princess Aurora’s christening, a truly evil fairy curses her – to die on her 16th birthday; but her Good Fairy changes this so that she will fall asleep (with her parents and the whole court) for a hundred years, when she will be awakened by a kiss from a handsome prince. And so it happens, accompanied all the way by gorgeous music!
- “Rodeo” by the American composer Aaron Copland. The ballet was choreographed by Agnes de Mille, and first presented in New York’s Metropolitan Opera House on 16th October 1942 (and received 22

curtain calls at the end). “Rodeo” combines the exuberance of a Broadway musical with the discipline of classical ballet. The music is jazzy and loud in places, soft and sentimental in others. At the end, a real live Western Hoedown. This really woke us up!

- The complete music by Russian/American composer Igor Stravinsky for the ballet “Petrouchka”, which was premiered in Paris in June 1911, with the role of Petrushka danced by Vaslav Nijinsky (then the world’s most famous male dancer). It’s set in St. Petersburg in the 1830s, at the Shrovetide Fair. A magician has three straw-filled puppets (Petrushka, in love with The Ballerina, who is desired by The Moor – who hates Petrushka) They are brought to life by the Magician’s flute, and dance for the crowd. Then behind the curtain they act out their emotions. At the end, all three burst out into the fair; the Moor killing Petrushka with his sword to the horror of the crowd – till the Magician shows that they are stuffed with straw! But – then Petrushka’s ghost appears on the theatre roof with a cry of defiance at the Magician! The music catches the spirit of the fair; vigorous folk dances, a dancing bear, and beautifully describes the action on stage in the music.

Please join us for our May gathering when we will enjoy Felix Mendelssohn’s incidental music for the play “A Mid-Summer Night’s Dream”. This music includes the famous “Wedding March”. We will gather by Zoom at 2 pm on Wednesday, May 11. Here is the link:

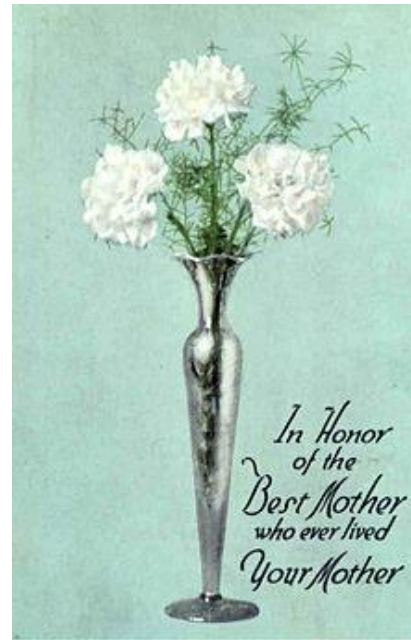
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JOKES AND WISE WORDS OF THE MONTH

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

Mother's Day – May 8th



Victoria Day May 23rd (also known as ...May 24 weekend)



Management Committee: 2021/22

President	Bill Scarrow	905-878-7176
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	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>	1st Fri. - 1:30 pm	Linda Reid	905-878-7717	dlreid@sympatico.ca
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Jester Joker</i>	2nd Tues.- 1:30 pm	Peter Sneyd	905-693-1708	psneyd@sympatico.ca
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	905-878-5862	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	Kathy Sellers	647-227-7036	kathleensellers@hotmail.com
Cards - Canasta	4th Fri. - 1:00 pm	Alice Carey	905-336-6309	carealic@sympatico.ca
Cards - Euchre	3rd Wed. - 7:30 pm			
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	905-878-5862	david.g.wentzell@gmail.com
Probus Info Network - PIN	Online only - no meetings	Bill Turnbull	905-878-9573	turnbullwt@yahoo.com
Tastings – Beer – <i>Suds Sippers</i>	3rd Tues. - 7:00 pm	Walter Eadie	905-691-5100	walter.eadie@cogeco.ca
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

May

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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9:30 AM The Walking Group E-mail notification Terry Cole		10:00 AM Milton Sports Centre Bill Scarrow		1:30 PM Jokers - Joker On-line Linda Reid
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