

# Milton Probus Pulse



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**Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 6th, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M.. (via Zoom)**

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**From the Acting President/Vice President:** (William Scarrow 905-878-7176; [billy@scarrow.ca](mailto:billy@scarrow.ca))



Here we are and it's already the end of March when technically Winter is over. HOWEVER, the temperature today, as I write this, is bone chilling in the minus column. I am hoping for (should I dare say expecting), warmth in the days to come.

*Charles Dickens wrote, "Spring is the time of year, when it is summer in the sun and winter in the shade"*

**Your management** is preparing for our 2022 **Annual General Meeting** (AGM) to be held via ZOOM on April 6. Our AGM is packed full, with normal meeting items such as a speaker and fellowship in the breakout rooms and in addition, there are AGM agenda items. The AGM agenda items include member approval of new management members to be presented by our Past President David Wentzell. The AGM agenda items also includes member approval of the 2021 financial statements and review report to be presented by Alice Carey our Treasurer. The financial statements were prepared by Alice Carey and reviewed by member Joe Yaworski. In addition, there are some AGM housekeeping items such as member approval of the 2021 AGM minutes.

**If all goes well**, the AGM will be our last meeting by ZOOM. Our May general meeting is planned to be in person at the Milton Sports Centre. (Remember, we met there in the past). In anticipation of the opening to in person general meetings, Bob Streeter, our Property Director is dusting off the Probus audio visual equipment. Your management will determine any general meeting health precautions needed at our first in person general meeting. **We welcome your comments** on the re-opening.



**Our Special Interest Groups' conveners** have in some cases, already begun in person events, using caution with a gradual lifting of Covid required restrictions. To my knowledge, there have been no Covid related

problems at these in person events and our conveners have been diligent with an emphasis on safety first with attendees following Covid guidelines outlined by your management.

**Do you need a ride to general meetings?** If you do, or you know someone who does, we suggest you reach out to members living near you to double up for transportation to the Sports Centre.

**David Wentzell** has planned to send to our members an updated **membership directory** shortly, in PDF form. This directory is helpful as it has, as we know, a member picture to match a name making it a valuable membership resource. I trust you like your picture that will be published.

Kudos to David

See you on the 6<sup>th</sup>.

*“Spring is nature’s way of saying, Let’s party” - Robin Williams*

**From Our Program Directors:** (Carol Streater 343-996-7519,  
Carole & Brian Budworth 905-878-8545)

The speaker for April will be **Ingrid Hollinger**



Ingrid Hollinger has been in real estate for 17 years in Milton and is a designated Senior's Real Estate Specialist. She will speak on how to downsize when the time comes with very little or no effort on your part.

She is very community minded and has served on the Milton Rotary Club as President, Vice President, Membership Chair and Exchange Student Coordinator. She has also served as Vice president for the past five years of the Lowville Festival.

**From our Fellowship Director:** (Patricia McIntyre 905-876-4040; [pat.mcintyre@sympatico.ca](mailto: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](mailto:pat.mcintyre@simpatico.ca)

Thank you.



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

Our Management Committee for this year:

President	Bill Scarrow	
Vice President	Henry Popp	(Elect)
Past President	David Wentzell	
Fellowship Dir.	Patricia McIntyre	
Communications Dir.	Brian Murphy	(Elect)
Communications Dir.	David Hunt	
Membership Dir.	Nancy Lynn	(Elect)
Program Dir.	Carol Streeter	
	Brian Budworth	
	Carole Budworth	
Property Dir.	Robert Streeter	
Secretary	Susan Popp	
Special Events Dir.	Darlene Scarrow	(Elect)
	Heddy Wright	(Elect)
Treasurer	Alice Carey	

If you're interested in joining one of our Special Interest Groups, please contact the coordinator listed below.

## **Special Interest Groups**

**1 Bits and Bites on Thursday night** (Marlene Murphy 905-659-2288;  
[marlene\\_murphy@hotmail.com](mailto:marlene_murphy@hotmail.com))



Bits and Bites is scheduled to commence again on Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. An e-mail will be sent to the group's members providing detail information and inquiring about 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 sign up sheet for hosting will be made available. Looking forward to meeting with the group in May. Happy Easter Everyone

**2 Bridge** (Kathy Sellers 647-227-7036; [kathleensellers@hotmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:joe_zina@hotmail.com))

On Friday March 11th Friday Bid Euchre online was enjoyed by Nancy and David Lynn, Bob and Carol Streeter, Carol Elliott, John Stubbington (spare) and Joe and Zina Yaworski. There were several Calls and Zina had a MOON. It was a fun afternoon but all agree there is an adjustment to not having the cards in your hands. In April the games will be online but in May we will be starting our in person games.

### **6 Wednesday Bid Euchre** (Myra Faichnie 905-878-6615: [billmyra@sympatico.ca](mailto:billmyra@sympatico.ca))

On April 27th - 1:30 p.m. Wednesday we will commence Bid Euchre after a two year absence, Looking forward to seeing everyone and having a good game or two. If you have any comments or concerns please let me (Myra) know, if not we will see the Bid Euchre players on the 27th.

Hopefully we will remember how to play the game!

### **7 The Walking Group** (Leader Terry Cole 905-845-0171; [terryjane@sympatico.ca](mailto:terryjane@sympatico.ca))

As we approach the transition from March to April I hope we can wave goodbye to the snow and blustery winds. April is said to have showers which refreshes mother nature and brings on the flowers of May (lets hope). It should also allow us all to begin anew with outdoor activities. Many of you have asked me when we will return to our Monday AM walks. Well I am pleased to say that that day has arrived. On April 4<sup>th</sup> (1<sup>st</sup> Monday of April) we will have our first group walk of 2022, weather permitting. This first walk will be in town. This will give us a chance to get used to these walks again. Walter Eadie has volunteered to lead us. We will be following the Covid protocol as outlined by our Management committee. We will meet the usual 9:45 AM for a prompt 10:00AM start. Details will be forthcoming in a Sunday evening e-mail

As to our progress toward 90,000,000 steps, This month was added 120,000 steps to give our total a boost to 88,623,824.

### **8-1 Jokers** (Linda Reid 905-878-7717; [dlreid@sympatico.ca](mailto:dlreid@sympatico.ca))

Happy spring everyone.

Zina and Linda will host the May 6<sup>th</sup> Joker games.

Looking forward to seeing everyone.

### **8-2 Jester Jokers** (Peter Sneyd 905-693-1708; [psneyd@sympatico.ca](mailto:psneyd@sympatico.ca) )

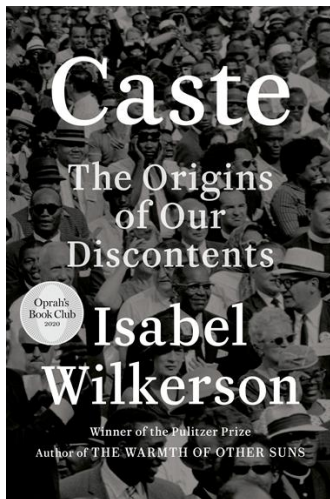
Jester Jokers met in March in person, and are excited to meet again together again in April.

**8-3 Wee Joker** (Brian & Marlene Murphy 905-659-2288; [brian\\_e\\_murphy@hotmail.com](mailto:brian_e_murphy@hotmail.com); [marlene\\_murphy@hotmail.com](mailto:marlene_murphy@hotmail.com))



April brings mixed weather, one day beautiful warm sunshine and the next snow. The spring bulbs will be waking and popping up in their brilliant blooms. It is a time of new beginnings. It has been a long two years, but Wee Jokers are going to resume playing in person in April. Looking forward to having the group back together on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**9 Spinecrackers** (Nancy Lynn 905-319-0191; [lynn67.personal@gmail.com](mailto:lynn67.personal@gmail.com))



Zoom continues to be our meeting mode. Thanks again to Walter for arranging the links. Carol Williams even managed to link while sitting in her car in Mississauga. At the moment, we are still hesitant to have our 14 together.

Our book this month was chosen by Ruth Parkinson **Caste: the Origins of Our Discontents** by Isabel Wilkerson. This is a Non Fiction book written by a renowned African American journalist and Pulitzer Prize winner. Our group found it a difficult read and decided that there was a definitive bias. The author gave many illustrations to justify her opinions and research. However, it read like a textbook mixing the definition of race with caste.



**10 Grape Expectations Wine Club**(Tom & Alice Carey 905-336-6309; [carealic@sympatico.ca](mailto:carealic@sympatico.ca))



Joe Bernardino was the “Zoom” host of the Wine Club on Tuesday March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Joe’s Theme had Members choosing a Wine that had “never passed their lips” ever. There were varied Wine Choices as everyone rolled out their choice of Wine and gave a brief Summary as to Location, type of Grape, sugar content and Colour.

Some of our choices were: Pasqua Passimento Rossi IGT, Puglia Luccarelli Primitivo, Cupcake Lighthearted Chardonnay and Ruffino Orvietto Clasical,

One of the items on our agenda was “When can we meet in person?”, that one has been left on the back burner as we monitor the course of the Pandemic through the Month of April, however we are planning a “Field Trip” for the Month of May, hosted by Heddy Wright.



## **11 Suds Sippers Beer Tasting Club** (Walter Eadie 905-691-5100; [walter.eadie@cogeco.ca](mailto:walter.eadie@cogeco.ca))

Spring is coming, the sap is rising and so are the Suds.

Suds Sippers is a friendly, unpretentious group who like to get together and talk about everything and anything, sometimes even including beer.

All going well, we hope to meet in person in April, leading on to patio get-togethers, brewery visits and some good sipping times over the summer months – everything that we have missed since 2019.

See the Club Activity Schedule for dates and times. If you would like to join our mailing list, please contact Walter Eadie

## **12 Shutterbugs** (905-878-5862; [david.g.wentzell@gmail.com](mailto: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. Through the Pandemic, we have met over Zoom on the third Tuesday of the month at 2 pm to share our pictures and talk about photography and lots of other things. Taking pictures and sharing them is a great way to reminisce about trips and walks in the woods and family days at the beach. The technology available today allows us to share our images with each other in glorious high resolution and bright colour. On Tuesday, April 19 at 2 pm we will meet over Zoom to share our early spring activities and photos in a “meet and greet” format. Join us with this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89900295458?pwd=SXpGSE1wKytyaXhGaGZLdGtQSTNBUT09>

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



The Waning Crescent moon appears at Sunrise 📷 David Wentzell

## **13 Classical Crüe** (905-878-5862; [david.g.wentzell@gmail.com](mailto:david.g.wentzell@gmail.com))

Did you know that there is a connection between the hummable tune “Tea For Two” and Dimitri Shostakovich? Yes, the master of modern Russian music orchestrated the theme when challenged to the task by a fellow composer. To hear the result, look up “Tahiti Trot”. At our March meeting there were not only trotting Tahitians, but also sounds of the symphony, jazz waltz rhythms and piano harmonies. Join us on Wednesday, April 13 at 2 pm, when Michael Hooker will present a program of music created for the ballet. Remember, there is always room for more in the Zoom Room. Using the Zoom link below to enjoy an afternoon at the ballet:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86428205075?pwd=a1JFQ1hxUUptSGxIS0tzQkNaUIJEUT09>

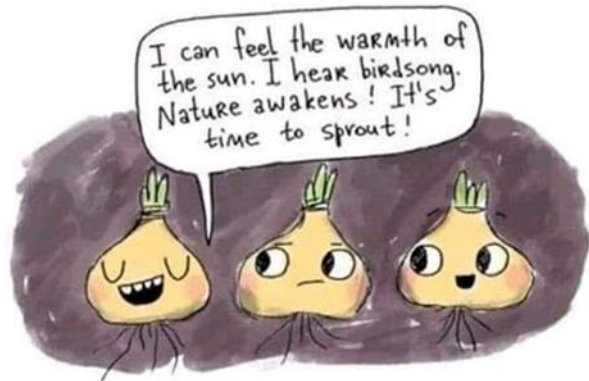
## **JOKES AND WISE WORDS OF THE MONTH**

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

For all the “maturer” ladies.

I'm normally a social girl  
I love to meet my mates  
But lately with the virus here  
We can't go out the gates.  
You see, we are the 'oldies' now  
We need to stay inside  
If they haven't seen us for a while  
They'll think we've upped and died.  
They'll never know the things we did  
Before we got this old  
There wasn't any Facebook  
So not everything was told.  
We may seem sweet old ladies  
Who would never be uncouth  
But we grew up in the 60s -  
If you only knew the truth!  
There was sex and drugs and rock 'n roll  
The pill and miniskirts  
We smoked, we drank, we partied  
And were quite outrageous flirts.  
Then we settled down, got married  
And turned into someone's mum,  
Somebody's wife, then nana,  
Who on earth did we become?  
We didn't mind the change of pace  
Because our lives were full

But to bury us before we're dead  
Is like a red rag to a bull!  
So here you find me stuck inside  
For weeks and weeks, & more  
I finally found myself again  
Then I had to close the door!  
It didn't really bother me  
I'd pass away the hour  
I'd bake for all the family  
But I've got no bloody flour!  
Now Netflix is just wonderful  
I like a gutsy thriller  
I'm swooning over Idris  
Or some random sexy killer.  
At least I've got a stash of booze  
For when I'm being idle  
There's wine and whiskey, even gin  
If I'm feeling suicidal!  
So let's all drink to lockdown  
To recovery and health  
And hope this bloody virus  
Doesn't decimate our wealth.  
We'll all get through the crisis  
And be back to join our mates  
Just hoping I'm not far too wide  
To fit through the flaming gates!





## **Management Committee: 2021/22**

President	Shirley Mathews	905-636-8680
Vice President	Bill Scarrow	905-878-7176
Past President	David Wentzell	905-878-5862
Fellowship Dir.	Patricia McIntyre	905-876-4040
Communications Dir.	David Wentzell	905-878-5862
Communications Dir.	David Hunt	905-875-0350
Membership Dir.	Anne Eadie	905-878-7143
Program Dir.	Carol Streeter	343-996-7519
	Brian Budworth	905-878-8545
	Carole Budworth	905-878-8545
Property Dir.	Robert Streeter	343-999-5245
Secretary	Susan Popp	905-876-3241
Special Events Dir.	Henry Popp	905-876-3241
Treasurer	Alice Carey	905-336-6309

## **Club Activity Schedule**

<b>Club</b>	<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Convenor</b>	<b>Telephone</b>	<b>Email</b>
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 <sup>nd</sup> 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 <sup>rd</sup> 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	<a href="mailto:terryjane@sympatico.ca">terryjane@sympatico.ca</a>

**APRIL**

**MONDAY**

**TUESDAY**

**WEDNESDAY**

**THURSDAY**

**FRIDAY**

**1**

1:30 PM  
**Jokers - Joker**  
On-line  
Linda Reid

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9:30 AM  
**The Walking Group**  
E-mail notification  
Terry Cole

10:00 AM  
**Annual General Meeting**  
Zoom  
Bill Scarrow

1:30 PM  
**Book Club - Spinecrackers**  
Via Zoom  
Nancy Lynn

1:30 PM  
**Bid Euchre - Friday**  
On Line  
Zina Yaworski

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**12**

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9:30 AM  
**The Walking Group**  
E-mail notification  
  
Terry Cole

1:30 PM  
**Jokers – Jester Joker**  
In Person  
Bill & Corrine Turnbull  
Megs Shellard  
  
Peter Sneyd

2:00 PM  
**Music - Clässical Crüe**  
Via Zoom  
  
David Wentzell

**Good Friday**

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9:30 AM  
**The Walking Group**  
E-mail notification  
Terry Cole  
**Easter Monday**

2:00 PM  
**Photography - Shutterbugs**  
Via Zoom  
David Wentzell  
  
7:00 PM  
**Beer – Suds Sippers**  
In Person  
Walter Eadie

2:00 PM  
**Executive Meeting**  
Bill Scarrow  
  
7:30 PM  
**Cards - Euchre**  
**on hold**

1:00 PM  
**Cards - Bridge**  
Hybrid - Zoom / in person  
determined monthly  
Kathy Sellers  
5:00 PM  
**Dining – Bits and Bites**  
**Re Starting May 19th**  
Marlene Murphy

1:00 PM  
**Cards - Canasta**  
stay tuned for updates  
Alice Carey  
1:30 PM  
**Jokers – Wee Joker**  
1:30 PM  
In Person  
Marlene Murphy

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9:30 AM  
**The Walking Group**  
E-mail notification  
Terry Cole

7:00 PM  
**Wine – Grape Expectations**  
Via Zoom  
Alice Carey

1:30 PM  
**Bid Euchre - Wednesday**  
In Person  
Myra Faichnie