



**MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET
GENERAL MEETING**

Wednesday, 19 May 2021
30th Anniversary Special!
Virtual by ZOOM

President

Sunny Lau

Almost 80 participants; including our members and guests from across Canada and around the world signed into the meeting.

O Canada: *President Sunny* welcomed all and introduced our National Anthem.

Management Reports: On this occasion, there were no Management reports delivered.

VP Dick Furlong was introduced as Master of Ceremonies and began to introduce the remainder of the Program.

Doug Wigglesworth gave a short overview of our Club's 30-year history.

Guest Speakers bearing messages of congratulations on our 30 years as a PROBUS Club.

Each of the following brought greetings from their organizations:

- *Jamie Doolittle*, past president of PROBUS Canada
- *Brenda Andrews*, new Vice President of PROBUS Canada, and District 2 Director
- *Bob Macnair*, new President of PROBUS Canada
- *Marlene Pearce*, Canadian liaison with PROBUS Global
- *Mr. Tony Van Byden*, Member of Parliament
- *Mr. Michael Jefferys*, Lord Mayor of Newmarket, UK.
(Due to time shift confusion, Mr Jefferys appeared later, in time to exchange greetings with local Newmarket Mayor John Tylor.)

Speaker:

Naqi Ahsan introduce *John Taylor*, Mayor of Newmarket as our Anniversary Speaker. Mayor Taylor spoke on *Newmarket: COVID and Beyond*. In an information-packed, well-illustrated and forward-looking address, Mr. Taylor gave a most optimistic and positive summary of the future of Newmarket.

It was quite serendipitous that the two Newmarket Mayors (Ontario and UK) were able to exchange greetings at this time.

Dave Brisley thanked Mayor Taylor for his talk and for his support of our Club on our 30th Anniversary.

Adjournment: 11:50