



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

Wednesday, 19 January 2022
ZOOM Meeting of Members and guests from around the world

Welcome

President Dick Furlong

O Canada:

Management Reports:

- **Secretary.** *Doug Wrigglesworth*
The minutes of the December special Christmas Luncheon meeting were reviewed, as well as brief highlights from the January Management meeting.

- **Treasurer** *Sunny Lau*
Treasurer Sunny's report appears as at the end of this document.

- **Membership** *David Elms*
Eric Juhola was duly inducted by President Dick and welcomed as a club member.

- **Polo Shirts** *Warren MacRobie*
Warren updated the status of the order.

- **Programs** *Dave Brisley and Doug Magee*
An interesting list of upcoming speakers was presented. [The Secretary fails at keeping track. Keep an eye on our website for updates
 - <https://www.mensprobusclubofnewmarket.ca/speakers.html>

- **Newsletter** *Ted Wilkinson*
Next issue will appear in mid-April. Members are welcomed to contribute.

- **Technology** *Steve Muir*
No problems or issues reported as Steve rides herd on us from his remote (really) location. [There are those of us who still claim its magic.]

Who Am I?

Member **Paul Booth** told of a most interesting life and a varied career – a perfect example of a *Who Am I?* presentation.

Speaker: Attendees were treated by hearing of an exciting real-life adventure experienced by **Sue and David Williams**. The couple described how (and why) they launched a trans-ocean cruise in their small boat. Perhaps a best description might come from an excerpt from her book, *Prepare to Come About*.

Three hundred nautical miles from shore, I'm cold and sick and afraid. I pray for reprieve. I long for solid ground. And I can't help but ask myself, *What the hell was I thinking?*

When Sue Williams set sail for the North Atlantic, it wasn't a mid-life crisis. She had no affinity for the sea. And she didn't have an adventure-seeking bone in her body. In the wake of a perfect storm of personal events, it suddenly became clear: her sons were adults now; they needed freedom to figure things out for themselves; she had to get out of their way. And it was now or never for her husband, David, to realize his dream to cross an ocean. So, she'd go too.

Ready to Come About is the story of a mother's improbable adventure on the high seas and her profound journey within, through which she grew to believe that there is no gift more precious than the liberty to chart one's own course, and that risk is a good thing ... sometimes, at least.

Adjournment: 12:15 with hopes that in-person lunches will return soon.

MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET
Financial Statement for Fiscal 2022 (Aug 1, 2021 - July 31, 2022)
December 31, 2021*

* - Includes November & December activities

	THIS MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	2021-2022 BUDGET
REVENUE			
INITIATION FEES	\$ 40.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 150.00
ANNUAL DUES	\$ 153.75	\$ 3,433.75	\$ 3,600.00
ADMINISTRATION FEES		\$ 30.00	\$ -
SHARE THE WEALTH PROCEEDS		\$ -	\$ 250.00
SPRING GOLF		\$ -	\$ -
FALL GOLF		\$ -	\$ -
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON ***	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
OTHER		\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 293.75	\$ 3,623.75	\$ 4,000.00
EXPENDITURES			
ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS		\$ -	\$ 50.00
RENT		\$ -	\$ 1,092.00
SPEAKER'S HONORARIUM	\$ 200.00	\$ 599.33	\$ 1,800.00
COMPUTER & EQUIPMENT	\$ 63.82	\$ 273.96	\$ 360.00
MEMORIAL DONATIONS	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 300.00
NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
COFFEE BREAKS		\$ -	\$ 250.00
INSURANCE		\$ -	\$ -
OFFICE EXPENSES		\$ -	\$ 50.00
BANK SERVICE CHARGES	\$ 9.90	\$ 222.56	\$ 200.00
PAST PRESIDENT'S PLAQUE		\$ 25.00	\$ 125.00
PROBUS NATIONAL DUES	\$ 255.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 250.00
PINS & BADGES		\$ -	\$ 100.00
PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL		\$ -	\$ 150.00
WEB SITE		\$ -	\$ -
ZOOM LICENSE		\$ -	\$ 226.00
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON ***	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	
OTHER		\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 678.72	\$ 1,575.85	\$ 4,953.00
CASH FLOW	<i>(-\$384.97)</i>	\$2,047.90	<i>(-\$953.00)</i>
November 1, 2021 opening bank balance	\$ 6,640.14		
December 31, 2021 closing bank balance	\$6,255.17		
Petty cash	\$100.00		
Unrealized Revenue	\$0.00		
Unrealized Expenditures	\$0.00		
MEMBERS' EQUITY	\$ 6,355.17		

*** - Christmas Luncheon incorrectly paid to club instead of Warren MacRobie



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

Wednesday, 16 February 2022

**HYBRID MEETING FROM THE LIONS AND SUN RESTAURANT
A Meeting of Members, live and virtual and guests from around the world**

TWENTY Club members attended in person.

Welcome

President Dick Furlong

President Dick announced that we will no longer be able to return to the facilities at Seton Hall. Our management expects to be able to announce a new location that would allow in person meetings as soon as April.

O Canada:

Management Reports:

• **Secretary.**

Doug Wrigglesworth

The minutes of the January meeting were reviewed, as well as brief highlights from the February Management meeting.

- Correspondence included kind note from the families of two recently deceased members, Art Craig, and Graham Christopher.

• **Treasurer**

Sunny Lau

Treasurer Sunny's reported on the Club financial status – still healthy.

• **Membership**

David Elms

David Elms reported a membership of 86 and that there were 34 members present at the January meeting.

• **Programs**

Dave Brisley and Doug Magee

An interesting list of upcoming speakers was presented. Keep an eye on our website for updates

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• **Vice President**

Bill Kidd

Support is ongoing for those members in serious ill-health or mourning. Happily, Bill reported no news of recent members in difficulty.

• **Technology**

Steve Muir

No problems or issues reported .

Who Am I?

Due to misunderstandings, this month's presenter was unavailable.

Speaker: Attendees were entertained by a most fascinating presentation by **Paul Wyezol** from Corner Brook , NL. His topics included:

- The navigation and charting talents of Captain James Cook in their value today.
- The extension of the Appalachian Trail into Canada.
- The geological connections that exist along it - and into Europe.
- The development of international GeoParks
- Pictorial evidence of Plate Tectonics in the geology of Newfoundland and elsewhere.
- A most refreshing and informative presentation.

Added interests were the family relations that President Dick has with the Corner Brook area.

Adjournment: 11:45 for a companionable lunch at the L&S



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

Wednesday, 16 March 2022

**HYBRID MEETING FROM THE LIONS AND SUN RESTAURANT
A Meeting of Members, live and virtual and guests from around the world**

About 20 Club members attended in person.

Welcome

President Dick welcome all.

President Dick Furlong

O Canada:

Management Reports:

• **Secretary.**

Doug Wrigglesworth

The minutes of the February meeting were reviewed, as well as brief highlights from the March Management meeting.

- It was noted that at the March Management meeting, after a cost analysis, that the Initiation Fee in the future would rise from \$20 to \$30.

• **Treasurer**

Sunny Lau

Treasurer Sunny's reported on the Club financial status - still healthy.

• **Membership**

David Elms

David Elms reported a membership of 86 and that there were 18 members present at the February meeting plus another 16 online.

• **Programs**

Dave Brisley and Doug Magee

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• **Vice President**

Bill Kidd

Support is ongoing for those members in serious ill-health or mourning. Happily, Bill reported no news of recent members in difficulty.

Bill reported on the passing of former member Burt Johnson, with details of times that friends may pay their respects.

• **Technology**

Steve Muir

No problems or issues reported .

OUR RETURN TO REGULAR MEETINGS

President Dick and Past President Sunny introduced members to our new home:

The Newmarket Legion

- **New Times:** *Third TUESDAYS* beginning on April 19
- The April Meeting will concentrate on a social time, hoping that our members will welcome the opportunity to meet and greet fellow members in person.

Who Am I?

Member GERD FIEBIG gave a most interesting description, with lovely slides, of a life, beginning with birth, and education in Chile, resulting in work on the NASA Chile Satellite Tracking station. When that project closed, he moved to Canada with his family. His career then led to a life involving emerging technologies in the paper industry. This allowed he and his family to travel the world, following his career. In retirement he and family moved to Aurora.

Speaker: Doug Magee introduced speaker **Tim Burrows** who gave a well-illustrated presentations that described the advantages to be found in the emerging EV phenomenon. He focussed on the coming death of the internal combustion engine and the savings possible in EVs. The coming of autonomous vehicle was also touched upon.

Adjournment: **11:45** for a companionable lunch at the L&S



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

Wednesday, 19 April 2022

**OUR FIRST IN-PERSON MEETING SINCE THE LOCKDOWN!
ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
About 30 Club members attended in person.**

Welcome

Vice-president Bill Kidd

At 10:05, the bell was rung and once again we were able to gather in person – and in our new meeting place.

Bill Kidd welcomed all and introduced *O Canada*.

Welcome Back!

The remainder of this gathering was devoted to welcoming or loyal members back to near normality, reviewing what our Club had accomplished over the past two years and providing an opportunity for meeting with old friends.

- Members were greeted by the Membership Team (Dave Elms and Warren MacRobie), and Vax proofs checked.
- Sunny Lau had set up a complex IT system that allowed 6 members to participate who were unable to be there, mostly due to COVID restrictions.

Presentations:

1. *"Welcome Back"* – Sunny Lau.



To the music of "Welcome Back Kotter", memories of happy times were shared.



2. President's Presentation



Dick Furlong reviewed our Club's accomplishments over the past two years.

- Our ongoing outreach to our members
- The loyalty of our members
- Connections with PROBians from around the world
- Our use of IT connections'
- A 30th Anniversary celebration

3. New Members

- Dave Elms shared pictures of the Ten new members who have joined, in spite of COVID!
- "Who Am I"s from these fellows will be promised soon.

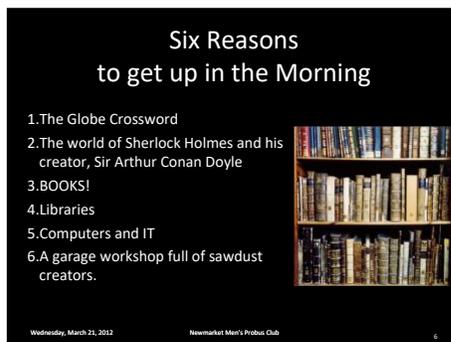
4. Our Web Site

- Sunny Lau told the story of the development of our excellent web site, and its importance in keeping us connected, both internally and externally.



Who Am I?

For reasons unclear, in place of a presenter unable to be present, Secretary Doug Wrigglesworth retold his Who Am I that he presented ten years ago at a 2012 meeting.



Coffee Time!

VP Bill Kidd had gathered a skilled and helpful team to help him deliver some excellent coffee – and safely sealed delicious nibbles.

Members welcomed the opportunities to chat with old friends, plot adventures, solve the world's problems, and share favourite streaming movies.

Adjournment: 11:15

Fifteen happy Campers adjourned to Fionn MacCools for a companionable lunch



**MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET
GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY 17 May 2022
ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION**

It was heartening to see old friends pouring in, checking in with Membership, buying 50/50 tickets and settling in.

Sunny Lau and Bill Doherty uncoiled all the wires, plugged in the plugs and we were ready to go.

Welcome 10:02

President Dick Furlong

Proposed slate Management Team for 2022-2023

Management Committee 2022/2023 Nominees

Position	Incumbent	Nominee
President	Dick Furlong	Bill Kidd (by appointment)
Vice President	Bill Kidd	Paul Bath
Secretary	Doug Wrigglesworth	Doug Wrigglesworth
Treasurer	Sunny Lau	Sunny Lau
Membership	Dave Elms	Dave Elms
Programs	Dave Brisley	Dave Brisley
Technology	Bill Docherty	Bill Docherty
Newsletter	Ted Wilkinson	Ted Wilkinson
Webmaster	Sunny Lau	Sunny Lau
Assistants (non-voting)		
Past President	Sunny Lau	Dick Furlong (by appointment)
Membership	Warren MacRobie	
Programs	Doug Magee	
Technology	Steve Muir	
PMSC	Ken Parsons	
Share the Wealth	Dave Brisley (lead), Bob Harrington	
Coffee/Refreshments	Bill Kidd (lead), Keith Atherton, Rick Biggs	

Nominations will be called for at the annual meeting

Management Reports:

- **Secretary.**

Doug Wrigglesworth

The minutes of the April meeting were reviewed, as well as brief highlights from the May Management meeting.

A Financial Announcement

Dick Furlong

As a result of a well-informed discussion of the Management Team, our 2022-23 Budget called for a new annual Membership fee of \$50.

The need was explained to keep a healthy reserve fund, such as that which supported us through the last two years, as well as other expenses that allow us to reach out remotely.

- **Treasurer**

Sunny Lau

Treasurer Sunny's reported on the Club financial status and some of the new expenses that arose as we moved our location - and welcomed members home.

- **Membership**

David Elms

David Elms reported that a total of 35 members plus 2 guests were in attendance and that a further 17 zoomed in.

A happy membership chair announced that a brand new member, having visited today, liked what he saw, and joined on the spot.

New member **Don McKee** will be formally inducted at our next meeting.

- **Programs**

Dave Brisley and Doug Magee

An interesting list of upcoming speakers was presented. Keep an eye on our website for updates

- <https://www.mensprobustclubofnewmarket.ca/speakers.html>

- **Vice President**

Bill Kidd

Support is ongoing for those members in serious ill-health or mourning. Bill had sent supportive notes to both Bill McCullough and Phil Lennard.

- **Technology**

Bill Docherty

No problems or issues reported .

Who Am I?

Tim Murden introduced himself as a retired teacher from the Toronto District School Board. His career involved providing education for the deaf and hard of hearing pupils as both a teacher and a supervisor.

Coffee Time!

VP Bill Kidd had gathered a skilled and helpful team to help him deliver some excellent coffee - and safely sealed delicious nibbles.

Speaker:

Doug Magee introduced speaker **Barbara Dickson** who presented a most interesting and well-illustrated talk on *Bomb Girls*, and the huge munitions plant that was located in Scarborough.

An account of the women working in high-security, dangerous conditions making bombs in Toronto during the Second World War.

What was it like to work in a Canadian Second World War munitions factory? What were working conditions like? Did anyone die? Just how closely did female employees embody the image of “Rosie the Riveter” so popularly advertised to promote factory work in war propaganda posters? How closely does the recent TV show, *Bomb Girls*, resemble the actual historical record of the day-to-day lives of bomb-making employees?

Adjournment: 12:10

A little over 20 happy PROBians adjourned to Olde Village Free House for a companionable lunch.



MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET
GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY 21 June 2022
ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION

Welcome 10:02

President Dick Furlong

O Canada was sung with heart and voice, *a capella* by a fine group of PROBians



**President Dick paid tribute to our last surviving
Charter and Life Member, Al Roeder**

Al was present at the founding gathering in 1991 and remained an active and welcome member.

Management Reports:

• **Secretary.**

Doug Wrigglesworth

The minutes of the May meeting were reviewed, as well as brief highlights from the June Management meeting.

• **Treasurer**

Sunny Lau

Treasurer Sunny's reported on the Club financial status. He noted that even with the boost in membership to \$50, we may yet see a small deficit in 2023.

• **Membership**

David Elms

David Elms reported that a total of 88, with 36 members present. Problems with ZOOM prevented a remote audience.

A happy membership chair announced that a former member, Bud Duoris had returned to the fold.

• **July Meeting News**

- Since the Legion will not be available, we will be meeting at the Lions and Sun for a regular meeting and a BBQ lunch.
- All Inclusive (Coffee, BBQ lunch, Tips and Taxes) will cost \$40.00
- Members are asked **to pre-register** to Warren MacRobie with reservations and the \$40 by e-transfer.

• **Programs**

Dave Brisley and Doug

Magee

An interesting list of upcoming speakers was presented. Keep an eye on our website for updates

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- **Fall Golf Tourney**
 - Dave Lennard reminded attendees of the planned September event and solicited firm commitments
- **Vice President** *Bill Kidd*
 - Bill reported that he had sent our regards to the Roeder family.
- **Technology** *Bill Docherty*
 - No problems or issues reported .

Who Am I?

There was none presented, allowing a longer time for the presenter.

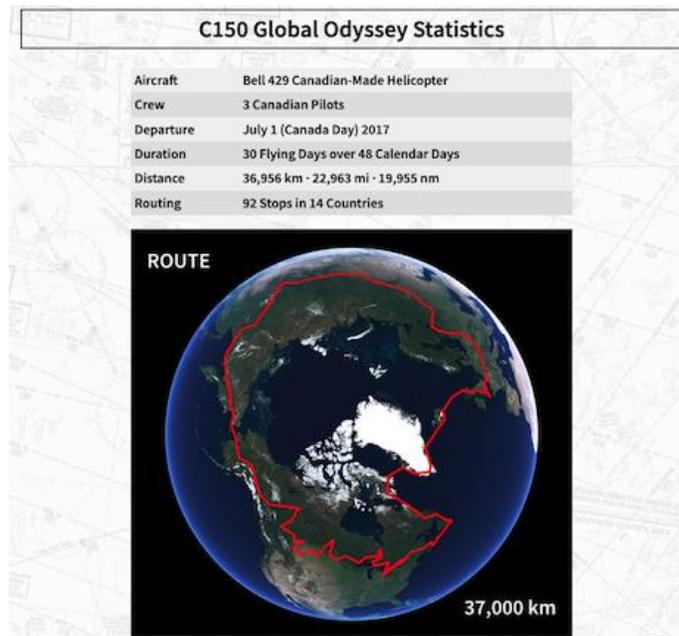
Coffee Time!

VP Bill Kidd's skilled and helpful team delivered some excellent coffee – and safely sealed delicious nibbles.

Bill once again, encouraged members to bring their own coffee cups

Speaker:

Doug Magee introduced speaker **Steve Dengler**, one of the pilots of a Helicopter Global Circumnavigation in celebration of Canada's Sesquicentenary in 2017. It was a detailed account of an exciting adventure.



Adjournment: 12:30

About 20 happy PROBIans adjourned to Burger Bar for a companionable lunch.



MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET
GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY 19 July 2022
Special BBQ Meeting at Lions & Sun

We were welcomed with early coffee and cookies by our host and friend Anna, proprietor of the Lions & Sun

Welcome 10:02

President Dick Furlong

O Canada was sung with heart and voice, *a capella* by a fine group of PROBIans

President Dick gave a special welcome to **Barrie Morgan** of the Guildwood Club, who has admired us from afar and who came to see us in person.

Management Reports:

- **Secretary.**

Doug Wrigglesworth

The minutes of the June meeting were reviewed,

- **Treasurer**

Sunny Lau

Dick Furlong shared Treasurer Sunny's report on the Club financial status. Our situation remains stable.

Membership

David Elms (direct from Dominican Republic)

reported that a total of 88, with 36 members at the last meeting.

Problems with ZOOM prevented a remote audience.

- **Programs**

Dave Brisley and Doug Magee

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- **Fall Golf Tourney**

- Dave Lennard reported that the limited interest to date made the possibility of a Club tourney slim.
- However, in a stroke of brilliance, Paul Bath, (our VP in the wings) suggested that our members might like to join the local Rotary Club at their event. The suggestion was greeted with applause!

Coffee Time! Members continued to enjoy Anna's coffee and cookies - and the usual happy conversation.

Speaker:

Doug Magee introduced Lianne Harris, who gave a wonderful lesson in Canadian History titled "*Rogues and Rebels, How Canada Began*".

Costumed as a French woman from the era, Ms Harris took the audience from 1000 AD through the Battle of the Plains of Abraham in 1759.

For this member of the audience, it evoked wonderful memories of early studies of Canadian History, told from the heart.

It was indeed a fine presentation.

Adjournment: About noon to enjoy a fine BBQ lunch and more conversation .



MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET
GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY 16 August 2022
Newmarket Legion

Over 30 members gathered for a morning of fellowship – but a program marred by IT difficulties.

[Post meeting: The MT is determined to help Bill Docherty in his Herculean efforts to manage our connections with the local equipment. We SHALL overcome.]

President's Welcome:

President Dick opened the meeting about 10:20 after efforts to get audio connections to ZOOM and the projector failed after many tries.

Vern Petrie was introduced who reviewed the Golf Tournament issues. While ours will not run, other opportunities were outlined.

Dick Furlong reminded members of two Celebrations of Life scheduled for past members. For the late **Rob Hogan**, a gathering at a local brew house, and for the late **Graham Christopher** a most appropriate golf tourney.

Management Reports:

- **Secretary.**

Doug Wrigglesworth

The minutes of the July meeting were reviewed.

- **Treasurer**

Sunny Lau

Dick Furlong shared Treasurer Sunny's report on the Club financial status. Our end of year report shows a small surplus, ensuring that our situation remains stable. (see attached)

- **Membership**

David Elms

- reported that a total of 86, with 23 members at the last meeting.
- Today a total of 31 members in attendance

- **RENEWALS:** To date a total of 46 loyal fellows have paid up, for which many thanks.

- **Induction of new member**

- President Dick welcomed **Don McKee** to our club, in spite of Don's witty remark about the "joining like-minded men" line.

- **Programs**

Dave Brisley and Doug Magee

An interesting list of upcoming speakers was presented.
See attached for an updated list.

- **Bill Kidd** reported on his contact with several members who are facing serious health challenges, and to whom he shared the concern and support of our Club.

WHO AM I? Hans de Visser described a remarkable and challenging career that involved the amazing development and application of modern medical Imaging Technology.

Coffee Time! Members enjoyed the usual gathering, as efforts continued to allow a presentation with audio and a ZOOM presenter.

Now What?

Given the inability to connect with the planned speaker, we turned to a couple of the more voluble members of the MT.

1. President Dick reminded members of the proposed list of MT members for the coming year:

Members were encouraged to communicate any objections/suggestions/offers to form a junta, to Dick Furlong or Bill Kidd.

Management Committee 2022/2023 Nominees

Position	Nominee	Number
President	Dick Furlong	Bill Kidd (by appointment)
Vice President	Bill Kidd	Paul Burt
Secretary	Doug Wrigglesworth	Doug Wrigglesworth
Treasurer	Sunny Lau	Sunny Lau
Membership	Dave Sims	Dave Sims
Programs	Dave Briley	Dave Briley
Technology	Bill Docherty	Bill Docherty
Newsletter	Ted Williams	Ted Williams
Website	Sunny Lau	Sunny Lau
Assistants (non-voting)		
Part President	Sunny Lau	Dick Furlong (by appointment)
Membership	Warren MacFabe	
Programs	Doug Magie	
Technology	Steve Muir	
PMSC	Ken Parsons	
Share the Wealth	Dave Briley (lead), Bob Harrington	
Coffee/Refreshments	Bill Kidd (lead), Beth Athena, Rick Biggs	

2. Dick gave a brief but heartfelt report of his recent family reunion in Newfoundland . A crowd of well over 150 far flung members of the Furlong gathered for a fine weekend.
3. The Local Sherlockian Doug Wrigglesworth presented a very brief overview of highlights of the world-wide community who enjoy playing literary games with Arthur Conan Doyle's hero.

Adjournment - 11:45 About 21 members gathered at the Olde Village Free House for a companionable lunch.

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SPRING GOLF		\$ -	\$ -
FALL GOLF		\$ -	\$ -
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON		\$ 100.00	\$ -
OTHER		\$ 135.85	\$ -
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ -	\$ 3,925.60	\$ 4,000.00
EXPENDITURES			
ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS		\$ -	\$ 50.00
RENT		\$ 565.00	\$ 1,092.00
SPEAKER'S HONORARIUM		\$ 1,164.63	\$ 1,800.00
COMPUTER & EQUIPMENT		\$ 380.61	\$ 360.00
MEMORIAL DONATIONS		\$ 150.00	\$ 300.00
NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
COFFEE BREAKS		\$ 377.65	\$ 250.00
INSURANCE		\$ -	\$ -
OFFICE EXPENSES		\$ -	\$ 50.00
BANK SERVICE CHARGES	\$ 4.95	\$ 257.21	\$ 200.00
PAST PRESIDENT'S PLAQUE		\$ 120.00	\$ 125.00
PROBUS NATIONAL DUES		\$ 255.00	\$ 250.00
PINS & BADGES		\$ 287.53	\$ 100.00
PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL		\$ -	\$ 150.00
WEB SITE		\$ -	\$ -
ZOOM LICENSE		\$ -	\$ 226.00
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON		\$ 100.00	
OTHER		\$ 5.00	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 4.95	\$ 3,662.63	\$ 4,953.00
CASH FLOW	(-\$4.95)	\$262.97	(-\$953.00)
July 1, 2022 opening bank balance	\$ 4,475.19		
July 31, 2022 closing bank balance	\$ 4,470.24		
Petty cash	\$100.00		
Unrealized Revenue *	\$29.00		
Unrealized Expenditures **	(-\$225.00)		
MEMBERS' EQUITY	\$ 4,374.24		

* - Share the Wealth proceeds from July

** - Cheque to Lianne Harris

PROGRAMS NEWMARKET, 2022

August 15, 2022

DATE	SPEAKER	TOPIC	COFIRMED (Y/N)	In Person-P or Virtual	Fee
January 19	Sue & David Williams	Ready to Come about-sailing tale	Y	Zoom	\$100
February 16	Paul Wylezol	Cabox-Global Geopark-geology and history	Y	Zoom	\$100 Donation requested
March 16	Tim Burrows	Electric Cars-your future?	Y	Zoom	No fee
April 20	Open House Social event	Club members get together	Y	P	
May 18	Barbara Dickson	Bomb Girls-one of Canada's best kept secrets	Y	P	\$200
June 15	Steve & Bob Dengler	Round the Word Helicopter Flight	Y	Zoom	\$100 Donation to Southlake
July 19	Lianne Harris	Rogues and Rebels<-How Canada Began	Y	P	\$225
August 16	Ryan Uytdevillegin Replacing Daniel Aonso	Chief Dan George Actor and Activist	Y	Zoom	\$220
September 20	Eileen Schuller	The Dead Sea Scrolls, new discoveries	Y	Zoom	Donation if we wish, no charge
October 19	Dr. Amy Barron	Agatha Christie and Archaeology	Y	Zoom	\$150
November 15	Christmas Luncheon	Cruisin Acappella Group	Y	P	\$900-shared 50/50 with The Roxborough
December 20	Dr. John Percy	Misconceptions about the Universe: From Everyday Life to the Big Bang or Archaeoastronomy	Y	In person or via Zoom	\$150
Costs to Date				With a Sept. Donation	\$1,095 \$1,195

Under Review-- Some possible speakers for next year

- Mike Robson Marine Pilot on the Welland Canal-too far for in-person?



MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 20 September 2022
Newmarket Legion

President's Welcome:

In his opening comments, Dick referred to the slow decrease in membership. The need to market our Club to possible recruits was emphasised. Suggestions from current members was encouraged. The Management Team are already on the job.

Vice President; (Soon to be President)

Bill Kidd

Details regarding the November "Christmas" Luncheon were announced. Held once again at the Lions and Sun, entertainment will be provided live by the *Cruisin Group*, highly entertaining entertainers.

The Roxborough will be sharing the entertainment cost with us.

The cost for members will be \$70 per plate – all included: meal, tax, tip and entertainment – except bar tabs. Warren MacRobie will be managing and will be accepting payment by e-transfer or cheque.

Management Reports:

- **Secretary.**

Doug

Wrigglesworth

The minutes of the August meeting were reviewed.

- **Membership**

David Elms

- reported that a total of 84, with an encouraging number of renewals.
- Contacts are being made to the slow pokes.

- Treasurer

Sunny Lau

Men's PROBUS Club of Newmarket

Financial Summary

Fiscal 2022 (August 1st, 2021 to July 31st, 2022)

- Surplus of \$66.97
- Lower Rental and Speaker's Fee expenses were offset by increase in technology acquisitions to support hybrid meetings and pins/badges expenses
- Bank balance as of July 31st, 2022 was \$4,470.24
- Net Member's Equity was \$4,374.24

- **Long Service Pins** were distributed to those with Five year, Ten year, 15 and 20 year memberships.

Pins for 2022

5 Year

BALLARD	Michael (Mike)
BIGGS	Richard (Rick)
BRISLEY	David (Dave)
HANSEN	Edward (Chuck)
PETRY	Vern
WILSON	Kevin

10 Year

HICKS	John
LENNARD	David (Dave)
ROBERTSON	Brian
WRIGGLESWORTH	Doug

15 Year

HARRINGTON	Robert (Bob)
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20 Year

PARKS	Jim
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25 Year

NONE	
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PRESIDENTS'S YEAR END REPORT

President Dick Furlong gave a summary of his year and wished incoming President Bill Kidd best wishes.

Newmarket Men's PROBUS Club

Year End report

2021-2022

President R J Furlong

- Restrictions due to Covid, we went from Virtual meeting to Hybrid to in person in APRIL with some technical issues following us
- Change of venue-Seaton to Sun and Lions to Royal Canadian legion was learning curve
- 28 months of Pandemic lowered attendance, recruitment new members
- Club Financials- year over year we had surplus \$66.97
- Lower rental fees offset by Technology equipment and over budget on pins and badges (12 pins this year + inventory)
- Bank balance year end-\$4,470.24, member equity was \$4,374.24
- Members status -Year end 88, 2021 year end 91(5 new members, 8 left club) A marketing team was formed to review marketing -internally and externally
- Attendance, average 34 members (total virtual or in person) 39%, Technical issues may have impact for virtual attendance recently
- This year we continue with virtual system, continue with international speakers before going domestic in November 2021
- Doug and Dave use many sources to secure (other clubs, Probus Global Speakers Corner, speaker feed back and of course, suggestions from members) the quality speakers we have used
- 33% of speaker fees donated to charity
- PMSC has been a success in contacting members who have not made it to meetings
- Newsletters are published Quarterly, and we are always looking for feedback from members, offering insight or suggestions for articles
- Our outreach program sends cards to members with health issues or condolences to family of members or past members that may have passed away
- Technology has had great moments in having system on place for our meetings, but recently with switch to Legion, we still have some kinks to work out of the system. We recently formed a task force of 3 tech literate members to support our technology chair to resolve the issues.
- A major plus on technology side, our webpage is function great and is a standard bearer for other clubs
- Each meeting has minutes recorded, reviewed and placed on website for future reference

INDUCTION OF 2022 – 2023 MANAGEMENT TEAM

PAST PRESIDENT ROB VERNON read in the new(?) Management Team that will be led by President Bill Kidd.

2022-23 Executive

First	Surname	2022/23 Positions
Paul	Bath	Vice-President
Dave	Brisley	Programs
Bill	Docherty	Technology
David	Elms	Membership
Dick	Furlong	Past-President
Bill	Kidd	President
Sunny	Lau	Treasurer/Web Master
Warren	MacRobie	Assistant Membership
Doug	Magee	Assistant Programs
Ken	Parsons	Assistant at Large
Doug	Wrigglesworth	Secretary/Correspondance
Ted	Wilkinson	NewsLetter

Who Am I? Our new Tech Chair, **Bill Docherty** described an exciting carer in technology infrastructure. Concentrating on emerging technology in financial services, Bill's work involved all five major Canadian banks, as well as Bell Canada.

COFFEE BREAK

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dave Brisley introduced Dr. Eileen Schuller, professor of Religious Studies at McMaster University.

In a fascinating, well-illustrated and clearly presented talk, Dr Schuller explained the significance of the Dead Sea Scrolls discovery just 75 years ago this year.

Having been involved directly on site in the study of the Scrolls, as a young PhD student, then later as an academic Dr. Schuller was able to describe what historical knowledge has been learned, how the scrolls have been examined, and how the complex translation of tiny pieces continues to evolve.

A splendid talk that was greatly appreciated by all.



MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET
GENERAL MEETING

In Person TUESDAY 18 October 2022
Newmarket Legion

HUZZAH!! FIRST PLAYING OF O CANADA ON SCREEN IN MANY MONTHS!

Thanks to Bill Docherty for his efforts.

O Canada

More choral practice required

President's Welcome

Bill Kidd

Bill spoke in memory of Bill McCullough – a recent member who sadly passed before we could get to know him.

Management Reports:

- **Secretary.**

Doug Wrigglesworth

The minutes of the September Annual Meeting were reviewed.

- **Treasurer**

Sunny Lau

Sunny reported on our fiscal status. We were able to make some essential investments in IT purchases; rental costs will need some decisions; and membership needs to increase.

- **Marketing Plan**

Past Pres Dick Furlong

As our membership is declining, the need to publicize our Club and encourage new members is clear.

Dick asked for a couple of volunteers to help him launch a campaign.

- **Membership**

David Elms

- reported that a 33 attended the last meeting
- We now have 77 members of whom 69 have paid up.

- **Programs** *Dave Brisley, Doug Magee*
 - See attached for a list of splendid programs on the way for our Club.

- **Newsletter** *Ted Wilkinson*
 - Next issue due in mid-November
 - Contributions from members are welcomed.

- **Technology** *Bill Dougherty*
 - Bill updated members on the process that got us to today, with working mikes, working Power Point, and working ZOOM.

- **Vice-President** *Paul Booth*
 - No report

- **Web Site** *Sunny Lau*
 - Sunny gave an update on the web site, including renewal of licence.
 - He was appreciative of the video of MP Tony Byden honouring Art Craig and Al Roeder in the House of Commons.

- **WHO AM I?**

Don McKee gave a wonderful talk about a most interesting life story. The core of his message was the opportunities we have in life to change our directions in a more positive direction. In 1968 his political activities in Detroit led to jail by the FBI. As a draft-dodging escapee from a US jail, Don arrived safely in Canada. Here his life turned about and led to a successful career as a lawyer. “We are not the sum of what we were before – we can change”

Keynote Speaker

Dr. Amy Barron Canadian Archaeologist and academic.

In a most entertaining live (and lively) presentation, Dr. Barron told us of Agatha Christie – her interesting life story as an author – and her involvement in Archaeology, particularly with her second husband, Max Mellowan.

PROGRAMS NEWMARKET, 2022

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER



MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET
GENERAL MEETING

Hybrid TUESDAY 20 Dec 2022
Newmarket Legion

O Canada

Choral enthusiasm improves.

President's Welcome

Bill Kidd

- Three guests were welcomed as well.

Management Reports:

- **Secretary.**

Doug Wrigglesworth

The October meeting minutes were reviewed, and the good time at the November luncheon was reported.

- **Treasurer**

Sunny Lau

Sunny reported on our fiscal status. Despite some recent essential expenses, our bank balance stands at \$4873.10.

- **Marketing Plan**

Past Pres Dick Furlong

As our membership is declining, the need to publicize our Club and encourage new members is clear. Dick outlined the points that will need to be addressed:

MEN's PROBUS Club of Newmarket

Marketing OPTIONS

INTERNAL Analysis

- **Venue**
- **Membership cost**
- **Name tag design/ cost**
- **Meeting day**
- **Scheduled time of meeting**
- **Meeting format**
- **Speaker valuation by membership**
- **Coffee break/treats format**
- **Post meeting lunch-location, cost, menu, distance, members notice**
- **Promoting lunch on non meeting day**
- **External trips/events (recent euchre) — LINDSAY**
- **Increase events with your ladies, not just Xmas**
- **Option for location MC meeting**

MEN's PROBUS Club of Newmarket

Marketing OPTIONS

EXTERNAL Analysis

- **Profile of club (have we lost the sizzle)**
- **Promote (positive) image**
- **Outreach Program with local Service Clubs -establish target groups**
- **Establish program for new retirees**
- **Brochures**
- **Package that members can use to promote club to friends, neighbor, family**
- **Media options**
- **YouTube promo that can be introduction to club**
- **Program with 2 women's clubs in town, 300 members, where are the men**
- **Random lunches for members/Let's create list and have person in charge of invites, location and monitoring**

A committee of members will meet with Dick early in the New Year to address these.

- **Membership**

David Elms

- We now have 72 members PLUS John Gallagher, who was formally inducted today.

- **Programs**

Dave Brisley, Doug Magee

- Dave reviewed the sparkling list of upcoming speakers we will enjoy over the next few months.

- **Technology**

Bill Dougherty

- Bill updated members on the process that continued to improve.

- **Web Site** *Sunny Lau*
 - Sunny updated the website, which continues to tell the world about our fine Club.

- **WHO AM I?**

Warren MacRobie, a long-standing member of our Management Team, told us of a computing career as it developed into a complex and powerful business power.

Born in Leaside and enjoying a football career, Warren's UofT Engineering profession was abridged by his love of the game. Happily, he found that the Computing world gave him an entry to a most successful career that involved designing data centres for most of the significant Canadian banks.

In retirement, he and his wife have enjoyed world travel to many far-flung destinations.

Keynote Speaker

Dr. John Percy, emeritus professor of Astronomy at UofT, who continues to support science education for both students and the public.

Misconceptions in the Universe.

In a most entertaining presentation, Dr. Percy explained the issues behind some common misconceptions. Among them were:

- The "Dark" side of the Moon.
- Impact of 'full moon' on global happenings, both political and personal.
- The seeming relations between Astrological Star signs and personal characteristics.

Members enjoyed the presentation and asked many questions following.

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