



## MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET GENERAL MEETING

**17. May 2023**  
**Newmarket Legion Hall**

### President's Welcome

*President Bill Kidd*

- Six guests were warmly welcomed.
- A hearty welcome back to Keith Atherton, who has recovered from injuries.
- The List of Nominees and the spaces needing to be filled was reviewed.

Slate Of Officers For Aug 1, to July 31 2024  
**Red Positions Available, To Be Nominated**

President 23/24	Paul Bath
Vice-President	<b>Position Available 23/24</b>
Past-President	Bill Kidd
Secretary	Doug Wrigglesworth
Treasurer	Sunny Lau
Website	Sunny Lau
Membership	Dave Elms Warren MacRobie A*
Marketing	<b>Position Available 23/24</b>
Programs & Events	<b>Position Available 23/24</b> Dave Brisley A*
Newsletter	Ted Wilkinson
Technology	<b>Position Available 23/24</b> Tim Mydren A*
PMSC (Probus Members Social Contacts)	Ken Parsons

\*A Assistant

### Management Reports:

- **Secretary.**
  - The April minutes were reviewed.

*Doug Wrigglesworth*

- **Treasurer**

*Sunny Lau*

- Treasurer Sunny happily reported a positive cash flow for the past month.
- Management is finalizing a budget for the fiscal year to come.

- **Web Site**

*Via Doug Wrigglesworth*

- Webmaster Sunny reported a slight reduction in page views and that the Speakers page was the most popular.

- **Marketing Plan**

*Past Pres Dick Furlong*

- A review of the Team, their activities and progress were presented.
- An Inter-Club meeting with the Lindsay Club is planned for July 11. Stay tuned for details.

**Membership**

*David Elms*

- Membership stands at 80 members.
- Another healthy attendance today - since Covid. Thirty-nine members and five guests attended.
- Last meeting 46 attendees.
- **Mike Ballard** was presented with his 5-year Pin.

**Induction of New Members**

President Bill welcomed a new member and introduced him to the audience,

***Claudius Zujew***

**Programs**

*Dave Brisley & Doug Magee*

- Dave reviewed the sparkling list of upcoming speakers we will enjoy over the next few months. SEE ATTACHED.
- Doug Magee reminded all to sign up for the **Warplane Heritage Museum** visit on **July 16**. Attendees were invited to arrange carpooling if desired.
- LUNCH will be arranged BEFORE the visit at a location nearby

**Vice President**

*Paul Bath*

- √ Paul gave our Club's regret at the passing of long-time member **Roy Hamilton**.
- √ He also warmly cheered the return of a healthier Keith Atherton.

**Featured Speaker:**

**Dr. Christopher DiCarlo on Critical Thinking in a Post-Truth World.**

A rapt audience was introduced to a brilliant exposition on this topic.

Just a very few of the highlights included:

- √ “So You Think You Can Think”
- √ “Truthiness”
- √ “Alternative facts”
- √ “Fact versus Opinion”
- √ The A B C D E F Principles:
  - Argument
  - Bias
  - Context
  - Diagram
  - Evidence
  - Fallacies
- √ The Laws of Thought
  - Consistency
  - The Law of Identity: A bottle is a bottle
  - The Law of Non-Contradiction: You cannot have your cake and eat it too,
  - The Law of the Excluded Middle: A Door is either open or shut.

A brilliant presentation.

**Adjournment – 12:10** to lunch at Castle John’s

PROGRAMS NEWMARKET, 2023 Schedule

**Updated** 17 May 2023

DATE	SPEAKER	TOPIC	COFIRME D (Y/N)	In Person-P or Virtual	Fee
January 18	David Chandross Ph.D.	“Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Mankind”-	Y	V	\$220 to Circles <i>Enrichment</i>
February 15	Ryan Uytdevillegin	Chief Dan George	Y	P	\$220 to Circles <i>Enrichment</i>
March 15	Randy Barber	Winston Churchill, True Renaissance Man	Y	P	\$250
April 19	Ann and Ron Harrison	The Underground Railroad	Y	V	No Charge
May 17	Dr. Christopher DiCarlo, Philosopher	“Critical Thinking in a Post Truth World”	Y	(V) to be <i>confirmed</i>	\$220 to Circles <i>Enrichment</i>
June 21	Ryan Dibisch, Executive Director, NewMakeit, Fabrication Space	Presentation on the facility and its history Also July social event, see below	Y	P	No Charge
July 19	<b>Christine Allum</b> Ont. Securities Commission	Protect Your Money – avoiding financial scams	Y	P	No Charge
August 16	Barbecue or other social event?	To be decided in future			Costs yet to be <b>confirmed</b>
September 20	Doug Wrigglesworth	Sherlock on the Screen	Y	P	No Charge
October 18	Chris Leworthy	presentation on Dieppe	Y	V	Fee of our choice to a Cdn. charity
November 15	Paul Bath	Christmas Event - <b>Location tba</b>	Y	P	VP budget item
December 20	Christopher Little	Social Media and Online Safety	Y	P	\$125

### Possible speakers for 2023 and 2024

- Steve Chapelle “Planning your digital estate.”
- Sarah Hendrick - First Female K9 Handler in the OPP
- Lianne Harris Racioppo - any one of her many topics
- Leo Ralph Chair York Region Crime Stoppers Senior's Program
- John Carswell's “Canada’s High Arctic”
- Eddie Joyce, MHA (Newfoundland and Labrador) - My experiences in Uganda and Kenya
- Adam Shoalts, Explorer -Canoe journey across Canadian Arctic

### Social Events Overlapping With Marketing Committee

- Euchre Nights, *as now arranged by Paul Bath*
- Cineplex Newmarket, movie night, Monday, January 16, Silver City Newmarket, **A Man Called Otto** club members and spouses invited – *four members did attend – **Any movies of interest now?***
- Tour Provincial Parliament - *Arrangements underway; Dick Furlong and others recommend October or November, tour and lunch*
- Herongate Barn Dinner Theatre, Pickering, *Canceled because of low interest.*
- Yuk Yuk’s Dinner Theatre, Newmarket Seniors Meeting Place, March 25 and after – **Successful**
- Join the open house event at Newmarket in July – *Ryan Dibisch to confirm the date.*
- Warplane Heritage Museum tour, Hamilton – *July 16, 2023 – 10 have expressed interest; Doug Magee is scouting out lunch location near the airport, announced again at the May meeting.*
- Mary Morton tour – *many choices that may be of interest – in a future year*
- Joint meeting with Lindsay club – *July 11; see Marketing report; more information to follow.*
- Tour of Scarborough wartime tunnels – *Doug Magee discussed with Barbara Dickson on September – 10 and has expressed interest, but not enough, cancelled*
- Possible social event at the Roxborough in the Summer – *discussion with Community Relations Manager – **NOTE: We had decided at the March MC mtg. Not to go forward – but I have made members aware of it; they can go if they want to know more about The Roxborough.***