



JANUARY 2025

BATTLEFORDS PROBUS CLUB

Official Minutes of the Battlefords Probus Club



Date:

Tuesday Jan. 21, 2025

Time:

10am - 12pm

Location:

Don Ross Centre Rm 101, NB

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MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

New seating arrangement. Round tables set up. Worked really well.

Gerry opened with a thank you to all the volunteers.

Becky explained about the name tags - We are getting them from Nutec Embroidery which is a local company. They will cost \$15 each whether magnetic or pin-on. Can pay cash or e-transfer. We will figure out a storage solution and hand them in at the end of every meeting. New membership forms are available for new members - \$45/yr. There is now an attendance book so we can sign in at each meeting.

Our May meeting will be our membership drive. Asking everyone to invite at least one person. We will hold this meeting at the WDM due to the larger number of people. We want to have a very interesting speaker at that meeting.

George spoke about special interest groups. Any suggestions for new groups? Any new sign-ups? Each group should pick a group leader. A paper was passed around so people could sign up for a group that interested them. George also asked if there was a volunteer to do the 50/50 tickets at future meetings.

Gerry mentioned how great the newsletter looked and thanked George and Lane (and George's daughter) for putting it together.

Possibility of a field trip? Prairie Lily river cruise? Gerry will check into it regarding bussing etc. Possibly go in June or July. Will report back next meeting.

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Gerry had a presentation on Security Threats - the different ways it could happen. Awareness is key. It's important to have unique passwords, especially for banking.

Passphrase - a sentence easy to remember. Could be a line from a song, for example. Good to substitute \$ for S, number 0 for the letter O.

App called PASSWORD MONSTER will assess your password as to difficulty. Main thing is to STAY AWARE.

BREAK FOR COFFEE.

Becky introduced one new member and two guests visiting the meeting.

Chris introduced our guest speaker Linda Shynkaruk, newly retired Director of Saskatchewan Health North Battleford. Linda gave a history of the hospital starting in 1879 and taking us up to present day. It was VERY interesting. A short question period followed her presentation.

Chris then thanked her and presented her with a gift from the club (stained glass tiger lily).

Our first 50/50 draw, was a success! Total cash entries were \$170, with \$85 to the club and \$85 to our winner Rick Hertes.

\$20 was left in the cash box for a float and \$65 was given to our treasurer Johanne.

Josie Sander Kunkel and Diane Szyda have volunteered to manage the 50/50 draw.

Meeting adjourned.

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