



MARCH 2025

BATTLEFORDS PROBUS CLUB

Official Minutes of the Battlefords Probus Club



Date:

Tuesday Mar. 18, 2025

Time:

10am - 12pm

Location:

Don Ross Centre, NB

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MEETING MINUTES

Gerry spoke briefly about Scams. He had received one supposedly from Revenue Canada saying he had a refund. George heard about a woman who was scammed by text into sending her nephew money but it wasn't actually her nephew. This is where a family password would be useful. There is also the scam where Scott Moe is urging people to buy crypto currency. We have to be very cautious as there are new scams all the time.

Mayor of North Battleford is today's speaker and since Battleford's Mayor is unavailable on our next meeting date, we will change the date to April 22.

The May meeting is a membership drive. A larger meeting room at the WDM has been booked for that date. All members are encouraged to invite a guest. We will have Tim Horton's coffee and there are volunteers who will bring muffins/dainties etc.

George introduced himself and apologized for his mistake with Lynda Weston's name. He asked if we could consider changing the date for the Prairie Lily cruise from June 10 to the following Thursday. No conclusion was reached.

Becky spoke about the name tags. A new order will now be going in. Also the pin style tags will be changed at no cost. Becky introduced today's 3 new members Sandra Tarnowsky, Barbara Blyth and Carol Wesley.

Re: Mingling and getting to know everyone - asking that one person at each table introduce themselves and talk a little about themselves. On each table George left a sheet of possible topics to touch on.

Up-coming events. We will announce any events that we know of at each meeting - anything that may be of interest to other members from entertainment to garage sales to ... Chris had an event to mention - Fri. May 2 at 7:00 Chris' guitar group will be putting on a "Tribute to Don Williams" at St. Andre's Church. Admission is by donation.

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Johanne reported on the Travel group. They had their first meeting last month - lunch at Beaver Grill and meeting followed. They discuss all things about travel - destinations, tips etc. At the next meeting 3 volunteers will talk about a trip they have taken.

Card group is active. They meet on Tuesdays. George would like to play more. At the Pioneer Hall there is a gathering for cards every Monday afternoon. A variety of games are played and the cost is \$4 per person each time. Monday, March 31 will be the next get together. Can sign up today. Contact person is Gerry Craig (306)441-2623.

George introduced himself and spoke a little about himself, then it went to the next table until someone from each table had spoken - Ramone Bru, Evelyn Scotnitsky, Lane Jackson, Wayne Kunkel, Terry Mitchell, Chris Pollard. We will do this each meeting.

Break for coffee.

Chris introduced our guest speaker, Mayor Kelly Hawtin, North Battleford's first female mayor. She spoke about initiatives and changes that are coming. Randy Patrick, City Manager, was in attendance also. After her presentation, there was a question period. It was very informative. Following her presentation, Chris presented her with a gift and thanked her.

Mayor Hawtin drew the name for the 50/50 draw. The lucky winner of half the proceeds which was \$85 was Lynda Weston.

The meeting adjourned,
Gerry wondered if there would be any interest in 3D Printer. He will send an email regarding those who are interested getting together to see it work.

Reminder to sign attendance register and to hand in your name tag before leaving.

50/50 draw was made and the winner was Kim Berger taking home \$70.

Meeting adjourned.