



SEPT 2025

BATTLEFORDS PROBUS CLUB

Official Minutes of the Battlefords Probus Club



Date:

Tuesday Sept 16, 2025

Time:

10am - 12pm

Location:

*Foyer Don Ross
Centre Auditorium, NB*

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

George Plews

President

Evelyn Skotniski

Vice President

Deb Breiman

Secretary

Johanne Stolz

Treasurer

Sharon Spence

Membership Chair

Chris Pollard

Speaker Chair

Susan McLean Tady

Events and Activities

George Plews

Lane Jackson

Webmasters

Gerry Walker

Past President

MEETING MINUTES

Gerry gave a brief introduction to the club and a review of what we did last year - speakers we had and field trips we took.

50/50 draw at every meeting. Possibility of using this money to reduce dues or subsidize the Christmas lunch.

Financial statement was shown and explained.

Group visit to Fred Light Museum with the tour led by Bernadette Leslie. Oct. 14-16th are the dates. Approximately 15 people can go at a time so if there is more interest, we will split the group and go on two days.

Nomination of Candidates for elected positions:

- **President** - George Plews elected.
- **Vice President** - *Volunteers? Nominations? As no one came forward, the committee has a potential candidate in mind and will ask her.*
- **Secretary** - Deb Breiman will remain in the position. *She also makes the stained glass thank you gifts for the speakers.*
- **Treasurer** - Johanne Stolz will remain in the position.

Non-elected positions:

- **Speaker Chair** - Chris Pollard will remain with Gerry assisting.
- **Membership** - Sharon Spence will take over the position from Becky. *(Thank you to Becky for all the work involved in getting everything so well organized.)*
- **Web Master** - Lane Jackson and George Plews will continue.
- **50/50** - Diane Szyda and Josie Sander Kunkel will continue.
- **Special Events Coordinator** - Susan Tady will remain in the position.

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George spoke about liability as it applies to car pooling. No money can exchange hands prior to the trip. Susan mentioned buying gas cards - will be discussed further.

Non members at events is discouraged - potential liability problem.

Personal e-mail addresses will never be included in any brochures, newsletters etc.

Framed charter on display.

Group sign-up sheets are out. New groups?

Rick Hertes, walking group organizer, spoke briefly. He explained that they meet in a different area every Wednesday at 10:00. They walk for an hour and then go some place for coffee. Will move to the Field House for the winter. Susan also suggested that the Alex Dillabough Centre has walking on certain days. No fee, just donation. It will be checked out.

George welcomed the new members and guests.

Becky spoke briefly about her year as Membership Chair. She reminded everyone that fees are \$45 and name tags are \$15. Tags are ordered when there are about 15 to be made as that saves us money in set up costs. She reminded new members that there are forms for them to fill out and George stressed that they make sure their e-mail address can be clearly read.

Travel Club - Meets the 4th Monday of each month.

Spades Card Club - Meet in the Pioneer Hall two Mondays each month. The next one is Sept. 22nd at 1:00. The cost is \$4.00 each time just to cover the cost of the hall rental.

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Book Club will be starting in November.

Gerry introduced our guest speaker Bernadette Leslie, curator of the Fred Light Museum from which she will soon retire after 40 years. She gave an interesting and, at times, humorous account of her past 40 years. There was ample time for many questions following her presentation. Gerry presented her with a stained glass tiger lily as a thank you.

The 50/50 draw was made with the winnings going to Virginia Ford. She pocketed \$92.50!!

Just as the meeting was breaking up, George's daughter, Aidan, arrived and she was presented with a gift certificate as a thank you for all the time and effort she devoted to making our newsletters look as great as they do. She graciously accepted and presented Gerry with a card of her own thanking us for allowing her to be a part of our club in that capacity.