



MARCH 2026

BATTLEFORDS PROBUS CLUB

Official Minutes of the Battlefords Probus Club



Date:

Tuesday March 17, 2026

Time:

10am - 12pm

Location:

Rm 101 Don Ross
Centre Auditorium, NB

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

George called the meeting to order and welcomed any new members and guests. One new member signed up today.

Introduction of Management Team. Representatives from the different sub groups gave an overview of what goes on in each group:

- Johanne spoke for the Travel Club. They meet the 4th Monday of the month at the Beaver Grill at 1:00. They have lunch and discuss travel tips, destinations, experiences etc.
- Rick spoke for the walking group. They walk for 1 hour on Wednesdays at 10:00 and go for coffee afterward. He asked that if anyone has ideas for some new trails to walk to let him know.
- Leela spoke about the Card group. They meet the 1st and 3rd Monday at the Pioneer Hall at 1:00. Cost of \$5. Everyone welcome.
- Scrabble is off to a bit of a rocky start but the existing 6 members are having fun and intend to keep it going.
- Bridge is on the 2nd and 4th Monday at the Pioneer Hall. No charge. Looking for new members.
- No report on the reading group.

Does anyone have ideas for new groups? Bring them forward. Susan reported that anyone interested could meet at the Armoury at 4:00 on Thursdays for a game afternoon - bring your own cards or board games and just have fun. Can also have supper for \$20 per person which would have to be booked the day before so they know numbers. Supper is at 5:00 and on the main level so no worry about climbing stairs.

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Up-coming field trips: Water treatment Plant at the end of April but no date yet. Northland Power Plant in May.
Any new ideas for field trips?

Johanne introduced a new idea for a group - Guess who's coming to dinner? Whoever volunteers to be the host would provide the meat and side dish and then invite guests who would each bring something - salad, dessert etc. Only the host would know who is attending.

It was mentioned that if we decided to have a group pot luck, the Pioneer Hall rents for only \$40.

Jo Anne Higgs volunteered to head up the dinner group.

COFFEE BREAK

Chris introduced our guest speakers. Judy Der (Alzheimers Society) and Sharon Mohagen.

Judy gave us a wealth of information on recognizing, understanding, living with and coping with Alzheimers and dementia. There is no cure, no reversal, just a slowing down. There is a Dementia Help Line which you can call Monday to Friday from 8:30 to 4:30. 1-877-949-4141.

Sharon then gave us her emotional, touching experience as her husband became sick with Alzheimers. It gave us a very personal perspective on the disease. There is a caregiver support group that meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at The Blend from 1:30 to 2:30 or 3:00.

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There was a time for questions before Chris thanked them and presented them with their gifts.

Volunteers were asked for for our next meeting to make coffee and greet. Lane and Brian volunteered.

George showed us our calendar which is on the web site. It shows all the events and even has a map as well as all the pertinent information regarding the event. There was applause in appreciation for George's efforts.

George presented some money saving tips (apps). FLIPP, FLASHFOOD, FOOD HERO, GAS BUDDY. You can find the best prices for particular items, what's on sale and where, what's about to be removed due to date etc. etc. Good way to save a few bucks.

George mentioned the Sask. Home Renovation Tax Credit for seniors. It can be used for many updates from painting to soil for the yard. Worth checking out.

Our April speaker will be Lindsay Holm, Director of Protective Services, Fire Chief. He will speak on a variety of subjects including Safety Officers.

FYI - Our May meeting will be held in the room by the gym.

Chris announced the Mosaic concert which is coming Friday, May 1, 7:00 pm at the Battleford Legion. Admission by donation with proceeds going to Catholic Family Services and the Food Bank.

Meeting adjourned.