OCTOBER 2026

BATTLEFORDS PROBUS CLUB

Official Minutes of the Battlefords Probus Club

Date:
Tuesday October 20, 2026

Time:
10am - 12pm

Location:
Rm 102, Don Ross Centre Auditorium, NB

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Evelyn opened the meeting. Chris introduced our two guest speakers from the Chamber of Commerce - Linda Machniak (retiring president) and Greg Kwong (the new president). Linda spoke of emotionally of her 30 years as President and Greg spoke of his intention to grow the Battlefords. After a time for questions, Chris presented each of them with a gift from the club and thanked them.

Coffee break.

Evelyn introduced herself and called George up to present him with his Past President pin.

It was announced that there is a vacancy for vice president, but no volunteers came forward. Evelyn welcomed the new people attending and reminded people to pay their $40 dues if they have not yet done so.

The flag raising was successful. The Regional Director as well as several club members attended the event. The flag has been returned after flying one week.

Christmas party is Dec. 15 at the Wildlife Building. Cost and menu are being finalized. We will pay in November. Also need to inform caterer of any food allergies.

Greeters for next meeting?? No one spoke up.

Cards Group - Meets 1st and 3rd Monday at Pioneer Hall from 1:00 to 3:00. Cost of $5 to pay for hall rental. Christmas party sign up sheet at next get together.

Walking Group - Every Wednesday at 10:00 (arrive 10 mins early). Walk in various locations and go for coffee afterward. 13 regular members.

Travel Group - Meets last Monday of the month at 1:00 at Beaver Grill. Group just returned from a trip to Quebec City.

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner - New sign-up sheet for dinner mid November.

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Gerry gave a short presentation on AI. AI agents are assigned a task. They can recognize each other, they can hide themselves, can lie. Experts are sounding the alarm.

George spoke about the Mature Driving Course he attended. Main message was do not be distracted and drive defensively.

They would be willing to speak at a Probus meeting.

Rough Rider game trip. Schedule comes out in December. We will pick a day, get numbers, and book a bus. $50 for the bus if we get fifty-six people. Game tickets extra.

Handy Person List - If anyone has someone who does odd jobs, etc. let George know and he will include it in the newsletter.

Leela invited people to join a dance group which gets together on the 4th Saturday of the month at the Legion in North Battleford from 7:00 to 11:00. $15 per person. Everyone welcome (partner or not).

Gerry mentioned an idea for a possible field trip to the Loraas Recycling Depot in Saskatoon. It was suggested that we could combine something else with it.

Diane brought our attention to the Pfeiffer Learning Centre on Railway Ave. You can donate your books there or buy them for $1.00

Options for a bigger meeting room was discussed, and it was decided that we will return to our old room for the next meeting and see how that goes.

Meeting adjourned.