



The PROBUS Pilot



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The Prez Sez

Hello Members of Probus Western Ottawa:

The sun is shining. The air is clear and as I sit on my balcony I wonder what the next few months will bring for our club. Nothing ordinary is happening this autumn that's certain. Critical news from PROBUS CANADA has just arrived in my e-mail. I quote: "If a club decides not to charge Membership fees for the year, the Members are deemed to still be Members of their club and continue to be covered through HUB International Insurance". Other policies continue as follows: "Brokerage continues for Liability and Directors and Officers Insurance. This scenario also applies to members who have subscribed to Johnson's Insurance for Health, Dental and Travel Insurance." End quote.

Our treasurer must pay PROBUS CANADA \$2.50 PER MEMBER (reduced from the \$3.00 which had been passed for this upcoming year). In order to determine the number of members coming back, so we can remit the correct amount to the National Office, we have decided that all members will receive a telephone call from either Barbara Stafford or myself asking you whether you intend to return WHEN WE ARE ABLE.

As you will see from the financial report approved by our executive, and printed in this issue of the Probus Pilot, we are in a profit situation but not by much. PROBUS is a non-profit organization so this is a good place to be. We have very recently received a refund of our lease payments from Kanata United Church for the months of September to December 2020 in the amount of \$632.50. This amount as you will see on page two is not included in the financial statement displayed in this edition, as it was received after the financial reckoning for this year was completed. It will be rolled into our assets for the year 2020-2021. This refund will be more than sufficient to cover the cost of the Insurance provided for our Club by Probus Canada. We will not be accepting Membership dues until we can offer a programme to you.

In closing I want to wish Ron Armstrong well as he begins his year as President. I am confident he will do an excellent job. We are still looking for some people to come forward to complete the Management Team for 2020-2021. OUTINGS is vacant. Barbara, who has taken on MEMBERSHIP, would like someone to help out. I can assure you this executive is exemplary and would not only make you very welcome, but help you out as much as you need. Many on the current executive have filled roles they do not currently hold and could assist anyone unsure about joining.

Finally, it has been a privilege to lead the club this year. In spite of the challenge of COVID 19, I would not have missed this opportunity for anything. I am grateful for the trust the executive and the membership have shown in me. Thank you very much. Be safe. Be well. See you soon.
Margaret Demers.

Your 2020-2021 Management Board

In our July Newsletter, a deadline of August 15 was established for any further nominations to our Management Board. As none were received by that date, the Board has declared all nominees to be acclaimed to the positions as shown below. The new Board officially takes over on September 1.



Ron Armstrong
President



Marg Demers
Past President



Peter van Boeschoten
Vice President



Martha Maslen
Secretary



Desna Sulway
Treasurer



Barbara Bole +1 TBD
-- Membership --



Charles Boole
Speaker Pgm



John Hardie
Member-at-Large



Marie Armstrong
--- Lunches ---



Ruth MacKenzie



Mary Jones
Publicity



Ray Jones
Newsletter



Bill Johnston
Web Site



Peter Doyle
Policy Advisor



David Stafford
--- Setup Crew ---



Peter Durose



George Steeves
Coffee Coord'n &
Member-at-Large



Pat Stoate
Euchre Club



Betty Jean Bone
Cards & Letters



TBD x2
Outings

Financial Statement for Year End 2019/2020

Income		
Membership Fees	\$3,340.00	
Badges	\$100.00	
Newsletter mailing fees	\$60.00	
Xmas luncheon	\$1,940.00	
Miscellaneous and flowthrough	\$80.00	
Deposited in bank	<u>\$5,520.00</u>	\$5,520.00
Double membership not deposited		\$20.00
Total Income	<u>\$5,540.00</u>	\$5,540.00
Expenditures		
Probus Canada Fees and Expenses	\$482.00	
Rent for KUC	\$1,485.00	
Donation in lieu rent BCUC	\$300.00	
Web Hosting and Domain Name	\$209.05	
Publicity	\$84.75	
Speakers	\$383.87	
Badge purchases	\$160.96	
Newsletter costs	\$88.67	
Coffee time supplies	\$214.62	
Xmas luncheon	\$1,765.00	
Office Supplies	\$37.45	
Miscellaneous	\$78.37	
Bank fees for 12 months	\$30.00	
	<u>\$5,319.74</u>	\$5,319.74
Cash refund		\$20.00
Total Expenses	<u>\$5,339.74</u>	\$5,339.74
Balance in hand		<u>\$200.26</u>
Bank Statement 15/07/20	\$1,580.58	
Carry forward from 2018/19	\$1,380.32	
Balance in hand 2019/20	\$200.26	
	<u>\$1,580.58</u>	*

* The above Balance in Hand does not include the rent rebate from Kanata United Church for \$632.50 or our 1 year GIC for \$2500.

Quote of the Month

There is nothing government can give you that it hasn't already taken from you in the first place.
- Winston Churchill

Chuckle Corner



----- Biblical Humour -----

