



# The Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore Hi-Lites - August 2021

Monday, August 9  
10:00 am

## ZOOM Meeting

Sue and David  
Williams

Adventure on the High Seas  
and the Journey Within

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### Jim Thurston's Presidential Message

As we struggle to make sense of all the natural disasters that have plagued the world this summer - British Columbia wildfires, extreme flooding in parts of Europe, and closer to home, a tornado in Barrie, to name a few - we need to be cognizant of why we are having these extreme weather phenomena, or do we? Are these extremes just the natural order of our life on Planet Earth? We have had many weather-related disasters over the years, but may not have taken note of them. Our media today never misses an opportunity for a Headliner Story. Today the entire world will see and hear instantly coverage of the latest natural disaster.

You may ask if this news concerns your membership in PROBUS. I am not certain yet, but as I write this message, I have come to the conclusion that nothing we know, or do, is for sure. My trip to the cottage was cancelled. I replaced it by entering the three-day Club Championship at my golf course. In the last newsletter, I mentioned that Margaret and I would have no responsibilities for our new grand-dog, "Ozzy". Not so: just last week you would see me at McCann Dog Training School with him. Who could foresee Montreal's surge to the Stanley Cup? I, probably like most of you, during COVID-19 have been reflecting on my life. This caused me to think of the storm of the century, HURRICANE HAZEL. Our youth of today would give us a blank stare with that one, but we remember it vividly. How about you - what changes and alterations have you made to your plans?

In 1849, **French writer Jean-Baptiste Alphonse Karr** wrote "the more things change, the more they stay the same". For the past year and a half PROBUS has been affected by this deadly virus, but we have adapted, and continue to do so, with what we anticipate will be a very successful hybrid meeting in September. Different, maybe, but with the same PROBUS goal of fellowship, friendship and fun. I am sure you would agree that our Club has achieved an additional goal of constant new learning, thanks to the quality and variety of the topics provided by our Speakers' Committee. Speaking of "learning", Sue and David Williams, our August speakers, will be sharing their "**Adventure on the High Seas and the Journey Within**".



## Guest Speakers - Sue and David Williams – An Adventure on the High Seas and the Journey Within



While in their early 50s, Sue, without an adventure-seeking bone in her body, and her husband David, without any real blue water experience, left their three sons, cast off in their 37 foot sailboat from Hamilton Ontario, and headed east; destination the North Atlantic Ocean.

Sue has written a compelling memoir, Ready to Come About (Dundurn Press), of their improbable, often perilous, adventure.

Sue will read from her book and, with David, will present a slide show of their life-altering journey.

John McArthur, Speakers' Committee

## 2021/2022 DUES RENEWAL

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the best men's club in Burlington. We are nearing the end of our fiscal year (Sept. 30) so it is time to renew your membership and this year we are doing something a little different.

In appreciation of your support for Burlington Lakeshore Probus, we would like to say "Thank you" by offering a one-time discount of \$10.00 on your membership renewal.

But there is a catch! We must receive your renewal payment of \$30.00 no later than October 31, 2021.

Payment can be made in one of two ways:

1. Interac e-Transfer through your online banking system; Recipient Name is Probus Burlington Lakeshore; Recipient email is [paymentsprobuslakeshore@gmail.com](mailto:paymentsprobuslakeshore@gmail.com)
2. By cheque payable to Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore; mail cheque to our Treasurer, Dave Little at 2071 Wellington Ave. Burlington, ON L7R 1P4

Many thanks for your attention to this matter and I look forward to your renewal in our Probus Club.

Ken Medland, Membership

## Membership

We have decided in order to keep boosting the membership in the "Best Men's Club in Burlington" to add some sizzle for our current members!

We have been rewarding our present members with a single entry in our Deluxe Dinner Package for 2 at your choice for any of the great restaurants in the area! We will draw the winning ticket at the end of the year.

BUT WAIT, there's MORE!!! Until August 31, we will award each member who brings a new member in, not 1 or 2 or even 3 or 4 chances BUT AN AMAZING 5 chances....AND we will grandfather this offer to all members who have sponsored a new member since January 1 😊

With the current heat wave we wanted to do something "COOL" and say "Thanks" to all our present members.

So, when you're talking to your friends, neighbours and family spread the word and enjoy a great dinner on us!!

Ken Medland,  
Membership Chair  
[mederman@cogeco.ca](mailto:mederman@cogeco.ca)



## Probus Golf Tournament

Our Annual Probus Golf Tournament will be held at Century Pines Golf Club on Friday September 24. The Burlington Probus Club is the host club this year. Next year we are the host club.

We now have split tee times for our tournament and that allows us to start at the first and 10th tees. The first tee time will be at 7:30 with lunch served on the patio when you have completed your round. We will be serving a gourmet hamburger with fries, salad and a soft drink. Veggie burgers are available.

We must commit our numbers and money by the **25th of August**. Send your cheque or e-Transfer to Dave Little before the 25th. Payments by cheque should be made out to Burlington Lakeshore Probus. Send your cheque to: David Little, 2071 Wellington Ave. Burlington, ON, L7R 1P4.

Interac e-Transfer to :  
paymentsprobustakeshore@gmail.com.

We will need prizes. Small prizes such as golf balls, gift cards are preferred.

The cost this year is \$88.00 all in.

Dennis Colameco

## NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PROBUS CLUB OF BURLINGTON LAKESHORE TO BE HELD MONDAY OCTOBER 18TH, 2021 AT 10.00 AM.

**Note: This meeting will be a part of our regular membership meeting which is one week later than usual due to the Thanksgiving holiday.**

## Car Rally - 2021

It has been a long time coming; the Events Committee is pleased to announce that we will be holding a **Car Rally** on Thursday September 30 2021. The rally is limited to 20 vehicles, each with two occupants, one of whom must be a Probus Lakeshore Burlington member.

Starting in south Burlington, the rally will meander up and around the Niagara Escarpment and hopefully the Fall colours will be out to add to our enjoyment. The rally will end at Lowville Park, where we will enjoy lunch, scores will be calculated and prizes awarded. Registration will be \$20. per vehicle.

Basics required:

- Bring your own picnic lunch
- Bring two chairs
- Bring a mask each
- Bring a map of Burlington

Sign up via email ([mhill2@cogeco.ca](mailto:mhill2@cogeco.ca)) or phone 905-467-2223 to Mike Hill. Payment must be made within two (2) weeks of registration.

Payments by e-transfer or cheque. Cheques should be made out to Burlington Lakeshore Probus.

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**Note:** This rally is based on a rally another Burlington Probus Club held last September. Any of our members who took part in that rally are welcome to participate, however we would ask that they identify themselves and not be considered for the main prizes.

The rally will start with participants meeting at 9:45 am and cars leaving on the rally at 10:00 am at set intervals. Full details will be sent to participants closer to the time.

We are searching for members for the Committee to help us in planning future events. We are also looking for a few volunteers to assist at the car rally. Contact Mike Hill at 905-467-2223 or [mhill2@cogeco.ca](mailto:mhill2@cogeco.ca).

Mike

## ZOOM Meeting for August

I will be our meeting host and will email you the link for the ZOOM meeting on Sunday, August 8, so that it will be reasonably fresh in your inbox.

If you do not have the computing power, you can still call into the meeting by phone - I'll provide the number in the email I send the day before the meeting.

## Come Early and Visit

As has become our normal practice, we will again be setting up breakout rooms at the start of the August meeting. When you join the meeting, you will be assigned to a small breakout room of 6-8 fellow members. Enjoy some fellowship time in a small group before the meeting starts. The rooms will be open for you beginning at 9:30 am, so come early.

Our ZOOM meetings will be recorded and posted to our private YouTube channel. Recordings will be available for one month for the convenience of members who may have missed the live virtual meeting. To view the July meeting featuring Dr. Ian Greene's talk on Canadian Whistle Blowers, click on the following link:

[July YouTube Meeting](#)

Dave McKenzie, Hi-Lites Editor

## Cheer Committee

The Cheer Committee will contact or visit members or spouses who are ill. In the event of bereavement, a card of condolence will be sent to the family, and for a member, a memorial donation made to a charity of their choice

CONDOLENCES go to the family of Frank Chapla, one of our long time members, peacefully passed away at St. Catherines Hospital on June 18 2021. Further information can be found in the Obituary notices on the web site for Dodsworth and Brown Burlington.

Please inform John Hughes if you are aware of anyone, who has an illness or bereavement , for appropriate action.

John Hughes - (905) 333-4910

[johnhiltonhughes@gmail.com](mailto:johnhiltonhughes@gmail.com)

## Activities

### Computer Interest Group

The next meeting will be via Zoom in September after taking a break for the summer.



## Next Month's Meeting Monday, September 20, 2021

Speaker: **Derek Muir**

Topic: **The Arctic Dilemma**

