



The Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore

Hi-Lites - July 2023

Mon., July 10
10:00 am

Rob Godwin

**Canadian Aerospace
“Firsts”**

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Ken Medland's Presidential Message

Wow, it's July already! This proves that when you are having fun, time truly flies!!!!

I find it hard to believe that my term as President will be soon coming to an end. And I must say, it has been one of my best times. The support and effort to help by the Management Committee and all our amazing members have made my role so easy and fulfilling....THANKS!

There is still lots to come before the year is over

- George has done an incredible job lining up events with the majority of them being sold out! As we speak, I am joining our group for the school archive tour, a different spin! Coming soon are the Grand River tour and the always crowd-pleasing Norm Foster play. Well done, George!
- Our other “Main Event” continues to be our outstanding speakers. Led by Brian, this committee continues to hit home runs with a great selection of outstanding speakers. Thanks, Brian!
- All of this adds up to continued interest and new members. Gary has done an outstanding job in encouraging all of us to “BE A FRIEND, BRING A FRIEND” It's working as we are nearing a record membership of 180 members. Thanks to all for believing in what we are doing.

ONGOING, I am pleased to say, the nominating committee, lead by Malcolm have presented an outstanding slate of candidates for our September Annual Meeting. These nominees, will form your new Management Committee. I feel you'll be pleased with the selections and thank all those who have stepped forward to serve your club!

It's easy to forget that one of the main themes for Probud is, FELLOWSHIP and FUN and I truly feel Probud Lakeshore, continues to display these qualities on an ongoing basis 😊

On the theme of growth, we recently attended a “Retirement Expo” at Heritage Place, a unique retirement complex. We attended to secure new members and to say “thanks” to the sponsors in attendance.

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Those who attended our recent golf tournament will recognize the name Heritage Place and Astra, as they were the sponsors of the golf balls. We will see them again in the Fall as they have agreed to sponsor us again!

Sponsorship, the above is one small example of how we have pursued sponsorship, not only to offset rising costs but more importantly provide knowledgeable answers to what can be a complex subject...

RETIREMENT. We see more and more of our members engaging in chatting with the representatives and would encourage you to say hello to them at our next meeting.

On a side note, my wife and I are involved as volunteers for Acclaim Health, helping them with the Dementia Home visitation program. It involves visiting a dementia client who is the early stages with home visitations. We have found it to be an extremely rewarding way to give back and they are seeking additional volunteers. If you can assist, please reach out to me at kenmed1620@gmail.com

Once again, thanks for reading and keep enjoying Probus!

Ken

Guest Speaker: Rob Godwin

Robert Godwin and his work have been featured on BBC, CNN, CBS, CBC, and the Discovery, History and Smithsonian Channels along with numerous radio stations and podcasts. He has served as Space Curator at the Canadian Air & Space Museum. His 2015 book on "William Leitch" is responsible for rewriting the early history of rocketry.



He is a lifetime member of both the National Space Society and the Space Frontier Foundation and a committee member of both the International Astronomical Academy and American Astronomical Society. He has staged space exhibitions in the USA and Canada and has spoken at countless venues including the Canadian Embassy in Washington.

All of Robert's work has appeared in his award-winning books "The NASA Mission Reports" which has sold in excess of 250,000 copies - far beyond best seller status in the world of non-fiction. Contributors to the books included Apollo astronauts Buzz Aldrin, Neil Armstrong, Jim Lovell along with numerous other space pioneers.

Robert even has the honour of having a main belt asteroid named after him "4252 Godwin" by the International Astronomical Union for his efforts in documenting space history and raising awareness about Near Earth Objects. It is located between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter.

Danny Kraftcheck, Speakers' Committee

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No Zoom this Month

The tech boys are taking a break for the summer. The July and August General Meetings will be:

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at the Art Gallery of Burlington.

“Zoomers” are encouraged to come to the AGB to enjoy the meeting with fellow members.

We will be back “On Line” in September.

Dave McKenzie and Ken Clarke

Save the Date

Our Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore Holiday Season Luncheon which will be held again this year at Burlington Golf and Country Club on Monday December 11th, 2023.

The doors open at 11:00 A. M. The bar will be opened by 11:15 A. M. and the luncheon will start earlier this year at 12:00 P. M. sharp.

John MacArthur, Luncheon Committee

Cheer Committee

The Cheer Committee will contact or visit members who are ill. In the event of a death of a member, or his spouse, a card of condolences is sent to the family. A memorial donation is made to an appropriate charity on the passing of a member. Please contact me, or any member of the Management Committee, if you are aware of an illness or bereavement.

Jim Thurston, Chairman, Cheer Committee
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Membership

Another awesome meeting well attended with three new guests present.

When you bring a guest, I ask for their email address and forward an application to them. In most cases this results in a new member. Lately a few have indicated they would join after the summer, so our membership continues at 163, still a great number.

We had two members introduce themselves

Reg Richard and Gary Kirkwood.

If you are looking for your name tag please check at the front. We have several on order that should arrive.

I will be away next meeting so Ken Medland will try and fill in for me.

Please contact me if you have any changes for your contact information.

If you would like an up-to-date membership list, please contact me at gmgak@outlook.com

Gary Kirkwood, Membership Chair



Next Month

Adam Shoalts

Northern Wilderness

Monday, August 14, 2023

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Special Events

The Grand River Cruise

Wednesday, July 5

2 1/2 HR Cruise including Lunch and a Blazing Fiddles Show (11:30 Start)

Located : 36 Brant County Rd 22, Caledonia Ontario (30 minutes south of Hamilton)

Back to the dock by 3:00 pm

\$ 80 / person, Capacity (30-45) - still spots available

Norm Foster Play

Wednesday, August 16th 2pm

"Jenny`s House of Joy" \$40/person

St.Catharines Ontario

A romp through the inner workings of a brothel Comedy (not for the ultra sensitive) - Limited seating left

Car Rally

Thursday, September 21

Still Spots available to dethrone last years winner!

Shaw Festival

Tuesday, October 3rd

"Blyth Spirit" \$80/person

A trip into the after world of Ex Wives

Comedy (unless you've been divorced)

Don't miss out by waiting till it's booked !!

Upcoming

Hagerty Car Club Tour (investigating tour possibilities)

George Caughell, Events Committee
gcaughell@yahoo.com

2023 Probus Golf

Our next golf event will be our planned trip to Rockway Vineyards GC on Wednesday September 20th. This will be for our club only and you may enter as a group or individually. We will plan to start signing up golfers to this event in July. In the meantime, enjoy the pending summer weather and be sure to work on your putting skills.

Bill O'Brien, Golf Committee



Bill O'Brien, Astra (Heritage Place) and Ken Medland