

Mon., November 11

9:30 am

#### **Chris Leworthy**

Disaster & Bravery at Dieppe - 1942

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### **President's Message**

This is my first opportunity to contribute to our Hi-Lites publication as president of the Management Committee. As I look forward to the coming year, I feel a mixture of pride and trepidation. Although I have been a member of Probus for a short time, I am very much aware of those who have contributed as president before me. I follow the stellar leadership of John McArthur who was able to build the club to a record level and maintain the quality of monthly presentations and activities that we have all enjoyed.

Of course, he accomplished this with the strong support of a committed and competent management team. I am privileged to have such a team to work with me over the coming year. Our team is a healthy mixture of seasoned veterans and new members with fresh ideas and overflowing energy to provide a wise and balanced management. It is our intention to continue the growth and resilience of this men's club which has become such an important component in all of our lives. We want to provide you with presentations and activities that you will not only enjoy but want to share with your many friends.

In that regard, we depend on each of you to enthusiastically participate in the club's program and invite friends to visit and join our club. We welcome your input as to how our club can better serve you. Please contact any of us at any time to share the concerns or suggestions you may have to improve Probus Burlington Lakeshore. At the beginning of this new year, please consider your personal involvement in our club. I know many of you have unique talents and abilities that would be of great benefit to our club. The management team depends on the faithful work of a number of executive committees to accomplish the work of our club. Please consider participating in one of these committees this year. Let me know of any interest you may have in this regard.

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#### President's Message Continued

I would encourage each of you to attend the Holiday Luncheon on December 9th. As you know, this event is the highlight of our year. It provides an opportunity for unique social interaction with other members that isn't possible at regular meetings and also an opportunity for our wives to meet and get to know one another.

I would invite every member to be an involved ambassador for the Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore. It's going to be a great year.

Tom Williams

### **Holiday Season Luncheon**

Our Probus Lakeshore Holiday luncheon plans are well underway.

You will not want to miss our marquee event which promises to be better than ever.

Mark your calendar- Monday December 9th 2024 with doors opening at 11:15am.

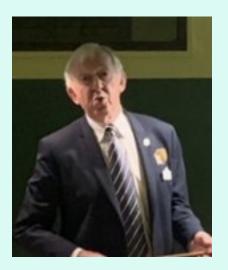
More to come at our November meeting where sign-up will also be available.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or input, please feel free to contact your Holiday Committee.

Mike Flintoff (Chair)

### **Guest Speaker - Chris Leworthy**

After retiring I decided to develop my interest in military history. I now lecture on the Battle of Britain most weeks, to a variety of audiences, and have recently started delivering talks on Operation Jubilee (the Dieppe Raid), Operation Chastise



(Dambusters' Raid) and DDay. The talks last for around 40 minutes and I'm always happy to take questions. Although I am based in Southern England and for some of my time in South Wales, I am willing to travel within reason, and am also now highly experienced in giving these talks using Zoom.

The talks are designed to be fascinating, gripping and emotional, with enough analysis, detail and pace to engage the audience completely. A number of relevant anecdotes bring the stories to life and the audience is left in no doubt as to the bravery and supreme effort made by those involved. Feedback has been extremely positive, with a recent Tripadvisor posting describing a talk as 'Dynamic and emotional'. Zoom talks have been described as "stirring and inspiring' and a 'tour de force'. Several organisations have been so enthralled that they have asked for repeats and/or follow up presentations.

Pat Lennon, Speakers' Committee

### **Membership**

Thanks to the nomination committee for another vear.

I enjoy the group and helping close the many guests the members bring out.

If you bring a guest, please make sure you introduce them to me so I can get their information.

If you haven't renewed your membership, please do so by e transfer or cheque at the upcoming meeting.

The renewal dues are \$60.00 for the year. E Transfer to:

paymentsprobuslakeshore@gmail.com

The good news is membership now includes parking. Just Park and come in with no tickets or passes required.

GARY KIRKWOOD Membership Chair

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#### **Golf News**

Many thanks to Bill O'Brien for the great work in managing the Probus golf tournaments in past years.

As the 2024 golf season is ending, the planning for the 2025 golf season is underway.

The annual tournament between the Probus Lakeshore Club and the Probus Burlington Club is in the planning stage. For 2025, the Probus Burlington Club is organizing the tournament.

The tournament is scheduled for Friday May 16<sup>th</sup> 2025 at Flamborough Hills GC. Following the completion of the rounds of golf, a luncheon of hamburgers and salad will be served in the dining room. So, please reserve this date in your calendar.

Signing up tor the tournament will take place next March and April.

Walter Rosinski

#### **Cheer Committee**

Ken Medland, our immediate past president, is in Joseph Brant Hospital recovering from surgery. Recently he was transferred to the Rehab Wing in the North Tower. Visitors would be welcomed by Ken.

Your Cheer Committee contacts or visits members who are ill. In the event of a death of a member, or his spouse, a card of condolence 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.

Rod McGrath, Chairman, Cheer Committee rmcgrath@sympatico.ca (905) 332-3941

### **Technology Interest Group**

We are a joint, Burlington and Lakeshore Probus Club group, who get together to discuss current developments in technology including but not limited to computers. We help solve each others technology



and computer related issues. We meet the 4rth Thursday of the month at 10 am at the Burlington East Presbyterian Church on Walkers Line and have an option to join via Zoom. The cost is \$5 per meeting. If you would like to join us please email Bob Dickison at rgdickison@gmail.com and he will add you to our email list.



Next Month - Monday, December 9, 2024

**Holiday Season Luncheon** 

