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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

May 7, 2024

at the RecPlex at 10 AM



Speaker: Taivi Tayler

Topic: To discuss Estate and Will Planning

Beachcombers are Going Green: save us from purchasing foam/paper cups: Please bring your Probus or personal mugs each meeting! Buying foam cups too expensive now. 1 extra 50/50 ticket per person, to the member who brings their mug! Cup cost is \$1.00; replacement mug is \$10.00.

President's Corner



I am looking forward to spring and summer with anticipation. Our social opportunities for activities and attending great events in the months ahead is second only to the incredible line up of speakers our executive members have put their kind volunteer efforts into organizing.

So let me be the first to encourage everyone to use the coffee break time at our general meetings to look at the sign-up sheets and see the volunteers at the front table about all we offer at Beachcombers Probus to make life more fun.

There will be events like the Seniors Expo to volunteer at in June and concerts to attend, cards to play and fabulous speakers taking us on learning experiences to enrich our lives.

Your Executive and all our amazing volunteers at Beachcombers Probus want to help make this the best time of your life. We need to celebrate the continuing growth of our club together. So please invite new members to your table or introduce yourself at the coffee break. After all, new friends are always a lovely benefit in life. Enjoy!

Sincerely,
Patricia Copland

WHY DO MEN WEAR NECKTIES??

Roman soldiers wore a strip of cloth around their necks to keep them warm in winter and to absorb sweat in the summer. Other armies followed suit, and during the French Revolution the Royalists and the Rebels used ties to display the colours of their allegiance. They borrowed the design and the name, cravat, from the Croatian Army. Later, ties became a French fashion statement, offering a splash of colour to an otherwise drab wardrobe.

AND NOW YOU KNOW!!!

Submitted by Ron Hanson

YOUR CLUB REPORTS:

Reminder: Your Web Site beachcombersprobus.com

I want to thank everyone who, so far has applied a password to their log in at the Beachcombers Probus web site. Please visit our web site periodically to get all of the up to the minute information, new photos or new videos. We are over **9500** visits as of this writing. The Home Page usually has content that is very recent. While the Social Events has photos and information of previous social events. Photos of our past monthly meetings can be seen when you click the tab Monthly General Meetings. Many of our Monthly Newsletters from past years can be seen under the Monthly Newsletters tab. Just pick a year and then a month. If you want to become a member just click on the tab Interested in Becoming a Member. All the information is there for you. Under the More tab is the past, SIG (Special Interest Groups) and a place if you want to contact us.

Just go to beachcombersprobus.com to get all the information.

Carrol Lysk will be in charge of keeping SIG sheets current and will advise the coordinators of any additions made at the monthly meetings or determine if a new group is required. Contact her at sig@beachcombersprobus.com for further information.

If there is a new Special Interest Group that has been started, please consider being a coordinator if you are joining it. If you would like more information on what would be involved please speak to Carrol at the Social group table.

APRIL

CLUB EVENTS

APRIL 18, 2024 SOCIAL: GEORGIAN BOWL COLLINGWOOD



Photos by
Antanas Svirplys

GENERAL MEETING APRIL 2, 2024



Winners of the 50/50 draw



50/50 Draw: \$38 ea. won by: Violet Svirplys and Sandy Hansen



May 1, 2024Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **EUCHRE**

For the new Euchre season we will be playing on the First and Third Wednesday of each month between 1 and 4ish. If we can get a few more players we will have 3 tables of no more than 12 players plus a few spares for each group. We enjoy lots of laughs and don't take the game too seriously. We also have a list of spares who are called on when needed.

interested in joining us, please contact us. Jayne Edward or Doug McCullough or information or sig@beachcombersprobus.com

May 7, 2024Beachcombers PROBUS: **GENERAL MEETING AT THE RECPLEX AT 10AM****Speaker:** Taivi Tayler**Topic:** Estate and Will Planning

- Taivi Tayler is a **Certified Financial Planner® (CFP®)**, **Chartered Life Underwriter® (CLU®)**, and **Registered Retirement Consultant® (RRC®)**.
- With over **20 years of experience**, she has assisted hundreds of executives, business owners, families, and retirees across Ontario.
- Her expertise lies in **tax-efficient strategies, wealth creation, and inheritance preservation**.
- Taivi's mission is to **educate and guide** clients, ensuring they understand their complete financial picture.
- She works closely with clients to create **sophisticated and customized goal-based plans** that align with their needs and aspirations.

May 7, 2024Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **HAND FOOT & ELBOW COUPLES**

They meet the 1st Tuesday of the month after Probus and lunch at Pizza Dees. Co-Ordinator: Kathy Zacks or treasurer@beachcombersprobus.com

MAY

Club Events (cont'd)

May 8, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **SIPS AND SNACKS APPETIZER CLUB**

They meet the second Wednesday of the month **Time: 5:00 to 7:00** contact Donna Durham or sig@beachcombersprobus.com

May 8 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **ROMEO GROUP**

They meet the second Wednesday of the month at various locations. Co-Ordinator: Rudy Hochkirchen or sig@beachcombersprobus.com

May 18, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS: **SOCIAL**

Brewery Tour Tour of Creemore Brewery – Lunch at The Old Mill Pub (**Doug**) Times and groups chosen at sign up

Tour costs below– payable to brewery – (**\$10.00 PP deposit** to hold your spot payable at April/ May meeting)

-Small batch package - \$15 includes the tour and sample

-Fire Brewed package - \$20 includes the tour and sample plus a 5oz tasting flight

-Copper package - \$25 include the tour and sample, 5oz tasting flight and a 16oz collectors glass

May 22, 2024

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May 28, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **BEACHCOMBERS LADIES LUNCHEON GROUP**

They meet the last Tuesday of the month at various locations. Co-Ordinator: Joyce Frost or sig@beachcombersprobus.com

May 29, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **HAND FOOT & ELBOW LADIES**

They meet the last Wednesday of the month at member's houses

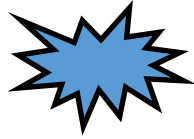
Co-Ordinator: Cindy Payne or sig@beachcombersprobus.com

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CLUB EVENTS (con't)



**BRAIN
TEASERS**



Greg Lemire



Last Month's Question and Answer

QUESTION: In my hand I have two coins that are newly minted. Together, they total 30 cents. One isn't a nickel.

What are the coins?

ANSWER: *A quarter and a nickel*

This Month's Question

QUESTION: You're escaping a labyrinth and there are three exits. Exit A leads to an inferno. Exit B leads to an assassin. Exit C leads to a lion that hasn't eaten in 3 years. Which exit do you pick?

If you think you have the answer please email it to

newsletter@beachcombersprobus.com

SMILE OF THE DAY

Just before the funeral services, the undertaker came up to the very elderly widow and asked, 'How old was your husband?' '98,' she replied...
'Two years older than me'.
'So you're 96,' the undertaker commented..
She responded, 'Hardly worth going home, is it?'

Reporters interviewing a 104-year-old woman:
'And what do you think is the best thing about being 104?' the reporter asked...
She simply replied, 'No peer pressure.'

The nice thing about being senile is
you can hide your own Easter eggs
and have fun finding them.

Submitted by Jim Cunningham

Note: Submissions for the June Newsletter should be sent to

newsletter@beachcombersprobus.com **by May 20, 2024**

MAY

CLUB NON-EVENTS (con't)

Georgian PROBUS Travel Group

Gloria Thompson

For PROBUS members, family and friends who would like to travel with local people and create new friendships—GPTG, your travel group—is proceeding with the following 2 trips:

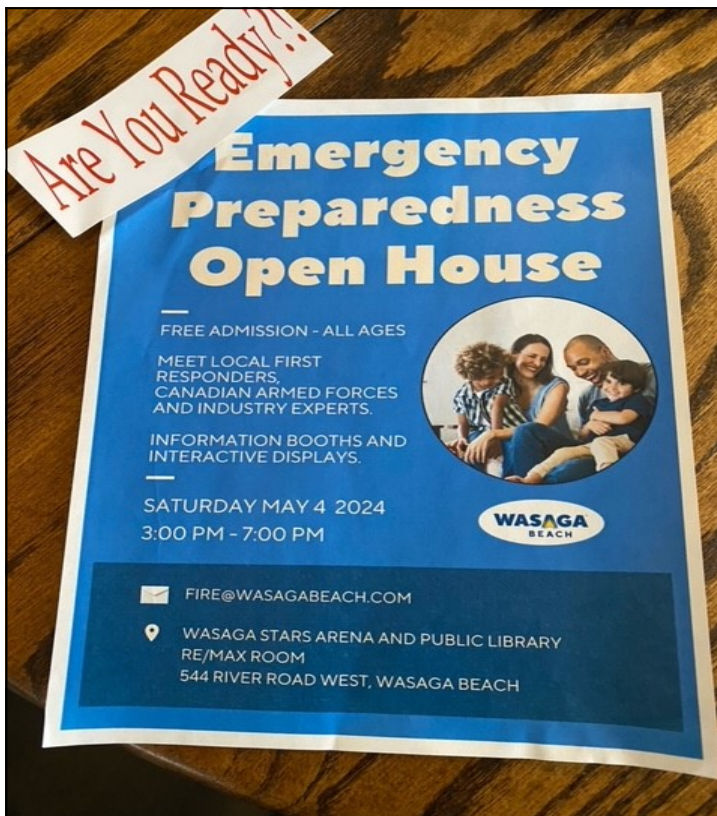
Circumnavigation of Newfoundland: June 16 - 27, 2024.

For those who love learning, small ship travel, and unique experiences. We still have space with no single supplement and a group discount. Please contact Brenda Chapman at Marlin Travel 705-444-1161 with any questions.



Norway Coastal Voyage: September 17 - 27, 2024.

From Bergen to Trondheim. We also still have group pricing and space. Most of the members booked on this trip are travelling early, to experience the fabulous train program from Oslo to Bergen...then taking the train back from Trondheim to Oslo. For more information please contact Gloria at 705-429-9455.



Are You Ready?!

Emergency Preparedness Open House

FREE ADMISSION - ALL AGES

MEET LOCAL FIRST RESPONDERS, CANADIAN ARMED FORCES AND INDUSTRY EXPERTS.

INFORMATION BOOTHS AND INTERACTIVE DISPLAYS.

SATURDAY MAY 4 2024
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

WASAGA BEACH

✉ FIRE@WASAGABEACH.COM

📍 WASAGA STARS ARENA AND PUBLIC LIBRARY RE/MAX ROOM
544 RIVER ROAD WEST, WASAGA BEACH

What: Emergency Preparedness Week Open House

When: May 4, 2024 from 3pm – 7pm

Where: Wasaga Stars Arena, 544 River Road West, Wasaga Beach

Emergency Preparedness Week is May 5 - 11, 2024. This annual event takes place across Canada every May to encourage residents to become better prepared for the range of disasters and emergencies that could happen in their communities.

MAY

Club Non-Events (cont'd)

Wasaga Beach – On May 4th the Town of Wasaga Beach is proud to host the Canadian Armed Forces and regional first responders for a joint training exercise to kick-off Emergency Preparedness Week. The joint training exercise will enact an emergency forest fire scenario, followed by an open house for residents of all ages to help raise awareness of the importance of being prepared for emergencies.

Residents can stop by the Emergency Preparedness Week Open House to watch presentations, visit information booths and speak with emergency management experts, including regional first responders and the Canadian Armed Forces, to learn more about emergency preparedness and the Town of Wasaga Beach's [Emergency Response Plan](#). Vendors include:

- Canadian Armed Forces
- Wasaga Beach Fire Department
- OPP
- Simcoe County Paramedics
- Georgian Bay Search and Rescue
- Wasaga Distribution
- Air Cadets
- Simcoe County Emergency Management
- Ontario Emergency Management
- South Georgian Bay Community Health Centre
- 211
- Red Cross
- Wasaga Beach Climate Action Team
- Georgian College Environmental Studies
- Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit
- Rotary Club - Shelter Box Program

In addition to a joint training exercise and public open house, the Town is recognizing Emergency Preparedness Week by sharing resources and information with residents.