

PROBUS CLUB OF SAINT JOHN
MONTHLY MEETING
December 20th, 2013

This meeting was postponed from December 18th due to weather. It was also necessary to re-arrange entertainment due to the sudden death of Gavin Adams, son of Sonia and David Adams of the Saint John Strong Quartet. Ralph Wood thanked Gordon Graham, Bob Lockhart, and others who helped with the re-scheduling.

There were 26 members present. The memorial service for former member Ross Coates was also this morning.

Minutes of the November 20th meeting were approved as published in the Phoghorn: moved by Robert Taylor, seconded by Fred Shillington.

Guests: Kendall Higgins introduced Tom Adams. Gordon Dempsey re-introduced Peter Milburn and introduced Greg MacGregor. No new members were pinned today.

Member News: Don Jobe is recovering from knee surgery and heart trouble.

Finances: Treasurer Don Mitchener reported that 62 members have paid this fall. Current bank balance is \$1094.86.

\$500 will be given to the Boys and Girls Club: moved by Ralph Murray, seconded by Tom Jarrett. This was presented to Sandra McAllan later in the meeting.

In memory of Gavin Adams, \$100 will be given to the SJHS Centennial Scholarship Fund and \$100 to the Symphony Foundation: moved by Mack Pike, seconded by Tom Jarrett.

60/40 Draw: Sandra McAllan drew Dale Stevens' ticket – he won \$54.

Entertainment: George Urquhart led a Christmas singalong. He was introduced by his neighbour Ralph Wood. He referred to his friend Duane Lister who celebrated his 50th anniversary this year. Two choirmasters were appointed to lead songs for their half of the room, and the winning tables were awarded a bottle of Adams' Private Stock, which eventually migrated to a member of the losing tables.

Luncheon: The Boys and Girls Club catered a turkey dinner for the members, who paid \$10 each.

Next Meeting will be held January 15th. At that time, proposed changes to the Constitution and ByLaws, as published in November, will be voted upon.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Taylor, Secretary.

