

Partridge Island Lighthouse

# PROBUS The PHOGHORN NEWSLETTER

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#### 2025—2026 Executive members

Assistant Treasurer-----Larry Timms & House Manager

### BIRTHDAYS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

Frank McCarey

**Gerald O'Brien** 



#### **PRESIDENTS REMARKS**

"As we start back into our Meeting routine, I hope that everyone had a good summer and enjoyed the sunny weather we had during the latter days! On September 3rd an Executive Meeting was held, and a lot of topics were discussed that will have an effect on Club activities. A number of updates will be provided at the September meeting and member input will be sought! I look forward to chairing my first official meeting as President."

In Peace, Carl

#### **INFORMATION UPDATES**

- Our first meeting of the 2025-2026 year will be on <u>September 17<sup>th</sup></u>.
- This marks the beginning of the 33<sup>rd</sup> year for PROBUS S.J.
- Due to circumstances beyond our control, the cost of meals will rise slightly. More on that at the monthly meeting.
- Yearly dues this year can be paid by, cash, cheque or by E Transfer. This may be more convenient for some members. (ET) E transfer—treasurer@sjprobus.ca
- Our guest speaker this month will be **Bev Harrison**. His talk will be **Africa**: **An experience in life.**
- The guest speaker for October will be Jennifer Yeomans from the WMCA.
- A suggestion on "bring a buddy" to the meeting is being promoted.
- Always looking for short stories from members to add to this newsletter.

# MEMBERS REACHING MEMBERSHIP of 5-10-15-20 -25 YEARS, THIS CURRENT YEAR 2025-2026.

5 Years—John Crilly—Pat Gallager—Frank McCarey—Paul Meier—Don Thompson—Carl White.

10 Years--Don Mitchner—Robert Purty—John Doyle—Tom Craig.

15 Years—Willard Buckley.

20 Years—Fred Shillington.

25 Years—Bill Hunter.

#### Notes from the Management committee Sept 03/25

Here are the merged notes from Carl and meself, from today's meeting.

#### Items discussed:

Villa Madonna lunch meals - \$25 per member (tax to covered by Club and reimbursed to Villa)

Membership target 75 members, Potential list of new Member candidates discussed (some Executive members to contact individuals), Encourage Members to invite guests to meetings, Motion at September meeting required to increase Membership fee from \$45 to \$50 and initiation fee from \$25 to \$50 (to cover costs of name tags, meal). Recommend paying fee by

E transfer if possible.

Discontinuing handing out service pins, acknowledge service milestones at meetings instead, also discontinuing handing out information binders to new members as all information is now online.

To identify someone to shadow Tom on publishing the Phoghorn and covering Tom's cost for publication of Phoghorn

Larry Timms provided a financial budget on behalf of Gordon Barnett for upcoming year.

Discussion and feedback on Paul's Year End "Postmortem."

Potential trip/outings: pulp mill, oil refinery, water treatment plant.

Speakers -Bev Harrison September, Jennifer Yeomans October (Carl/Chip to schedule for future)

Need someone to buy gifts for speakers.

Suggestions: - Tom - hand out to new Members condensed Membership Portfolio.

Paul: short Member profiles on Website.

Greg

Now that summer is almost over, you can ask yourself "what did other members do during this period"?

## The following offers a few suggestions, especially in our area.



Some members no doubt would use a sail or power boat from trips up the St. John River



Power boats like this one are also desirable for day outings.





For some peoples nothing beats a sailboat for an adventure or just a day at the beach. Images above by T. craig

Here in Rothesay/Quispamsis, we have an event that takes place every Wednesday night. No advertisement is necessary. It is all by word of mouth. At around 5:30pm cars start arriving at the Atlantic Superstore parking lot. This is a gathering of car enthusiasts that want to show off their own model of a car. By 6:30pm there are about 50 to 75 cars all lined up for inspection by passersby.

Cars arrive from all over the area including Sussex and sometimes Moncton. No fees are charged. Information between car owners takes place in addition help solving any little problems one may have. It is a small community of fellow car enthusiast. Why just last week a couple were celebrating their anniversary so the **bought three slab cakes** and passed them out to who ever went by! You just never know what you will see or meet during this event.

Here are a few pictures of some of the many that were present.



PROBUS member Gary Sudul shows of his pride and joy a 1975 TR6 Triumph car.



present.





Above a very scarce car. Plymouth PROWLER Mustang Made between 1997-2002. Aluminum body. Nice.

This is a 1929 Mercedes KIT car. Frame is a Ford and the body is a kit component made of fiberglass.





"Purple People Eater"—1949 Mercury- restored. This beauty is a 1954 MONARCH, Canadian made. All original.



This was a showstopper. 1937 Chevrolet, very original, 6-cylinder motor. Beautiful.

#### THE WORLS' SHORTEST FAIRYTALE

Once upon a time, a guy asked, "will you marry me?"
The girl replied, "NO"
And the guy lived happily ever after. Rode a motor cycle, went fishing and hunting and played golf whenever he wanted. He drank beer, whiskey and had loads of money in the bank. He also left the toilet seat up whenever he wanted.

THE END

Consciousness: that annoying time between naps.

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AMAZING!! You hang something in your closet for awhile and it shrinks two sizes.

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Beauty is in the eye of the Beer Holder

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A good friend will come and bail you out of jail, but
A loyal friend will be sitting beside you saying
"Damn" that was fun!

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Cell phones are such a status symbol. I do not have one So, I carry my garage door opener.



With little rainfall this past summer, the trees are turning color a lot earlier than normal. This is nature way of surviving.



# The next meeting is at Villa Madonna on September 17, 2025.

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