

# ORCA PROBUS CLUB

NEWSLETTER

Comox Valley  
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## ***PRESIDENT'S PODIUM***



Greetings to our Orca PROBUS members! I'm very honored to be your President for the 2021-2022 year. I've been told that the 20th anniversary of our Club is October 2, 2022. We can look forward to an anniversary celebration sometime this year.

I want to thank Miles Jones for his presidency during the past 'zoom' year. It certainly was not an easy task. Miles led the Management Committee with the challenge of planning Club activities but happily, the BC government has recently loosened the COVID guidelines. This meant that our AGM on October 12 was the first in-person meeting since March 2020, nineteen months ago. Forty-eight members attended, which was great.

I want to thank Ken Talbot for serving as secretary, vice-president, president and past president over the last four years. He has now graduated from the Committee and is back to being a regular member. I also want to thank Caroline Urquhart who served two years as the treasurer. She and Bill moved to Saskatchewan to be nearer family. They belonged to Orca for eleven years and will certainly be missed.

We're fortunate that Art Rees has been elected Treasurer and that Mary Jane Rees is assisting with these tasks. We're also very pleased that Sue Johnston and Mark Simonson were elected as Facilities directors. They are all a welcome addition to a strong Management Committee.

We hope to see you at the November 9th General Meeting where seventy-five members are allowed to attend. We can only plan one day at a time, but are optimistic that more Club activities and events will be in our future.

- President Marguerite Ancell



## **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

David Kruger  
Grant Compton  
Susan Baldwin  
Karen Fettes  
Lawrence Petkus  
Deanna Provencher

Gerald Wendland  
Dave Dyke  
Michael Wilson  
Carol Borch  
Carol Labine  
Rose Jacobson (101)

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Congratulations Mary Kate and Ross Cowan on your 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with Orca Probus... way to go!

### **November 9 Meeting**

Our next general meeting will be on November 9 at the legion. This time we are allowed to increase the size of the attendees to 75. We will again send out a notice asking people of register but should be able to fit most people interested.

The guest speaker will be Paul Berry of Comox Valley search and rescue.

We will have coffee and refreshments at this meeting so will commence with collecting \$2 from each person to cover the rental of the hall and the refreshments.



Please note that we do not want to handle cash so there will be a box to deposit your loonies or toonie. Please bring only these coins as there will not be an opportunity to provide change.

No book exchange at this meeting

Again we are asking that only those double vaccinated attend. Proof of vaccination will be verified at the door (rules of the Legion)

## AGM

We held our annual General Meeting on October 12th at the Legion. Due to BC COVID rules we were limited to 55 people. Everyone who attended seemed to welcome the chance to meet and greet.

Mile Jones gave a marvelous talk about the joy of being happy. He is a wonderful story teller and the presentation was filled with humour with a great message. As Jill said when thanking him, he is another Stuart McLean. For those who would listen to Vinyl Cafe on CBC radio, you would know what she meant.

After the meeting, many followed Howard downstairs for our first Pub meeting at the newly renovated Legion.



The New Executive Members