

**Minutes of the General Meeting of the Probus Club of Nanoose Bay
St. Mary's Church Hall
Friday February 21st, 2020**

Welcome: President Lyn King called the meeting to order at 9:15 am She welcomed new members to the meeting and advised them as to the location of the “sign up” table

Announcements: Lyn King thanked Sandra & Don MacDonald and Anne & Erling Larson for today's kitchen duty and encouraged members to sign up for future kitchen duties – she also thanked Linda & John Tosney for setting up. Lyn remarked to the membership to seek out new faces and introduce themselves to new members during the coffee break.

Minutes: Maureen Paterson motioned to approve the minutes of the November 15th, 2019 General Meeting as posted on the website: - seconded by Alida Sali – approved

Membership: Lauren Sadler introduced 10 new members and gave them their badges.

Sunshine: Lynda Ingram reported that no cards were sent out in the past month.
January and February birthdays were recognized.

Communications: On behalf of Ann Lawson, Kathy Lowe reported that there was nothing to report.

S.I.G.s: Lyn King on behalf of Ron Commander invited the various special interest groups to announce their upcoming activities -
full details and contact information are available on the website.

Of note: - sign up sheet on the table for Fringe Flicks
cheques due for the next Chemainus theatre outing
Nine & Dine sign up sheet for show of interest starting in April
next “Out & About” luncheon is at the White Elephant Thai Restaurant in Parksville

Social Committee:

Jenny Ransom outlined upcoming activities and mentioned that show of interest forms are on the table.

Details of the upcoming activities are on the website.

Of note is the May 3rd outing to Milner Gardens and the trip to Alert Bay June 8 – 11

July 17th is the date for the annual picnic.

Phyllis Horne outlined a seniors event at Jasper Park Lodge in October

Treasurer: In the absence of Randy Borger, Lyn King reported that our bank balances as of February 20, 2020 are:

High Interest Account: \$3,712.60

Chequing Account: \$4,534.97

for a total of: \$8,247.57

Guest Speaker: Tony Ransom introduced our guest speaker: **Bob Crosby – speaking about Early Earthquake Warning for BC**

Bob is a Software Quality Control Specialist at Ocean Networks Canada (ONC) and helped to develop their earthquake warning project. He explained the NEPTUNE network which is currently the largest and most complex wired undersea observatory network in the world. The history of earthquakes in our area was outlined and the possibility of a damaging earthquake for Southern Vancouver Island being a 1 in 3 chance in the next 50 years. He shared some information regarding how sensors can detect the start of an earthquake and given the short amount of time what can be done when that warning is received especially by industry connecting their computers. Earthquake safety tips were also reviewed. Such important information was well received by the membership with lots of questions and answers.

Attendance today: 74 Members, 1 Speaker

Next Management Meeting: March 5th at Jenny Ransom's house

Reminder: Please turn in your badges on the way out.

Adjourn: 11:15 am