PROBUS GENERAL MEETING.

Friday September 15, 2023

President called the meeting to order at 9:15 am, seconded by Lyn King. Guests introduced by Lynda Tosney were Deborah and Daniel. Jeff Herman was also guest.

MEMBERSHIP: Mary Laudien 180 active members 3 honorary members

TREASURER: Patrick Murray Chequing: \$2,324.78 Savings: \$3755.79

New treasurer appeal for treasurer for November through March 2024 as Patrick is leaving.

SOCIAL: Fiona

Upcoming events -

Malahat Sky Walk: Thursday Sept 28. 7 people signed up. Happy Hour at the Nanoose Cafe: Oct 5. 13 people signed up. Christmas party: Thursday Dec 7 at Fairwinds Clubhouse. Yellowpoint Christmas Spectacular. Sat Dec 16. 10 people signed up.

COMMUNICATIONS: Jane Currie asked that people send info and photos of events to her, anytime during the month.

SPEAKERS: Brian Freestone reported that an association of 7 mid Island Probus clubs will be sharing speaker information.

SUNSHINE: Judy George Three cards sent out this month.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS: Ann Lawson This information is on the website. All SIG updates can be found on the website nbprobus.org Judy George appealed for volunteers to take over the book exchange.

Ann Lawson asked Ulla Hakanson to talk about her recent achievements. Last year her book "The Price of Silence" won an award. She has just learnt that her next book "Flight Across Waters" has won the Sunshine Coast Writers competition. It is also a finalist in the Global Book Association competition.

CATERING:

Jenny and Ann thanked Don and Sharon Jackson and Carolyn Bouma for organizing the coffee break. Jenny appealed to people to sign up for kitchen duty for next year.

COFFEE BREAK

Barb Murray introduced the speaker – Cheryl Alexander, who gave a talk entitled Wolf Witness, The Power of One, Inspiration from a sea wolf called Takaya.

After the talk Cheryl answered questions and signed books.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10. Moved by Ann Lawson, seconded by Tony Ransom.