PROBUS CLUB OF SAINT JOHN
MONTHLY MEETING
April 17th, 2013

The monthly meeting convened at the Boys and Girls Club at 10 am, with David Fraser chairing and about 30 members in attendance. After O Canada, Gordon Mouland led a singalong, ending with a Newfoundland song that he made up in memory of Stompin' Tom Connors. Gordon Mouland turns 90 tomorrow; members sang Happy Birthday.

Minutes of the March 20th meeting were accepted as published in the Phoghorn: moved by Ralph Wood and seconded by Don Shaw.

Member News: Tor Bordevik is in Cuba. Roger Aske is recovering gradually.

Finances: Treasurer Don Mitchener reported that we have $1165.27 in the bank, and our paid membership is 74. Membership Chair Ed O'Keefe is back but unavailable today.

House Committee: Clive Douthwright booked 15 for chicken and potato lunch.

Phoghorn: Ralph Wood …., well, what need one say that has not already been said?

Club Trips: We shall be visiting the new Cruise Ship Terminal on May 21st. A trip to Cooke's Aquaculture may be in the works for the fall, but is limited to 12 members.

60/40 Draw: Today's winner was Keith Dow, who donated his $58 winnings to the Boys and Girls Club.

Guest Speaker: Tracey Friars spoke on "What's Right With The World", a philosophy of positive attitude and an attitude of possibilities as practiced by Dewitt Jones, a National Geographic photographer. This has been presented and used in District 6 and 8 and in the business community since 2006. Its emphasis is on promoting positive mental health. "When we are intentional about celebrating what is right, that gives us the energy to fix what is broken." The presentation included a 20-minute video by Dewitt Jones. Dave Fraser introduced and thanked the speaker, and John McMillan thanked her for her community leadership.

Next meeting will be May 15th.

Adjournment at 11:30 moved by George McCaughey.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Taylor, Secretary.