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Monday, January 8th, 2024 Hybrid Meeting

West Vancouver Yacht Club, 5854 Marine Dr., Coffee/Buns 8:30, Meeting 9:30

with guest speaker

Chris O'Riley, President and CEO, BC Hydro



Chris O'Riley leads BC Hydro, B.C.'s largest Crown corporation and the fourth largest company in the province as ranked by annual revenue. Powered by water, BC Hydro safely provides reliable, affordable, clean electricity to its five million customers.

To ensure a reliable supply of this critical product, BC Hydro is spending approximately \$2.9 billion per year over the next 10 years to refurbish and expand its electricity assets. With construction of the Site C Project currently underway, BC Hydro continues to seek opportunities to support clean energy development in B.C., such as through low-carbon electrification.

Chris built his career at BC Hydro, starting as an engineer-in-training fresh out of university in 1990. He has held positions throughout the organization and across the province during his career, including working with customers, leading operations, overseeing capital projects, and managing risk for BC Hydro's trading subsidiary, Powerex. Chris is a Professional Engineer in electrical engineering and holds a master's degree in Business Administration from the Ivey School of Business at the University of Western Ontario. Chris lives in Vancouver with his wife and three children, where he is active in his local community.

NOTE: This meeting will be both in-person and by Zoom for members unable to attend.

*Guests are Welcome at Our Meetings
Invite a Friend to Join You
Who May Apply to be a Member of Our Club*

Mark Your Calendars with These Important Dates



February 12th - Mayor Mark Sager

March 11th - Jeanette Ageson, Tyee News Publisher

April 8th - Conner Da Silva, Community and Education Program Coordinator, Port of Vancouver

President's Notes



At this time of the year a favourite John Lennon song comes to mind, “So this is Christmas”. And what have we done?

I reflected on our past Probus year. We’ve done a lot, moving from Past President Gord’s year of rebuilding physical attendance at our meetings, up to 100 at the Christmas’ luncheon. As well, we put together a 20th year celebration ending Gord’s Presidential year then started anew with two Board replacements for Doug Magoon and Dale Douglas, both MC 5+year veterans. Steve Wilson moved to Special Events Chair and new member Ron Ash filled the Membership Chair. Rick Ryan took on the VP role while new member Alex Campbell took on House Chair. That’s a lot of change to deal with however the team pulled together and ran several events – an MC outing and the Christmas luncheon with rowing 8’s Gold Medallist, Madison Mailey as speaker.

For the coming year the Events Committee has a variety of exciting and interesting outings in planning stages, ranging from a UBC Triumph tour, a return to the Vancouver Space Center and potentially a special tour of the revitalized Vancouver Aquarium. Visit our website for details as well as the speaker lineup. The latter is filled with a wide range of topics such as BC Hydro power supply, West Vancouver Mayor’s presentation, the future with computing Artificial Intelligence, Port of Vancouver Eco developments and on our Health and Dementia, to name a few. I wish to thank the Management Committee and sub-committee members for their enthusiastic actions toward making this year a memorable one.

2024 will start with several new members being introduced and the return of some absent members. Please share your friendship. We are looking forward to a year of visiting guests, new members, fellowship, friends, and fun. I hope to emphasize our member activities more frequently creating awareness to activities to partake in besides general meetings. As example – golf, “Where can one join a golf club (PGG) for \$115? Investigate or suggest activities to enlighten your time in Probus. We are all about building relationships for future memories.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable Christmas season and an adventuresome New Year,

Terry McLeod, President

Christmas Luncheon 2023

The Christmas luncheon was a great event. There were close to 100 in attendance; the food was very good and our speaker Madison Mailey was excellent, reliving her 2020/2021 Olympic experience. It was a fascinating presentation and there were lots of questions from the members in attendance. About a dozen of us stayed after to have our pictures taken with Madison and her gold medal.

For some of us, it was a walk down memory lane, having been volunteers in 2010.

Steve Wilson, Special Events

Below is President Terry McLeod and guest speaker Madison Mailey.
View all photos from the Christmas Luncheon at
<https://www.probus-northshorevancouver.ca/2023-christmas-luncheon/>



Christmas Luncheon Photos



Top Left - Alex Campbell and Steve Wilson welcome members to the luncheon.

Top Right - Madison Mailey speaking to the audience with her power point presentation.

Middle Left - a full house with 100 members in attendance.

Bottom Left - Member Gordon Bird with Madison.

View these and all photos on the website.

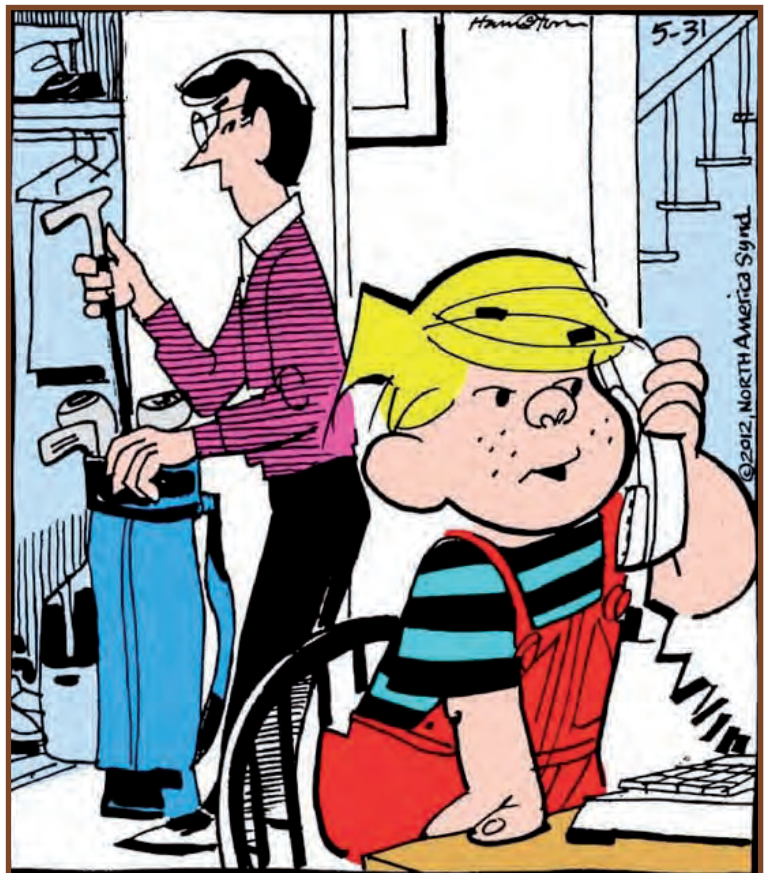




*People ask me
what I'd most
appreciate getting
for my
87th birthday.
I tell them,
a paternity suit.*

George Burns

*When you're a
child, you make
funny faces at the
mirror. When we
become adults, the
mirror gets even.*



"MY DAD? HE TOOK A SICK DAY. HE'S GOT AN APPOINTMENT WITH HIS DOCTOR ON THE GOLF COURSE."



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