



## **The Men's Probus Club of Lindsay** **Notice of Upcoming Events**

### **Next Meeting**

Tuesday July 9th, 2019 at 10:00am  
at the Masonic Hall.

**Speaker: Alan McClelland**

**“Targa Newfoundland Rally Race”**

If you are bringing a guest, please contact Bob Whitfield @ 705-324-7659

*Following the meeting, an optional lunch at Kelsey's  
is planned for those wishing to attend.*

### ***Our Guest Speaker***



**Alan McClelland** is Dean, School of Transportation, Centennial College

Alan graduated from Fleming College in with a Heavy Equipment Technician Diploma and subsequently completed his Certificate of Apprenticeship Training at Centennial's Ashtonbee campus. Alan holds trade qualifications for Automotive Service Technician, Heavy Duty Equipment Technician and Truck and Coach Technician. During his 35-year career in the transportation sector, Alan has enjoyed a broad range of experiences that began as a technician and progressed to training and management opportunities in the private and public sectors. This includes a variety of roles with automotive manufacturers including Ford and Nissan, as well as experience in the college systems in British Columbia and Ontario. In addition to working throughout Canada, Alan's work has taken him to the United States, Japan, China and Papua New Guinea.

Alan is in his eleventh year at Centennial College. When asked how it feels to work at the School of Transportation he states “As a graduate of Centennial, I am proud of the role that our School has played in the transportation sector provincially, nationally and internationally. I look forward to contributing to the great work that takes place here in preparing graduates for exciting careers in transportation.”

## ***Our Guest Speaker ...continued***

Centennial College is Canada's largest trainer of automotive technicians and our students love motorsports and auto racing. Targa Newfoundland is a world-class event and it is the largest of its kind in North America. The rally is a grueling 5 day, on-road, timed race where cars run 4-6 legs per day on the punishing roads of Newfoundland, at break neck speed.

Since 2014, Centennial College has provided a maintenance crew for Hume Media's team, in this rally. Hume Media's team usually consists of two BMW M3 high-performance sedans, and two Mini Cooper S wagons. Under the supervision of experienced technicians, the students experience real-world breakdowns and assist with on-the-fly repairs performed in less than perfect conditions. The days are long but the students get to experience life in a real pit crew. This is an amazing experiential learning opportunity for the students who may aspire to do this type of work when they graduate.

In 2017 and 2018, Alan was one of the crew supervisors and he will give an overview of his experiences at Targa.

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