



PROBUS Club of Port Perry BROADCAST

APRIL 2025



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to everyone,

Thinking back (a long way back!) to when I was a boy going to elementary school, I used to look forward to April 1st because it was April Fool's Day. Not only did I get to try to pull tricks on my brother and other kids at school, but I got to try to figure out who was trying to pull my leg and how! However, I was always given to understand that I had to "fess up" my deceptions by 12:00 noon.

In thinking of a suitable topic for this month's message, I had a fleeting thought that just maybe there might be some interest in the origins of April Fool's Day. However, it didn't take much research to discover that the topic is as contentious as so many others these days, with opinions to its origins ranging from 500 BC to 1650 AD and naturally there were a vast array of countries/civilizations vying for credit. Not only that, but in many countries one didn't have to admit their deceptions until the next day! Therefore, I chickened out.

There is one thing about April that is not at all

in dispute and certainly isn't funny, and that is, that it is tax time and we all have to file our income tax by the end of the month, or else. I for one have never been tempted to find out exactly what "or else" entailed.

If one wants something positive to reflect upon, all one needs to do is to open the door during the day time and just listen to the chorus of birds out there. I actually saw my very first robin last weekend, sitting in a tree and probably scoping out possible nesting sites!



With all of the negative stuff floating around, please take a look at the minuscule and shrinking piles of white stuff in the ditches, the hints of green growth in the farmer's fields, and the welcome sign of geese all over the place. Bless us, folks, we have made it through yet another Canadian winter. Please take the time to enjoy the beginnings of the new life poking up through the ground.

Jim Adamson

President, PROBUS Club of Port Perry



GUEST REGISTRATION

All members are welcome. **Guests MUST REGISTER UPON ARRIVAL** and are restricted to attending no more than two membership meetings.



Preparation for our monthly meetings includes setting up and taking down tables and chairs. If you can help, please come about 30 minutes early or stay a few minutes later and lend a hand. **THANK YOU.**



NO PARKING

Please do not park on the grass areas surrounding the Hope Church.

NOTE - We are a GREEN club!

Our hard working volunteers ask that you please bring a mug for your tea or coffee.



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CLUB NOTICES

Next Meeting

*The next membership meeting will be held on
Tuesday April 15 from 10 a.m. to noon
at Hope Church in Port Perry. You will receive an email blast as a reminder before the meeting.
Please remember to turn off your cell phone prior to the start of our meetings.*

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

The month of June is renewal month for your Probud membership. The cost of membership is \$35.00. Your fees are payable before June 30th, but we are asking that you do your renewal by June 1st if possible as we have quite a long waiting list of folks who would like to join our group. As of July 1st we will accept new applications from those people on our waiting list. We are currently at 354 members so please don't delay if you hope to retain your membership.

You may pay at our Probud General Meeting or mail your cheque in the amount of \$35.00 per person made out to Port Perry PROBUS and send to:

**Linda Parry, Membership Chair,
2481 Ashbridge Rd., Port Perry, ON L9L 1B4**

or you can make a bank interac e-transfer. You need to send the e-transfer to the following email address:

memberfees.portperryprobus@gmail.com

Port Perry PROBUS uses auto deposit so you will not need a password.

If you are paying for more than one person please indicate the members' names.

If you have any questions, please phone Linda at **905-985-8602**.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in the PROBUS Club of Port Perry.

We would also like to ask all existing members to advise our membership chairperson of any changes to your home address, email address or telephone numbers. Please send an email with the changes to Linda Parry at portperryprobus@gmail.com so that we can avoid anyone missing out on our club activities or social events.

**Linda Parry, Membership Chair
PROBUS Club of Port Perry**

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**WE NEED YOUR IDEAS
AND PHOTOS**

CONTRIBUTIONS APPRECIATED

We need your input for the newsletter, website and Facebook pages. So if you come across interesting websites, shops, restaurants or places to visit, or future scheduled events of interest, or have some photos of events you have been to, please email us at: portperryprobus@gmail.com



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VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED!!!

HOUSE CO-CHAIRS

Duties may include:

- Assures break room is set up.
- Assists in setting out refreshments.
- Arrange for bakers.
- Recruit volunteers and allocate tasks.
- Ensure availability of equipment as required and that this is stored at venue or brought to each meeting if kept elsewhere.
- Purchase disposable cups, stirrers, coffee, tea-bags, sugar, milk, and plastic garbage bags for tea/coffee break if required.
- After the meeting, tidy up, dispose of garbage and store equipment.

For more information contact:

president.portperyprobust@gmail.com

KITCHEN HELP

There is an urgent need for volunteers for House in the kitchen to help prepare tea and coffee for the refreshment break. The positions have been stream-lined and do not require a lot of time or effort. The positions could be filled by co-chairs. Names need to be put forward for nominations in May for the AGM in June.

Please consider volunteering for one of the following:

- Checking inventory, buying of food, beverages and supplies for break time and bringing it in.
- Buying and bringing in 4 gallon-sized containers of water (for coffee/tea) and making 5 urns of coffee/tea plus carafes.
- Putting out food, beverages, utensils, plates, etc. for the meeting.
- Cleaning up afterwards (e.g. urns, tables, trash, etc.).

For more information contact:

president.portperyprobust@gmail.com

IMPORTANT NOTE

At some point we may end up having to suspend our food and beverage service at the break time for a meeting or two or even a series of meetings if we cannot get enough help at the meeting or meetings.

At least one of those volunteers needs to be a regular one who can shop for and bring in supplies (e.g. paper plates, napkins, serving utensils, cream, milk, etc.) for each meeting and replenish the inventory monthly.

The food and beverage service remains a popular one for the members attending the monthly membership meetings.

But it does require enough volunteers to be able to make it happen.

A cop pulls a guy over and says,
"Did you know your wife fell out a few blocks back?"

The guy says,
"Thank God, I thought I went deaf."

Salons always have hair on the floor.
Garages always have oil on the floor.

Banks, what is your problem?

Once you lick the frosting off a cupcake it becomes a muffin.

Muffins are healthy.
You're welcome.

Getting gas this morning, I noticed the person before me on Pump 3 bought \$10.00 worth.

Where are they going? To pump 4?

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THIS MONTH'S SPEAKERS

Guest Speaker – April 15

CAROL O'NEIL

Alzheimer Society Durham Region
"Dementia Friendly Communities"



We are excited to introduce you to Dementia Friendly Communities, a nationwide initiative in partnership with Alzheimer Societies across the country.

The goal of the Dementia Friendly Communities initiative is to encourage Canadian communities to become more dementia friendly.

Recognizing the significant role you play in supporting the community, Carol O'Neil, from Alzheimer Society of Durham Region, will be presenting valuable insights and practical knowledge to help you create a more inclusive, welcoming, and accessible environment for individuals living with early/mid dementia and their care partners.

About Our Speaker:

Kara is the Executive Director of the North Durham Family Health Team and she also works as a Pharmacist in the Memory Clinic. She's been a part of the team since 2017.



Did you miss our March Meeting?

HERE'S A RECAP

We had two guest speakers for this meeting.

For our first presentation we heard from Kara Wright who is the Executive Director of the North Durham Family Health Team. She spoke about the important advances and expansion of primary health care services in North Durham. Kara brought paper surveys and pamphlets with a request that people fill out the survey which asks about what concerns people have about their health care needs at Port Perry Medical Centre. She also explained that the survey could be filled in on line.

After the refreshment break, our guest presenter was Neil Crone, an Emmy-nominated actor who shared with us his sometimes angst about his life as a Canadian performer on television. He spoke about how "I'm not a real person but I play one on television".

He had many funny anecdotes about his start with Second City and he told stories about the times when he was auditioning for various roles for commercials and programs, often stressful situations for actors.

Neil is optimistic in the face of uncertainty and he sends a message of "follow your dreams".

He had us laughing with him.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

May 20

PATRICIA BAYLEY

"Lifelong Learning"

June 17

DONNA SMITH

Durham Home Respiratory Services

"Sleep Better with CPAP"

July 15

LIANNE HARRIS


"Amazing Women - Hidden Lives"

March Meeting
SHARE THE WEALTH
PRIZE WINNERS

The winners of this month's Share the Wealth draw were:
Alison Aked, Stan Taylor and Norma Cornish
The winners each received \$47.

Congratulations everyone!

April

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
			LUNCH/BRIDGE/EUCHRE Col. Mustard's 12 p.m.			
		WALK-ABOUT TOWN 10 a.m. DARTS 2 p.m.	FINDING YOUR ROOTS 10 a.m. CRIBBAGE 10 a.m.	WALK-ABOUT TOWN 10 a.m. DINNER OUT	HIKING WITH BILL 9:30 a.m. BID EUCHRE-AFT. 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. TRAVEL GROUP 11:10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m.	WALK-ABOUT TOWN 10 a.m. CRAFTING CORNER 10 a.m. BRIDGE 1 p.m. DARTS 2 p.m. BETWEEN THE COVERS 1 p.m.	LET'S DO LUNCH 1:30 p.m.	WALK-ABOUT TOWN 10 a.m. ART GROUP 1 p.m.	EUCHRE-AFT. 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	ANNIE Town Hall Theatre 2 p.m. DINNER - GWCTD 6:30 p.m.
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. MAHJONG 1 p.m. LATIN DANCING 3 p.m.	PROBUS MEETING 10 a.m. – Hope Church EASTER BONNET TEA Hope Church after meeting WALK-ABOUT TOWN 10 a.m. JIGSAW PUZZLERS Hope Church 10:30 a.m. DARTS 2 p.m.		BREAKFAST THURS 9:30 a.m. WALK-ABOUT TOWN 10 a.m. HAPPY HOUR 4 p.m.	HIKING WITH BILL 9:30 a.m. BID EUCHRE-AFT. 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. CLIMATE GROUP 10:30 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m.	WALK-ABOUT TOWN 10 a.m. BRIDGE 1 p.m. DARTS 2 p.m. EUCHRE-EVENING 7 p.m.	LUNCH GROUP 1 p.m.	WALK-ABOUT TOWN 10 a.m. ART GROUP 1 p.m.	EUCHRE-AFT. 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m. BOWER POWER 7 p.m.	
27	28	29	30			
	COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. MAHJONG 1 p.m. LATIN DANCING 3 p.m.	WALK-ABOUT TOWN 10 a.m. DARTS 2 p.m.				

FOR DETAILS BY COLOUR:

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PORT PERRY PROBUS SOCIAL EVENTS

NOTE - You may pay cash for events at the social table at the membership meetings, if the event is under \$10.00 and you have exact cash. Otherwise, e-transfers and cheques are accepted in payment.

**LAST
CHANCE
TO REGISTER**



EASTER BONNET TEA

TUESDAY APRIL 15

Hope Church,
following the AGM

\$10.00 members

\$20.00 non members

See details next page.



**IT'S NOT
TOO LATE!
REGISTER NOW!**



presents.....

Leapin' Lizards!

Annie



SUNDAY APRIL 13

Town Hall Theatre

\$30.00

See details next page.



**Register
NOW**



**ANYTHING
GOES**

**AND LUNCH AT
THE PRINCE OF
WALES HOTEL**

WEDNESDAY MAY 14

Niagara-on-the-Lake

\$192.00

See details next page.

**SHAW
FESTIVAL**
Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario

COMING SOON

EXPERIENCE THE "RIDE OF YOUR LIFE"

CELEBRATION OF SPEED



MONDAY AUGUST 4

Canadian Tire Motorsport Park

\$100.00

See details next page.



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Port Perry Social Events continued

LUNCH - BRIDGE & EUCHRE AT COLONEL MUSTARD'S

Wednesday April 2 – 12 to 3 p.m.

Colonel Mustard's
15 Water Street, Port Perry
**Cost: \$5.00 plus the cost of your lunch
ordered from the menu**

Please indicate your preference when you register to play bridge or euchre. Prizes for the winning teams. To register, please email social.portperryprobust@gmail.com so that we can reserve for an accurate number. Seating is limited in the sunroom.

ANNIE

Sunday April 13 – 2 p.m.

Town Hall Theatre, Port Perry

Cost: \$30.00

To register, please email social.portperryprobust@gmail.com.

EASTER TEA

Tuesday April 15

Hope Church

following the Membership meeting

Cost: \$10.00 for members (\$20.00 for non-members).

This is a subsidized event. Price includes sandwiches, scones, hand sweets, and tea and coffee. Prizes will be awarded for the best Easter bonnet or gent's Easter hat. Seating is limited based on space in the church hall. To register, please email social.portperryprobust@gmail.com.

ROCK STARS ON ICE

Wednesday April 30 – 7 p.m.

Tribute Communities Centre,
99 Athol Street E., Oshawa

Cost: \$50.00

Music fuels every figure skater's performance, and nothing electrifies a crowd like the power of a classic rock anthem. The 2025 Stars on Ice tour cranks that energy up a notch with the thrilling new theme, "Rock Stars on Ice." Headlined by none other than the King of Rock, **CANCELLED** boasts a star-studded cast including James & Paul Poirier, Keegan Meade, Satoko Miyahara, Jason Brown, Isabeau Levito and more! Kurt Browning, returns as Director and Choreographer, ensuring every "Rock Stars on Ice" performance is nothing short of spectacular. To register or for further information, please email social.portperryprobust@gmail.com.

ANYTHING GOES!

Wednesday May 14 – 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Shaw Festival Theatre, Niagara on the Lake

Luxury Bus Trip from Port Perry Walmart leaving at 8 a.m. Lunch at 11 a.m. at the Prince of Wales Hotel followed by *Anything Goes*. This dazzling production breathes new life into Cole Porter's timeless tale of romance, intrigue, and high-seas hijinks. Follow the delightful antics of Reno Sweeney, a spirited nightclub singer, as she navigates love triangles, mistaken identities and comical misunderstanding on a transatlantic voyage. Featuring beloved songs like 'It's De-Lovely,' 'You're the Top,' and 'Anything Goes,' this fresh revival brims with spectacular dance numbers and non-stop laughter." Cost is \$192 including bus (407 and driver's tip), lunch, and theatre ticket. This trip is subsidized by the club and restricted to members only. Bus has a limit of 47 passengers so sign up early. To register or for further information, please email social.portperryprobust@gmail.com

NEW

THE MUSIC OF THE NIGHT 2025

Sunday May 25 – 3 p.m.

Regent Theatre, 50 King St. E., Oshawa

Cost: \$40.00

The music and legacy of Andrew Lloyd Webber. Registration fee is \$5 towards prizes. To register or for further information, please email social.portperryprobust@gmail.com.

NEW

OUR NATIVES' LAND WITH RON BROWN

Tuesday May 27 – 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Bus trip to Brantford with Uxbridge Probust

Depart from Walmart in Uxbridge

Cost: \$189 for members and \$199 for non-members

Enjoy a guided tour of the Mohawk Chapel, the oldest Protestant Church in Ontario, and the only Royal Chapel in North America. Built by the Crown in 1785, it was given as a gift of thanks to the Mohawk Indians, led by Joseph Brant, who had supported the British during the American Revolution. Lunch at The Olde School Restaurant Spend time at the Woodland Cultural Centre and learn about Indigenous history, culture, art, food, current issues, or material culture. Spend time at Iroqrafts for shopping, featuring books, moccasins, beadwork, and soapstone sculptures. Iroqrafts is the largest and oldest arts and crafts store on Six Nations offering the crafts of the Six Nations since 1959. Return to Uxbridge by 7:30 p.m. For tickets, please contact Uxbridge Probust at socialuxbridgeprobust@gmail.com.

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BINGO AT THE RED BARN AUDITORIUM

Monday June 2 – 12 to 3 p.m.

172 Wayne Ct., Oshawa

Refreshments following games. Price varies depending upon number of bingo games played – payment at the Red Barn. To register or for further information, please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com.



LUNCH AND DARTS

Wednesday June 4 – 12 to 3 p.m.

Castle John's, 1894 Scugog St., Port Perry

Cost: \$5

Please join us for lunch (each person responsible for their own bill) and darts. Please bring your own darts. Registration fee is \$5 towards prizes. To register or for further information, please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com.

CELEBRATION OF SPEED AT MOSPORT

Monday, August 4 – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Canadian Tire Motorsport Park

3233 Concession Rd. 10, Bowmanville

Experience the exciting Grand Prix circuit as a passenger in an exotic car with a track-experienced driver. Vehicles may include Lamborghini, BMW, Mercedes, McLaren, Porsche, Corvette, Mustang. Tickets are \$100 for 3 laps in 3 different cars. Trackside, additional 3-lap tickets may be purchased for \$50. Anyone 10 years old (seat belt must fit) and up can co-pilot. Tickets are shareable and will be available online in early May. Great gift for Mother's/Father's Day. Wonderful opportunity for bonding... Father, Son, Grandson.

Website: cmhf.ca. Celebration of Speed. (CMHF stands for Canadian Motorsport Hall of Fame). To register or for further information, please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com.

NEW

A CHORUS LINE

Saturday August 23

**Whitby Courthouse Theatre,
416 Centre St. S., Whitby**

Cost: \$24

Matinee performance. A musical that explores the lives of Broadway dancers, focusing on their personal stories, dreams and struggles. To register or for further information, please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com.

PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY BUS TOUR AND LUNCH

Thursday September 18

8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. (approx)

Partnering with Oshawa Probus

Depart from Oshawa Rona, 685 Laval Dr., Oshawa

Cost: \$179

Wine tasting at Huff Estates Winery, stroll through the three acre Oeno Art Gallery & Sculpture Garden, Lake on the Mountain stop, Waupoos Estates 3-course lunch, and a stop in Picton for strolling/shopping. For further information, please contact **Lucy Ricca** (Oshawa Probus at 416-918-6527 or liricca@yahoo.ca).

To register please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com.

BOUNTIFUL LUNCH

Tuesday October 21

Hope Church

following the Membership meeting

Cost: To Be Announced

Join us for lunch and contributed goodies (by our members). This is a subsidized event. To register or for further information, please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com.



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PORT PERRY SOCIAL EVENTS REVIEW

ST. PATRICK'S DAY SOCIAL



March 17

There was a packed house on St. Patrick's Day in Col. Mustard's where we enjoyed celebrating being, or wanna-being, all that is Irish.



FUN, GAMES, PRIZES, SINGING AND LOTS OF FOOD WAS THE RECIPE FOR A FANTASTIC ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION!



Ann challenged us with some thinking games!



Count the candies in the jar.



Jim with a green hair do.



Nora won for best-dressed.



Delicious finger foods and lots of it, followed by a yummy cake for dessert.



Burt recited a very entertaining Irish poem.



Sam sang the beautiful song, "Oh Danny Boy."



Thank you Ann, Jooles and Judy for organizing this event.

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NON PORT PERRY PROBUS SOCIAL EVENTS



HNA TOURS PICKERING

All Tours depart from Pickering/ Ajax. If more than 10 PROBUS members book, there may be a pick up at Walmart in Port Perry.

TWO DAY OVERNIGHT THEATRE PACKAGE

June 4 - June 5

St. Jacob's

Cost: \$569 pp+HST (dbl. occupancy) - Single \$669 + HST

Included: One night at the Holiday Inn Hotel in St. Jacob's includes breakfast and happy hour; visit to Whistling Gardens in Hamilton (see the peonies) with picnic lunch; ticket to see 'Annie' at the Festival Theatre in Stratford; ticket for 'Halfway There' at the Hamilton Theatre in Cambridge; return transportation by deluxe

motor coach; visit to town of St. Jacob's and the Farmer's Market; services of HNA Travels Tour Director, Shirly Van Putten. **A non-refundable deposit of \$200 is due upon booking. Balance due May 1st.** For further information or to book contact Shirly at 905-619-8583 or shirlyvanputten@rogers.com.

CANXPLORE BOWMANVILLE

For further information or to reserve your spot email cathy@canxplore.com

For TripAdvisor reviews:

https://www.tripadvisor.ca/Attraction_Review-g499253-d24887153-Reviews-CanXplore-Bowmanville_Ontario.html

NEWFOUNDLAND DISCOVERY TOUR

July 26 - August 4

Cost: \$5,795 pp

(land and air, incl tax, based on double occupancy)

Prices \$5,795 pp (based on double occupancy) - Return flight included - 10 days/9 nights - **Non-refundable deposit of \$500 due on booking. Final date to book and balance due April 25th.**

Included: Baggage handling (one suitcase per person at each hotel), Ground transportation, Services of a Tour Director, Visits to Gros Morne Park, Grand Falls-Windsor, Twillingate, Gander, Trinity, Bonavista, Cape Spear, St. John's, Boat tours on Bonne Bay, Western Brook Pond, in Twillingate and in Bay Bulls (weather permitting), Entrance fees to historic sites and museums, Guided tour of Trinity, Anchors Aweigh show, Wine tasting at Auk Island Winery, Craft beer tasting, Airport transfers if booking the land + air package, Small group size of 22 maximum, 14 meals (9 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 4 dinners). Contact CanXplore to join a presentation on February 10th at 7 p.m.

For more information and to book go to

www.canxplore.com/newfoundland.

If you have questions,

email cathy@canxplore.com.



WONDERS OF WESTERN CANADA TOUR

September 5 - 16

Cost: \$7,495 pp

(based on double occupancy)

Return flight included - 12 days/11 nights - Non-refundable deposit of \$500 due on booking. **Final date to book and balance due June 5th.**

Included: Baggage handling (one suitcase per person at each hotel), Ground transportation, Services of a Tour Director, Visits to Calgary, Banff, Lake Louise, Jasper, Sun Peaks, Whistler, Victoria and Vancouver, Entrance fees to historic sites and museums listed in the itinerary, Guided tour of Heritage Park in Calgary, Calgary Tower visit, Banff Gondola ride, Tickets for the Glacier Skywalk, Boat cruise on Maligne Lake to Spirit Island, Wine tasting at a winery in British Columbia, Peak2Peak Gondola ride in Whistler, Whale-watching boat tour in Victoria (weather permitting), Entrance fee for Butchart Gardens, Afternoon Tea at Butchart Gardens, Airport transfers from Calgary Airport to first hotel and from hotel in Vancouver to Vancouver Airport, Small group size of 24 maximum, 16 meals (11 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners). Contact CanXplore to join a presentation on February 12th at 7 p.m. For more information and to book go to www.canxplore.com/westerncanada.

If you have questions, email cathy@canxplore.com.

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OVERSEAS TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES



HNA TOURS PICKERING

All Tours depart from Pickering/Ajax. If more than 10 Probus members book, there may be a pick up at Walmart in Port Perry.

SHAMROCK ADVENTURE: THE NORTH AND SOUTH OF IRELAND

October 4 - 17

**Cost: \$5,699 pp, double occupancy -
Single occupancy \$6,999**

Includes: 14 day tour. Return flight – direct with Air Canada – Toronto/Dublin/Toronto; Transfers from airport to hotel and then hotel to airport (Dublin); 10 days touring in a luxury motor vehicle with a knowledgeable “Irish” Driver/Guide; 12 night’s accommodations in centrally located, 4-star hotels; 12 - Hotel Breakfasts plus Tea and scones on the morning of your arrival in Dublin; 4 - 3 Course Evening Meals at hotel accommodation; Derry City Walking Tour of the City Walls; Belfast Panoramic city tour; 48 hour “Hop on/Hop off” ticket for sightseeing in Dublin; All entrance fees to items listed in the itinerary; and all taxes and government fees.

Non-refundable deposit of \$800 is due upon booking. Balance due June 15, 2025.

For further information or to book contact Shirlie van Putten at 905-619-8583 or shirlie@hnatravels.com.



Join other members on the following cruises:

ARCTIC CIRCLE AND NORWEGIAN FJORD CRUISE

May 18 - June 1

**Prices (subject to change) \$3,447 pp inside cabin,
\$4,164 pp oceanview, \$4,658 pp balcony.**

14 nights on Holland America – Cruise leaves from Rotterdam (one hour by train from Amsterdam), with eight Norwegian ports of call. The cruise visits the Shetland Island (Scotland), Edinburgh, and London before returning to Rotterdam.

For further information, contact Judy Spring at 905-447-4557 or Lori Connor at Expedia Cruises at 905-982-8855. Judy Spring will take the lead on this cruise.



You put your left leg in, your back goes out,
you're creaking and cramping and you've got a touch of gout.
You twist and you shout and a little wee comes out....
That's what it's all about!

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PORT PERRY PROBUS INTEREST GROUPS



New Interest Groups Opportunities

If you would like to coordinate a new group or shared experience,
let us know at interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

POTENTIAL NEW INTEREST GROUPS!

Contact: interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

DARTS ON THURSDAYS

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 419 at 484 Bay St. in Port Perry has advised us that they have Thursday afternoon (2-4pm) available to Probus for a second darts group. Legion membership is not required. It's not a league – we'd just play for fun. If you are interested in joining this potential NEW interest group or helping coordinate it, please contact the Interest Groups Chair.

BOOK CLUB #3?

Would you like to join a book club but are disappointed our other two book clubs are full? If so, we can start a third book club! The group members would decide when, where and how often to meet and what to read. If you are interested in joining, please contact the Interest Groups Chair. If you think you might like to help coordinate this group, let us know that too!

BILLIARDS ON THURSDAYS

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 419 at 484 Bay St. in Port Perry has advised us that they have Thursday afternoon (2 - 4 p.m.) available to Probus for a Billiards group. Legion membership is not required. It's not a league – we'd just play for fun. If you are interested in joining this potential NEW interest group or helping to coordinate it, please contact the Interest Groups Chair.

POKER

We were thinking ... there must be some poker players amongst our Probus membership!? If so, would you like to play in a NEW Poker interest group? Day, time and frequency to be decided by the group members. If you are interested in playing poker, please advise Kim Lendvay (Interest Groups Chair).

VIRTUAL GOLF AT DUNNY'S DIVOTS

We have met with Dunny's Divots and they have virtual golf (as well as other fun activities)! We could play in their virtual golf league, start our own Probus league or just play for fun! They're on Old Simcoe Rd. beside the Port Perry recreation centre/arena. Date, time and frequency of Virtual Golf will be decided by group members. They also have a golf pro who can teach us lessons combined with a continental breakfast, hummm...

If you're interested in joining this potential NEW interest group and/or helping coordinate it, please contact the Interest Groups Chair.

BIRDWATCHING WALKS

May and June are the best times to see birds! We have a huge variety of species in Durham Region. Join Geoff Carpentier (Professional Nature Guide & experienced birdwatcher) as he shares secrets of the lives of our local birds. Geoff will be leading two walks: Friday May 16 and Tuesday June 10. Both walks are from 8 a.m. - 10.a.m at a location to be decided but will be local to the Port Perry area. If you're interested in attending, please contact the Interest Groups Chair.

Interest groups provide an opportunity to interact with those who have similar interests and passions as you do. Whatever they are, there are lots of others who share the same. Consider introducing your interests to others who have either never tried it, or have made unsuccessful attempts to learn. At the same time, take the opportunity to improve your own skill levels and learn other and different ways to approach them.

Events are happening all through the year — sign up to join the fun.

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Remember to wear your Probus badge to all events.



CURRENT INTEREST GROUPS UPDATES

interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com



Feeling Creative?



ACTING FOR FUN

Evelyn McKenzie: 905-432-4948
evsurfing@gmail.com

We will be presenting our show in April 2026. If you are interested in joining our group, contact Evelyn at the above number.

ART – PROBUS OPEN STUDIO

Margaret Adamson: 905-773-2878
madamson905@gmail.com

The members at the Open Studio sessions use acrylic, watercolour and oil paint, clay and wood as their medium to work on individual art projects from 1-4 p.m. at the Hope Church. This group provides the participants with an opportunity to share their art with other people who have a common interest in visual arts. It also motivates them to keep active in their own artistic pursuits, as well as brings them together with a regular social circle.

Meeting dates are every second and fourth Thursday of the month.

CRAFTING CORNER

Catherine Whittle: 416-906-1546
cwhittle2001@yahoo.ca

Love to create? Bring whatever you have an interest in: crafting, painting, d'coupage or crochet, knit, felt, macramé, resin pour, make jewellery, cricut, wood work, etc. We get creative people together with monthly meetups sharing passions for arts and crafts.

We meet monthly on the 2nd Tuesday. Our next meeting will be at Hope Church on Tuesday April 8th from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Other future dates include: May 13, & June 10. The room is comfortable with couches, a conference table and Chairs, and running water. Please contact Catherine if you're Interested in joining us. Bring your lunch, treats and coffee. Please contact Catherine for more information and to confirm your attendance.



Let's Play!!

BID EUCHRE – AFTERNOON

Ann Berube: 905-985-7102
ann.sundowner@gmail.com

Bid Euchre is played on alternate Friday afternoons. Each group member takes a turn hosting, about twice a year. We usually have two or three tables and play six - seven games, then share refreshments and socialize. We are happy to teach new players.

BRIDGE

Judy Spring: 905-447-4557
judith.spring@outlook.com

Bridge games are now scheduled on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. We welcome new members! Please email the Coordinator if you are interested in playing regularly or as a spare.

BUNCO

interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

BUNCO is a progressive dice game for 12 or more players. Bob and Sue Armitage (members of the NEW Scugog-Uxbridge Probus Club) are coordinating this group. More news next month! If you are interested in joining this group, please contact the Interest Groups Chair at the email above.

CRIBBAGE

Julie Blaney • jooles1234@aol.com

If you would like to join our group, we meet once a month at a location confirmed the week before. Our next meeting is on Tuesday April 2nd between 10 a.m. and noon. Please reach out to Jooles if you would like to join in.

DARTS FOR FUN

**John Leahy: 905-982-2695 • jleahy6@gmail.com and
Ken Crossley • magentis@checkmail.ca**

Every Tuesday 2 to 4 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 419 at 484 Bay St. in Port Perry. Legion membership is not required. This is not a league – we just play for fun. However, the dart group at present time is FULL. Anyone interested in joining, please contact the coordinator to be put on our waitlist.

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EUCHRE – AFTERNOON

Ann Berube: 905-985-7102

ann.sundowner@gmail.com

Regular euchre is played on alternate Friday afternoons, group members taking turns hosting in their homes. We play six or seven games and then adjourn for refreshments and socializing. If you are interested in joining this group please email or telephone Ann.

EUCHRE – EVENING

Margaret Adamson: 905-773-2878

madamson905@gmail.com

This group meets once a month on the Tuesday following the week of the General Probus meeting. The evening is a mix of starting with card games as well as time to share fun conversations and refreshments. So far attendance usually fills three tables, which means our membership has had to cap, especially now that winter vacations have come to an end. However, on occasion subs are still needed. If you are interested in a fun night out, we always enjoy other Probus members.

Our next game will be on Tuesday April 22nd.

EUCHRE – BOWER POWER

Kim Lendvay • interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

This group meets once a month on the 4th Friday at 7 p.m. (except December). Our next euchre game will be on Friday April 25th at Heather's home.

This interest group is currently FULL. We also have 4 spares to ensure we'll have 3 tables even during high member travel periods! Please email the coordinator if you are interested in getting on the waitlist.

JIGSAW PUZZLERS

Denise: Deniset1954@gmail.com

We meet at break time in the sanctuary at our monthly PROBUS meeting where we exchange puzzles! If you are interested in joining this puzzle swap group, please contact the coordinator.

MAHJONG – THE JOKERS

Barb Rootham: brb.rootham@gmail.com

It is a tile-based game that originated in China in the 19th century. It is played by 4 players (with some 2 and 3-player variations) and involves forming melds and pairs with the tiles.

We play bi-weekly Monday games with at 1 p.m. start time. We are experimenting with a weekly Monday game if there is enough interest.

If you are interested in playing Mahjong, need lessons, or if you already know how to play, please contact the coordinator to be added to the waitlist or spare list.



Book Clubs

BOOK CLUB – THE NEXT CHAPTER

Janet Broder: 416-659-4491

janetbroder7@gmail.com

We really enjoyed the February book, "Secret Daughter" by Shilpi Somaya Gowda. There were both lovable and unlovable characters in this novel, set in India and California. It made us feel gratitude for our privilege of living in Canada, during this time. In March, we will be discussing "The Life Impossible" by Matt Haig. In April, we will be delving into Patrick Radden Keefe's "Empire of Pain."



BETWEEN THE COVERS

Louise Bardswich: lbardswich@gmail.com

In March we discussed "Loving Frank" by Nancy Horan. In spite of having a smaller turnout due to lots of holiday travel, the group had a good, far-ranging discussion. In April we plan to discuss "Major Petigrew's Last Stand" by Helen Simonson. The group is FULL but if you are interested in joining us, please contact the coordinator to be placed on a waitlist.

Food & Drink

BREAKFAST CLUB - THURSDAY

Bill Morrison: billandmaryare@gmail.com

The Thursday Breakfast group meet at 9:30 a.m. on the 3rd Thursday of each month. Please contact Bill for more information.



COFFEE AND CHAT

Joyce Bagley: 905-985-8064

dandjbagley@gmail.com

We meet every Monday at 10 a.m. at Tim Hortons 15930 Old Simcoe Rd. (at the corner of Reach and Old Simcoe). Please contact Joyce if you would like to join us or if you have any questions.

Please wear your Probus name tag!

DINNER – GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER (GWCTD)

Kim Lendvay • interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

Unfortunately, due to lots of members away travelling over the winter, March's GWCTD was cancelled.

Our next GWCTD will therefore be at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday April 12th at a location to be determined. NOTE: DATE IS ONE WEEK EARLIER DUE TO EASTER!

We meet on the third Saturday of each month (except December). Please contact the Interest Groups Co-Chair, Kim Lendvay, if you'd like to join us.

Note: this group is in need of a NEW coordinator! Please let Kim know who will take on this role.

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DINNER OUT – THURSDAYS

Marg Miller: margandrodmliller@gmail.com

We meet the first Thursday of the month. Please contact the Coordinator if you'd like to join us.

HAPPY HOUR

'Where Everybody Knows Your Name'

Joyce Bagley: 905-985-8064

dandjbagley@gmail.com

If you'd like an afternoon libation – this is perfect! If you don't indulge – no problem! This is simply an excuse to get together and chat. We meet on the third Thursday of each month at 4 p.m. at the Old Flame Brewery.

Upcoming dates include April 17, May 15 and June 19 at 4 p.m. Please let Joyce know via email if you're planning to join us – of course you can just show up too!

Please wear your Probus name tag so we can spot each other!

LET'S DO LUNCH

Betty Anne LaSalle: 647-975-9351

bettyannelasalle@yahoo.ca

This group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. We have room for a couple more members but we are keeping the group small and intimate. If you would like to join our group, please contact the NEW coordinator!

March's outing was cancelled due to many members travelling.

On Wednesday April 7th the group will be going to Bamboo Restaurant in Port Perry for 1:30 p.m.

LUNCH GROUP

Ruth Cain: 905-410-6030

rannevan@hotmail.com



We met at FICO Fusion this month. One of our favourite spots with a great selection of food and friendly staff. The group is currently at maximum capacity, please contact the coordinator for further details or to be placed on a waitlist.

WINE TASTING 1

Jim Adamson: 905-773-2878

Our group has paused for the winter as a number of our members are travelling or otherwise not available. We look forward to getting everyone back together again next month.



WINE TASTING – GRAPES OF PourT

Barb Langer: 416-805-9223

We took the winter off due to travelling wine lovers! But, we will be back drinking wine and enjoying each others' company on Thursday April 24th.

Our group meets on the last Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. Members take turns hosting. The host(s) decides on a theme, selects and buys the wine. All the participants share the cost of the wines and everyone brings a dish to the tasting, so we have a pot-luck style evening of appetizers or dinner.

Please contact Barb Langer if you would like to join us!

Let's Get Physical

BLOOMERS - GARDENING

Marg Miller: margandrodmliller@gmail.com

Please let Marg Miller know if you wish to participate in this group and she will be in touch with you to let you know about upcoming events.

BIRDIES & BOGEYS – GOLF GROUP

We will start playing in May (maybe April if we have an early spring!) Players who are beginners, experienced and everything in between – all are welcome! Day, time and frequency to be decided by group members. Also, our first 9 & Dine will be on Monday June 23 at Sunnybrae Golf Course – Save the Date!!

If you are interested in playing golf regularly, or just at the 9 & Dines, please advise Kim Lendvay (Interest Groups Chair). If you're interested in being the Coordinator for this group, or perhaps willing to share the role with Kim, please let her know that too!



HIKING WITH BILL

Bill Morrison: billandmaryare@gmail.com

The group has hikes on the first and third Fridays of each month. Contact Bill for more information.

LATIN DANCING

Anne-Marie Sacco

interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

This group meets monthly on the 2nd and 4th Monday from 3 to 4 p.m. in Uxbridge. You do not need to be a couple to join, they pair us up at the lessons as needed. Each member is required to pay the instructor \$15/lesson.

This is a Joint Interest Group with the Uxbridge PROBUS Club. If you're interested in joining this group, please contact interestgroups.uxbridgeprobus@gmail.com. The coordinator is Anne-Marie Sacco.

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LAWN BOWLING

Lynn Tracey: 905-985-5678

dlynnttracey@gmail.com

The final countdown has officially started!

Our first main event is our Giant Yard Sale on May 3rd. With the amazing donations we have already received, it is going to be bigger and better than ever. If you haven't donated, and would like to, please don't hesitate to contact me, and I can arrange a pick up!

Please come to one of our Open Houses! Give it a try, and then you will see just how much fun we have. We have four scheduled for May 3, May 10, May 14, and May 17. Wednesday nights will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturdays will be from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. At the Open House, you can inquire about our 'Learn to Bowl' program.

LINE DANCING

Kim Lendvay: interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

We meet weekly at the Port Perry Legion (484 Bay Street) and it costs \$5 per person. Join us Mondays at 1 p.m. (sort of Beginners but closer to Intermediate) OR Fridays at 6 p.m. (BEGINNERS ONLY) a great way to learn the basics! Some of us attend both days! No experience required.

Contact Kim to be added to the group's email list. Try to let Kim or the others know you're planning to attend so we can watch for you (or you can just show up too)!

Please wear your Probus name tag so we can spot each other!

LOLLYGAGGERS

Catherine Whittle: 416-906-1546

cwhittle2001@yahoo.ca

We like to meet once/twice a week and walk in downtown Port Perry, along the waterfront in Palmer's Park and the surrounding area. Of course distance depends on the number of benches and times we stop to chat. Contact the coordinator for information on meet-up location and times or with any questions.

WALK-ABOUT TOWN

Dianne: diannedraper886@gmail.com

We meet Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. Our new meeting place is in front of the Latham Centre. The walks are approximately one hour, along our beautiful lakefront. If you're interested in joining the Walk-About Town group, please contact Dianne and let's get going!

Music & Entertainment

MOVIE GROUP

Denise: Deniset1954@gmail.com

If you're looking for someone to go to a movie with sometime, please contact the coordinator.

Other Nifty Interest Groups

FINDING YOUR ROOTS

Neil Kilmartin: neilmkilmartin@gmail.com

We meet the first Wednesday of each month from 10 a.m. to noon in the Scugog Library's Board Room. We have recently opened up our group to the members of the Scugog-Uxbridge PROBUS Club, and have tentatively met our revised cap of 16. But if you wish to join us, let me know, and your name can be added to the waiting list. However, If you want to drop in for a meeting or two and check us out, don't hesitate to contact Neil via email. You will be welcomed!

We are open to people with any degree of genealogical experience, right from the newbie to the seasoned family historian. Our focus tends to be on "sharing our individual experiences". Guidance and initial help researching is always available.

GIRLS (AND GUYS) JUST WANNA HAVE FUN

Denise: Deniset1954@gmail.com and

Cathy: cjef@bell.net

Although this group is currently mostly women, we now have a man in the group who would be interested in attending either movies or other events, in a group or one on one. Perhaps there are other men who would like to join the fun?? Two members had an impromptu drive up to Bobcaygeon and Fenelon Falls to see the fall colours and had a lovely lunch in a restaurant with the windows open to the lake. The group is comprised of individuals, not couples – it provides an opportunity for both attached and unattached individuals to get together to share a fun activity.

Are you interested in an activity, but don't want to go alone, or don't mind going alone but want to find out if someone else would like to share your activity – then the group of Girls (and Guys) Just Wanna Have Fun is for you! Denise and Cathy maintain the group member list which is shared amongst all group members. Any member may suggest an activity and invite other members of the group to join them. The member proposing the activity would be responsible for coordinating with those who expressed an interest in joining them.

TRAVEL GROUP

Tim: timcasey22@gmail.com

The Travel Interest Group met on March 3rd when we discussed members' travel plans and recent travel experiences. Our feature presentation was by Denise Throp about her river cruise through Belgium and the Netherlands. Her presentation was very informative and gave us great tips should others decide to do a similar cruise.

The next meeting will be at 11:10 a.m. on Monday April 7th in the Sunroom of Col. Mustard's Pub in Port Perry. All Probus Club members are welcome!

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PORT PERRY INTEREST GROUPS REVIEW



TRAVEL GROUP

Monday March 3

Denise Throp did a presentation about her river cruise through the Netherlands and Belgium, sharing her experiences and tips for anyone thinking of doing the same.



WINE TASTING I GROUP

After a winter break, the group has started back up again.

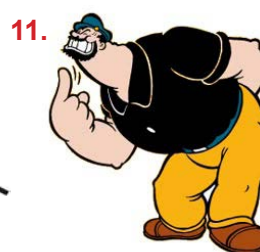
At each meeting a new theme is chosen, with wine and food pairings reflecting the theme.

Always lots of information, opinions, conversation and laughs.



FLASHBACK

NAME THE CARTOON VILLAINS



1. Tasmanian Devil (Bugs Bunny)
2. Daffy Duck (Daffy Duck)
3. Boris & Natasha (Bulwinkle)
4. Elmer Fudd (Bugs Bunny)
5. Simon Bar Sinister (Underdog)
6. Wile E. Coyote (Road Runner)
7. Sylvester (Twelve Bird)
8. Dick Dastardly & Muttley (Wacky Races)
9. Rock Bottom (Felix the Cat)
10. Snidely Whiplash (Tudley Do-Right)
11. Bluto (Popeye)
12. Yosemite Sam (Bugs Bunny)

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SCHEDULED EVENTS IN DURHAM REGION



TOWN HALL 1873 THEATRE

Annie

April 4, 5, 11, 12 - 7:30 p.m.

April 5, 6, 12, 13 - 2:00 p.m.

Tickets - Adult \$35.00 Seniors \$30

Jack De Keyzer

Classic Blues and Rock

Friday April 25 - 7:30 p.m.

Tickets - \$40.00 Licensed Event

These Eyes

A Tribute to the Guess Who

Saturday April 26 - 8:00 p.m.

Tickets - \$55.95 All Ages

Call 905-985-8181 for more information or see the website www.townhalltheatre.ca.

ARTISTS IN THE GARDEN



Saturday June 14

10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

A Durham Region tour of beautiful gardens, showcasing local artists and musicians for your enjoyment.

Proceeds to support Hearsh Place Cancer Support Centre.

Tickets \$25 in advance
\$25 at the garden gates

For more information call
905-579-4833 or visit

www.artistsinthegarden.com

NORTH DURHAM NATURE

Upcoming Events

April 22 - 7 p.m.

John Sabeau:

Charles Fothergill

Ontario's First Ornithologist

May 27 - 7 p.m.

The Lives of Ants

June 24 - 7 p.m.

James Kamstra:

Snakes, Scaly and Smooth

Non-members welcome! Donations appreciated!
For registration, information and membership:

northdurhamnature.com



THEATRE ON THE RIDGE

Your Story, Our Stage

June – August at Scugog Shores Museum

Captivating Canadian theatre, walks, talks, and workshops to transform your world! Along with the productions onstage, and to complete the "Your Story, Our Stage" experience, patrons are encouraged to attend one of the many interactive activities being offered this season.

Individual Tickets on Sale April 1

Find full performance and activities information in the What's On page at

www.theatreontheridge.ca



THEATRE ON THE RIDGE

Summer 2025 Season Passes Now on Sale!

Purchase early to get the shows of your choice and get ready for an exciting lineup of satire, drama, and comedy:

June 11 - 27

Two Minutes to Midnight

by Michael Ross Albert

A sharp satire about love, influence, and survival during a tropical nuclear missile crisis.

July 9 - 27

Bluebirds

by Vern Thiessen

A heartfelt drama about hope and resilience in the lives of WWI nurses.

August 6 - 24

Any Idiot Can Face A Crisis: The Comedy of Anton Chekov

A Chekhov meets chaos in this hilarious and inventive theatrical adventure!

Visit www.theatreontheridge.ca for information, reservations and to purchase tickets and passes.

COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES



AFFORDABLE SENIOR LIVING IN SCUGOG IS POSSIBLE

Join a Zoom presentation on April 3

Abbeyfield Canada offers affordable accommodation and companionship for older people within their own local community and it's a model we recommend for Scugog.

Learn more by attending a Zoom presentation by Abbeyfield Homes hosted by Scugog Seniors Coalition.

Join us April 3 at 2 p.m. by requesting a link at
scugogseniorscoalition@gmail.com

<https://abbeyfield.ca/>

NEED A RIDE?

Jooles Driving Service can Help

Jooles is driving for Uber and is serving seniors in our community.

Call or text her at 905-409-5171 to arrange a ride.

SENIOR LADIES!

Struggling with high rental costs?

Check our website to find other compatible senior women to share a home with.

Visit us at <https://swlt.ca>

