



PROBUS Club of Port Perry BROADCAST

SEPTEMBER 2024



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all of our Probus members,

While it is generally very tempting to think of September as filled with beginnings – back to school (or maybe even college) for grandchildren – we likely too often forget to look back over the months that have just passed. My guess is that apart from a couple of heavy rainfalls in Toronto and Mississauga, this most recent version of summer was pretty good to us all. Many have commented at just how green our neighbourhoods look, thanks to generous amounts of rain. And yet, we could surely not complain at the number of warm, even hot, days we have had that allowed us to take good advantage of the outdoors.

If we look further afield, either east or west, we can be thankful at not having to endure some of the out of control forest fires that have had such devastating effects, in particular on the town of Jasper, Alberta. On the other hand Toronto's rainfalls may have exceeded the capacity of the storm sewers, but at least

they did not have water mains bursting such as occurred in both Calgary and Montreal.

I do trust that the vast majority of our members were able to enjoy the best of what Mother Nature had to offer us here and that we all had ample opportunity to spend quality times with family and friends. While at the same time, we were able to feel a measure of thankfulness that we did not have to put up with some of the nasty things that others were subjected to.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome many new members to our club, and sincerely do trust that you will be able to make new friends and also to find interesting activities where you can get involved and have fun. Our Social Committee has any number of events planned with more to come and our Interest Group Chair just keeps on adding new interest groups.

Jim Adamson

President, PROBUS Club of Port Perry
president.portperryprobus@gmail.com



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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COMING
SOON.....

pumpkin
SPICE SEASON

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CLUB NOTICES

Our next
**MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP
MEETING**

*The next membership meeting will be held on
Tuesday September 17 from 10 a.m. to noon
at Hope Church in Port Perry. You will receive an email blast as a reminder before the meeting.*

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Thank you to all those members who have paid their renewal fees for the 2024-2025 year. We would like to welcome the following new members to our club.



SUE PALERMO BOB ALEBON GAIL ALEBON
CLIFF MOON SUSAN TREMAYNE-MOON
SUSAN BROOKS BARB ANNETTE MARG PELOW
ANN POWELL BOB RIMMER MARION KOPPENS
KELLY SPRACKMAN LORNE SPRACKMAN
WERNER MEES ALICE MEES JACK OTT BEV OTT
NANCY HVIDSTEN PATRICK BUNTING BONNIE BUNTING
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BILL SWAN ROSEMARY SWAN SHARON SCHMIDT KEN HURST
DIANNA REID RONI ZINNER DR. GERALD BLACKBURN
LIZ MUNSON SANDRA HALLS PERRY HALLS

and a welcome back to previous members **SHIRLEY FOSTER** and **JOY UDALL**

If you have any questions, please contact Linda. 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 www.portperryprobus@gmail.com so that you can avoid missing our club activities or social events.

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

Aging is like a garage sale.
Some stuff looks old,
Some stuff doesn't work,
and some stuff you can't even identify.

Where can I find a microwave that doesn't beep so loudly that it lets my whole family know I'm eating again?

I found out last night that the only thing worse than waking up three times to pee is sleeping right through it.

It's perfectly OK to talk to yourself perfectly OK to answer yourself. But it's totally sad that you have to repeat what you said because you weren't listening.

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THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER

Guest Speaker – September 17

JONATHAN van BILSEN
“A World of Paradox”



About Our Speaker:

Jonathan has spent most of his adult life travelling, photographing and writing about wonderful locations worldwide. He has had the privilege of visiting 107 countries, written 14 books, countless articles and has photographed some of the most exotic locales on our planet.

For the past five years, Jonathan has been the host of *photosNtravel*, a television show, which takes viewers to different settings around the world, each of which he has personally visited.

Jonathan is also the host of *The Jonathan van Bilsen Show*, now in season five. In this half hour program, he interviews compelling guests from our community and the surrounding area.

He currently writes a weekly column and two monthly features for magazines and newspapers, taking readers all over the world and sharing his adventures and sometimes calamities in many different lands.

Recently Jonathan van Bilsen was chosen as the ‘Entrepreneur of the Year’ as well as ‘Volunteer of the Year’.

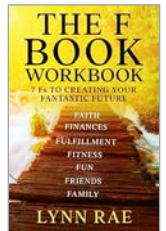
He has won numerous awards for his photography, his writings and his television show and is very proud that he was awarded the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Medal last year.

www.photosntravel.com

Did you miss our August Speaker?

HERE'S A RECAP

On August 20th, Lynn Rae, an inspirational speaker, spoke on the topic of Mental Health and Wellness. She shared her coping strategies for living a good life after being diagnosed with depression and bipolar disorder. She was unwilling to accept her doctor’s advice that she wouldn’t work full-time again. Lynn stressed that we determine our own future notwithstanding the diagnosis. Her talk focused on “7Fs to Creating Your Fantastic Future”. The 7Fs include family, friends, fun, fitness, fulfillment, finances, and faith. Lynn has published a book called *The F Book* which was available for purchase at the meeting.



August Meeting

SHARE THE WEALTH PRIZE WINNERS



The winners of this month’s Share the Wealth draw were:

**CLAUDIA LITTLE,
JOOLES BLANEY
AND BOB ALEBON**

The winners each received \$40.

Congratulations everyone!

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

October 15

TIM WESTHEAD – “Remember When”

November 19

“VINTAGE SOUL” – Music from the Past

December 17 – TBA

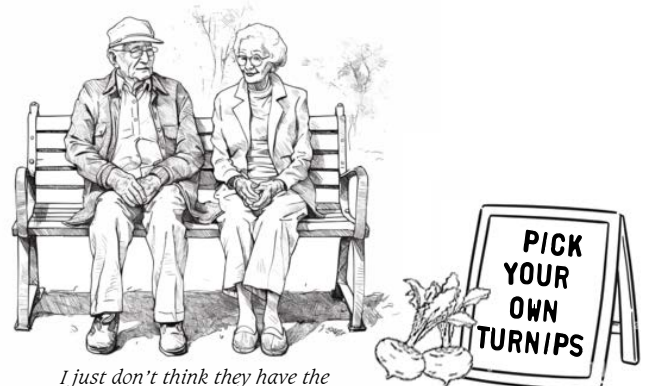
January 21

DR. SHARON LAURICELLA – “A I”

February 18 – TBA

March 18

LEANNE HARRIS – “Women’s International Day”



I just don't think they have the same appeal as strawberries, Jim.

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2  LABOUR DAY	3	4	5 WUTAI SHAN GARDEN Cavan 9:30 a.m. WALK-ABOUT TOWN and LOLLYGAGGERS 9:30 a.m. ART - OPEN STUDIO DINNER OUT	6 HIKING WITH BILL 9:30 a.m. TRAVELLING FOODIES 1:30 p.m. BID EUCHRE-AFTERNOONS 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	7
8 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m.	9 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. TRAVEL GROUP 11:10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m.	10 WALK-ABOUT TOWN and LOLLYGAGGERS 9:30 a.m. CRAFTING CORNER 10 a.m. PHOTOGRAPHY 1:30 p.m. BRIDGE 1 p.m.	11 FINDING YOUR ROOTS 10 a.m. MY FAIR LADY Stratford BOWLING FOR FUN 12:45 p.m.	12 WALK-ABOUT TOWN and LOLLYGAGGERS 9:30 a.m. TRAVELLING FOODIES 1:30 p.m.	13 EUCHRE-AFTERNOONS 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	14
15 KB HARVEST FEST Whitby 2 p.m.	16 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m.	17 PROBUS MEETING 10 a.m. – Hope Church JIGSAW PUZZLERS Hope Church 10:30 a.m.	18	19 WALK-ABOUT TOWN and LOLLYGAGGERS 9:30 a.m. BREAKFAST THURS 9:30 a.m. HAPPY HOUR 4 p.m.	20 HIKING WITH BILL 9:30 a.m. BID EUCHRE-AFTERNOONS 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	21 DINNER - GWCTD 6:30 p.m.
22	23 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m.	24 WALK-ABOUT TOWN and LOLLYGAGGERS 9:30 a.m. BRIDGE 1 p.m. EUCHRE-EVENING 7 p.m.	25 LUNCH GROUP 1 p.m.	26 WALK-ABOUT TOWN and LOLLYGAGGERS 9:30 a.m. GRAPES OF POURT 6 p.m.	27 EUCHRE-AFTERNOONS 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m. BOWER POWER 7 p.m.	28
29 AGAWA CANYON & SUDBURY TOUR - 4 days	30 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m.				EUCHRE-AFTERNOONS 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	
						

FOR DETAILS BY COLOUR:

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PORT PERRY PROBUS SOCIAL EVENTS

To register, email: social.portperryprobus@gmail.com

WUTAI SHAN BUDDHIST GARDEN

Thursday September 5, 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

708 Ski Hill Rd., Cavan-Monaghan

Tour the Buddhist Temple, Gardens and enjoy a vegetarian lunch at a cost of \$20.00 which must be ordered in advance. There is no admission fee, but donations are accepted. We have decided to book a tour guide to broaden our knowledge of Buddhist practices, at a cost of \$100. We will divide the cost among the members attending and advise of the cost. There is a \$10 fee to visit the art gallery. There is a dress code – no bare shoulders or arms and no shorts skirts or shorts as this is a sacred place for religious practice. The property is large, and some people drive from one site to the next. The Gardens are only about a 30-minute drive from Port Perry. Car parking is \$25. We encourage carpooling. To register or for further information, please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com and please indicate if you plan to have lunch so we can advise the restaurant.

KB HARVEST FEAST

Sunday September 15, Departs 2 p.m.

1928 Heights Road in Dunsford

Cost: \$130

NEW

Joining with the Oshawa PROBUS Club

Harvest Feast is a day of live music, fun, food at KB's farm located in Dunsford – Harvest Heights Organics. Tour a working farm, dance to the band and indulge in food and beverage stations.

Includes coach bus transportation, food, drinks, entertainment, taxes and gratuity. Transportation leaves KB Restaurant, 120 Brock Street North, Whitby at 2 p.m. Parking near the restaurant. Free parking on Sundays. Please contact the Oshawa PROBUS Club – Peggy Gibson pmg.gibson@gmail.com

HALIBURTON FOREST & WILD LIFE RESERVE AND LUNCH

Tuesday October 8, Departs 8:30 a.m.

Cost: \$148 for members, \$158 guests

NEW

Joining with the Uxbridge PROBUS Club

Leaving Uxbridge Walmart at 8:30 a.m. by luxury coach enjoying the autumn colours, including lunch at the Bonnie View Inn, visit to the Haliburton Wolf Centre, spend time at the Country Cottage Log Cabin Trading Company, and back in Uxbridge at approximately 7:30 p.m.. For more information or to register, please contact social.uxbridgeprobus@gmail.com.

SCAVENGER HUNT & POTLUCK LUNCH

Wednesday October 9, 9 a.m.

Hope Church, Port Perry

Cost: \$15 Hunt & Potluck, \$5 Potluck only

Meet at Hope Church to sign in, drop off a potluck contribution, and sign a waiver at 9 a.m. All attendees will be required to bring a food item for the lunch. The scavenger hunt will explore the area by car. Space is limited. To register and for further information, please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com.

BOUNTIFUL LUNCH AT HOPE CHURCH

Tuesday October 15

Hope Church, Port Perry

Cost: \$15 members, \$20 guests

Join us following the meeting for soup and sandwiches, fruit, tea/coffee, and contributed goodies (by our members). \$15.00 per person for members and \$20.00 for guests – space is limited. To register and for further information, please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com. Please let us know if you can contribute some home baking for dessert.

DISTILLERY DISTRICT CHRISTMAS MARKET, LUNCH AT THE HOT HOUSE CAFÉ

AND CASALONGA

SOLD OUT

9:30 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. (approx.)

Luxury Bus Trip from Port Perry Walmart

Cost: \$135

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Wednesday December 11, 11:30 a.m.

Kedron Dells Golf Club

2400 Ritson Rd. N., Oshawa

Cost: \$59 members, \$70 guests

Join us for a three-course dinner – Traditional Turkey Dinner with Butternut Squash Soup, Apple Cranberry Crumble and tea/coffee. This is a PROBUS Club subsidized event - \$59 per person for members and \$70 for guests. Space is limited. To register please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com.

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Port Perry Social Events continued

PORT PERRY SOCIAL EVENTS REVIEW

THEATRE ON THE RIDGE

The Complete Works of Shakespeare (Abridged) (Revised) (Again).

On Thursday August 15th a group of Probus members met at the Great Blue Heron Casino for lunch followed by a presentation by Theatre on the Ridge at the Scugog Shores Museum. They did a spoof on Shakespeare's 37 plays. It was very entertaining. Lots of laughs!



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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.

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Shaw Festival Stratford Presents **MY FAIR LADY** Wednesday September 11 Cost: \$149

Includes: return transportation by deluxe motor coach, ticket at the Festival Theatre, driver's tip, and 407 Toll. For further information or to book contact Shirlie van Putten at 905-619-8583 or shirlievanputten@rogers.com.

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Famous Players Theatre Presents **BELIEVE IN MAGIC** Wednesday October 16 Cost: \$145.00

The Magic of the human spirit engulfs in this heart-warming stage performance, as Famous PEOPLE Players (343 Evans Ave., Etobicoke) celebrate their 50th birthday, from struggle to success with triumph! Taking their magic to the footlights from around world and into your heart.

Includes: return transportation by motor coach, delicious lunch in dining room, performance at the World renowned Black Light Theatre, dessert served in the dining room, and driver's tip. For further information or to book contact Shirlie van Putten at 905-619-8583 or shirlievanputten@rogers.com.

NEW

ST. JACOB'S Thursday November 7 Cost: \$89

Includes: return transportation by luxury coach, visit to the Farmer's Market, Outlet Mall, Picard's Peanuts and Town of St Jacobs, 407 toll, and driver's tip. For additional information contact Shirlie at 905-619-8583 or shirlievanputten@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

AGAWA CANYON AND SUDBURY TOUR September 29 to October 2

Cost: \$1295 per person

based on double occupancy (all taxes included)

SMALL GROUP – 24 MAX.

Includes: Roundtrip luxury coach tour from Durham Region with stops in Bowmanville, Oshawa, Whitby and Port Perry, 4 days and 3 night accommodation, breakfast daily, 2 lunches, train tour of Agawa Canyon to see the beautiful fall colours, entrance fee to Science North Museum, IMAX and planetarium presentations at Science North Museum, visit to the Big Nickel in Sudbury, a 2.5 hour boat cruise with lunch on Lake Muskoka and the services of a CanXplore Tour Director. For further information or to book, go to www.canxplore.com/agawacanyonmainpage or contact Cathy Spracklin at cathy@canxplore.com or 289-275-1182.

**FINAL
BOOKING –
AUGUST
29th**



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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.

PORTUGAL

February 25th to March 19th, 2025

Cost: double occupancy \$3,999

Single occupancy \$4,499

Includes: Round trip direct flights from Toronto to Faro, Portugal, Motor coach transfer from airport to your hotel, 21 nights' accommodation – 1 bedroom apartment with kitchen at the Paladim & Alagoamar Resort, or a Studio apartment for Singles – <https://www.paladimalagoamar.com/en/>. Welcome dinner

in Albufeira, Services of an HNA Travels Tour Director. Please note that optional tours can be purchased from Tour Rep. in Albufeira.

Deposit is due upon booking – after September 1st, we need to confirm availability with Hotel in Portugal. Non-refundable deposit of \$800 is due upon booking. Balance due December 1, 2024.

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



TRAVEL with us

Join other members on the following cruises:

EMERALD RIVER CRUISE – DANUBE EXPLORER & BUDAPEST WITH BRACH

SOLD OUT

Cost: \$2,270 pp for cabin with high window and
905-447-4557.

12-NIGHT CANARIES, MOROCCO & SPAIN CELEBRITY INFINITY CRUISE

January 14 to 26, 2025

Priced at \$2,799 for an inside cabin and \$3,789 for a
balcony based on double occupancy.

Book early and get an on board credit to spend on tours, etc.

Barcelona, Spain - At Sea - At Sea - Lanzarote, Canary Islands
- Gran Canaria, Canary Islands - Tenerife, Canary Islands - At
Sea - Casablanca, Morocco - Tangier, Morocco - Seville (Cadiz),
Spain - Malaga, Spain - At Sea - Barcelona, Spain. Book early
and get an On Board credit to spend on tours, etc.

To book and get a current price, contact Robert Mackie at 905-
982-8855 or email rmackie@expediacruz.com and advise
that you are travelling with Brenda Moore and the Port Perry
PROBUS group. Also please advise our member Brenda Moore
at brendamoore3175@gmail.com. Brenda will take the lead on
this cruise.

NEW

ARCTIC CIRCLE AND NORWEGIAN FJORD CRUISE

May 18 to June 1, 2025

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. Until
May 31, an optional all-inclusive package is available. 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.

21-DAY MARQUESAS & TAHITI ADVENTURE

March 19 to April 9, 2026

Porthole cabin (SP) - \$7,530 US per person and
Oceanview cabin (S) - \$8,230 US per person.

Deposit is \$2,429.70 US at time of booking. Final payment
is due on December 19, 2025. For further details overview
(windstarcruises.com) To book and get a current price, contact
Laurel Arnott at 905-982-8855, Ext. 235 or email larnott@expediacruz.com
and advise that you are travelling with Kim
Lendvay and the Port Perry PROBUS group. Also please advise
our member Kim Lendvay at interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com.
Kim will take the lead on this cruise.



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SCHEDULED EVENTS IN DURHAM REGION

TOWN HALL THEATRE



Man, Machine, Poet
Tribute to Tragically Hip

Friday September 13, 7:30 p.m.
Tickets: \$45.00

**The Songs of Sting
and Peter Gabriel**

Friday September 27, 7:30 p.m.
Tickets: \$46.33

Off the Rock

Tribute to Great Big Sea

Saturday September 28, 7 p.m.
Tickets: Adult - \$45.00

Child (12 & Under) - \$35.00

Hells Bells

Tribute to AC/DC

Saturday October 5, 7:30 p.m.
Tickets: \$56.69

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



THEATRE ON THE RIDGE Culture Days at Scugog Shores Museum

September 20 and 21

Theatre on the Ridge presents collections of short local heritage plays – Museum Monologues & Blackstock Stories, and explores stories through quilts with readings and hands on activities.

On Saturday at 7 pm, it's the premiere of a new full length play, "A Third Of Richard," by local playwright Graeme Powell.

All events are free. Pay What You May donations are also suggested and welcome.

Advanced RSVP is required for "A Third Of Richard."

Please visit www.theatreontheridge.ca for full Theatre on the Ridge event schedule and to RSVP for "A Third Of Richard".

For more Culture Days activities visit:

lakescugoghistoricalsociety.com and scugogarts.ca.

JAZZ FROM THE CITY

Probus members are invited to enjoy our Wednesday Matinees at Jester's Court upstairs in the "Listening Room."

Please wear your PROBUS name tag!

For more information contact
Lynn McDonald,
289-354-1140 or

lynn@lynnmcdonaldjazz.com.

COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES

scugog ARTS CULTURE DAYS GET INVOLVED

We are reaching out to invite Port Perry PROBUS to participate in this year's Culture Days event Saturday, September 21, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Palmer Park and Latcham Centre, and Sunday, September 22, at the Scugog Arts Space. It could be through participation in the events or by donating raffle prizes. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to engage with the local community.

Your involvement would greatly contribute to the success of Culture Days and highlight Scugog's strong community spirit!

For more information or to confirm your participation see: events@scugogarts.ca.

NEED A RIDE?

Jooles Driving Service can Help

Jooles is driving for Uber and is serving seniors in our community. Whether you have a doctor's appointment, need groceries, want to visit a friend, or need a drive to the airport, Jooles is pleased to drive you.

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. Cut your housing costs, have friends right there to chat, laugh and play with, and avoid a nursing home for as long as possible.

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



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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

Our club has a corporate account should you wish to set up a virtual meeting, and it has no time restraints!

Just contact Jim Adamson at president.portperryprobus@gmail.com to use it.

We are here to help should you want to try a meeting virtually!

NEW INTEREST GROUPS!



Cribbage is a classic card and board game. It's not a difficult game to learn or play and is really fun and relaxing. Who can get to 121 points first? See page 11 for more details.

MAHJONG



Mahjong is an ancient Chinese strategy game that is played today by people all over the world. Don't know how to play? We'll show you! See more information on page 11.



Come out and join our friendly group for a game of Canasta. We welcome all levels of players. If you are new to the game, we will be glad to teach you. See page 11 for details.



CURRENT INTEREST GROUPS UPDATES

Email: interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com



Feeling Creative?

ACTING FOR FUN

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

We are starting up again in September! We now have a full cast and will be putting on our show at our April 2025 monthly meeting.

ART – PROBUS OPEN STUDIO

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

After taking a summer break; our startup date is Thursday, September 5th.

CRAFTING CORNER

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

Love to create? Maybe do some beading, decoupage, crochet, knit, quilt, make jewelry, etc.? Want to get together with like-minded souls? We hope to get creative people together with monthly meetups sharing passions for arts and crafts while conversing and visiting with each other. We would love to know what your craft of interest is.

Our first meeting will be at Hope Church on Tuesday September 10th at 10 a.m. – noon.

Please contact Catherine if you're interested in joining us.

PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP

Kim Lendvay: interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

The photography group's third workshop was on August 6th with Jonathan van Bilson. Jonathan has also created a private facebook group for these members where they can share their photos on specific challenges Jonathan puts forth and where they are then critiqued so they can learn how to improve their technique.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday September 3rd at 1:30 p.m.

If you'd like to be added to this group, please contact Kim Lendvay or Jonathan van Bilson directly.

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 6-7 games, then share refreshments and socialize. We are looking for a couple of new players and would be happy to teach you if you are new to the game.

BOARD GAMES

Bill Morrison: 905-985-2624
billandmaryare@gmail.com

For more information or to sign up, please contact Bill directly.

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Probus Interest Groups continued

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.

CANASTA – GAMES & LESSONS

NEW Kim Lendvay • interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

Canasta is a fun and challenging card game played in groups of four. Lessons will be held with games to follow. Come see what all the fuss is about! Please contact the coordinator if you'd like to join us..

CRIBBAGE

Julie Blaney: jooles1234@aol.com

Excited to report we now have a cribbage group! If you would like to join us, please email the coordinator.

DARTS FOR FUN

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

Every Tuesday 2 p.m. 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.

Our last game was on June 18, and we will resume play on September 10th.

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
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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. However, we fortunately have a good list of subs who readily help us with the numbers. Much appreciation to them.

Next date is Tuesday, September 24h (7 p.m.) This group meets once a month on the 4th Tuesday of the month following the week of the General Probus meeting.

NEW

BOWER POWER

(another evening euchre group)

Kim Lendvay • interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

This is a new interest group and we are looking forward to fun evenings of euchring and getting euchred while having some refreshments.

This group will meet once a month on the 4th Friday. Our first get together will be Friday September 27th at 7 p.m.

Please email the Coordinator if you are interested in playing regularly or as a substitute.

JIGSAW PUZZLERS

Denise: Deniset1954@gmail.com

Some of us have jigsaw puzzles to donate, others to share amongst group members. We meet at break time in the sanctuary at our monthly Probus meeting where we exchange puzzles!

Perhaps over the winter months, we're hoping there might be a member who's willing to keep a puzzle 'on the go' in their home for other members to come by and work on it sometimes.

If you are interested in joining this puzzle swap group, please contact the coordinator.

NEW

MAHJONG

Barb Rootham: brb.rootham@gmail.com

Have you ever played Mahjong? 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. The game has now spread all over the world!

We have seven members but would welcome more! A Group name has yet to be chosen. Members – looking forward to suggestions.

We haven't designated a day to play as each member has different availability. Let Barb know what day/evening you want to play and she will send out a blast to the members to see who is available. Hopefully when summer vacations settle down for this busy senior group we might be able to designate a day and an evening.

If you are interested in playing Mahjong or are interested in learning it if you don't already know how to play, please contact the coordinator.

Book Club

BOOK CLUB – THE NEXT CHAPTER

Janet Broder: 416-659-4491
janetbroder7@gmail.com

We had a very productive and excellent meeting this month at Slabtown Cidery in Uxbridge. Surrounded by yummy food, excellent company and beautiful ambiance, we decided on our books for the upcoming season. We will be meeting on Friday, September 20th to discuss *The Hazelbourne Ladies Motorcycle Club* by Helen Simonson.

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NEW

BETWEEN THE COVERS

Louise Bardswich: lbardswich@gmail.com

We had our inaugural meeting Friday August 23th to discuss what we'd like to get out of this book club and the details on how we'd like to proceed. Over tea, cookies and banana bread we had a great discussion and decided we'll be meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1 p.m.

Our next meeting will on Tuesday October 8th at Lynda Brownson's home where we will discuss *A Killer in King's Cove* by Iona Whishaw.

It looks like our group is FULL but if you're 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 Road (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

Our Saturday August 17th, thirteen members met at Royal Ashburn Golf Club and enjoyed a really delicious meal and excellent service! The conversation was quite lively too!

Our next GWCTD will be on September 21st at 6:30 p.m. at Corrado's in Whitby.

We meet on the third Saturday of each month (except December). Please contact the Coordinator via email if you'd like to join us.

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. If you don't see us inside, please check the outdoor patio; on nice days we will try to be out there. Upcoming dates include September 19th, October 17th and November 21st at 4 p.m. Joyce will send out an email at the beginning of each month and a reminder the week of. 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!

LUNCH GROUP

Ruth Cain: 905-410-6030

rannevan@hotmail.com

This month's lunch hasn't happened yet but plans have been made to check out Haugen's BBQ Chicken and Ribs, a local institution. The group is currently at maximum capacity, please contact the coordinator for further details

TRAVELLING FOODIES

Carol Kilmartin, Mona Mathews, Catherine Whittle

foodies.probus@gmail.com

The Travelling Foodies Groups meet in the format of two groups: 1st Friday of the month and 2nd Thursday of the month. The groups meet at 1:30 p.m. and attend the same venue just one week apart.

Last month, the groups did not meet as people were enjoying their summer, but we are set to go again in September. Reservations have been made at Urban Pantry in Uxbridge for our September lunches. Urban Pantry is a contemporary Canadian, farm-to-table restaurant, serving locally sourced and sustainable dishes in a mix of casual and fine dining.

Both groups are full at the moment, but don't hesitate to contact Carol Kilmartin to put your name on a waitlist. We have been able to fill spots from this list previously. If you are interested in joining, email Carol at the email address above.

WINE TASTING 1

Jim Adamson: 905-773-2878

As our group's members are scattered all over the place on various vacation and family activities, we have decided to take a break in our tastings. We expect that we will be able to commence again once we have Thanksgiving out of the way.

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WINE TASTING – GRAPES OF PourT

Barb Langer • 416-805-9223

Hola! We celebrated all things Mexican for our July 25th tasting evening hosted by the Millers. Mexican soup, Margaritas made with various wines, taco salad, chocolate nachos for dessert – just to mention some of the food! Next tasting will be hosted by the Langers on August 29th.

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

We will be visiting the Watai Buddhist Garden in Bethany on Thursday September 5th. It showcases Buddhist culture, ancient Chinese garden techniques, a Main Buddha Hall, Buddha statue and 88 stone-carved Buddha statues outside. Admission is free but visits are by appointment only. We will also carpool.

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

BOWLING FOR FUN

Contact: interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

Bowling for Fun has resumed playing at Neb's Fun World on the second Wednesday of each month at 12:45 p.m. Cost will be \$15.00 for two games and includes shoe rental. If you are interested in signing up for Bowling for Fun, please contact the Interest Group Chair. Come and join in the fun!

GOLF

Kim Lendvay

interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

We play at a variety of courses in the area – sometimes 9 sometimes 18 holes – sometimes weekdays sometimes weekends – based on the availability of our members.

If you are interested in playing golf with other Probus members, please contact Kim (Interest Groups Chair) at the email above.

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.

LAWN BOWLING

Lynn Tracey: 905-985-5678

dlyntracey@gmail.com

Lawn bowling is starting to wind down for the year, but still lots of time to get out, give it a try, and get ready for next season!

Lynn understands there are some Probus members who would like to enjoy an afternoon on the greens & is also able to teach those who've never played. Please feel free to contact her and she will arrange a date and time.

LATIN DANCING

Anne-Marie Sacco

interestgroups.uxbridgeprobus@gmail.com

Latin Dance lessons will be on Monday September 16th and Monday September 30th from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Douglas Crossing in Uxbridge. Please wear comfortable shoes and bring water. 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 Anne-Marie.

LINE DANCING

Kim Lendvay

interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

We meet weekly at the Port Perry Legion (484 Bay Street) and it costs \$3 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

Would you like to join us as we walk twice a week in downtown Port Perry, along the waterfront in Palmer's Park and the surrounding area? We walk Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

Our first meet-up will be Tuesday September 3rd. We will meet in the back parking lot of the Tim Hortons on 7A. There's a little section of the park that leads into the baseball diamonds that's quite nice to walk through. And it's not very far to walk.

This is not a speed walking group! We may actually be your slowest Port Perry Probus walking group. With members on walkers and canes, or just wanting a leisurely, friendly chat as they stroll.

If you've ever wanted to start to walk and just haven't known who to walk with or how to get started, please join us! Contact Catherine if you're interested..

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PICKLEBALL GROUP

Joanne Nixon • joannenixon3@icloud.com and
Melba Tenthorey • onestep1996@hotmail.com

Am I Too Old for Pickleball? Pickleball is easier on the body than tennis and squash. Many people play it well into their 80s. But would it work for me?

If you want to give it a try (but don't want to commit to anything) please email Joanne and we'll show you how to play, provide you with paddles and introduce you to the funnest game there is! To set up a one-time experience, email Joanne.

WALK-ABOUT TOWN

Dianne: diannedraper886@gmail.com

We meet Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. (Fall/Winter hours) behind the Scugog St. Tim Hortons. Our walks are approx. 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

CLIMATE CONVERSATIONS

Ginny Colling: 905-985-0637
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Last year, we watched in horror as every province in Canada, and the NWT, saw forest fires burning and heat and wildfire records broken. And not just in Canada. It seemed the whole world was burning! The good news is that we don't have to sit back and watch, we can take action. Climate Conversations is a coffee-shop forum for talking about what we are doing or could be doing to reduce climate impacts. Contact the co-ordinator if you're interested in learning more about and discussing these and other environmental issues.

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. After being on hiatus for the summer, we will start up Wednesday September 4th. If anyone is interested in joining us, please contact Neil directly via email. We welcome 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 help in researching is always available.

GIRLS (AND GUYS) JUST WANNA HAVE FUN

(formerly known as the Group of Ones
and the Singles Group)

Denise: Deniset1954@gmail.com and
Cathy: cjef@bell.net

Although this group is currently comprised of women, men are also welcome. The group is comprised of individuals, not couples and 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

We were on hiatus for the summer. Our next meeting will be on Monday September 9th and will feature a presentation on the 'South Pacific Sojourn' – an incredible adventure with Viking Ocean Cruises taken by Brenda and Gary Manns. Their presentation will also include details about their pre-cruise in Sydney and post-cruise in Cambodia! Everyone is welcome. See you on September 9th at Col. Mustard's Pub in Port Perry at 11:10 a.m.

INTEREST GROUPS EVENTS REVIEW



Walk-About Town Group Wednesday August 14

Not only does our group walk twice a week, but we also organize the occasional get-together at other times. Here we are together at Dianne's for an afternoon of socializing. The group is still growing!

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PROBUS GLOBAL

For a wider view of the PROBUS world, consider joining PROBUS Global at <https://probusglobal.org/>

It's free to join, and you have access to lots of fascinating information and benefits from this online PROBUS organization such as:



- Finding and learning about PROBUS clubs all over the world, reading their newsletters, attending their membership meetings by **zoom**, connecting with their members;

- Becoming an email or chat pal with PROBUS members worldwide or joining chatrooms with other such PROBUS members;
- Have an instant PROBUS connection in many countries when you travel and also have the opportunity to learn about the worldwide travels of other PROBUS members;
- Access the PROBUS Global newsletter;
- Join a PROBUS Global interest group and
- Many other benefits.

SOME QUICK REMINDERS

CLUB FACEBOOK GROUP

If you haven't done so already, please consider joining our club's Facebook group. We have around 190 members now in the group and are looking for more to join. There's no obligation to input anything if you don't want to, but you'll find a lot of good information, inspiration and laughs on the site from those who do. The only rules are that posts must not be political, religious, or offensive. No fundraising except as approved by the management committee.



For any issues or to get assistance with joining the Facebook group, feel free to email judith.spring@outlook.com

LOOKING FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER & WEBSITE

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, please email us at: portperryprobus@gmail.com



September Fall is in the air. The leaves are almost changing colour, and the temperature will soon begin dropping. Though not yet crisp, the air hints at the cooler weather ahead. September feels like the last burst of summer – a little breath between now and autumn.