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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy New Year, Everyone.

The month of January is quite often filled with thoughts in our minds of how much good stuff we have to look forward to in the year to come. Much of this positive thinking can be attributed to boundless optimism, while some other may result from the annual ritual of making New Year's resolutions. The latter tends to be designed to achieve positive results and therefore tends to contribute to our positive outlook.

A little bit of AI research on what it is that seniors most wish for in the new year suggests that these wishes tend to focus on health and well-being. We try to eat more nutritiously, to do our share of simple exercises, regularly visit our doctor and our dentist, and stay current with the vaccines that are recommended. Beyond these wishes, we hold strongly to the belief that our social life and connections with family and friends are important to our longevity and happiness. For some this may lead to joining new groups or clubs, volunteering in the community, seeking out hobbies, or challenging our creativity, all the while realizing the outcome gives us a sense of purpose and helps us stay sharp mentally and emotionally.

Finally, there are practical goals that we hold up for ourselves, such as preserving our independence and just maybe decluttering our homes of many, many years of 'valuable possessions' along with

trying to keep up with at least a working familiarity with new technology. Not all we want to do or enjoy is easy when it is our turn to age. Our goals, health, well-being, and even our social life can be challenging. Some days we need to push ourselves or have someone else pull us. Perhaps, that's why I got a chuckle out of the following quote:

"When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it." ---- Henry Ford

If 2025 was any indication of what we as members have to look forward to, then the coming year should have much to offer. Our Social committee certainly kept us from getting bored with events from one end of the year to the other. Our Speaker Chair(s) filled each month's membership meeting with entertaining and educational speakers. Our Interest Groups continue to grow in number as well as in the scope of things to do. On these counts alone, the year to come has a lot of positive things to offer to us as members of the PROBUS Club of Port Perry, so jump right in and have fun.

Here is to a satisfying and fulfilling 2026.

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.

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 January 20 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 REPORT

Our membership is now closed and anyone who would like to become a member will be put on a waiting list.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Parry.

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

I would also ask all existing members to advise me 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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HOLIDAY GENERAL MEETING

December 16



There was lots of fun, music and treats at our final meeting of the year! Vintage Soul were fantastic as always and had the crowd singing along while the "Probus Port Perry Dancers" grooved to the music. There were some members who dressed in their Christmas costumes, helping to make things even more festive! At breaktime, we all enjoyed a variety of homemade goodies.



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THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER

Guest Speaker – December 16

RANDY WILSON

“Brief History of Sound for TV and Film”



This presentation explores the rich history and technological evolution of sound in film and television, from the silent film era to the immersive audio landscapes of today. Randy will trace key milestones such as the introduction of synchronized sound (the “talkies”), the development of sound effects and Foley, the rise of stereo and surround sound, and the impact of digital technology on sound design and mixing. We’ll also

examine the artistic role sound plays in storytelling and how it shapes the viewer’s emotional experience. Perfect for anyone interested in film history, media production, or sound design.

About Our Speaker:

Randy Wilson is an acclaimed sound designer, mixer, and editor with over 30 years in post-production audio. Honored with a Primetime Emmy, two Canadian Screen Awards, and a CAS Award, his work includes *The Last Of Us*, *Wednesday*, *Dune: The Prophecy*, and *Everything Everywhere All At Once*. In September 2025 he was awarded two additional Emmys for his work on *The Studio* and *The Last of Us*.

Did you miss our December Meeting?

HERE’S A RECAP

Vintage Soul Duo is a live performance duo featuring the musical talents of Nick Reynolds and Cheryl Gow. They performed a wonderful medley of Christmas songs and some “oldie goldie” hits from the past at the meeting. Be sure to check out photos on page 3 of this newsletter of some of our members dancing and grooving to their great music.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

February 17

DEIDRE FRANCOIS

“Celebration - Sing-along Vegas Tribute Show”

March 17

ERICA NOL

“Will Songbirds Survive?”

April 21

DIANA TREPKOV

“Forensic Art and the Lost Franklin Expedition”

**GOOD
toKnow**

RETAIL STORE DISCOUNTS FOR CANADIAN SENIORS

Carlton Cards: offers a 10% senior’s discount on all purchases every day (60+)

Michael’s: offers a 10% senior discount to customers age 55 and older, which can be applied to purchases both in-store and online. To use the discount, you must create a Michaels Rewards account and complete a verification process to link the discount to your account.

Giant Tiger: senior discounts varies per store (60+)

Pet Valu: Seniors get a 10% discount on the last Thursday of every month and when you can sign up for the Pet Valu Rewards program (60+)

Global Pet Foods: Seniors get 15% off their purchase on the last Tuesday of every month for rewards card holders at participating locations (60+)


Rona: 10% off regular price, first Tuesday of each month at participating stores.

Home Hardware: Home Hardware offers a 10% discount to seniors at select locations (60+)

Laura Secord: Laura Secord offers seniors 15% on the first Monday of the month (65+)

Shoppers Drug Mart: Shoppers Drug Mart offers a 20% senior discount to PC Optimum card holders every Thursday (65+).

January

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 	2 HIKING WITH BILL 9:30 a.m. BID EUCHRE 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	3
4	5 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. TRAVEL GROUP 11:10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. LATIN DANCING 3 p.m.	6 CHOIR 12:30 p.m. DARTS 2 p.m.	7 BRIDGE & EUCHRE The Red Lion 12 noon FINDING YOUR ROOTS 10 a.m.	8 BREAKFAST CLUB 9:30 a.m. ART OPEN STUDIO 1 p.m. DINNER OUT THURSDAYS	9 EUCHRE 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	10
11 PIG-IT & HOG-IT 1 p.m.	12 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. CRIBBAGE 1 p.m. MAHJONG 1 p.m. LATIN DANCING 3 p.m.	13 BRIDGE 1 p.m. DARTS 2 p.m.	14	15 CRIBBAGE 1 p.m. HAPPY HOUR 4 p.m.	16 HIKING WITH BILL 9:30 a.m. BID EUCHRE 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m. DINNER - GWCTD 6 p.m.	17
18	19 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. LATIN DANCING 3 p.m.	20 PROBUS MEETING 10 a.m. – Hope Church HAWAIIAN LUAU PARTY Hope Church after meeting JIGSAW PUZZLERS 10:30 a.m. CHOIR 12:30 p.m. BOOK CLUB 1 p.m. DARTS 2 p.m.	21	22 ART OPEN STUDIO 1 p.m.	23 EUCHRE 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m. BOWER POWER 7 p.m.	24
25 PIG-IT & HOG-IT 1 p.m.	26 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. MAHJONG 1 p.m. LATIN DANCING 3 p.m.	27 BRIDGE 1 p.m. DARTS 2 p.m. EUCHRE EVENING 7 p.m.	28 LUNCH GROUP 1 p.m.	29 GRAPES OF PourT 6 p.m.	30 BID EUCHRE 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	31

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PORT PERRY PROBUS SOCIAL EVENTS

NOTE - E-transfers and cheques are accepted in payment.



**SIGN UP
NOW!**

HAWAIIAN LUAU PARTY

**TUESDAY
JANUARY 20**

Hope Church

See details on page 7



**REGISTER
NOW**



新年快樂

Celebrate Chinese New Year
with us at the

MANDARIN BUFFET LUNCHEON

**WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 26**

Oshawa

See details on page 7



SIGN UP NOW



LUNCH & SHOW

**WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 26**

Ed Mirvish Theatre, Toronto

See details on page 7



**REGISTRATION
OPEN**



EAT AND DRINK BE Irish

**TUESDAY MARCH 17
The Red Lion**

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Port Perry Probud Social Events continued

LUNCH - BRIDGE & EUCHRE

Wednesday January 7, Wednesday February 4,
Wednesday March 4, Wednesday April 1
12 - 3:30 p.m.

The Red Lion (formerly Colonel Mustard's)
15 Water Street, Port Perry

Cost: \$5.00 + the cost of your lunch 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.portperryprobud@gmail.com so that we can reserve for an accurate number. Seating is limited in the sunroom.

HAWAIIAN LUAU PARTY

Tuesday January 20 following meeting

Hope Church, Port Perry

Cost: \$20

Join us following the meeting at Hope Church for an afternoon of tropical food, fun and laughs. Limit of 72 people. To register or for further information, please email social.portperryprobud@gmail.com.

NEW

Mirvish Production of SOME LIKE IT HOT & LUNCH

Wednesday February 25 – Departure 9:15 a.m.

CAA Ed Mirvish Theatre, 244 Victoria St., Toronto

Cost: \$260.00 for members and \$270 for non-members

Includes lunch (entree of your choice) at the Hot House Café. Luxury bus trip from Uxbridge Walmart at 9:15 a.m., followed by lunch then the show with Orchestra seats at 1:30 p.m. Final date to register and pay is January 14. To register or for further information, please email social.uxbridgeprobud@gmail.com or phone Peggy Kennedy at 647-394-0289 or Gail Geroux at 416-525-7152.

CELEBRATE CHINESE NEW YEAR AT THE MANDARIN

Wednesday February 25 – 12:30 p.m.

1319 Airport Blvd., Oshawa

Cost: \$23.48 tax incl. + gratuity to Mandarin

This amount is subject to change by the restaurant. We will use best efforts to advise you of any change. To register, please email social.portperryprobud@gmail.com so that we can reserve for an accurate number in a private room.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY SOCIAL

Tuesday March 17 – 12:15 - 3:30 p.m.

Colonel Mustard's, 15 Water Street, Port Perry

Cash bar. To register, please email social.portperryprobud@gmail.com so that we can reserve for an accurate number. Seating is limited to 35 people in the sunroom.

PORT PERRY SOCIAL EVENTS REVIEW



**SOCIAL
COMMITTEE
December 8**



CHRISTMAS MURDER MYSTERY

December 12, Piano Cafe



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Port Perry Probus Social Events continued

PORT PERRY SOCIAL EVENTS REVIEW FESTIVE HOLIDAY LUNCHEON BUFFET

**December 10
Wooden Sticks Golf Course**

120 members and friends join us for Port Perry Probus's Holiday Luncheon at Wooden Sticks Golf Club. Despite the snowfall, we had an excellent turnout. The buffet was delicious and the luncheon was enjoyed by all.



The sumptuous buffet included soup, three salads, beef, turkey, pasta, mashed potatoes, vegetables, and a variety of desserts including fruit, and tea/coffee.

Probus member Phil Wooding donated one of his paintings as a raffle fundraiser for Oak Ridges Hospice.

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Port Perry Probud Social Events continued

Lucky Draw Prize Winners

In order:

Steve, June, Sandra, Nora,
Louise, Catherine, Sarah

Winner of Painting

Gord Burnett

CONGRATULATIONS!



FESTIVE HOLIDAY LUNCHEON BUFFET

Social Group Co-chairs
Ann and Judy, again this
year along with the Social
Committee, did a fabulous
job organizing the luncheon.
Many, many thanks.

At our Holiday Luncheon
Judy's red RAV4 SUV was
packed full of contributions for
Operation Scugog's Food Bank.
Thank you Judy for organizing
this worthy cause, and to all
who contributed.

OUR MEMBERS RAISED **\$1,050** FOR THOSE LESS FORTUNATE THIS CHRISTMAS.

We raised **\$1,050** for the Operation Scugog Food Bank.
A further **\$185** was raised from the raffle for the Phil Wooding painting
that he kindly donated to raise money for Oak Ridges Hospice.

Thank you so much, Phil.
All the best in the New Year!

Judy and Ann



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NON PORT PERRY PROBUS SOCIAL EVENTS



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 4 - 13, 2026

Cost: \$ 6,095 pp tax included
(based on double occupancy)

Experience the unique history and culture of Newfoundland and go home with unforgettable memories. This is a small group tour (24 maximum). **Early booking bonus if booked by January 1, 2026.** For tour information and to book, go to www.canxplore.com/newfoundland

NEWFOUNDLAND

ST. JOHN'S TO ST. PIERRE TOUR

August 14 to 23, 2026

Cost: \$6,195 pp tax included
(based on double occupancy)

Discover the rugged charm and vibrant culture of Eastern Newfoundland and the enchanting French island, St. Pierre. This is a small group tour (24 maximum). **Early booking bonus if booked by January 1, 2026.** For tour information and to book, go to www.canxplore.com/stjohnstostpierre

NEW

WONDERS OF WESTERN CANADA TOUR

September 4 - 15, 2026

Cost: 7,495 pp
(based on double occupancy)

Small group size of 24 maximum. **Early booking bonus if booked by January 1, 2026.** For tour information and to book, go to www.canxplore.com/westerncanada

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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.

EMOTIONS BY HODELPA PUERTO PLATA IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

January 13 - 23, 2026

Cost: Adult Only Section room – single (30 sq. ft) for \$2,799
or Adults Only Junior suite – double occupancy (40 sq. ft) for \$2,599 each

Eleven days / ten nights just 15 miles from the airport. All-inclusive hotel has five amazing pools, tennis courts, bars, Wi-Fi, fitness centre, 24-hour drinks/snacks. Prices include all meals, drinks, airfare daily activities, nightly entertainment, services of a tour director (Shirley & Paul) and taxes.

SOLD OUT

Guaranteed until September 1, 2025. Deposit due upon booking - \$300. Balance due October 31, 2025.

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

**TWO DOUBLE
AND TWO SINGLE
ROOMS LEFT**

PORTUGAL

February 24 to March 18, 2026

Cost: \$3,879 double occupancy (One Bedroom Apartment- Pool view)
Single occupancy - \$5,179

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. **Non-refundable deposit of \$800 is due upon booking. Balance due December 1, 2025.**

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

**I never run
with scissors.**

**(Those last two
words were
unnecessary.)**

**I would like to go
back to the days
when my biggest
anxiety was,
while recording the
top 10, stopping
the cassette tape
before the dj started
talking again.**

**I recently bought
a new
toilet brush.....**

**Long story short –
I'm going back to
toilet paper.**

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. Drink less**
- 2. Eat less**
- 3. Exercise more**
- 4. Enjoy life**

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PORT PERRY PROBUS INTEREST GROUPS



CURRENT INTEREST GROUPS UPDATES

interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com



Feeling Creative?

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.

Meeting dates are every second and fourth Thursday of the month. Our bi-monthly sessions in the new year begin on January 8 and 22. Our group will be working towards having our annual art exhibit some time in the spring!



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.



BILLIARDS GROUP

Tim Casey:

timcasey22@gmail.com

We have enough members to start a monthly billiards/pool group, so an organizing meeting will be soon scheduled and we hope to get the group going in January.

A Billiards/Pool interest group is a great opportunity to have informal discussions and beverages, and to meet people over some games of billiards/pool. Sign up at the next membership meeting or let Tim Casey know.

BRIDGE

Linda Brooks: 416-451-9567

brooks.lindamay@gmail.com



Bridge games are now scheduled on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 1pm to 4:30pm. Please email the coordinator if you are interested in playing as a spare.

BUNCO

Bob & Sue Armitage: 416-271-5139



BUNCO is a progressive dice game for 12 or more players. Bob & Sue Armitage (members of the Scugog-Uxbridge Probus Club) are coordinating this as a joint interest group with Port Perry, Uxbridge, as well as Scugog-Uxbridge Probus Clubs!

We're excited to announce that Bunco will be back in September after a brief summer break! Dates are still being confirmed, but we're looking forward to getting together again.

We're currently considering whether to continue with daytime games or if there's more interest in evening games. Please send your thoughts and preferences to the coordinators. If you haven't signed up yet and enjoy fun and companionship – please call or email to join!

CRIBBAGE

Jooles Blaney • jooles1234@aol.com

We now have two groups playing cribbage once a month on either Mondays or Thursdays between 1-3 p.m. with half an hour for socializing over a tea/coffee afterwards. Currently we are FULL but please reach out to Jooles if you would like to be a spare or to be on the waitlist to join. Our next get togethers are on January 12th and 15th.

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 the present time is FULL. Anyone interested in joining, please contact the coordinator to be put on our waitlist.

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.

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Probus Interest Groups continued

EUCHRE – EVENING

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

This group meets once a month at 7 p.m. 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. However, on occasion subs are still needed. If you are interested in a fun night out, we always enjoy other Probus members.

We don't meet in December due to everyone's busy Christmas season; our next game will be on Tuesday January 27th.



EUCHRE – BOWER POWER

Joanne Drury: 905-985-8661
joanne.drury7@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 January 23rd. This interest group is currently FULL but we could use a couple more spares to help with coverage during high travel times.

This is a joint interest group between the Port Perry Probus and the Scugog-Uxbridge Probus clubs. Please email the coordinator if you are interested in getting on the waitlist and/or being a spare.

JIGSAW PUZZLERS

Denise: Deniset1954@gmail.com

We meet at break time at our monthly PROBUS meeting where we exchange puzzles, but if you cannot come to a meeting, please contact the coordinator to make alternate arrangements. You do not need to donate a puzzle in order to borrow one, or vice versa. New puzzles are always being added. FYI – the Uxbridge library has a great selection of puzzles!

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 variations for 2 and 3 players). We play bi-weekly on Mondays with a start time of 1 p.m. Our next scheduled game is Monday, January 12. 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.



PIG-IT & HOG-IT

Barb & Larry Rootham: brb.rootham@gmail.com

Pig-it & Hog-it is played with two teams at each table. This card game adds a twist to Euchre because there is a strategic aspect to it that gets you thinking. Games are bi-weekly and played on Sunday afternoons with a start time of 1 p.m. Our next game will be on Sunday January 11th. Please contact the coordinator if you are interested in playing.

POKER GROUP

Tim Casey:
timcasey22@gmail.com



We have just enough members interested in a Poker group to get the group going! We're hoping to start meeting in January. But we could still use at least a few more members.

The frequency of the sessions will be up to the group members. Sign up at the next membership meeting if you're interested or let Tim Casey (interim coordinator) know..

Book Clubs

THE NEXT CHAPTER

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

This month our group was a bit smaller due to the whacky weather, but we had a great discussion about Ann Napolitano's *Hello Beautiful*. A book that covered themes of family, love, betrayal, loss, trauma, friendship, mistakes, forgiveness, secrets, communication and mental health. We really liked this book and would recommend it. We took December off and will meet again in January.



BETWEEN THE COVERS

Lynda Brownson: lsusan54@gmail.com

There was no meeting in December but we do have news! Lynda Brownson has agreed to take over coordination of the book club. In January, we will be discussing *Broken Country* by Clare Lesley Hall. We look forward to welcoming one new member at the January meeting and have decided there's room for one more member to join us! The group meets at 1 pm every third Tuesday. Please contact Lynda if you are interested.



Food & Drink

BREAKFAST CLUB - THURSDAY

Bill Morrison: billandmaryare@gmail.com

The Thursday Breakfast group meets at 9:30 a.m. on the 2nd 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!**

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Probus Interest Groups continued

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

Kim Lendvay: interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

We didn't meet in December due to everyone's busy holiday schedules. Our next GWCTD will be at 6 p.m. on Friday January 16th at Fico Fusion in Port Perry.

We meet on the third Friday of each month (except December). Please contact the coordinator 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'

Coordinator is needed!

interest.portperryprobus@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.

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

LUNCH GROUP

Ruth Cain: 905-410-6030

rannevan@hotmail.com

No lunch was scheduled in December, we will meet again on Wednesday January 28th, location to be determined. This group is at full capacity, please contact leader to be placed on a wait list.

WINE TASTING 1

Jim Adamson: 905-773-2878

The group has opted to suspend tasting during the holiday season due to many conflicts and also travel schedules. We are very much looking forward to getting back together in January.

WINE TASTING – GRAPES OF PourT

Barb Langer: 416-805-9223

Our November tasting had to be canceled due to illnesses in the group and we don't meet in December; but we look forward to meeting up again in January. Our group meets on the last Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. Members take turns hosting and a theme is selected for appetizers or a potluck meal or sometimes eating out. Wines are purchased and all participants share the cost of the wines. We have room for 4-5 more members - singles and couples – all are welcome! Please contact Barb Langer if you would like to join us!



Let's Get Physical

BLOOMERS - GARDENING

Coordinator is needed!

interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

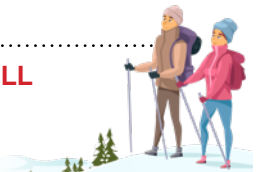
There are several members in this interest group already but unfortunately, we no longer have a coordinator – hopefully someone(s) will step-up before spring rolls around! Please contact the Interest Groups Chair if you wish to participate and/or coordinate this interest group.

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 every Monday from 3-4 p.m. in Uxbridge (except on Holiday Mondays). 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 at interestgroups.uxbridgeprobus@gmail.com

LINE DANCING

Kim Lendvay: interest.portperryprobus@gmail.com

Mondays at 1 p.m. and Fridays at 6 p.m. at the Port Perry Legion (484 Bay Street) and it costs \$5 per person. No experience required. Contact Kim to be added to the group's email list.

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

LOLLYGAGGERS

Catherine Whittle: 416-906-1546

cwhittle2001@yahoo.ca

This group will not be walking through the winter. Watch for update in the spring.

VIRTUAL GOLF

Catherine Whittle: cwhittle2001@yahoo.ca

Dunny's Divots in Port Perry offers simulator golf and we thought there might be interest in a virtual golf league during winter months (January to March/April) when we can't play on the real greens! We thought playing biweekly would be a good frequency. If you're interested in participating, please contact the coordinator for information. All skill levels are welcome!



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Probus Interest Groups continued

WALK-ABOUT TOWN

Dianne:

diannedraper886@gmail.com

This group will not be walking through the winter. Watch for update in the spring.



Other Nifty Interest Groups

CHOIR

Joanne Nixon: joannenixon3@gmail.com and
Mary Morrison: marykmorrison@icloud.com

Love to sing? We have started a choir interest group that meets at 12:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of the month. We meet next on Tuesday January 20th. We are currently looking for a pianist. Please contact the coordinator if you're interested in joining us to sing or just to play the piano.

FINDING YOUR ROOTS

Neil Kilmartin: neilmkilmartin@gmail.com

Starting in 2026, this interest group will meet on the first Wednesday of alternate months at Neil's home in Port Perry. Upcoming dates are: January 7, March 4 and May 6. We might meet in June before our summer hiatus, stay tuned!

Members share their new findings in their pursuit of ancestors and often tell of new information regarding their DNA journey. We meet at 10 a.m. and share our experiences until noon. We welcome new members to our group, regardless of their level of experience with family history. Assistance is available if requested. Come out and join us for a meeting to see what it's all about. Contact Neil for further details

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?? 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.

Three members went to see the pantomime Jack and the Beanstalk at Globus Theatre near Bobcaygeon, preceded by lunch in Lindsay.

TRAVEL GROUP

Tim: timcasey22@gmail.com

The Travel Interest Group met on December 1st and the feature presentation was about Portugal's Algarve region and what a great place for us Canadians to travel – great weather, lots to see, safe and affordable!

Our next meeting will be on Monday, January 5 in the Sunroom of the Red Lion Pub (formerly Colonel Mustards' Pub) at 11:10 a.m. Our feature presentation will be about Ireland. All Probus Club members are welcome!

Piano Player Needed



Our new choir interest group needs a pianist!
First and third Tuesday of each month at 12:30 p.m.

Please contact: joannenixon3@gmail.com
or marykmorrison@icloud.co

PROBUS INTEREST GROUPS REVIEW

DARTS FOR FUN

December 9

The Darts for Fun interest group presented President of the Port Perry Legion, Mark Hlozan, with a \$400 donation for the Legion's charity groups.



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PROBUS INTEREST GROUPS REVIEW

Mingling n' Jingling

MAHJONG
December 1



WALK-ABOUT TOWN
December 8



EUCHRE & BID EUCHRE
December 12



DARTS
December 16



OPEN STUDIO ART GROUP

Due to illness, the group's art exhibit scheduled to be at December's General Meeting had to be cancelled. Watch for the display of their works in the spring.

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SCHEDULED EVENTS IN DURHAM REGION

TOWN HALL 1873 THEATRE



MUDMEN IN CONCERT

Friday January 2 - 8:00 p.m.

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