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Club Website: portperryprobus.com

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to everyone.

When last month's message urged our members to "jump in and have fun", it is doubtful that in any way included jumping in to snow drifts on walkways and driveways with shovel in hand! Is it just me, or does it seem to have snowed much more frequently than it has for many years? I think that the mounds of snow all over town tend to support that. Certainly it is not all bad, though. A healthy layer of fresh fluffy snow surely does make for some pretty and peaceful scenes, especially when the wind is not blowing.

This month will bring us three days of particular note – interestingly enough they are all in a row right in the middle of the month. Firstly, on the 14th, we have Valentine's Day that has evolved from a romantic tradition to a much broader celebration of friendship and self love – a day for everyone. The next day, February 15th, is Flag Day in Canada. This day is intended to commemorate the choosing of our current Maple Leaf flag. Perhaps the prevailing climate will give added reason for us to wave it enthusiastically this year. The very next day, the 16th, is Family Day in many parts of Canada. Since the designation of this special day is intended to give families time to be together, many families now use the day to take part in a variety of locally planned winter activities, such as public skating, igloo building,

skiing, tobogganing, ice fishing, maple syrup/sugar shack tours, music and crafts. Now that's a whole lot of cool!

It really is heart warming to see news captions about how Canadians have embraced these three days to reflect our values and patriotism. All of these efforts and actions can't help but make the next generation and fellow citizens stronger, hopeful and prouder as a nation. I can feel the thump-thump in my chest just thinking about it.

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

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 February 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.

Please remember to turn off your cell phone prior to the start of our meetings.



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

BAKERS NEEDED

The House Committee which is responsible for refreshments at the monthly membership meetings is looking for volunteer bakers to bake cookies, squares, etc. If you volunteer, you would receive an email at the beginning of the month asking for volunteers. Once we have 7-8 volunteers, we advise that we have enough bakers. When you bake, you are compensated \$10 for supplies.

If you are interested in supporting the club in this manner, please contact Judy Spring at Judith.spring@outlook.com or 905 447-4557.

Your Voice, Your Fairgrounds

Join the Conversation

The Township of Scugog is conducting a visioning process for the Port Perry Fairgrounds — a place of gathering, celebration, and community pride for more than a century. This is a community-led conversation that takes place before any plans or decisions are made. The goal is to understand what the Fairgrounds means to local citizens and what values and ideas should guide its future.

Next Community Pop-In: Nestleton Community Centre — Tuesday, February 3 (1:00–3:00 p.m.)

Drop in to meet the project team, ask questions, and share your values, ideas, and priorities. **Paper copies of the survey will be available on site.**

To learn more:

- Scan the QR code to visit my.scugog.ca/yourvoicemyfairgrounds
- More opportunities to participate will be shared as the project continues. For updates, register on the [project page](https://www.scugog.ca/news) or follow Township of Scugog news (<https://www.scugog.ca/news>)



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THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER

Guest Speaker – February 17

DEIDREY FRANCOIS

“Celebration - Sing-along Vegas Tribute Show”



This show celebrates Black excellence in music and every day inventions and features some favourite celebrities including Tina Turner. The show is packed with singalongs, fast paced 'guess that invention', amazing popular music and fun-loving impersonations. It is both informative and gloriously fun.

About Our Speaker:

Deidrey Francois is a Singer-songwriter, Speaker, Performer and Joy Bringer. She delivers keynotes at spiritual centres and clubs internationally. Deidrey has performed with powerhouses like Jackie Richardson and Patti Austin. Her music has been featured on CBC radio and her musical versatility is performed with infectious enthusiasm, in Blues, Jazz, Rock n Roll and other genres.

Health Benefits of Music

Reduces anxiety, depression, stress

Improves emotional regulation and processing, self-esteem and sense of identity

Promotes feelings of safety and security, resilience

Physical benefits

Did you miss our December Meeting?

HERE'S A RECAP

Randy Wilson is an acclaimed sound designer, mixer and editor, specializing in Foley sound. Randy brings a wealth of experience and expertise to the field of sound production for television and film. He offered a brief history and explanation of the evolution of sound in media, highlighted how sound engineering has developed over time and discussed the important role that sound engineering plays in enhancing the viewing experience. With examples of subtle background noises to dynamic sound effects, Randy shed light on the essential contributions of sound professionals in making TV shows and films truly immersive for audiences.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

March 17

ERICA NOL

“Will Songbirds Survive?”

April 21

DIANA TREPKOV

“Forensic Art and the Lost Franklin Expedition”

May 19

ROBIN CLIPSHAM

“No Wrong Answers: Improv for Adults”



RESTAURANT DISCOUNTS FOR CANADIAN SENIORS

Tim Hortons: Seniors can get discounts at select locations.

A & W: Offers seniors discounts on coffee/tea and on food (60+)

Burger King: Offers seniors coffee (55+)

Church's Chicken: offers 30% discount on Tuesdays (55+)

Denny's Restaurant: offers seniors section on menu (55+)

IHOP: offers seniors section on menu (55+)

KFC: offers discounts to all age groups on Tuesday specials

McDonalds: offers everyday discounted seniors coffee and coffee/muffin deals (60+)

Applebee's: offers a discount to senior citizens. Contact your nearest outlet to determine availability (55+)

Golden Griddle: offers 10% discount to senior citizens

Mandarin Chinese Buffet: Get 20% off the buffet price with valid ID (65+)

Ricky's All-day Grill: offers 10% discount to seniors (65+)

Subway: offers 10% discount to seniors at Manager's discretion (60+)

Taco Bell: offers free drink to seniors (60+)

Wendy's Restaurant: offer free drinks to seniors (55+)

Dunkin Donuts: offer seniors a free donuts with large or extra-large drink purchase.

Boston Pizza: offers fidelity card (5 dinners, 6th free) (60+)

Smitty's: Seniors can select items from discounted Lighter Appetites & Seniors Menu

February

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 PIG-IT & HOG-IT 1 p.m.	2 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. TRAVEL GROUP 11:10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. LATIN DANCING 3 p.m.	3 CHOIR 12:30 p.m. DARTS 2 p.m.	4 BRIDGE & EUCHRE The Red Lion 12 noon	5 DINNER OUT THURSDAYS.	6 HIKING WITH BILL 9:30 a.m. BID EUCHRE 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	7
8 THE SWEET DELILAH SWIM CLUB Town Hall Port Perry 2 p.m. PIG-IT & HOG-IT 1 p.m.	9 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. MAHJONG 1 p.m. CRIBBAGE 1 p.m. LATIN DANCING 3 p.m.	10 BRIDGE 1 p.m. DARTS 2 p.m.	11 BILLIARDS Afternoon	12 ART OPEN STUDIO 1 p.m. CRIBBAGE 1 p.m.	13 EUCHRE 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m.	14 happy Valentine's day
15	16 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. LATIN DANCING 3 p.m.	17 PROBUS MEETING 10 a.m. – Hope Church JIGSAW PUZZLERS 10:30 a.m. CHOIR 12:30 p.m. BETWEEN THE COVERS 1 p.m. DARTS 2 p.m.	18	19 BREAKFAST CLUB 9:30 a.m. HAPPY HOUR 4 p.m.	20 HIKING WITH BILL 9:30 a.m. BID EUCHRE 1 p.m. POKER 2-4 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m. DINNER - GWCTD 6 p.m.	21 ELVIS TRIBUTE Uzbridge Music Hall 7:30 p.m.
22 PIG-IT & HOG-IT 1 p.m.	23 COFFEE & CHAT 10 a.m. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. MAHJONG 1 p.m. LATIN DANCING 3 p.m.	24 BOOK CLUB 1 p.m. BRIDGE 1 p.m. DARTS 2 p.m. EUCHRE EVENING 7 p.m.	25 MANDARIN LUNCH Oshawa 12 noon SOME LIKE IT HOT Ed Mirvish Theatre Toronto BILLIARDS Afternoon LUNCH GROUP 1 p.m.	26 ART OPEN STUDIO 1 p.m. GRAPES OF PourT 6 p.m.	27 EUCHRE 1 p.m. LINE DANCING 6 p.m. BOWER POWER 7 p.m.	28

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PORT PERRY PROBUS SOCIAL EVENTS

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

REGISTER NOW

2026

YEAR OF THE HORSE

新年快樂

Celebrate Chinese New Year
with us at the

MANDARIN

BUFFET LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 25
Oshawa

See details on page 6



SIGN UP NOW

SOME LIKE IT HOT

BROADWAY'S TONY-WINNING MUSICAL COMEDY

LUNCH & SHOW

WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 25
Ed Mirvish Theatre, Toronto

See details on page 6



REGISTRATION OPEN

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

EAT AND DRINK BE IRISH

TUESDAY MARCH 17
The Red Lion

See details on page 6



COMING SOON.....

Tour of

PURPLE WOODS SUGARBUSH

and optional lunch at

Sweet **MAPLE**

WEDNESDAY APRIL 8

Details to come



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Port Perry PROBUS Social Events continued

LUNCH - BRIDGE & EUCHRE

**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.portperryprobus@gmail.com so that we can reserve for an accurate number. Seating is limited in the sunroom.

NEW THE SWEET DELILAH SWIM CLUB

**Sunday February 8,
Matinee 2 p.m.**

Town Hall, 302 Queen Street, Port Perry

Cost: \$27 (or \$25 if we purchase a group of 6+)

Five Southern women, whose friendships began many years ago on their college swim team, set aside a long weekend every August to recharge those relationships. Free from husbands, kids, and jobs, they meet at the same beach cottage, the "Sweet Delilah" on North Carolina's Outer Banks to catch up, laugh, and meddle in each other's lives. This play focuses on four of those weekends and spans a period of thirty-three years. To register, please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com.

NEW

ELVIS TRIBUTE

Saturday February 21 - 7:30 p.m.

Uxbridge Music Hall, 16 Main St. S, Uxbridge

Cost: Group tickets are \$40.00

At the invitation of the Uxbridge Probus club. To register, please email social.uxbridgeprobus@gmail.com and send payment to treasurer.uxbridgeprobus@gmail.com. Please indicate that you are from PPP and attending the Elvis Tribute. For further information phone Peggy Kennedy at 647-394-0289 or Gail Geroux at 416-525-7152..

SOME LIKE IT HOT AND 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 (entre 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.uxbridgeprobus@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.portperryprobus@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.

The Red Lion, 15 Water Street, Port Perry

Entrance fee is \$5 paid following registration. Cash bar. Choice from a limited St. Patrick's Day menu for individual lunch orders. The menu will be sent to you following registration so that the lunch choices can be provided to the restaurant in advance. To register, email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com. Seating is limited to 35 people in the sunroom.

NEW

TOUR OF PURPLE WOODS SUGAR BUSH

Wednesday April 8 - 1:15 p.m.

Purple Woods Sugar Bush, 38 Coates St. E., Oshawa.

One-hour tour. There is a travelled path down the hill to the sugar shack. A golf-cart type vehicle is available to bring those with mobility issues up the hill. Cost of the tour is \$6.00 payable to Port Perry PROBUS. Pancake lunch or lunch of your choice at your own expense at Sweet Maple Restaurant, 20 Water St., Port Perry at 11:30 a.m. The tour is limited to 30 and the restaurant has provided a reservation for 16 but may accommodate more. To register, please email social.uxbridgeprobus@gmail.com and indicate if you will be doing the tour or the tour and lunch so that we can reserve for an accurate number.

FUNNY GIRL AND LUNCH

Wednesday June 17

Departure 8:30 a.m.

NEW

Festival Theatre, Niagara-on-the-Lake

Cost: \$250.00

Luxury bus trip via the 407 with Mary Morton Tours from Port Perry Walmart at 8:30 a.m., returning at approximately 7 p.m. Deadline to register is May 1st. To register, please email social.portperryprobus@gmail.com.

NEW

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE PEACH FESTIVAL

Saturday, August 8

Cost: \$159.00

With Cardinal Lakeshore Tours.



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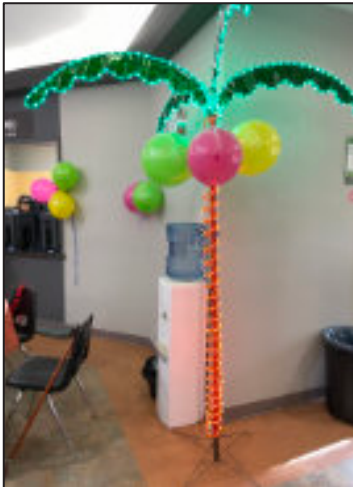
PROBUS SOCIAL EVENTS REVIEW

Hawaiian Luau Lunch

Tuesday January 20, Hope Church

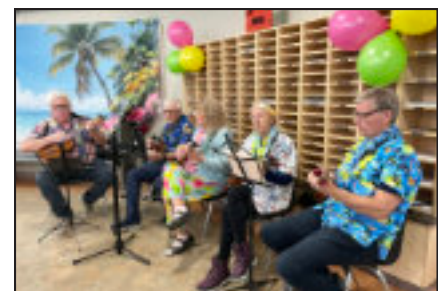
A huge thank you to Joe, Jeff, Lynda, Brenda and Phil for entertaining us with Hawaiian music that contributed to making the Luau Lunch such a success. A very special mention and thank you to Ruth and our Social Committee ladies, Darla, Doreen, Gail, Jooles, Linda, Margaret, Mary and Sandra who did so much for this event.

Ann and Judy, Social Co-Chairs



Draw Prize Winners

Brian Scott	Denise Throp
Monica McMillen	Mary Alt
Gail Williamson	Nancy Dawson
Ann Skinner	Catherine Whittle
Sonia Ashdown	Kinda Bronson
Margaret Adamson	Barb Rootham
Catharine Midgley	Sandra Monham
Doreen Buchanan	Larry Rootham
Bill Walker	Lois Taylor



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NON PORT PERRY PROBUS TRAVEL



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

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

This is a small group tour (24 maximum). For tour information and to book go to www.canxplore.com/newfoundland

NEWFOUNDLAND

ST. JOHN'S TO ST. PIERRE TOUR

August 14 to 23

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

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



WONDERS OF WESTERN CANADA TOUR

September 4 - 15

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

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

If you have questions, email cathy@canxplore.com

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.

**TWO DOUBLE
AND TWO SINGLE
ROOMS LEFT**

PORTUGAL

February 24 to March 18

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 Shirlie van Putten at 905-619-8583 or shirlie@hnatravels.com.

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HNA TOURS PICKERING

All Tours depart from Pickering/ Ajax.

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NEW

DISCOVER VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER ISLAND

May 10 - 17

Cost: \$3,999.07 incl HST - double occupancy. Single occupancy - \$5,196.87

Due to fluctuating airline costs, the price shown above is only guaranteed until February 27th. Non-refundable deposit of \$800 due upon booking. Balance due March 25th.

Includes: AIR – HOTEL – TOURS – TRANSPORTION - Airfare (direct/non-stop from Toronto) and taxes; two nights at the Best Western Tin Wis Resort, Tofino; five nights at the Huntingdon Hotel & Suites, 330 Quebec Street, Victoria; airport transfers plus motor coach transportation during entire stay in

Victoria; Butchart Gardens – admission + Afternoon Tea; Abkhazi Gardens – admission + Afternoon Tea; tours to the various attractions (list provided); six breakfasts; two lunches; two Dinners; two “High Teas”; mandatory 20% gratuity to Coach Driver/Guide plus Victoria Enviro Charges; services of an HNA Travels Tour Director – Shirlie van Putten.

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

NEW

DISCOVER NOVA SCOTIA AND CAPE BRETON

June 5 - 11

Cost: \$3,999.07 incl HST - double occupancy. Single occupancy - \$5,083.87

Due to fluctuating airline costs, the price shown above is only guaranteed until February 27th. Non-refundable deposit of \$800 due upon booking. Balance due April 5th.

Includes: Flight to Sydney, NS. With Air Canada; two nights at the Silver Dart Lodge, Baddeck; three nights at the Hampton Inn, Halifax or similar hotel; private highway motor coach transportation during your stay in Nova Scotia; over-night on

“The Ocean” Sleeper Plus of Via Rail – Halifax to Montreal; private motor coach from Montreal train station to the GTA; experience the Cabot Trail – a day long experience; lots of sightseeing – and meals; and services of Shirlie, your HNA Tour Director.

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

The key to
happiness is low
expectations.

Lower.

No, even lower.

There you go.

OK, hear me out.

An old -fashioned
candy necklace,
but with Tums and
Ibuprofen....

Why is everyone so
against sugar?

Who stood by you
when things
went wrong?

Who comforted you?

It wasn't broccoli
that's for sure!

I try to find the good
in every situation.

Wait.

That was a typo.

I meant “food”.

I try to find the food
in every situation.

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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 will be on February 12th and 26th. Often this group likes to celebrate birthdays and munch on treats while they chat and work on individual art pieces or exercises – see photos in newsletter. 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 6-7 games, then share refreshments and socialize. This group is currently full, but we can add a Spare or two to our list if you are interested in playing occasionally.

BILLIARDS AND POOL

Tim Casey:
timcasey22@gmail.com

The Billiards and Pool interest group is just starting up and will be holding games on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday afternoons of each month starting in February. Please contact Tim Casey for more details.

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 1-4:30 p.m. 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. If you are interested in joining this group, please contact Bob & Sue directly. We have so much fun that people are always looking forward to the next game. We have had games with 12 to 24 players, and we still have room for more. In fact, the more the merrier!

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. Please reach out to Jooles if you would like to be part of the Monday group or to be on the waitlist to join. Our next get togethers are on February 9th and 12th.



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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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 February 24th.



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 February 27th. 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 first scheduled game of 2026 was Monday January 12, and we will play biweekly thereafter. 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 1:30 p.m. Our January 25th game was cancelled due to weather. Our next game will be on Sunday February 1st. Please contact the coordinator if you are interested in playing.

**NEW
GROUP**

POKER GROUP

Trevor Johnston: 647-333-9234
trevorjohnston06@gmail.com



The regular game date will be the 3rd Friday of each month from 2 to 4 p.m. The first game will be Friday, February 20.

Book Clubs

THE NEXT CHAPTER

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

Our January meeting is scheduled after press time. Look for double posts in March!

BETWEEN THE COVERS

Lynda Brownson: lsusan54@gmail.com

In January, we enjoyed discussing *Broken Country* by Clare Lesley Hall which is a story of love, loss and choices with a mystery interwoven. At the February meeting we will be discussing the *Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot. We welcomed 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 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. 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
dandibagley@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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DINNER OUT – GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER (GWCTD)

Kim Lendvay:

interest.portperryprobust@gmail.com

Thirteen members met on January 16th at Fico Fusion in Port Perry for a good meal and fun night out. Our next GWCTD will be at 6 p.m. on Friday February 20th at Castle John's, also 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.portperryprobust@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

We will be starting off the new year at Castle John's on Wed January 28th. This group is at full capacity, please contact coordinator 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

Due to travel over the winter months, we take a break in the winter, but we look forward to meeting up again with our group in the spring. 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.portperryprobust@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.portperryprobust@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.uxbridgeprobust@gmail.com

LAWN BOWLING

Lynn Tracey: 905-985-5678

dlynnttracey@gmail.com

We know with the temperatures outside & the amount of snow we've gotten this winter, it's hard to think about Lawn Bowling but .. the Executive at Port Perry Lawn Bowling have started planning events for the coming season: **May 2 - Yard & Bake Sale** - We are now accepting any donations for the sale. If needed, contact Lynn and she will be more than happy to pick up items. **May 2, 9 & 16 - Open Houses** - your perfect opportunity to come out and give lawn bowling a try! **May 5 - Season starts** - Lots of activities are being planned, stay tuned! Contact Lynn for more information.

LINE DANCING

Kim Lendvay: interest.portperryprobust@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.

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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 (February 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!

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 this month on Tuesday February 3rd and 17th at Hope Church. 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

This interest group meets on the first Wednesday of alternate months at Neil's home in Port Perry. Upcoming dates are: March 4 and May 6. Members share their new findings in their pursuit of ancestors and often tell of new information regarding their DNA journey. We meet at 10am 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. Three members went to see Song Sung Blue at the Century Theatre in Lindsay, preceded by lunch.

TRAVEL INFORMATION GROUP

Tim: timcasey22@gmail.com

The Travel Information Group will hold its next meeting on February 2nd at 11:10 a.m. in the Sunroom of the Red Lion Pub in Port Perry. The main presentation will be about the European Mid-Atlantic Islands and The Balearic Islands in the Mediterranean. All Club members are welcome!

PROBUS INTEREST GROUPS REVIEW

Open Art Studio Group

Thursday January 22, Hope Church

This group likes to munch on treats while they chat and work on individual art pieces or exercises. Come and join them!



Coffee & Chat Group

Monday
January 26,
Tim Horton's

In spite of the bad weather, this group had a pretty good turnout (as always)!

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SCHEDULED EVENTS IN DURHAM REGION

TOWN HALL 1873 THEATRE



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