



THE PRO-BUZZ

NOVEMBER, 2007

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

My first thought in taking on this role is a very large thank you to the membership for your confidence, and especially your involvement, which makes this job much less intimidating.

This is a club filled with volunteers and individuals with enthusiasm and joie de vivre. With that atmosphere, the role of president becomes very easy. It will be difficult not to have fun, and nearly impossible not to have a successful year.

I wish to express my thanks to those who have and continue to volunteer their time and skills in both executive and chairperson roles.

So... let's continue to have fun, please know that I and the executive are always open to suggestions of new activities and ways to be better.



I look forward to seeing you all at the Christmas party.

I would also like to take this time to wish you all the most happy of Holiday seasons and a happy and prosperous new year.

Submitted by: Barry Hollis



PRO-BUZZ MASCOT

COMING EVENTS

White Christmas Show – Wednesday Afternoon, November 21st, and Friday Evening, November 23rd – Sony Center for the Arts – All tickets have been sold – See Verna Templer if you wish to be on a waiting list for cancellations.

Christmas Party – Thursday, December 13th – Lion's Center - \$32.

Andre Rieu Concert – Saturday, December 15th – Roger's Center - Show and bus trip will cost \$125 – All tickets are now sold – See Verna Templer if you wish to be on a waiting list for cancellations.

Dinner Theater – "Not Now Darling" – Friday, February 1st – Seniors \$16 and Adults \$18 - Tickets available in January.

Dirty Dancing Show – Wednesday, May 14th - \$120 – One bus is already oversold and a second one is being arranged.

Provided By: **Verna Templer**

MEETING SPEAKERS

Thursday, November 22nd

Barbara Keenan – Speaking on the Merger of Big Brothers and Big Sisters.

Thursday, December 13th

Christmas Party – No Speaker.

Provided by: Ron Templer

HELP!!!!!! HELP!!!!!! HELP!!!!!! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

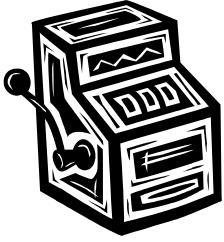
We need volunteers for next year to organize and/or help with the following events.

1. **Valentine's Lunch** in February.
2. **BBQ** in August. Also, suggestions for this event would be appreciated.
3. **Car Rally** in September or October.

Requested by: **Verna Templer**

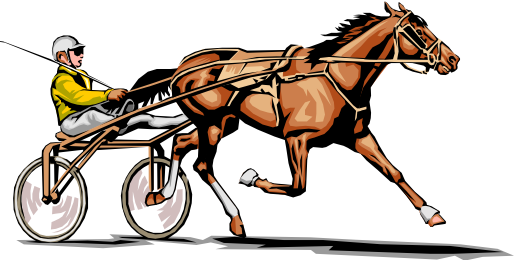
PROBUS NORTHUMBERLAND CASINO AND RACE NIGHT

On Tuesday, October 23, 83 hopeful "fortune hunters" headed to Kawartha Downs for our annual Casino & Race Night. A scrumptious dinner was enjoyed by all. Several people won big in the casino --- Sonja Poppke, Carol Lynn, Don Medhurst and Gillian Bushby, just to name a few. A very happy crew!



Our handicapping competition was hotly contested again this year, with George Lawrence coming out on top with 4 winners and a second out of seven races for 23 points. Congratulations George, you're our "Handicapper of the Year". The trophy is yours! One point behind, with 22 points, were; Hope Pearce, Ted McDonald, Jo Carleton, & Gillian Bushby. In third place, with 21 points, we had another 4 way tie --- Gord Hewson, Brian Salley, Marg Connell, & Ruth Markle.

Our 4th place finishers, with 20 points, were Danny Robertson, & ArchieMcGeachy. The final winner was Helen Saunders, with 19 points, for 5th place. Over \$100 in prize money was awarded to our winners.



All members attending this special event seemed to have a great time. This continues to be an interesting and different evening for our club. Many thanks to Lynn Wallace for her help in signing up all the prospective handicappers. Thanks to all participants.

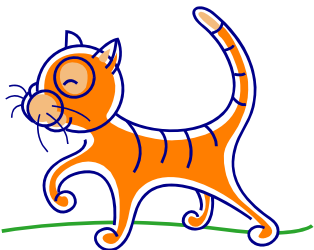
Prepared by: **Eric Carleton**

DOG AND CAT OWNERS LAMENT OR RAVE

The following is to be posted nose-height on the refrigerator:

Dear Dogs and Cats,

The dishes with the paw print are yours and contain your food. The other dishes are mine and contain my food. Please note: placing a paw print in the middle of my food does not mean that it becomes your food, nor do I find that aesthetically pleasing in the slightest.



The stairway was not designed by NASCAR and is not a racetrack. Beating me to the bottom is not the object. Tripping me doesn't help because I fall faster than you can run.

I cannot buy anything bigger than a king-sized bed. I am very sorry about this. Do not think I will continue sleeping on the sofa in order to ensure your comfort. Dogs and cats can actually curl up in a ball when they sleep. It is not necessary to sleep perpendicular to each other, stretched out to the fullest extent possible. I also know that sticking tails straight out and having tongues hanging out in order to maximize space is nothing but sarcasm.

For the last time, there is not a secret exit from the bathroom. If by some miracle I beat you there and manage to get the door shut, it is not necessary to claw, whine, meow, try to turn the knob or get your paw under the edge



DOG AND CAT OWNERS LAMENT OR RAVE (Continued)

and try to pull the door open. I must exit through the same door through which I entered. Also, I have been using the bathroom successfully for years --- canine or feline attendance is not required.

The proper order is: kiss me, then go smell the other dog or cat's butt. I cannot stress this enough!!

To pacify you, my dear pets, I have posted the following message on our front door.

TO ALL NON-PET OWNERS WHO VISIT & LIKE TO COMPLAIN ABOUT OUR PETS.

1. They live here. You don't.
2. If you don't want their hair on your clothes, stay off the furniture. (That's why they call it "fur"niture.)
3. To you, it's an animal. To me, he/she is an adopted son/daughter who is short, hairy, walks on all fours, and doesn't speak clearly.

REMEMBER: Dogs and cats are better than kids because they:

1. Eat less.
2. Don't ask for money all the time.
3. Are easier to train (except for terriers and Shih Tzus).
4. Normally come when called.
5. Never ask to drive the car.
6. Don't hang out with drug-using friends.
7. Don't smoke or drink.
8. Don't have to buy the latest fashions.
9. Don't want to wear your clothes.
10. Don't need a gazillion dollars for college, and
11. If they get pregnant, you can sell their children.



Submitted by: **Maura McGeachy**

GREAT SIGNS!

Sign over a Gynecologist's Office: "Dr. Jones, at your cervix."

In a Podiatrist's office: "Time wounds all heels."

On a Septic Tank Truck in Oregon: Yesterday's Meals on Wheels

On another Septic Tank Truck: "We're #1 in the #2 business"

Provided by: **Pamela Jackson**