



PROBUS PATTERN

The Newsletter of the Port Hope and District Probus Club
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President's Message

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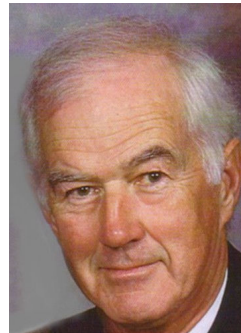
Dear Fellow Probians:

Spring has arrived: robins are back, snowdrops are out and our "snowbirds" are returning. Welcome back. We look forward to your company over the coming months.

Ninety members and five guests attended the "Spring into Saint Patrick's Day" event at the Beamish House on the 15th. March 2006. Tasty Irish food (not quite as tasty as haggis), refreshing green and natural coloured drinks and good company made for a most enjoyable evening. Lots of green was worn with the most eye-catching outfit belonging to Rena Watson and the best hat perched on the head of Pat Buchan. Many thanks to Allan McCready for suggesting and planning the event.

History was made at our 21st. March meeting when Doug Gellatly, our founding president, presented the club's first honorary membership to Stone Avery, founding president of the Cobourg Probus Club and Director of District 1 of Probus-Centre, Canada. It was quite obvious that Stone was delighted to receive the honour.

Often I have remarked that our club runs so well due to the contributions of many dedicated volunteers. We are now looking for volunteers for the 2006-2007 year. Sign-up sheets covering six different areas are being circulated around the tables. Please sign up in one or two areas **ESPECIALLY IF YOU HAVEN'T**



VOLUNTEERED BEFORE. WE NEED YOU! Key positions to be filled are Chairs for Programme and Membership. They are both management positions. Should you have any questions about the positions, speak to a member of the Search Committee; Erik Norenus, Betty Collins or me.

In the Report from the Management Committee on page 2 of the March, 2006 Probus Patter it was stated that the committee determined the following policy for guests visiting the club. Guests, signed in by a member, may attend any TWO meetings in a year with the exception of the Annual General Meeting. The meeting fee (currently \$3) is waived for guests. After attending TWO meetings, guests wishing to join the club would forward a completed application form to the Membership Chair. Once eligibility is confirmed the
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applicants are invited to join, if openings are available. When openings are not available, candidates are placed on a waiting list and are now considered to be PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS. They may attend any meeting when signed in by a member and upon payment of the meeting fee. They would not be allowed to vote on any motion. Prospective members may also attend any club event provided space is available. When the event cost is subsidized, prospective members would pay the full, non-subsidized cost.

Thanks to the generosity of Merle and Jim Adamson and their families our popular picnic will once again be held on their lovely property. Keep 20th June free. If you have any suggestions about the picnic, committee members Mysie Vanhinsberg, Merle Adamson, Jim Graham, Don Kent, Judy and Vern Johnson would appreciate hearing from you.

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GETTING TO KNOW YOU...



Ian Leckie

Ian was born in Paisley, Scotland and after graduating in Chemistry from Glasgow University, attended Memorial University in Newfoundland.

He worked briefly in the oil industry in Sarnia and moved into Education, taking three more degrees. During part of these studies he taught at Central Technical School in Toronto.

In 1964 he was assigned to teach in Ghana and Nigeria for the Canadian International Development Agency. During his 7 years in Africa he visited many African countries.

On his return to Canada and for the next 25 years he was Head of Chemistry at A.Y. Jackson Secondary School in North York.



Always a traveler, he has visited China (5 times), Japan, Viet Nam, Thailand, Myanmar, Mongolia and Tibet. Recently he has visited Bolivia, Peru and Chile.

Ian moved to Port Hope in 2005 and is active in Tennis, Tai Chi, Walking and Hiking, and attends the theatre and cinema.

Report from the Management Committee

Your management committee met on March 14th and again one of the subjects for discussion was the need to get volunteers for the various positions needed to run the club.

We have a balance of \$2083.93 together with a short term GIC of \$2,500 which includes the funds collected for the St Patrick dinner and not forgetting the \$6,000 which we hold in reserve for non budgeted emergencies. There was also considerable discussion about the amount of money we spend subsidizing events and whether this is appropriate. No conclusion was reached and the subject was tabled for later discussion.

There are currently 17 on the waiting list for membership.

The next management meeting will be on April 11th.

Probus Monthly Golf Outings---2006---Ashbrook

Those wishing to golf **must contact** the committee of their intention to participate by the dates listed below.
Golf pairings will be arranged on the day of play.

Date	Time	Arrive by	Confirm By
May 15	9 am	8:30 am	May 12
June 12	9 am	8:30 am	June 9
July 10	9 am	8:30 am	July 7
Aug.14	9 am	8:30 am	Aug. 11
Sept. 11	9 am	8:30 am	Sept. 8
Oct. 16	9 am	8:30 am	Oct. 13

<u>Green Fees</u>	9 Holes --- \$23.00
	18 Holes --- \$30.00
<u>Power Cart:</u>	9 Holes ---\$20.00*
	18 Holes---\$30.00*
<u>Committee</u>	
Dave Watson	905-885-7771
Ken Weaver	905-885-6307
* to be confirmed	

Ashbrook—course tip sheet

1	371 yards Par 4	A good tee shot will put your approach at or near the 150 yard mark. (Do not error left off tee because of O.B. Markers.) Bunkers in front and behind the green demand a high soft approach shot.	10	323 yards Par 4	Large bunkers in front and left of green. Tree trouble right. Long iron and short iron is the smart play here.
2	549 yards Par 5	A pond, 2 fairway bunkers and O.B left requires a straight tee shot. Green guarded by bunkers, left, right and at back. A true 3 shot Par 5.	11	460 yards Par 5	Large bunker and tree line guard the right side of fairway and bunker at front right of green. Two big straight shots will be rewarded on the scorecard.
3	173 yards Par 3	Bunker left. O.B left of bunker. If error is to be made, error to the right. Good test for longer iron shot.	12	201 yards Par 3	Two apple trees must be carried with tee shot. Bunker left and terrain that runs to deep rough left, leave little room for error.
4	420 yards Par 4	Fairway is guarded by a bunker left and a second cut of rough, both left and right that makes the 4th hole a tough Par 4. This is the #1 Handicap Hole	13	520 yards Par 5	Tree line right and long rough left, demand a straight tee shot. Wooded area on right can come into play on 2nd shot. A very fair Par 5
5	406 yards Par 4	Tee shot is everything. Elevated Tee. Must drive over large gully and skirt the tree line on right. Ash tree 60 yards in front of green and bunker front right. Too greedy with tee shot can be costly.	14	133 yards Par 3	Elevated tee to elevated green. Large bunker back left. Good golf hole.
6	445 yards Par 5	Creek guards fairway left and crosses in front of green at 75 yard mark. 2 Large pine trees located on right side of fairway can cause havoc with 2nd shot. Good tee shot and approach will be rewarded with a possible eagle putt.	15	347 yards Par 4	Small stream crosses the fairway approximately 220 yards from tee. Mid iron and mid iron is the smart play here.
7	135 yards Par 3	Large bunker guards front of green. High soft tee shot required.	16	143 yards Par 3	Signature Hole. Too Large ash trees guard left side of green and large pond on right. Requires accurate shot from the tee. Picturesque Hole!
8	387 yards Par 4	Pond on right that can come into play with second shot. Bunkers left that are in play from tee. Green guarded by left side bunker.	17	467 yards Par 5	Dog leg right to left. Heavy rough if you overcook tee shot left. Bunkers front, left, right and back of green. Big hitters can be rewarded with eagle opportunities.
9	419 yards Par 4	Slight dog leg left to right. A north wind can make this hole long and demanding. Tough Par 4	18	340 yards Par 4	Tree lined left, side bunkers on right side. Trees front left and right of green and bunker greenside right. Great finishing hole.

Remember! If you drink, don't drive. -----Don't even putt!



PROBUS Spring Mixer

The Probus Club of Colborne invites you, along with the other clubs* in the Northumberland area to "The Probus Spring Mixer" to be held at the Keeler Center at 80 Division Street in Colborne on Wednesday May 17, 2006.

Registration, coffee, entertainment, socializing and book signing gets underway at 9:00 am.

The keynote speaker will be Steve Paikin, broadcaster, author and journalist. Steve is host of 2 programmes on TVOntario, the largest educational television network in the world. He is co-host of Studio 2, a nightly current affairs programme in its 12th season and Diplomatic Immunity, a weekly programme specializing in foreign affairs.



Steve Paikin

Steve's newest book is "Public Triumph, Private Tragedy" the double life of John P. Robarts.

There will be special entertainment, door prizes, a buffet lunch, cash bar and much more. You'll have the opportunity to purchase, and have Steve sign, his books.

There will also be items and merchandise showing the Probus Logo on display and available for sale.

Tickets are \$20.00 (all inclusive) and may be purchased until April 30th.

"Come and have an enjoyable morning the Probus way!"

*8 clubs with over 1,100 members

Meeting, March 7, 2006

Presentation – Communities in Bloom – Marie Huxter

Attendance – 85 members, 3 guests

Communities in Bloom is a non-profit Canadian Organization committed to fostering civic pride, environmental responsibility and beautification through community participation and the challenge of a friendly competition. Marie explained how attempts were made to promote involvement and action by citizens of all ages, the municipal government and local organizations and businesses in the inaugural year of Communities in Bloom in Whitby. One of our members, Betty Delong, was one of the specially trained volunteer judges who evaluated Whitby last year.

Meeting, February 21, 2006

Presentation – Humour Galore – Marlyn Curson

Attendance – 96 members, 6 prospective members, 1 guest, 1 honorary guest

Someone once said humour is just another defense against the universe. If that is so, Marlyn provided 104 of us with an almost impenetrable defense during the time she entertained us. Dressing the part of Minnie Pearl's cousin (what a hat, price tag and all!) she provided non-stop country style jokes, vignettes and commentary to give us some chuckles and a few good old fashioned belly laughs. This was a Probus meeting those in attendance were glad not to have missed.

Catering News

Rena Watson 905-885-5441

April Captain-Ruth Roy

April 4 May Anderson, Don Campbell
Kitty Hatch, Pauline Carrick

April 18 Pauline & Jim Graham,
Elaine Simpson, Mysie Vanhinsberg

May Captain-Judy Johnson

May 2 Pat & John Buchan
Joan Lawson, Charmion Dennys

May 16 Vern Johnson, Nicole Corbeil
Carol Rolph, Dorothy Lent

List of Volunteers

Margot Agnew, May Anderson

Ede Burger, David & Mary Butler,
Pat & John Buchan, Rita & Terry Bell

Don Campbell, Pauline Carrick,
Lois Cherry, Nicole Corbeil, Tom Crooks

Julie Cotter

Lorraine Darke, Michael Dennis
Charmion Dennys

Kitty Hatch, Ruby Hunter

Dorothy Gilmer, Pauline & Jim Graham

Vern & Judy Johnson

Shirley Kane

Joan Lawson, Dorothy Lent

Jean McCall, Jane McCluskey, Joan McIntosh

Barb & Bob Moorcroft
Una Norenus
Eileen & Keith Pickett

Betty Richards, Carol Rolph,
Doreen & Peter Rossi, Ruth Roy

Elaine Simpson

Mysie Vanhinsberg Janice & David Watson,

Please be at the hall at 8:30 am. If unable to attend, please give the name of your substitute to your captain. Substitutes should be chosen from the list of volunteers, making certain that the alternative is not already scheduled for the months shown in the schedule.

Greeters

April 4 Judy & Vern Johnson
18 Kitty & Sid Hatch

May 2 Allan & Margaret McCready
16 Ken & Yvonne O'Neil

New Members

Dennis and Linda Parsons,
46 Jarvis Dr.

Port Hope L1A 4K1

e-mail Linda- marthasturkey@hotmail.com

Dennis- dpkparsons@cogeco.ca

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 <i>Daylight Saving Begins</i>	3	4 9:30 Probus Speaker Exchange	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 9:30 Management Meeting	12	13	14 <i>Good Friday</i>	15
16 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	17	18 9:30 Probus "Independent Electricity System" B. Campbell	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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May 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 9:30 Probus Mustangs Randy Bird	3	4	5	6 Hospice Big Band
7	8	9 9:30 Management Meeting	10	11	12	13
14 <i>Mother's Day</i>	15 8:30 Golf Ashbrook	16 9:30 Probus "Water Works" Mr. Trumper	17 9.00 Spring Mixer Colborne Ottawa Tulip Festival	18	19	20
21	22 <i>Victoria Day</i>	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Upcoming Events

June
(20th)
Picnic

(21st)
Prince Edward County Wine Tour*

July
(26th & 27th)
1000 Island Cruise/Theatre/ Casino*

Doctor Barnardo's Children-4th. Line Theatre

August
Senior's Jubilee

September
Car Rally

Corn Roast

November
Festival of Lights--Niagara Falls

December
(12th)
Christmas Party

*still some space available

Sel's Quiz: Which movie, directed by Canadian Paul Haggis, won the Best Picture Award in last month's Academy Awards?

To-day's thought: If a cluttered desk signifies a cluttered mind, what does an empty desk signify?