



THE COBOURG PROBIAN

10th Anniversary Year

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The Probus Club of Cobourg and District
P.O. Box 63, Cobourg, Ontario K9A 4K2

Next Meeting: June 16th, 2005

President's Message by Ray Hiller



I'm sure that most members share my feelings when I say how quickly the past 10 years have vanished. Many events occurred, speakers heard, trips taken and fellowship shared. Our club is mainly about fellowship and providing opportunities for our membership to make new acquaintances. If any member feels left out, the reason could be because of lack of involvement in club activities – either on a committee or on the management team. When the opportunity presents itself, please volunteer your time and talents. Our club has succeeded for the past 10 years because many of our members really worked to make it a success.

Ray.

Club Program

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| June 2nd (meeting) | Members Mary Korol, Leon Silk and Basil Fox are the speakers |
| June 9th | Stirling Festival Theatre Trip – Singin' in the Rain. Faithful adaptation of the MGM Classic. Now sold out. |
| June 13th | Lorne Patrick Memorial Golf Tournament |
| June 16th (meeting) | Keith Oliver will speak about the Cobourg Museum |
| July 1st | Canada Day Parade – Probus attire is not mandatory for members to participate. |
| July 7th (meeting) | Speaker to be announced |
| July 14th | Picnic in the Park – at Cobourg Lawn Bowling Club. Pot Luck – bring a dish (with food in it!). After lunch, members will be able to bowl or play bridge. |
| July 21st (or 22nd) | Concert at Westben, Campbellford – “Bring him Home”, Broadway Homecomings. A celebration of musical homecomings from Broadway and the worlds of Opera. 2.00pm. Car Pool. \$25.00. For more, see below. |
| October 28th | Arsenic and Old Lace – Dinner theatre at Best Western – Comedy - \$30.00 includes dinner, show all taxes and services – see below for more. |
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Summer Meeting dates

There will be no meetings on July 21st or August 4th. Meetings will be held on June 16th, July 7th, August 18th with the usual schedule resuming in September.

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Membership Renewal

Membership fees of \$36.00 may be paid at:

- Meeting July 7th (May be Post dated Sept 15th)
- Meeting August 18th (May be Post dated Sept 15th)
- Meeting September 1st (May be Post dated Sept 15th)
- Meeting September 15th – last chance!

Summer Barbecue

The six Northumberland Probus clubs will be getting together to make one big barbecue party.

Where: Roseneath Fairgrounds - home of the famous Roseneath Carousel (which will operate for us). Free Rides 2:30 till 3:30.

When: Thursday, August 11th. 2:00pm to 5:30pm.

Prices: \$15.00 Members, \$17.50 guests \$7.50 for kids under 12.

Games & Entertainment:

As well as the Carousel, there will be organized games and live Entertainment by the **Tweed Twangers** (on right).



Golf Events

Don't forget the big event of the Probus Golf Year: The **Lorne Patrick Golf Tournament** will be held Monday June 13th at the Cobourg Creek Golf Course starting at 9.00am followed by Lunch at the Mill Restaurant.



July 1st Parade

Each year the Probus Clubs of Cobourg participate in the Canada Day parade along King street. This year there are plans to rent a double decker bus so those who wish can ride along.



It's a fun day and you can join in the parade and also volunteer to help with organizing traffic or other jobs.

If you have Probus attire, by all means wear it but it is **not** mandatory for members to participate.

2005 Elections

Our club holds elections each year in September and this year we need to fill the positions of **Vice President** and **Recording Secretary** (all others are on a 2 year term).

Please start thinking about volunteering for these positions.

Northumberland Players Presents: Arsenic and Old Lace

Friday October 28th at the Best Western

The Classic of comedies, Arsenic and Old Lace will provide a laugh filled evening. There is never a dull moment – it is practically mayhem and by the end you are convinced that everyone is at least a little insane.

\$30.00 including dinner, show, all taxes and service.

“Bring him Home”, Broadway Homecomings

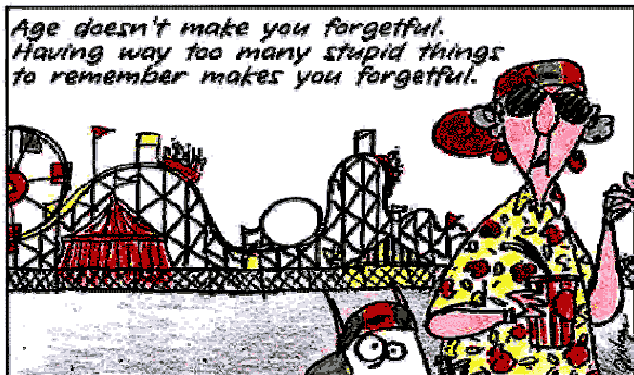
**Westben
Theatre,
Campbellford**



July 21st or 22nd at 2.00pm

Celebrate favourite musical homecomings from the worlds of opera and Broadway including "Bring Him Home" from Les Mis.

\$25.00 - No Bus – Car Pool with other members. For more details see Mary Ryan.



Editor's Corner

I heard that the special issue last month was well received. A special thanks to Ray and Carole Hiller for the written content and to our official archivist, Marilyn Macklin, for the photos.



Over the last month or so, we have implemented a Probus web site shared amongst all the clubs in Northumberland. The address is www.probusnorthumberland.com. Make sure you click on the buttons at the top to get to the other pages, including pages dedicated to Cobourg news, Events and club facts. You can also get more detail on some of the news items – especially shows and other events which have more detail than we could fit in the newsletter.

You can also get a copy of this and previous newsletters there (in glorious colour!).

Web site content is an extension of the newsletter so to get something added to it, just give it to me as you would for the newsletter.

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Other Cobourg Events

With summer coming, there are a host of **Outdoor events**, the highlights are listed below:

- **June 4** Buskers and Street Festival – King Street
- **June 26** Northumberland Big Sisters and Big Brothers annual garden tour – 905 885 6422
- **July 1 - 3** Waterfront Festival – Cobourg Waterfront.
- **July 2** Highland Games – Donegan park

For more, go to our web site www.probusnorthumberland.com or visit/call the Cobourg Tourism office in Dressler House at 212 King street West, 905 - 372-5481.

A Great Tenth Anniversary Party

On May 19th 141 club members (an attendance record) met at the elegantly renovated Best Western for the club's 10th anniversary. The air was festive with balloons and beautifully decorated birthday cakes. The cakes were accompanied by a delicious buffet of fresh fruits.



Upon registration members were presented with a copy of our special 10th anniversary edition of the



Probian. This is a real collectable and was prepared by John Draper with contributions from Marilyn Macklin, and Ray and Carole Hiller. If you missed the meeting there are still copies available.

Mayor Peter Delanty arrived promptly at 11AM to introduce our first president Stone Avery. Unfortunately our program began 10 minutes earlier with remarks by Stone Avery who then introduced our Mayor. Mayor Delanty was the president of the Cobourg Rotary Club 10 years ago when our club was established by Rotary. Each successive president then spoke for three minutes highlighting events of their term in office.

After the meeting 78 members and the Mayor retired to Dalewood Golf Club for a delicious luncheon. President Ray thanked Myrtle Wardman and the speakers/program committee for arranging the luncheon.

A very successful celebration.

Submitted by Malcolm Wardman

LOOKING GOOD (Poem for the day)

My face in the mirror isn't wrinkled or drawn.
My house isn't dirty. The cobwebs are gone.
My garden looks lovely and so does my lawn.
I think I might never put my glasses back on.

CAR RALLY

The 2005 Car Rally will be held on the 2nd Thursday in October which is October 13th. It will be a morning rally with lunch at the finish.



Tickets are \$30 and will be for sale at all meetings from now until September. Non members welcome. Get your tickets soon to avoid disappointment. Cheques only please.

Land Trusts

Earth Day in 2005 was April 22nd and in keeping with that, our speaker on April 21st was **Doug Galt** who is chair of the newly formed **Northumberland Land Trust** organizing committee. Doug explained that non-profit Land Trusts are dedicated to preserving natural, scenic land from being changed so that everyone can enjoy the land. There are quite a few parcels of land in Northumberland that need to be preserved and the Land Trust plans to do just that.

However, currently the Northumberland Land Trust is just starting and has no money and no land! Land is usually acquired through gifts and bequests and there are several holdings that will probably become part of the trust so the future is promising. Once the Trust is more established, their means of communication will include using a web site. *John Draper*

April 7th Speaker

Our program for April 7th was an interesting garden lecture on container gardening. The guest speaker was Flemming Neilson from Viking Nursery, RR# 2, Gore's Landing. His message was very welcome news after our long winter. His talk was full of hints to make our gardens beautiful, and after an active question and answer session, he finished his talk with tempting information on the Passion Flower.

I am sure we all went home with new ideas and ready to begin our gardening season.

Ann Hubbs