

Pro-Buzz

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CAR RALLY WINDS UP IN STRANGE ONTARIO TOWN

Okay, so it wasn't the Subway at Wasaga Beach. But it was just as good. Some of us got to have seconds and the beer and wine came in at three bucks a pop. The Royal Canadian Legion in Millbrook (for that is where we were misdirected) overwhelmed us with roast beef, chicken and ham and tarts (no, not you, madam). The rally organisers -- Don and Birdeen Kerby, Archie and Maura McGeachy and Bill and Agnes Stuart -- took well-deserved bows.

Car #10 -- carrying Cecil and Teresa Yanta and Frank and Jean Crowley -- was the winner. Archie, who announced the results in Gaelic, said only four points separated the next three cars, which were driven by Gord Saunders, Eric Carleton and Vivian Foster.

The occupants of Car #20, Don and Helen Saunders, Marilyn Wood, Marian Wakely and Bill and Evril Alls, picked the right egg out of the bucket and won lavish prizes as well as getting to keep the fuzzy chick it contained. Both Poppkes won prizes in the draw.

CAR RALLY? CAR RALLY? DON'T TALK TO US ABOUT NO CAR RALLY!

After the bus tour through Prince Edward County, the car rally was a piece of cake. We got lost in Cobourg. We got lost in Brighton. We passed the lighthouse in South Bay Park three times while trying to find the cheese factory, and that was after taking the long way round Picton to get to it. And though our members remained calm and unruffled throughout, the bus itself became overheated and slowed to a crawl as we made our way to our penultimate destination, a winery. It was a great trip.

"I've never seen so many dishevelled people having such a good time," said Verena Tarrant, a tourist from Boston, Mass., who was among the other shoppers at the Proctor-Silex outlet in Picton, where we stocked up on grills, toasters, coffee makers and even an iced-tea maker. Doris Rasmussen won a coffee maker and Ruth Gzik won a drink mixer. Neither Poppke won anything.

A MESSAGE FROM JAN SHAW, OUR OUTGOING PRESIDENT

Thank you all for your support and encouragement throughout the year.

"Team Shaw" worked well together as an executive and countless other members came forward to volunteer their time and talent to help run our club.

We are a vibrant, active, friendly group and have the distinct privilege (I believe) of originating the XC Club. Our three honorary members, Paddy McIlroy, Bill Paterson and Fred Wilson, all over 90 years of age, are full of wit, wisdom, humour and a zest for life.

Gentlemen, we take pride in your membership and the example you set for all of us.

A challenge to other District 1 Probus Clubs: can you top this?

