



Ganaraska Currents  
**GANARASKA VALLEY  
 PROBUS CLUB**



Our Newsletter

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**50-50 winners!**

23 July – Steve Snell

won dinner for two at the  
 Elmhurst Inn

13 Aug – Reg Colborne

won \$29.50

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**SEPTEMBER CREW**

**Caterers**

**Captain**.....Linda Popham  
 10 Sep.....Janet Tedford  
 Gail Chadwick  
 Joan Bebee

24 Sep.....Janet Tedford  
 Gail Chadwick  
 Joan Bebee

If unavailable please find a  
 substitute or call  
**905-885-8281**

**Greeters**

**Captain**.....Muriel Cornelius  
 10 Sep.....Lois & Ron  
 Frizzell

24 Sep ....Heather & Harold  
 Houston

If unavailable please find a  
 substitute or call  
**905-885-5530**

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**2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL CAR RALLY**

**Getting started in the rain**



Steve Snell at least kept his hands dry

**Lunch at the Elmhurst Inn**



Comfortable and dry at last



Joyce Prince dripping on the upholstery



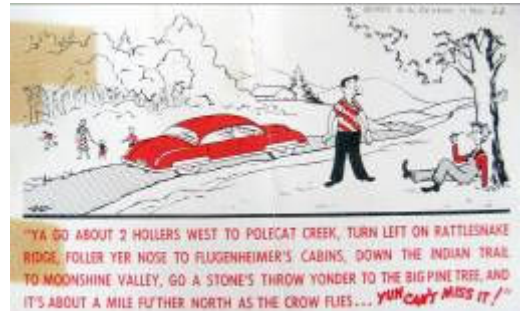
The winners!

Steve presents the trophy to Carol Head,  
 Janet Tedford and Anne Chesher



Get your wet kisses here  
 from Linda Popham and Gail Chadwick

**Harold Houston offered some classic directions**



Despite the rain, the rally was fun for everyone. Many thanks to Joyce, Frank, Linda, Gail, Steve and Ken for their great planning and the hardships they had to endure.

After running around in the rain to collect information, a lunch of gourmet soups, designer sandwiches and divine desserts was quite welcome. Everyone had a terrific time.

# A HAPPY BIRTHDAY SURPRISE FOR PRESIDENT KEN



*Ken thought the pat on the head was the surprise...*



*No, it was silly stuff to wear...*



*...and two beautiful cakes, enough for all the members...*

*Many happy returns, Ken! He says that he and Yvonne share the same birthday with Ken being eight hours younger. Unfortunately, Yvonne was away during this meeting and could not share in this happy celebration.*

## The Primrose Donkey Sanctuary

Sheila Burns, our 13 August speaker, is the founder and owner of the **Primrose Donkey Sanctuary** near Rice Lake. She showed many slides of her clients and



told us how they got to be in the sanctuary and, with obvious passion, she described their personalities and habits. All of her donkeys could not be cared for by their



original owners and were brought to her sanctuary by the owners or by the police. One donkey was brought by the O.P.P. after the owner left it in the bush with no food to eat. He bragged that he did not have to feed his donkey. The donkeys all have a loving home now along with two sheep, four pot belly pigs, one regular pig and lace curtains and crystal chandeliers in their barn. Learn more about the sanctuary at <http://www.primrosedonkeysanctuary.com/>.

## SEPTEMBER SPEAKERS

**10 Sep** – **Kim Patton** is a Port Hope chiropractor and will talk about chiropractic care in general with specific tips about how to do gardening while taking care of your back. Her talk is called “Rake Without The Ache.”

**24 Sep** – This is our Annual General Meeting. Instead of a speaker there will be a bus tour of local dry stone wall sites led by **John Rimmington-Shaw** and lunch afterward at **Dalewood Golf and Curling Club**.

## UPCOMING EVENTS...

### Lunch Bunch

10 September 12:30 PM  
The Mill in Cobourg

### Apps & Drinks

17 September  
Hosted by Marilyn Dunne & Dave Strong  
Sign up at the next meeting  
Bring an appetizer and your own drinks

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting

9am 24 September Dalewood Golf & Curling Club  
On Dale Road between Highway #28 & Burnham Street  
Yearly reports from committee chairs  
Introduction of new management team  
Bus tour of Port Hope dry stone wall sites  
led by John Rimmington-Shaw  
Lunch back at Dalewood \$15.00  
Sign up at the next meeting

## ONGOING EVENTS...



### PUB NITE

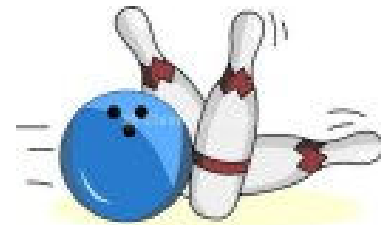
Join us for dinner, conversation, drinks  
and a sumptuous door prize  
Last Tuesday of the month  
6:00 PM at the Beamish House  
Eileen Mountain 905-885-4816

### APPS & DRINKS

Bring an appetizer and your own drinks  
Hosted by Marilyn Dunne and Dave Strong  
17 September – Sign up today  
Steve Snell 905-885-9929

### EUCHRE

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday from 2 to 4 PM  
Ruth Clarke Senior Centre 81 Mill Street  
Reg Colborne 905-885-1722



### BOWLING

5 October is the first session  
1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 1:30 PM  
Northshore Bowling Lanes  
Marshall Johnstone 905-885-8477

### LUNCH BUNCH

After our 10 September meeting  
12:30 PM at The Mill in Cobourg  
Betty Curtis 905-885-5304

### CHESS

New members encouraged  
Dave Broughton 905-885-1870

### Agawa Canyon Fall Colours Bus Tour 22,23,24 & 25 September

Price is \$430.00 per person double occupancy, \$570.00 Single.  
Price includes bus, 3 nights' accommodation, 2 at the Days Inn  
downtown Sault St. Marie, 1 night at the Fairfield Inn  
Frankenmuth Michigan, Museum pass for the museums in Sault  
St. Marie, all day train ride into the Agawa Canyon with  
breakfast on the train and BBQ lunch off the train at the halfway  
point.

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## New Membership Information

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TELEPHONE</u>	<u>E-MAIL ADDRESS</u>
Sally McCracken	148 Centennial Drive, Port Hope	905 885 – 9166	none
Dianne Mowat	9636 County Rd. #2, RR5, Cobourg	905 377 – 0666	none

# MEET OUR TWO NEW MEMBERS

## SALLY McCRACKEN



I was born and raised in Windsor, Ontario. My mother was born in Port Hope. With such family ties, it seemed natural for me to migrate to Port Hope.

I have two grown daughters, one in Ottawa and one in Bowmanville.

I enjoy Knitting, reading, cooking and old cars.

With joining Probus, I hope to enjoy new friends and have new adventures to unknown places.

## DIANNE MOWAT



I am the fifth generation of my family to be born in Port Hope. From 1969 to 1971 I lived in Colborne and from 1971 to 1973 I lived in Picton where my husband, John, worked. In 1973 he was transferred to Port Hope where we lived until 2005. We now live in Hamilton Township on four acres of land where we have an assortment of regular visitors including a wolf.

We have three sons who all live and work in the area. I worked at Matthews Conveyor in the office and at several legal offices in Port Hope. I have also worked as a sales associate.

My hobbies are "Red Hat Society" and antique cars.

## JOHN KING



Is our new stand-up comedian & story-teller.



## MURIEL CORNELIUS



Thank you, Muriel, for the two huge, delicious cakes that you baked and decorated for Ken's birthday.