A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

I am honoured to have been asked to serve as your club president for the 2010-2011 term.

I look forward to working with the officers, committee chairpersons and their helpers as well as the general membership for the betterment of the club.

We have been very fortunate to have our members volunteer to share in the management of the club and to arrange and participate in club activities and special events. We need the participation of all of our members so we may maintain our growth and to develop even more in the future.

The club officers are open to discuss any issues, concerns or ideas you may have. Please feel free to bring these to any officer in order that they may be discussed at our monthly meeting.

Remember: OUR STRENGTH IS FRIENDSHIP
OUR SUCCESS IS PARTICIPATION

Marie Van Dusen
The Speaker's Chair.

November 11th

To be announced

November 25th

Jan and Norm Lundbohm will chat to us about New Zealand, or China, or Australia…or all three.

See you at the Christmas Party  No more speakers till January.  Submitted by Anne Grant

Race and Casino Night

Ninety-six hopeful gamblers signed up for our Kawartha Downs outing this year. Unfortunately illness and unforeseen circumstances shrunk our ranks to eighty-eight.

As usual slot play and a hot handicapping competition for cash prizes became the major focus of our evening. Don Johnson was the big winner with 26 points. This total was made up of 4 wins and 2 seconds in the seven races used. This was a tremendous total. (Word has it Don had a secret weapon) check it out. Brian Salley was second with 21 points and Helga Benham and Ted McDonald tied for third place money with 20 points.

The buffet dinner served by the Kawartha Downs staff was excellent and enjoyed by all.

As the promoter and organizer I wish to thank my wife Jo, Ted and Nancy Jex and Brian and Marg Salley for their assistance. This made my job very easy. Brian’s computer program allowed us to get the results very quickly. A tremendous bonus!
Many thanks to all who participated in this annual special event. The Kawartha Downs staff enjoys our group very much.

Submitted by Eric Carleton

**THE LUNCH BUNCH**

Twenty-one of our members met after our Probus meeting on October 28th at The Matterhorn Restaurant. We all had their incomparable luncheon schnitzel which was made fresh after we arrived. This meant a delay in serving us but it was well worth the wait. One of our members had their cream of vegetable soup which was reported to be superb.

Our next lunch bunch will be held after our November 25th meeting at Cobourg’s newest seniors residence, Rosewood Estates. They are opening their dining room to the public for a short time and they have a great chef.

Submitted by Doris Rasmussen

A soldier serving overseas was upset when his girl wrote to break off their engagement and ask for her photograph back. A creative fellow, he went out and collected from his buddies all the unwanted photos of women that he could find, bundled them all together and sent them to her with a note stating the following: “Dear Mary, I cannot remember which one is you….please keep YOUR photo and return the others!”

**Coming Events**

**White Christmas**
Don’t forget—about 80 of you have tickets for the show at Victoria Hall at 8:00 p.m. on November 19th----See you there

**Canadian Tenors  Friday December 3rd**

At the Sony Centre in Toronto.
The bus will leave from Northumberland Mall. Park your car in front of the Staples Store keeping in mind there are customers wanting to shop at Staples. Therefore parking along the driveway coming in from the stoplights on Elgin at Strathy Road would be good. Please be on the Staples side of that driveway. Car pooling where possible would be appreciated.
Instruction sheets will be handed out at the November 25th meeting.
I have invited members of the other clubs to join us in order to fill the bus. But, if you wish to go----see us at the desk today.

**Christmas Party  Thursday December 9th**

At the Lion’s Centre  Happy Hour 5:00 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Members $35.00  Guests $40.00

Pick up your tickets today from Carol & Jamie Doolittle and Diana & Joe Flynn.

*Tickets are going fast so don’t be disappointed!!*

Submitted by Verna Templer

Unlike our own Marie Van Dusen, think of the teacher who had to pass on this message to her student…” I know you were elected class president. But that doesn’t mean you’ll be in charge this year.”

Final Probus Golf

There where 15 brave souls who turned out for our last Probus golf at Salt Creek on Oct. 18. It was cool when we started at 10:00 A.M. but with the sun out it soon warmed up to make golfing comfortable. The scores were 31, 36, 36, & 37. For the women longest drive Anne Grant, closest to the pin Ann Margles. For the men longest drive George Lawrence, closest to the pin Harold Coward. After golf we went to 100 mile house café in Warkworth for a great lunch. A good time was had by all.

Submitted by Ted & Nancy Jex

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**
A minister, a doctor, a rich businessman and a Scotsman were waiting seen such poor golf!" The Scotsman chimed in, "Och aye! We ha' been waitin' for nigh on fifteen minutes!" The Businessman called out, "Move it on you guys, time is money."

The minister said, "Here comes George the green-keeper. Let's have a word with him. Hello, George!" said the minister, "What's wrong with that annoying group
ahead of us? They're rather slow, aren't they?"

George the greens keeper replied, "Oh, yes, that's a group of blind fire fighters. They lost their sight saving our clubhouse from a fire last year. We always let them play for free, anytime they want to."

The group fell into an embarrassed silence for a moment. Then the minister said, "That's so sad. I think I will say a special prayer for them tonight." The doctor said, "Good idea. I'm going to contact my ophthalmologist colleagues and see if there's anything they can do for them." The businessman replied, "I think I'll donate £350,000 to the Fire Brigade Benevolent Fund in honour of these brave souls."

And the Scotsman said, "Why kin they no play at night?"

Submitted by our President

**Horse Race and Casino Night**

90 avid gamblers went to Kawartha Downs on October 27th to participate in slot play and a horse race handicapping competition. Prize money of $100 was at stake for the best handicappers in the club. The contest was hotly contested by all members, resulting in the following –

Our handicapper of the year and winner of the trophy was Dorothy Dawson. Prize money of $25 was also won. Two people were tied for second with 21 points each. Jamie Doolittle and Tony Grist each won $15. Our third place finishers Pat Robertson and George Lawrence scored 18 points and won $10 each. Marg Connell and Maura McGeachy were right behind in 4th place with 17 points and prize money of $7.50 each. Fifth place finishers Gwen Crawford and Nancy Jex were winners of $5 with 16 points.
A special award of $5 goes to Marlynne Warling for picking three winners. Unfortunately her other picks were not helpful. Picking three winners is still a big accomplishment.

The buffet dinner was excellent and everyone seemed to enjoy the day. Hopefully we can do this again next year.

As the promoter and organizer of this event I would like to thank my wife Jo and Ted Jex for their assistance.

Kawartha Downs delivered on all their promises so a good time was had by all.

Thanks for participating in this special event.

Submitted by
Eric Carleton

**MEDICAL NEWS**

Why our Health care cost are so High

Some things are easy to figure out

Bubba had shingles.
Those of us who spend much time in a doctor's office should appreciate this!
Doesn't it seem more and more that physicians are running their practices like an assembly line?
Here's what happened to Bubba:

Bubba walked into a doctor's office and the receptionist asked him what he had. Bubba said: 'Shingles.' So she wrote down his name, address, medical insurance number and told him to have a seat.

Fifteen minutes later a nurse's aide came out and asked Bubba what he had.
Bubba said, 'Shingles.' So she wrote down his height, weight, a complete medical history and told Bubba to wait in the examining room.

A half hour later a nurse came in and asked Bubba what he had. Bubba said, 'Shingles.' So the nurse gave Bubba a blood test, a blood pressure test, an electrocardiogram, and told Bubba to take off all his clothes and wait for the doctor.

An hour later the doctor came in and found Bubba sitting patiently in the nude and asked Bubba what he had.

Bubba said, 'Shingles.' The doctor asked, 'Where?'
Bubba said, 'Outside on the truck. Where do you want me to unload 'em??'

HOPE THIS MAKES YOU LAUGH OUT LOUD LIKE I DID.... THAT'S WHY I HAD TO SEND THIS TO YOU....THESE DAYS WE NEED ALL THE LAUGHS WE CAN GET

Submitted by Katherine Upper

Can a hearse carrying a corpse drive in the car pool lane??

**Knowing the difference between a cold and the H1N1 Flu Virus**

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<td>Fever is rare with a cold.</td>
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<td>Coughing</td>
<td>A hacking, productive (mucus-producing) cough is often present with a cold.</td>
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<td>Aches</td>
<td>Slight body aches and pains can be part of a cold.</td>
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<td>60% of people who have the H1N1 flu experience chills.</td>
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<td>Sudden Symptoms</td>
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<td>The H1N1 flu has a rapid onset within 3-6 hours. The flu hits hard and includes sudden symptoms like high fever, aches and pains.</td>
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<td>A headache is very common with the H1N1 flu, present in 80% of flu cases.</td>
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<td>Chest discomfort is mild to moderate with a cold.</td>
<td>Chest discomfort is often severe with the H1N1 flu.</td>
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Fellow Probians & Friends,
I would like to take this opportunity to say a big “Thank You” to each of you who sent cards of encouragement, and kind thoughts, following my knee replacement. Also, “Thanks” to those of you who have loaned me equipment, which will help with my rehabilitation. If “Friendship Heals”, I should enjoy a quick recovery.

Sincere Thanks, Patricia Robertson

Cirque du Soleil

Well I must say that the cirque du soleil was somewhat spectacular. It has got to be just about the finest show I have ever seen. The theme of the show was insects and I saw the biggest damn insects I have ever seen. Talk about giant grassoppers. They were all of six feet tall. And their costumes were nothing short of marvelous. They really did look like big green grasshoppers. But the highlight for me was the aerialists. They were simply marvelous. Away high up in the big top and swinging back and forth on the trapeze, and how they can time to catch each other is beyond comprehension. They did have nets underneath them thank goodness, otherwise if someone fell it would just be one big splat. The tent was warm, (heated) but with 2600 people the temperature came up till it was on the verge of hot. All in all it was a wonderful show. and I am certainly glad I saw it.

submitted by Ron Templer       r
The value of a Catholic education and a #2 pencil.

Little Susie was not the best student in Catholic School. Usually she slept through the class. One day her teacher, a Nun, called on her while she was sleeping. 'Tell me Susie, who created the universe?'

When Susie didn't stir, little Johnny who was her friend sitting behind her, took his pencil and jabbed her in the rear. 'God Almighty!' shouted Susie.

The Nun said, 'Very good' and continued teaching her class.

A little later the Nun asked Susie, 'Who is our Lord and Savior?'

But Susie didn't stir from her slumber. Once again, Johnny came to her rescue and stuck her in the butt.

'Jesus Christ!!' shouted Susie.

And the Nun once again said, 'Very good,' and Susie fell back asleep.

The Nun asked her a third question... 'What did Eve say to Adam after she had her twenty-third child?'

Again, Johnny came to the rescue. This time Susie jumped up and shouted, 'If you stick that damn thing in me one more time, I'll break it in half!'

The nun fainted.
AND WHAT WOULD OUR NEWSLETTER BE WITHOUT GOLF

NPOFGA FINAL ROUND FOR 2009-11-09

THIRTY SIX STALWARTS BRAVED THE ELEMENTS AT THE COBOURG CREEK GOLF COURSE ON October 13th, FOR THE FINAL ROUND OF THE OLD FOGIES GOLF SEASON. AFTER A NAIL BITING MORNING—WILL IT RAIN? HOW HARD?—OH I HOPE WE CAN PLAY.—THE SUN CAME OUT AT 10.38 AND THE WEATHER, WHILE NOT EXACTLY CLEMENT DID ALLOW US TO PLAY, ALBEIT IN A BLUSTERY COLD WIND.

RETIREMENT TO THE MILL FOR LIBATIONS OF CHOICE—MOSTLY TODDYS!! WAS FOLLOWED BY A BUFFET DINNER AND VERY LOUD CONVERSATION.

AWARDS OF THE DAY DEMONSTRATED YET AGAIN HOW FICKLE THE GAME OF GOLF CAN BE. YOU MAY WIN SOMETIMES AND LOSE SOMETIMES. RESULTS INCLUDED:

TED JEX PROVED HE CAN GO THE DISTANCE WITH MEN’S LONGEST DRIVE. MARILYN HARRIS DEMONSTRATED THE LONGEST DRIVE ON HOLE # 8, WHILE LESLEY WALLER SHOWED US HOW TO STAY ON THE STRAIGHT AND NARROW FOR CLOSEST TO THE LINE. GORD HEWSON SHOWED US THE CLOSEST TO THE LINE FROM THE MEN’S TEE. MARY DAVIES REPEATED HER RECENT SALK CREEK TRIUMPH, AGAIN SCORING CLOSEST TO THE PIN. NOT TO BE OUTDONE IN THE SURPRISE DEPARTMENT BARRY HOLLIS HIT A STRAIGHT SHOT FOR MEN’S CLOSEST TO THE PIN!!

THE WIND AND WEATHER CONDITIONS PLAYED AGAINST ANOTHER FOUR OF OUR GREAT CLUB MEMBERS FOR MOST VALUE FOR MONEY FOR THE DAY THE TEAM OF JOAN HANLON, MARILYN HARRIS, MURRAY WALLER, IAN ROGERSON COULDN’T WAIT TO GET BACK TO THE CLUBHOUSE AND SO HAD THE LOWEST SCORE OF THE DAY.
I WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE GENEROSITY OF THE FOLLOWING DONORS OF PRIZES: SALT CREEK, SHELTER VALLEY PINES, ROXBOROUGH, COBOURG CREEK GOLF COURSES.

Submitted by Ian & Patricia Rogerson

AND LET’S REMEMBER IN NO TIME IT’S 2010

GOLF 2010

SNOWBIRDS STOP PREENING! AND SNOW SHOVELLERS THINK AHEAD!

WE HAVE A RESERVATION AT THE WESTWIND RESORT IN BUCKHORN FOR MONDAY MAY 31 AND JUNE 1 2010 TO CONTINUE OUR ANNUAL SPRING GOLF GETAWAY. ALL WE NEED IS A SMALL GROUP OF WILLING SOULS TO ORGANISE THE GOLF PART. (MEMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN LODGING RESERVATIONS/PAYMENT). I WILL BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS FROM PROSPECTIVE PARTICIPANTS/ORGANISERS. BUT PLEASE GET IN TOUCH SOON BECAUSE I’M TAKING FLIGHT TOO!!

THANK YOU IAN ROGERSON 905-377-1612

http://ca.promos.yahoo.com/newmail/overview2/

Bottle of Wine

A woman and a man are involved in a car accident on a snowy, cold Monday morning; it's a bad one. Both of their cars are totally demolished, but amazingly neither of them is hurt. God works in mysterious ways. After they crawl out of their cars, the man is yelling about women drivers. The woman says, 'So, you're a man. That's interesting. I'm a woman. Wow, just look at our cars! There's nothing left, but we're unhurt. This must be a sign from God that we should be friends and live in peace for the rest of our days.' Flattered, the man replies, 'Oh yes, I agree completely, this must be a sign
from God! But you're still at fault...women shouldn't be allowed to drive.' The woman continues, 'And look at this, here's another miracle. My car is completely demolished but this bottle of wine didn't break. Surely God wants us to drink this wine and celebrate our good fortune.' She hands the bottle to the man. The man nods his head in agreement, opens it and drinks half the bottle and then hands it back to the woman. The woman takes the bottle, puts the cap back on and hands it back to the man. The man asks, 'Aren't you having any?' The woman replies, 'No. I think I'll just wait for the police...'

MORAL OF THE STORY:
Women are clever and evil. Don't mess with them. Submitted by Anne Margles

FROM YOUR EDITORS..THANK YOU FOR THE WRITE UP OF EVENTS, THE JOKES AND STORIES..PLEASE KEEP THEM COMING!

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR