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## **PROBUS Club of Oshawa Newsletter: June 2022**

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### **President's Message**

As I write this message, the sun is shining and it feels like a nice warm day. Last weekend's storm was something I have never encountered before and I must say I do not want to encounter it again. It caused catastrophic damage to many parts of the province and I suspect we all know of personal friends or relatives who were affected.

I would like to thank all those that attended our May meeting. I am hoping each month we will see more members attend and we will return to normality by September.

I know you miss it, but still no coffee/treats or 50/50 draws but this will be discussed at our June management team meeting. I will provide an update at the General Meeting.

Your Social Committee have been working hard to come up with some great events. Landmark Theatre, Kawartha Downs, Westben to name a few. Read further in the Newsletter to see what other events are planned and consider participating if you are able.

Your Special Interest Groups are getting back together and sign-up sheets will be available at the June meeting. Please take time to see what is available. You may find something of "special interest".

Our guest speaker in May was Terry Fallis, a Canadian Humorist and Novelist. He spoke on his newest book titled "Operation Angus". The characters in the book were Angus and Daniel. He wrote about these two in his first novel "The Best Laid Plans" published in 2007.

Our scheduled June speaker is Dr. Patricia Wheeler and her presentation will be music in the movies.

Please stay safe and I look forward to seeing you at our June 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

*Garry Christenson*  
*President*

### **Smiles and Groaners**

What do Alexander the Great and Winnie the Pooh have in common? Same middle name.

What is the opposite of a Croissant? A happy uncle.

If April showers bring May flowers, what do May flowers bring? Pilgrims.

What's the opposite of irony? Wrinkly.

What do you call a woman who sets fire to all her bills? Bernadette.

And the last one:

A friend of mine went bald years ago, but still carries around an old comb. He just couldn't part with it.



## MANAGEMENT TEAM: Nominations – 2022-2023

It is that time again. Time to look forward and start planning for our Club's opening up fully with the help of our members. Filling positions on our Management Team for the upcoming year starting September 2022 to August 2023, is a key part of that process. Nothing happens in any volunteer organization like ours, without the help and dedication of our members in a variety of roles.

As such we have initiated the search to fill a few positions for next year's Management Team.

We require volunteers to fill the following positions:

1. Vice-President
2. Co- Secretary
3. Members- at-Large (2-3) who attend Management Team Meetings every other month to become aware of positions on the team and corresponding responsibilities, with the intent of moving into a vacant position when needed
4. Co-Chairs for several of our committees
5. Committee members

We encourage all members to give serious consideration to volunteering for one of these open positions. Having Co-Chairs, helps in sharing the responsibility with another member in an effort to exchange ideas and lessen the workload. Whether you are a relatively new member or have been involved for some years, please let us know how you can help.

Job descriptions are available for all of our Management Team positions, plus current or former Team Members are available to help you get started. For more information, please email Maria de Jong [mariska578@gmail.com](mailto:mariska578@gmail.com) , Garry Christenson [garry1.christenson@sympatico.ca](mailto:garry1.christenson@sympatico.ca) or Chuck Keller [helmutprob42@gmail.com](mailto:helmutprob42@gmail.com).

*Maria de Jong, Past President*



**JUNE SPEAKER** – Dr. Patricia Wheeler, Lecturer, Toronto Metropolitan University, School of Media – The Magic of Music in Film

Dr. Wheeler's presentation will explore the functions of music in film, how music can support or play against the images on the screen, and the processes involved in scoring a motion picture.

[Click here](#) for information on Last Month's Speaker, Terry Fallis' new book "Operation Angus".



We are pleased to welcome six new members: Erwin (Erv) Rempel, John and Lorraine Manuel, Bill Edward, Jane Roberts and Bruno Scanga. This brings our membership number to 268.

If you have changes to your contact information, please email **Connie Nelson** at [connienelson@rogers.com](mailto:connienelson@rogers.com) or call (905) 576-9022.



## GETTING TO KNOW OUR NEWER MEMBERS

Vice-President Chuck Keller welcoming our new members to the Club on March 8<sup>th</sup>.

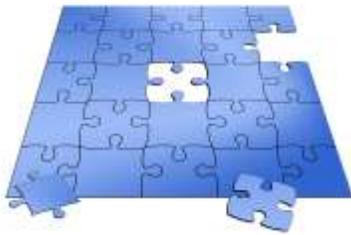


### PROBUS Clothing:



Since our club started, we have been providing the opportunity to buy jackets, hats, sweatshirts, t shirts, etc. bearing the OSHAWA PROBUS LOGO. The position is open for anyone interested in looking after this for Oshawa PROBUS Club. Lorraine Veroba will provide information and assistance as needed. Please consider taking on this task which is limited in time required to do it. For more Information, contact Lorraine.

**PROBUS** clothing is available online now. See Website link below to Roy's Enterprise. The site is set up for individual orders. No group orders necessary. Prices, colors and club names are on the website. [Roy's Enterprise](#)



## Puzzle exchange

Friends in the Richmond Hill PROBUS Club advise their club has success with a puzzle exchange. Pat and Gerry Henderson are willing start an exchange in our club. The rules are quite simple – If you bring puzzles, you must take an equal number of puzzles. Please, help us keep this under control. Let's see if we can duplicate Richmond Hill's success.



To follow the links within this Newsletter, don't forget to "Ctrl + Click".



## Kawartha Downs - Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 6 PM

And we are off to the races! Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 6 PM. We have a good group signed up for Kawartha Downs and have confirmed our attendance. We are full to throw a little bit of fun in we are going to have a "Fascinator" contest. For any of you that have watched the Kentucky Derby or the Queen's Plate you will know of what I speak. You can research them on line. Please do. To avoid gender offending this is open to men and women but I expect it will be mostly women. And there will be prizes too. Here are the rules. 1. The Fascinator must be made from things you have around the house or \$\$ Store items. 2. You have to wear it long enough for it to be judged. 3. No one comes last in my contests. 4. You must wear your PROBUS name tag with it. Be there before 6 PM and ready to go upstairs to the dining room. Let's have a good time. Call Fred Ford at 905-721-9302 if you have any questions.



### **Union Cemetery Tour - Thursday June 23<sup>rd</sup>:**

An in-depth look at Oshawa's history, and how the cemetery has grown from original settler days to now. Some unique headstones. Cost is \$5 each. We need a minim of ten attendees for the tour. Parking is at the Civic Auditorium, only five minutes away.



### **Local Discovery Tour - Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>.**

Here we go again! Get into your car with friends or family and explore nearby communities. You may find out things you did not know about local history and public art. The first adventure will take you to Whitby. Admission fee is \$5 per car. You will have two days to complete the route. Enough time to stop and smell the roses or have a coffee along the way! You can sign up at the next general meeting or drop your fee at Jackie Frank's house. In August, we will visit Clarington and in the fall, we will visit Port Perry and Uxbridge.

### **Aga Khan Museum, Toronto - Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup>**

We are proposing a visit to the Aga Khan Museum, located in Toronto at 77 Wynford Drive, North York, about 42 km away. You can go to their website and preview some of the marvelous things to see at [Aga Khan Museum](#). Admission is \$15 unless we get ten or more and then it drops to \$12 each. Parking is \$10/car. The tour starts at 11 AM., on a 1<sup>st</sup> come first served basis to a maximum of 12 people and costs \$5 or you can be your own tour guide if you wish. We should arrive about 10 AM. There is a very fancy dining room that will cost a lot but there is other food available at a more reasonable price. The grounds are beautiful and we are free to roam there too. It does not say, but I am sure you can bring your own picnic along if you wish. Carpooling is suggested. If someone needs a ride call Fred Ford, he can take up to four more.



## WestBen Theatre: ABBA Mia – Wednesday July 20<sup>th</sup>

A 5-person musical review of ABBA's work. Showtime is 2 PM, but please check-in by 1:30 PM. Cost \$55, by cheque to PROBUS Club of Oshawa. So far, we are about 50% subscribed. Port Perry PROBUS club is taking 25 tickets. Cutoff date: our June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. If you want to sit with friends, write it on the envelope. There is NO follow-on supper, as the Church no longer provides.



**Pine Ridge Model Railroaders** - for 3<sup>rd</sup> week of August, day to be determined. Their president is checking with his executive to determine which day in the 3rd week of August will be available for our tour.

The facility is located at 32 Wilson Road North (St. Paul's Presbyterian Church). They have a very large layout, with two different gauges, and some quite detailed landscaping, all spread over two floors. Each train is controlled remotely by a member through their individual wireless control units. The cost is \$2 each.



## Orono Fair - Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.

It's time to go the fair again! There will be a talent competition, western classic country music, a magical comedy mentalist, various exhibits, a midway, antique tractors, a blacksmith demonstration, birds of prey, axe throwing, chainsaw carving, food and much more. The tickets are \$12 per

person.



## September 21<sup>st</sup> Trenton

A self-guided tour. The display of the Canadian air force's history over many decades is inside the museum's building. Outside, there is a display of the actual aircraft flown by the RCAF in the air park surrounding the building. The Cost is \$8 each. (Group rate - \$6 each, need 15, prearranged for group.)

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS



If your group is meeting, don't forget to send photos of your activities to be included in the newsletter. Please send your information/photos to Cindy Fleming by the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month.



### Card Making Group: Mary Gibson

There has been an interest shown by a few people who want to try their hand at making homemade cards. If you are interested in this, as things open up please contact Mary at [Marmojl245481@gmail.com](mailto:Marmojl245481@gmail.com).



### BOOKIES – Jane Havens and Barbara Towey

The Bookies will meet on Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 1 PM. Jane Havens will host the group when we make our book selections for next year.

### BOOKWORMS – Maria Upton and Barb Jones

In June, the Bookworms we are having a social meeting, hosted by Phyllis Langley in her lovely garden if the weather cooperates!

### PROBUS BOOK CLUB - Mary Kelcey

The PROBUS Book Club will meet in June to plan next year's book selections.



### BRAIN GAMES – Jackie Frank

The next Brain Games will take place on Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM at Lakeview Park. Jackie Frank will send further directions to the group members closer to the date.

## INTERMEDIATE BRIDGE CLASSES - Pete and Barb Jones

Bridge classes will be offered to members of the Oshawa PROBUS Club and the Durham Central PROBUS Club for six consecutive Friday afternoons, beginning on September 9<sup>th</sup>.

These classes are for INTERMEDIATE players only and will be free of charge but there will be a small materials fee (for photocopy expenses, etc.).

Classes, which will be held in our kitchen, will be very limited in size and will last approximately an hour and a half. Watch your e-mail for registration instructions which will be sent out to both PROBUS Clubs on the morning of Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. If you're interested in joining us, please mark your calendars! First come, first served!!

Knowing that intermediate players use a variety of bidding systems, the lessons will focus on the play of the hand and/or defence. The lesson topics will be chosen from the following:

- To pull or not to pull trump...that is the question!
- Ducking
- Loser on Loser Play
- Unblocking
- Throw-in plays
- Lavinthal Discards and coded Jacks and Tens
- Frozen Suits
- No five card suit in dummy should ever be ignored!

We promise minimal "teacher talk" and maximum playing time! A handout will be provided for each lesson.

## MARATHON BRIDGE – Frank Kelcey



Oshawa PROBUS Marathon Bridge Year End Banquet  
Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 1PM, Bella Notte Restaurant, [3570 Brock Street North, Whitby, ON](#)

Frank is arranging the banquet with Bella Notte again this year on Thursday June 9<sup>th</sup>, at 1 PM. You will be able to order a-la-carte so a wide variety will be available, followed by 12 hands of bridge. Please RSVP (905) 723-5737 so Frank will know how many are coming. Prizes will be

awarded, so please bring \$7 per person so we can pay for them!

Not currently a Marathon Member? Not a problem! We are inviting all others who hopefully will be playing with us in the fall. Please feel free to forward this to other members who may be interested.

Questions? Comments? Please give Frank a call.





### DAY TRIPPERS – Jackie Frank

On Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Day Trippers are heading to Lucy Maud Montgomery House, in Leaksdale (Uxbridge) for a tour and lunch. The cost is \$20. Please contact Dorothy Shrigley if you wish to attend. Payment will be made on site.



### GARDEN AND NATURE GROUP – Jackie Frank

On Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, the group will go to see Artists in the Garden, an event supporting Hearth Place Cancer Support Centre. We will visit beautiful private gardens in Durham Region while listening to the sounds of local musicians and viewing creations of local artists. The cost is \$20 when purchased in advance (online or at some outlets) or \$25 at the garden gates.



### GOLF – Jack Cadan

Calling all golfers ☐ Who shoots a 6, yells "fore" and writes 5.

It's that time of year that the yearning to frustrate oneself by spoiling a good walk chasing a little white (or sometimes coloured) ball around a golf course. The time has come to let me know who wants to join us once a week for 9 holes of golf. The format will be the same that I have used the last couple of years.

We will play either Tuesday or Wednesday morning (around 9 AM) at Spring Creek or Hawthorne golf courses. Simply send me an email to register for this activity. All future correspondence will be through email. I expect that we will begin in early May and run through to about Thanksgiving. Jack Cadan - [jackcadan@sympatico.ca](mailto:jackcadan@sympatico.ca)

Spring has sprung the grass 🌿 is riz  
I wunda where the boidies 🐣 iz  
The boidies is 1 under 🎯 par  
I wunda how many there are 😊



## LUNCH GROUP - Donna Keller and Marilyn Lannon

Our lunch group met on Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at Coco Fruitti's in Oshawa, with 14 members present. We enjoy the friendship and getting to know each other better, plus we had a delicious lunch. The decor was impressive with several huge chandeliers gracing the area. Nothing but the best for our group! This month we had another new member join our group, plus one birthday girl. Welcome, and happy birthday.

Our search begins for next month's mystery restaurant, stay tuned!



(Photos courtesy of Donna Keller)



## MOVIE GROUP – Mary Gibson

Our Landmark Movie group is 21 people now. Excitement is building as we watch all the new trailers for coming movies.

ZOOM Movie group for Netflix is still going strong. We pick two things to watch and every second Friday night at 7 PM we get together to discuss the movies/ series/ documentaries we've all seen. Please contact Mary if you would like to join the group. Mary Gibson. [Marmojl245481@gmail.com](mailto:Marmojl245481@gmail.com).



### SCRABBLE – Judy Bryson

The Scrabble group will be meeting on Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM at 481 Masson Street, Oshawa. All are welcome. Please RSVP Judy (905) 576-0492. The Group will not be meeting in July or August.

### URBAN POLE WALKING – Sharon Smith



PROBUS Urban Pole Walking Schedule for June, 2022  
 9 AM start Monday and Friday mornings weather permitting [sharonsmith@sympatico.ca](mailto:sharonsmith@sympatico.ca) (416) 938-7841.

June 3 Friday	Waterfront Trail at Whitby Shores. Gordon Street South (off Victoria Street west) to the end, turn left parking and entrance
June 6 Monday	Cullen Gardens Trail. Taunton Road, turn north on Cochrane. Right at 2nd dirt road toward Pickleball courts.
June 10 Friday	Oshawa Creek Trail. Simcoe South, right on Mill Street drive to STORIE Park Clubhouse for parking (on the left at crest of hill after bridge)
June 13 Monday	Thickson Point To Heydenshore. Meet at end of Thickson Road South to parking area (as far as you can go before lake)
June 17 Friday	North/South Rail Trail. Park at Senior's Centre at Beatrice & Ritson Road. Connect to trail behind Centre
June 20 Monday	Harmony Creek Trail. Parking at Rossland and Wilson Plaza near Bollock Pub (previous Tartan). North on path first and then south to Adelaide up to construction where it is blocked from going further.
June 24 Friday	Darlington Park Trail – Col Sam Drive past GM Corporate building. Turn right on dirt road - follow to parking at the end
June 27 Monday	Thickson Woods Trail. Meet at end of Thickson Road South to parking area (as far as you can go before lake). Cross road to Thickson Woods walking east.



(Nature photos courtesy of Sharon Smith)



## YARN DIVAS - Barb Jones

The Yarn Divas look forward to more in-person meetings and have decided to meet over the summer. Our next meetings will be:

Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 10 AM at the home of Sandra Hunt

Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 10 AM at the home of Barb Jones

All Oshawa PROBUS members who like to knit or crochet are welcome to join us. Please contact Barb Jones for more information.

# TidBITS

If any of our members have a favourite recipe, puzzle, photos of previous events, ideas on how interest groups are staying connected or any other information that might be of interest to others in our Club, please submit them to our newsletter editor, Cindy Fleming, ([clf0808@yahoo.ca](mailto:clf0808@yahoo.ca)) for inclusion in the newsletter.



## Member Care

With a Club such as ours, we need your help to let us know if one of our members is experiencing a serious illness or is hospitalized. Our Club would like to let our ill members and their families know that they are in our thoughts as they deal with their illness with respect to the family's wishes for privacy.

In the same way, we need you to let us know if you become aware that a member, their spouse or close family member has passed on. Often the family does not think to contact our Club, or know who to contact under these difficult circumstances. We would like to respect the wishes of family and give our members the opportunity to express their condolences to the bereaved. Please let us know so we can respond appropriately. Email [mariska578@gmail.com](mailto:mariska578@gmail.com) or [oshawaprobclub@gmail.com](mailto:oshawaprobclub@gmail.com).

**PROBUS Club of Oshawa Website:**  
[www.oshawaprobus.com](http://www.oshawaprobus.com)

**PROBUS CANADA Website:**  
[www.probus.org](http://www.probus.org)

### **PROBUS GLOBAL**

There are over 4,000 clubs worldwide with over 350,000 members. Of those there are over 260 clubs operating in Canada. What you may not know that PROBUS also has a **Global Club.**

PROBUS GLOBAL is open to any member of a PROBUS Club and provides an on-line forum to make connections to PROBUS members around the world.

<https://probusglobal.org>

