

## WHAT IS A PROBUS CLUB?

PROBUS is an abbreviation for **Professional Business**. A PROBUS Club is social in nature and is open to semi-retired & retired professional & business people though membership is not restricted to these groups. People with similar interests who wish to meet with like-minded individuals in their retirement years are welcome to the club. A PROBUS CLUB member may sponsor an individual who is interested in joining the club.

Individuals who do not have a sponsor are welcome to join the Oshawa PROBUS Club by emailing [oshawaprobusclub@gmail.com](mailto:oshawaprobusclub@gmail.com) .

The club is non-political, non-sectarian, non-profit & non-fundraising.

## WHAT HAPPENS IN A PROBUS CLUB?

Regular monthly meetings provide a brief business session, a social time with refreshments, & a stimulating speaker. Attendance is not compulsory. Therefore, people who travel or go away for the summer or winter months are not excluded. The business portion of the monthly meeting is an opportunity to inform members about upcoming activities so that members can sign up during break-time.

## SOCIAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Social Activities between meetings range from sporting events, travel, visits to places of interest to any other activity that the Social Committee wishes to organize. Input from members is welcome. Generally there is one event per month e.g. group tickets to Live Theater, Dinner Theater, Car Rally, Trivia Night, Bowling, Lawn Bowling, Bus Tour, Cruise, Christmas Dinner & Dance etc.

Members sign up for events at the monthly meetings. Information about upcoming events & regular activities is provided at each monthly meeting & in the monthly newsletter.

These are pay –as- you- go events. The fees cover the cost of the outing. Many outings are onetime events only; some are repeated each year.

## WHAT ARE INTEREST GROUPS?

Interest Groups are small, regular group activities for **members only** (a club within a club). Anyone with a particular hobby or interest can start an Interest Group. These groups vary in size from 6-30, depending on the activity & the venue.

**Attendance** is not compulsory. Members usually take turns hosting during the year. Lunch Groups meet at a different location each month to sample local restaurant offerings. These groups vary in size.

Other examples of Interest Groups include: art, music appreciation, hiking, golf, pole walking, dancing, euchre, movies, opera, bridge, pool, poker, etc. Anyone with a special interest can suggest a new activity.