

# Pro-Buzz

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## **GOLF, GAMBLING, WINE AND (OH, MY!) LEATHER**

Niagara Falls is still reeling from the onslaught of Probus Northumberland golfers and hangers-on in late May and early June. Blessed not only with good looks and charm, but also with great weather, they left a trail of broken dreams at the casinos, enjoyed great munchies they'd brought along for their pre-dinner happy hours and excelled on the golf course.

Perhaps the biggest hit was the first aid station and emergency medical centre operated and staffed by hostess Dorothy Dawson, M.D. As well as bandages, potions and soothing lotions, Dr. Dot dispensed TLC and energy-boosting packages for everyone on and off the golf course, writes Pro-Buzz staff reporter Cathy Alexander. And she always knew where the corkscrew was to be found.

Probus shoppers trailed about Niagara-on-the-Lake laden with bags (not you, madam) and some ransacked nearby outlet stores (Cathy suggests keeping an eye out for leather jackets in red, hot pink, turquoise and basic black at future Probus meetings... and that's just the men).

Carol Lynn's genteel behaviour and devotion to the success of the Niagara visit earned her the most outstanding presentation of the golf outing's raucous closing night banquet at the Best Western Cairn Croft. She'd been a good girl all year, said Chris Wilson, so she well deserved the Niagara plant (Latin name *Niagara phallus*) that was being carefully watered to bring it up to its full glory. She'd love to tell you about it.

The final event was the post-banquet sing-along, made more professional this year by having printed song sheets and Brian Salley's musical leadership on guitar.

Ah, yes, the golf. It all went perfectly. Stan Maggs (any complaints, talk to Diane) introduced the winners. And they were: Winning Team: Patricia Robertson, George Lawrence, Gordon Hewson, Mary Davis; Closest to the Pin: Patricia Robertson and Al Poppke (each received watches donated by Dorothy Dawson in memory of her husband, John Currie); Most Honest Team: Stan Maggs, Marg Madsen, Al Poppke; Least Putts: Al Wilson, Diane Maggs, Tom Wallace. The Scavenger Hunt was won by Tom and Lynn Wallace.

## **GOLFING IN THE SUN**

It was hot and humid, "but despite this everyone appeared to enjoy" Probus Northumberland's annual golf tournament, writes Marie Van Dusen. And perhaps none more than Roland 'Ace' Alexander, who had a hole in one.

This year's tournament, held Monday, June 13 at Shelter Valley Pines, drew 48 competitors.

The winning team of Anne Grant, Marg McDougall, Ron Bushby and Errol Markle received the club trophy and a Hoselton figurine.

Alan Wilson, Marg Madsen and Al Poppke made up the most honest team. Patricia Robertson and Don Murray were closest to the pin. Marg McDougall and Fred Cooke were closest to the line.

