



PROBUS PATTERN

CLUB STARTED JULY 1998

NOVEMBER 2012

President's Message

R116827. This number seems to be indelibly inscribed in my childhood memory. I vividly recall it written in large black paint on the side of my father's duffel bag. At the beginning of World War II, it was the number assigned to him when he volunteered for the R.C.A.F. so that, as he put it, "he and Churchill could win the war".

My mother and I accompanied him on postings to Gimli, Manitoba and Kapuskasing, Ontario where he was involved in testing Lancaster Bombers "under adverse weather conditions." I can attest to the adverse weather conditions. Living in a summer cottage with no indoor facilities or running water on the shores of Lake Winnipeg at the height of winter was "adverse"; even to the youngster I was at the time!

Dad was later posted to England and towards the end of the war back to London, Ontario where our family was reunited.

Fortunately, he was unscathed during his service but one of his 3 brothers, who also volunteered (2 Navy, 1 Air Force), was not so fortunate when his ship was torpedoed and he was lost at sea.

In November it is time for us to remember the men and women who have served, and continue to serve our country during times of war, conflict and peace. In particular to honour those who made the ultimate sacrifice so that we may continue to live in freedom.

On the Club's behalf, I will be laying a wreath at the Cenotaph on November 11.

We shall not forget

Gary



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September 25.2012 **Car Rally** The organizers for this event Fraser and Edith Carr, Carolyn and Gary Webb did a super job to find the highways and byways of the Cavan - Monohan Township and Millbrook areas that made this rally a special event. They made several trips around the area to make sure everything was as well planned as possible.

Even the sheep that Eric Norenus photographed on the Tupper Road were surprised at the number of cars and people finding their way: a few members who knew what they were doing and others who were not so sure. (Thank you to Eleanor and Terry for the pictures)

The Black Diamond Golf Club was the chosen venue for Lunch they provided a good meal, good service in a setting that could not be beaten and the weather was "also well planned"

Tupper Road sheep



First car winners;
Liz Davidson, George Watson,
Shirley Kane, Doreen Rossi



Last car winners:
Marg and Paul Tait,
Ed and Nancy Ford



Dorothy Gilmer won the prize for
The person who tried hard to learn the
Rally route before the event



Second car winners; Catherine Ramsey,
Mysie Vanhinsberg, Anne and Sel shields

New Member: October 2 2012 Barb Moorcroft introduced the newest member to the club, Joy-Ann Moore, a long-time resident who has retired from a busy business career in this area. Although retired it sounds as though Joy Ann is very much involved in community affairs. Gary welcomed Joy-Ann on behalf of the members.

October 3 2012 Edith and Fraser Carr arranged another planned outing A Cruise from Port Severn to the Big Shute Marine Railway All members said it was a great trip, the weather cooperated and Vern and Judy Johnson served as the “official photographers” for the day.



October 2 2012. We had the pleasure of a listening to a presentation by Dr. Steven Levinson, a gifted speaker who shared with us “Ten Reasons Not to Die”, by presenting very sound medical information laced with a strong dose of excellent humour and very amusing medical cartoon images. Dr. Levinson is a local family physician, medical consultant, media - personality, lecturer, professional facilitator and artist. For years Dr Levinson was a nationally syndicated TV and Radio writer and host of medical features for CBC News hour, The Journal, Canada AM, Radio Morning, and many other shows. Away from the Medical Profession Dr Levinson is a Professional Fine Art Photographer as well as contributing a column to the local Snap Publication on a regular basis.

October 16 2012. Guest speaker Dave Adams, Executive Director of the Foundation, Five Counties Children's Centre described the many programs and services available through the Centre. The Centre was a Rotary Project 35 years ago to provide service and treatment to children at a local level, to avoid long distance travel to major centres. Today the Centre provides specialized treatment to approximately 5000 children annually and there is still a wait list. The different treatment modalities include: Physio and Occupational Therapy, Therapeutic Recreational, Speech and Language, Augmentative Communication, Family Social Services, Equipment Loans, Specialized Clinics. Pre-school Resource teachers this program also includes transitional help for older students.

Five Counties Centre services a large area, and although funded by the Ministry of Children and Youth Services Branch, active fundraising for this not-for profit organization is crucial, the fund-raising efforts and monies raised allows the Centre to provide service to a larger number of children served in a year. Dave described modern technology and up to date devices that are a must to help these children blend and maximize to their potential in today's world.

The new management team 2012 – 2013
(Terry took the team out of the line up with this picture)



Future meetings:

November 6 - a representative from CFB Trenton will speak.

Please wear your medals/decorations for this meeting recognizing Remembrance Day.

November 20 - Paul and Anne Burnham - 'Fruit of the Land'

REMINDER - we aim to provide a program of speakers that will stimulate and entertain.

Please let me know what will interest you at alan.butler@sympatico.ca

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SPECIAL EVENTS: Anne and Sel Shields will be looking after Special Events for us. If there is an activity, event, or trip you would like to have included, please pass the information on to them (905 885-4029). You may wish to organize the event yourself, with Ann and Sel's assistance, or they are willing to organize it for you.

PROBUS SPECIAL EVENTS: The Canadian Premiere of the Musical
A CHRISTMAS CAROL by CHARLES DICKENS: featuring our own Blair McFadden
and the VOS Theatre

November 17, 2012 at 2.00 p.m. Victoria Hall, Cobourg

COST: \$26.00 (includes \$2.50 service fee) contact: Pauline Carrick, 885-8554

(I have ordered 20 tickets) **Cheque must be in by November 6th meeting**

Probus Patter. Newsletter November 6 2012 (insert sheet)

Catering Coordinator Judy Johnson: Note from Judy:

“If you are unable to cover your assigned shift, please find your own replacement”. Thank you

Date	Captain	Volunteers	Oct.16/12	Captain	Volunteers
NOV 6	Pauline Carrick	May Anderson	Nov 20	Pauline Carrick	Eleanor Carter
		Edith Carr			Terry Hickey
		Eliz. Weaver			Helen Smith
		Lucy Frew			Paul Smith

Greeters / Welcome Coordinator Barb Winfield

November 6	Shirley Kane	George Watson	
November 20	Don Kent	Blair McFadden	

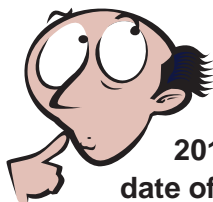
Christmas Party. Dorothy Gilmer is busy making the plans for the Probus Club Christmas Party to be held on Tuesday December 4 2012 at 12-30 pm, at the Lions Centre Port Hope. Tickets will go on sale November 6 and November 20 2012. Sign-up sheets will be available. More details from Dorothy to come later.

Lynn Liddell reported that the planning is underway for the “Probus Extravaganza”.to be held in May 2013 at the Keeler centre in Colborne.

This event will bring together several Probus Clubs and more information will be forth coming in the next few months.

The VP’s of the Northumberland Clubs meet on a regular basis to share ideas and learn from each other.

Gentle reminders:



There will be no Probus Patter published in December, and the normal date for the Patter falls on January 1 2013, arrangements are made to publish on January 15 2013 and we will resume the practice of producing the newsletter on the first meeting date of the month on February 5 2013.

Eleanor Carter will be producing the Patter for January 15 information to be included should reach Eleanor by December 28 2012

Information to Eleanor by January 25 for the February 5 newsletter.

Eleanor will be in touch if there are any changes.