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Probus Club of Colborne

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**Meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from September through June at the Keeler Centre in Colborne (unless otherwise designated by the current executive)**

## 2012-13 Executive

President	Barry McQuillin
Vice President	Diane Dycke
Secretary	Shirley Ross
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### Committees

Speakers	Eileen Milley
Membership	Alan Cullum
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Coming events	Mary Lee
Sunshine	Heather McElroy
Welcome	MJ/Bill Doherty
Bowling	Gord McArthur
Coffee	Carol McArthur Heather McElroy
Quartermaster	Al Mackie
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## From the President's Perch



Hi Fellow Probians,

It is great to get away for a winter break and let Vice Pres. Diane Dycke handle the reins for the two meetings in March. She will do a wonderful job and give you a taste of what next year will be like under her guidance. Have a really great month.

The first meeting in April will be a change in format as it will be the first Hobby Show with a Buy, Sell, Swap feature. Do you remember back to show and tell in elementary school? Same thing but grown up. Everyone is requested to bring in a sample or display of your favourite hobby and if it is of a size that you can demonstrate, that will be perfect. For example, we have several hookers in our Club that would love to give you a demonstration. We have knitters, sewers, carvers, collectors, preservers, bakers, restorers, photographers etc who can strut their stuff and show off. I plan to bring in my collection of beer steins (empty of course). If anyone wants to, they may try to sell or swap items from their hobby display and keep the proceeds. Should be a fun mixer for everyone.

The second meeting in April will be our Anniversary Luncheon and everybody should plan on being there. Peter Bose, an Ombudsman from the Insurance Industry, will be our special speaker and we plan to honour the founding members of our club on this 10th Anniversary. Cost of the meal will be partially subsidized for all members.

I promised you a tour of the Airplane Museum at Base Trenton and it is on the calendar for June. Restorations have pushed it back in their schedule.

Have fun, keep smiling. People will wonder what you are up to! See you in April.  
Fondly,  
Barry

**HAPPY  
ST. PATRICK'S  
DAY**

## Probus Bowling Gang

On Monday, February 11, 2013 three teams , 15 members, of eager bowlers from our club were entered in the Annual Probus Bowling Tournament held in Cobourg. There were 23 teams entered and a good time was had by all. Colborne made their mark as a first time entrant by taking four prizes. Velma Robinson won a bottle of wine for her efforts on behalf of the Ladies, Muriel Todd and Bob Andrews won portions of the 50/50 draw and the team “won” the “prestigious “ OAKEN LOO SEAT”, coming last overall. It is with great pride that we are now known as the Team to beat.

There were 133 bowlers at the luncheon afterwards and we had the opportunity to meet fellow Probians from the various clubs.

*Gord McArthur*



Happy Colborne Probus members at the Northumberland Probus Tournament.



Velma Robinson accepts her spot prize.



Gord McArthur accepts our "trophy".

### **COLBORNE PROBUS BOWLERS TROPHY HOLDERS**

As contributors to “earning” this AWARD OF DISTINKTION each participating team family representing the Probus Club of Colborne will have the Honour of providing a good home for a period of one month. The only exception being, if you own a wood burning fireplace, a waiver of trust must be signed and notarized.

The order of possession will be in alphabetical order and I trust all team members will be as willing to assume this daunting task as you were when you agreed to represent our club.

1- Bev & Bob Andrews

2- Louise & Martin Blackshaw

- 3- Bonnie Hilliard
- 4-Carol & Gord McArthur
- 5- Sue & Barry McQuillin
- 6- Eileen Milley
- 7- Doris & Martin Noakes
- 8-Velma & Wilf Robinson
- 9- Muriel Todd

**February 6 - Valentine's Love-In**



Martin Blackshaw, Martin Noakes



Thelma Oulette, Doris Noakes



Wilf and Velma Robinson  
our newest members

Share The Wealth Winner - Louise McNutt - \$24.50.

**February 20**

Our speaker was **Eileen Argyris**, one-time editor of the Colborne newspaper. Eileen shared her love of the history of our area as she read human interest excerpts from her book **How Firm A Foundation**.



Pres. Barry introducing new members  
Wilf and Velma Robinson and Lenna Broatch



Happy bowlers with our wonderful (?) trophy.

Share the Wealth Winner - Shirley Ross (Sorry, I forgot to record just how much Shirley won. All I can say is, "Shirley is now a wealthy woman!")

### **Upcoming Probus Events**

March 6 - Surprise!!!

March 20 - Speaker Vicky Catton - A Display of her Ukrainian Easter Eggs and the Meaning of the Painted Symbols.

### **Community Events**

March 8 & 22 - Salem Church will continue with their lunch program

March 9 - Salem Church is having a Square Dance, Pie Auction, and Quilt Show

### **Probus Update**

Daphne Sims, our speaker last October, has sent the following update from Nepal.

**"Change for Charange** our little charity was able to provide funding to sponsor all 40 students who will be in Santikali Pre-Primary School in the new year in both Kindergarten and Grade one, and we were also able to sponsor 25 students from the village to attend High School . It has been a good year for fund raising. The Sponsorship Committee in Rip Gau and the whole village is very grateful that the children in the village have the opportunity to attend school. We built the school and they came, and their mothers came and a new cycle has begun where education is now important to the majority of the people in the area. There are still children in the area who do not attend school but it is not because the funding is not available. It is. The classrooms are very basic with mats on the floor and a couple of bench desks but it is standard for school in the mountains and a start. With each visit more school supplies and books arrive. I am hoping that the local Youth Committee will set up a lending library with the childrens books we currently have."

### **THE LAST WORD**

This month's last words come to us from Mrs. Anonymous who said, "If you could kick the person responsible for your problems, you wouldn't be able to sit down for a week."

### **April in Touch Deadline – March 27, 2013**

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