



THE PRO-BUZZ

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Cooler temperatures remind us that summer is winding down and autumn is just around the corner. Another busy season of golf is also wrapping up. The final four games of the Northumberland Probus Club Golf Group are listed in the chart on the following page. A note of appreciation is extended to Danny Robertson for once again organizing the schedule for these events.

In addition to the scheduled Probus Club outings, the golf season included a three-day golf getaway in Gananoque. Thanks go to Jean Crowley, Marie Van Dusen and Fred Cooke for organizing this very successful annual event.

GOLF AT ASH BROOK

On July 15th, twenty-three Probus members braved the heat and turned up to play golf at the Ash Brook course. It was extremely hot and even most of our dedicated walkers opted to take a cart. We also took lots of water with us. We played a version of a modified shambles format called 'Step Aside', where each person teed off and the golfer hitting the longest ball would step aside and the other team members would be the only ones to hit the next ball. The pattern of hitting and stepping aside would then continue to the final putt on each green.



Congratulations to: Men's Longest Drive Winner Barry Hollis

Women's Longest Drive Winner Jean Crowley

Most of us stayed for lunch at the club and the beverages were most appreciated. As usual, the good company resulted in an enjoyable morning.

Submitted by Nancy Thomas

GOLF AT STONEHENGE

On Monday, July 29th, the weatherman was good to us. Thirty golfers, making up eight groups, headed out on the course at 9:30am. It got quite cloudy, showered on us a little, got a bit windy and cooler, but it sure didn't dampen the spirits of this great group of golfers.

Winners for the day: Longest drive for the ladies was Everil Alls and for the men was Fred Cooke. Three other guys had their names on the card for longest drive but didn't follow the rules, reminding us that it's important to read the rules! We will never know for sure whether Fred's very long drive actually outdistanced the other three. For closest to the pin, Marian Boys won for the ladies and George Lawrence won for the men. We had a tie for team winners with Ted Jex, Jean Crowley, Anne Margles and Jamie Doolittle making up one team and Don Tapscott, Everil Alls, Gladys Maggs and Lynn Wallace making up the other.

We wrapped up the day with a nice lunch of burgers and sausages.

Submitted by Barb Lawrence

UPCOMING GOLF EVENTS

DATE	ORGANIZERS	GOLF CLUB
Wednesday, Aug. 14 th	Jean & Frank Crowley	Pine Ridge
Monday, Aug. 26 th	Donna & Fred Cooke	Salt Creek
Monday, Sept. 16 th	Don Tapscott & Brian Salley	Shelter Valley Pines
Monday, Sept. 30 th	Jamie Doolittle & Jim O'Shea	Cobourg Creek



A golfer walks off the 18th green, hands his putter to his caddie and says, "Kid, you've got to be the worst caddie in the world."

The caddie replies, "Sir, that would be too much of a coincidence."

TRIP TO PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY

On July 9th, our Probus group had an early start for a tour of the beautiful and historic Prince Edward County. Our first stop was the Owl Farm Studios which is located at the end of a lane in Carrying Place. An enterprising young couple, Jon Hiscock and Janna Burford started the Owl Farm in 2009, designing and building their pottery and painting studio as well as their B&B, using straw bales, mud and timber from their property. Janna was kind enough to give us a tour of her home which features much of their own artwork including paintings, furniture, and unique light sconces.



Next, we visited Black River Cheese Company in Milford, a company that has been producing award-winning artisan cheese since 1901, using only 100% pure fluid milk, with no artificial preservatives. Selections included naturally aged cheddars, fresh curd, flavoured cheeses, local food products and delicious ice cream.

Laden down with cheese and fresh curd, we headed to the Waupoos Restaurant where we ate our delicious lunches, while enjoying the gorgeous view of Prince Edward Bay. After lunch, we sauntered up to the winery to sample and purchase some of their lovely wines.

With the sun shining, we set out once again for an hour of shopping in the unique and funky shops of Bloomfield. Most of us visited the famous ice cream parlour, Slickers, to sample one of the many flavours of their homemade ice cream.

Our final stop was Lavender Farm in Hillier which had a beautiful vista of fields of lavender. Rolande and Derek Will gave us a brief tour of the grounds and described the farming and production of lavender products. To top it off, they served us lavender shortbread and ice-cold lemonade/lavender drinks!

We boarded the bus shortly after 5pm, tired, and happily singing 'Show Me the Way to go Home'. Kudos to Marilyn for organizing another wonderful outing.

Submitted by Nan Orser and Marilyn Csefko

WESTBEN – BROADWAY RAINBOWS

Thirty Probus members attended this matinee concert on Saturday, July 27. We heard selections from Broadway musicals performed by very talented performers: Virginia Hadfield, soprano; Gabrielle Prata, mezzo; Colin Ainsworth, tenor; and James Levesque, baritone. Brian Findley accompanied them on piano, and Robert Longo directed the show.

The program consisted of many familiar and loved songs from *Oklahoma*, *South Pacific*, *West Side Story*, *Camelot*, *Carousel*, and *Fiddler on the Roof* sung as solos, duets and quartets. The applause and the standing ovations were entirely deserved.



Westben has a new Steinway grand piano and Brian made it sing with added program highlights as he performed Chopin's *Fantaisie-Improptu* and his interpretation of *The Homecoming* by Haygood Hardy. He particularly wanted us to know that 'keys' could be purchased to finish paying for the piano.

We enjoyed wonderful performers, good acoustics and a comfortable atmosphere in The Barn. Once again, we thank Verna Templar for arranging a fine afternoon's entertainment.

Submitted by Louise Barraclough

COMING EVENTS - details

Parkwood Estate & Garden Tour: This outing starts at 10:30am on August 14th and is comprised of tours of the house and the extensive gardens (one hour each) and lunch in the quaint outdoor tea house – menu planned in advance. Transportation is by car pool. See Lynn Ramsay for additional detail as she is coordinating this trip.

Appies & Drinks: This month's outing will be held on August 15th at the home of Ev & Jack Reid, 120 University Avenue, #6202 in Cobourg. The event starts at 4pm and will accommodate a maximum of 15 people.

Annual BBQ: Bill and Everil Alls will host this event at their farm on Thursday, August 22nd. Come any time after 3pm and bring your own plates, silverware and lawnchairs. Hamburgs, hotdogs, coleslaw and corn will be available. Please BYOB.

Boat Cruise: A six hour boat cruise from Fenlon Falls to Kirkfield Lift Lock is being arranged for September 11th leaving at 9:30am SHARP. Cost is \$55 and this includes lunch. If you have signed up for this outing but haven't paid yet, please do so **today**.

Trip to the Royal Ontario Museum (ROM): Several people have indicated an interest in going to the ROM to see the current feature, "Mesopotamia" – Inventing Our World. There are over 170 precious objects on display spanning 1000 years of human history. Currently there are 17 people on the list for this trip, we need at least 40 to proceed with arranging a bus trip for this outing. Please sign up with Verna during the break if you are interested.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:



If you are finding it difficult to attend Probus meetings due to lack of transportation, we have several volunteers who will pick you up for the meeting, then give you a ride home. Just contact a member of the management team and they will arrange a ride for you.

COMING EVENTS

SOCIAL by Verna Templer

Aug. 13th Singles' Club – Victoria Inn, Gore's Landing on Rice Lake at 12:30pm

Aug. 14th Parkwood Estates, Oshawa*

Aug. 15th Appies & Drinks* - Ev & Jack Reid's

Aug. 22nd Annual Barbeque*

Sept. 11th Kirkfield Lift Lock Cruise*

Sept. 17th Trenton Air Force Museum – Harry Nash arranging – details to come

Early Oct. Drive & Dine – Lawrences & Crowleys arranging – details to come

* see previous page for details for these events

THE LUNCH BUNCH by Marilyn Csefko

Aug. 22nd BBQ at Bill & Everil Alls

Sept. 26th Ginger Thai Cuisine

THE SPEAKER'S CORNER by Gladys & Stan Maggs

Aug. 8th Steve Pickett – “The Aces of Harmony” singing group

Aug. 22nd No speaker due to annual barbeque

Sept. 12th Sherry Gibson from Community Care

Sept. 26th Kia Liu – Town of Cobourg Chief of Police

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