



The Beacon



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Summer weather is finally here with gardens blooming and, with a good rain fall, the lawns and foliage in town are verdantly healthy. The annual picnic was held on Wednesday 15 July at Pine Ridge Golf Club and was a great success. The planning teams of the social and golf committees did a great job in organizing the event with the format, introduced by the McGilly team some little while ago, proving once more to be popular with all participants.

WARNING!

I use the alarming hi lighted heading for my opening remarks to bring a serious issue to your attention. Despite a number of attempts to bring the situation/problem of volunteers to your attention, to date we have received one, only one, volunteer for the about to be empty positions on the management committee. As your representative on the recent Area Extravaganza, I had the chance to discuss our club with the current presidents of local clubs. The question often asked was ... “why are you in Brighton so successful in the numbers game, why with a second club in the area are you still growing in such a small community as Brighton?” On reflection, I often commented on the strength of our support organizations, and the volunteers that provided the expertise and effort necessary to keep a club such as PROBUS vibrant, and to attract a myriad of members. Again, in discussions with fellow presidents, the main cause of falling membership and interest in other clubs seemed to be the lack of volunteers prepared to get stuck in and do the necessary work essential to keeping interest high. We are now faced with no one prepared to lead the Social Committee, led so well over the past number of years by the McGilly's, a treasurer to manage the fiscal side of our activities, and finally, our very own Rose needs time to relax a bit and enjoy the club. While she has agreed to stay on, is there someone out there that is prepared to “share” duties with her? Do you have a friend with whom you could perhaps share the required work on any committee?

The current social committee chairs, the McGillys, have set up the program for the first half of 2015 – 2016. The handover to a new chair, given the work already done, should be relatively simple, but, let there be no doubt, a volunteer or volunteer team is essential. Why not ask them how much satisfaction their years of effort gave them, and how the work load could be shared between individuals or small groups. If we have no social committee the future of our activities, and thus the future of the club, will be in jeopardy. Please see Doreen Cable and let her know of your interest.

STEP UP, YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!

Ian

PROBUS SOCIAL NEWS

Sunday, August 9, 2015. *Singing in the Rain* at the Capitol Theatre in Port Hope with lunch at the RAILSIDE Restaurant. Lunch and Show \$55. Sign up now in progress.

August 1/2, 2015. Highland Games in Maxville – sign up sheet available to determine interest.

Friday, September 25, 2015. Car Rally.

Saturday, September 26, 2015. Applefest Parade – a chance to wear your newly purchased Probus shirt!

Wednesday, October 14, 2015. Oktoberfest.

Friday, November 6 and Friday, November 27, 2015. Loyalist lunches – cost to be determined.

November 28/29, 2015. Investigating Festival of Trees at Isaiah Tubbs in the County.

Friday, December 4, 2015. Christmas Party at Timber Ridge Golf & Country Club with a traditional turkey dinner and entertainment by the *Reasons*.

Wednesday, December 9, 2015. Christmas Social.

PROGRAM

TODAY - Wednesday, July 22, 2015.

Lianne Peart will talk about a new seminar offered at Community Care.

Wednesday, August 26, 2015. L. Col. Francois Caron CAAWC will talk about Airborne Operations.

BRIGHTON PROBUS INTEREST GROUPS

Bid Euchre

Please note that Bid Euchre will resume again in September.

The Golden Girls

Play will resume in September!

Single Diners* (New members welcome. Must be single and a member of the Brighton PROBUS Club.)

Please contact *Helen Anthony 613-475-1304* or *Marion McIlveen 613-475-2202* if you are interested in joining the group for a social time and a meal.

PROBUS GOLF

Attached please find the latest golf schedule.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

The Beacon is not published in August.

THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE IS DUE AND PAYABLE BY 31st AUGUST, 2015 – THERE WILL BE NO EXTENSION.

This will allow the Club to accommodate applicants on the waiting list. Thank you for your cooperation.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

If you have a community event that you wish to be announced at PROBUS meetings, please contact Rose ahead of time at 475-2665.

Concerts in the Park 2015
Wednesdays in July & August
6:30 - 8:30pm

July 29	R and R
August 5	Cedarail
August 12	Shout Sisters
August 19	Olivia Rapos
August 26	Brighton Citizen's Band

Please bring your lawn chair!

August 2015

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
						1
2	3	4	5 Golf 10:15am Port Hope G&CC	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 Golf 10:00am Warkworth GC	14	15
16	17	18	19 Golf 10:00am Roundel Glen	20 Management Meeting 9:30am	21	22
23/30	24/31	25	26 PROBUS General Meeting 10:00am <i>L. Col. Francois</i> <i>Caron CAAWC</i>	27 Golf 10:00am Salt Creek Links	28	29

September 2015

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1	2 Golf 10:00am Shelter Valley Pines	3	4	5
6	7 <i>Labour Day</i>	8	9 PROBUS Annual General Meeting 10:00am	10 Golf 10:00am to be arranged	11	12
13	14	15	16 Golf 9:00am Warkworth GC	17 Management Meeting 9:30am	18	19
20	21	22	23 PROBUS General Meeting 10:00am	24 Golf 10:00am Murray Hills GC	25	26
27	28	29	30	1 Golf 1:00pm Last game & dinner Salt Creek		