



# THE PRO-BUZZ

**MARCH 2014**

## PROBUS BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Eighty-two Probians gathered at Northshore Lanes in Northumberland Mall on Monday, Feb. 3 for the annual Probus Bowling Tournament. Bowlers from Brighton, Cobourg, Colborne, Ganaraska Valley, Northumberland and Northshore Probus Clubs took part. Twenty-nine members from our Club participated including five of our newest members: MaryRose England, Evelyn Gorringe, Gloria Lambert, Dianne Lauder and Marilyn McMillan. Twenty teams played three games each, finishing around noon when we all repaired to The Lions Centre for a lunch of roast beef, vegetables, salad and the usual array of pies. The kitchen staff received thanks and applause from all present.

Emcee for the after-lunch presentations was James Sandham, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President of the Cobourg Club. Barry Hollis tracked and compiled all the scores throughout the morning to arrive at the results. More complicated than one might think, because it isn't simply a case of one team beating another but rather the number of points over average of all the bowlers. And the winners and their scores were:

High Triple Women: Ann Hollis 571  
High Triple Men: Fred Cooke 684

High Single Women: Marilyn McMillan 233  
High Single Men: Barry Hollis 260

High Team Wilson Dow, Donna Cook, Ann Hollis and Maura McGeachy

Hidden Score Women: Marjorie Saunders  
Hidden Score Men Paul Mills of Northshore

- Club Results:
1. Brighton
  2. Colborne
  3. Northumberland
  4. Northshore
  5. Ganaraska Valley
  6. Cobourg – thereby winning the dreaded toilet seat!



While the bowling was taking place, tickets were sold for Share The Wealth. The proceeds were split into five prizes and the winners were: Joe Flynn (\$50), Russ Donaldson from Cobourg (\$40), Marjorie Saunders (\$30), Fred Cooke (\$20) and George Lawrence (\$10). There were also a few draws for extra bottles of wine. Names weren't announced but I confess to being one of the winners – my reward I think for agreeing to do this report.

Our Master of Ceremonies thanked Brian Rose and his crew and Wilson Dow and Barry Hollis for all their work in organizing the event.. It was a good outing with a lot of chat, laughter and camaraderie.

*Submitted by Joan Hanlon*

### **DINNER THEATRE – CALENDAR GIRLS**

On Friday, Feb. 7, a large number of Probus members enjoyed the production of *Calendar Girls* at the Best Western. We were not disappointed. Northumberland Players once again presented a superb performance right here in Cobourg. We are truly blessed to live here with so much going on for every walk of life.



This show was a bit different but it gave us all a lot to be grateful for. Most of us have been touched by cancer in some way. These gals saw the need for funds and did what they thought would be the best way to make a large sum of money for the local hospital even if it meant drinking a bit of vodka and taking off some clothes. These gals proved that a little nudity usually gets people's attention.

We learned that age and beauty go together and we can still do anything. We just have to make up our minds and do it! Having said that, I'm not so sure that I could pull that off, but maybe some vodka would help. How are the funds in our kitty? Any takers let me know!

I thought it was a wonderful show. A big applause to our local talent for an entertaining evening of fun and laughter - we need more of that!

*Submitted by Theresa Smith*

### **Northumberland Probus Downhill Ski Trip February 12th to 15<sup>th</sup>**

And then there were three. Despite efforts to gather up some more downhill skiers, only 3 were able to make the trip to Titus Mountain in Malone, New York. Snow conditions were excellent, as in the Cobourg area, and we mastered all the groomed hills. One cross-country skier and three shoppers joined the three skiers. Happy hour and wonderful meals at Donovan's made it a delightful time for all.

*Submitted by Stan Maggs*

## **MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORS**

It has been a pleasure to serve as your editors of Pro-Buzz for the past two years. As relatively new members to the club, it has provided us with an excellent opportunity to meet new people and fully appreciate the dedication, commitment and cooperative effort that combined to make Probus Northumberland such a great club. Thank you to the many people who assisted us by submitting information and articles for our newsletters. We owe special gratitude to Michael Hanlon who generously shared his considerable talents by responding to our frequent requests to report on a wide variety of Club outings and activities.



### **WE'RE LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD PEOPLE TO JOIN THE PROBUZZ NEWSLETTER TEAM**

As of this issue the current editors are retiring, and we must put together a new team if the newsletter is to continue publication. The team will be comprised of an editor to handle administrative functions, an associate editor to handle input and formatting, a proofreader, and a back up for the associate editor. If we can fill the editor and back-up slots, we have volunteers for associate editor and proof reader. You needn't be an 'expert' - just a good team player.

The monetary rewards aren't great, but the social payback is terrific! You'll receive the gratitude of the entire membership. Won't you help?

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## **MEMBERSHIP NOTES**

It was with great sadness that we learned that one of our members, Betty-Lynn Maxton, passed away recently.

Al & Violet Levitt have moved to Kingston.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL NIAGARA SPRING MINI-BREAK

When: April 15<sup>th</sup> , 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

Where: Holiday Inn, 5339 Murray Street  
Niagara Falls, ON L2G 2J3

Contact: 1-800-263-9393

Cost: \$348.04 incl. tax (double occupancy)  
\$268.94 incl. tax (single occupancy)

Includes: room for 2 nights  
2 breakfasts on-site at Coco's  
2 dinners: 1<sup>st</sup> night at Coco's, 2<sup>nd</sup> night at  
The Skylon, both booked for 7pm.

Amenities: free parking, indoor pool, hot tub, fitness  
centre



Area attractions: Fallsview Casino, the Falls, Clifton Hill, all within walking distance  
Also, golfing, outlet malls, butterfly conservatory, etc., nearby

There are 10 rooms booked for Probus Northumberland (we can get more rooms).  
You must make your own reservations by calling the number above and ask for the  
front desk so that they can hold your room with your credit card. Specify our group  
name and advise your choice of bed(s).

Sign up with Jan Lundbohm or Michael Hanlon for dinner reservation purposes.

#### **Please Note:**

Need transportation? If you need a ride to a meeting or event, please call Brian or Doreen Scott at (905) 377-0103 and they will arrange to have you picked up and returned home.

Single Diners: New members are always welcome. Please contact Louise Barraclough at (905) 372-1809 if you are interested in joining the group for a social outing that includes lunch.

## COMING EVENTS

### **SOCIAL**

- Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> Singles' Club lunch at The Mill Restaurant & Pub.  
Apr. 15-17<sup>th</sup> Niagara Winter Getaway\*  
May 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Breakfast - cost is \$11.50 (cheques only). Sign up in April.  
May 26-28<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Trip 2014

\* *Additional information about this event is on the previous page.*

### **THE LUNCH BUNCH** by Marion Boys & Lynn Ramsay

- Mar. 27<sup>th</sup> The Red Lantern  
Apr. 24<sup>th</sup> Swiss Chalet

### **THE SPEAKER'S CORNER** by Harry Nash

- Mar. 13<sup>th</sup> Wendy Kolodziejczak & Gayle Einarsson – PATH Project  
Mar. 27<sup>th</sup> Stanley Isherwood – The Sifton-Cook Heritage Centre

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