



# PROBUS Club of Port Perry BROADCAST

**MAY 18, 2020**

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE TO CLUB MEMBERS

**CLUB ACTIVITIES INVOLVING IN-PERSON INTERACTIONS CONTINUE TO BE SUSPENDED UNTIL THE END OF JUNE 2020. PLEASE SEE THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE BELOW FOR ANY EXCEPTIONS ARISING OUT OF RECENT PROVINCIAL LOOSENING OF SOME COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS.**

**IN ADDITION, MONTHLY IN-PERSON CLUB MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS WILL BE SUSPENDED UNTIL AT LEAST SEPTEMBER 2020. CLUB TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES ARE SUSPENDED INDEFINITELY.**

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The club management committee has reviewed the COVID-19 situation in our area as regards Provincial and public health restrictions and guidelines. As a result of that review, we have decided that most club activities involving in-person interactions will continue to be suspended until the end of June 2020. The exception will be those interest group and social activities that are allowed under loosened provincial restrictions, particularly outdoor activities like golf and hiking. However, for any such activities done under the auspices of the club, the club requires that all remaining COVID-19 related restrictions and guidelines for those activities must be followed fully. The club management committee will review the situation in late June to determine if a further extension to the activity suspension for in-person activities is warranted.

In addition the monthly in-person club membership meetings will be suspended until at least September 2020.

We are continuing to explore ways that we can enhance the opportunities for club members to join in virtual club activities and to identify fun things to see and do on the web. Your ideas as well are crucial to this exercise, so please send us any suggestions you have. And if you're willing to help with some of these initiatives, even for just a little time if that works for you, please let us know. We're finding that being a club volunteer during these unusu-

al times provides a wonderful opportunity to stay connected with your fellow members and is usually accompanied by a lot of laughs and fun as well.

For those who are not aware of or haven't experienced some of our recent club initiatives, now is a prime opportunity to do so. We have a new club Facebook group that has grown to over 65 members (almost 20% of our membership) in just a few weeks. And there is the new Learning & Entertainment webpage and the COVID-19 page on our website.

In the meantime stay safe, healthy and optimistic.

Recliner, remote, TV tray...  
there's a "nap" for that.



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## CLUB NOTICES

### IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

This is an unsettling time and your committee is trying to anticipate what our future looks like regarding our club restarting events and meetings. Our normal membership year runs from May 1st and membership dues are to be paid before June 30th. This year due to social distancing we have not been able to meet to receive payment of your yearly dues. However, our club has a number of financial obligations that must be paid with the help of your yearly membership fees. Therefore, we are asking that you please send a cheque for the usual \$30.00 fee per person in order to guarantee your membership spot. If you have already given us your cheque we thank you and if not please make your cheque

payable to **PROBUS Club of Port Perry** and mail it to **Linda Parry, Membership Chair, 2481 Ashbridge Rd., Port Perry, Ont. L9L 1B4.**

We will only be accepting 360 members this year. If you are a current member, we will hold your membership spot open until June 30th after which date anyone who is on our waiting list will be offered a membership.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me at [portperryprobus@gmail.com](mailto:portperryprobus@gmail.com)

*Linda Parry,  
Membership Chair, PROBUS Club of Port Perry*

## CLUB MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The club management committee is still meeting monthly except we now do it on the Zoom virtual meeting platform. It's not as much fun as meeting in person and you have to bring your own treats. Here's a screen shot of our recent meeting:



### MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Each year at the club's annual general (AGM) meeting in June, about half the club management committee positions come up for election by the membership. And throughout each year about 1/3 of that committee's positions end up with new occupants. This year is a bit different because the AGM is delayed until we can restart monthly membership meetings.

In accordance with the bylaws, the term of any management committee position up for election in any year expires on the date of the AGM. Consequently for this year most of the current management team will continue in their positions until the AGM is held. Any position vacated by a resignation from the team may be filled by appointment by the management committee (in accor-

dance with the bylaws) until that position would normally be up for election by the membership.

Gail Johnson Morris serves on the club management committee as both the Vice President and the Interest Groups Chairperson. Gail is one of the founding members of the club and has been on the team since the club's inception. Her exceptional skills and advice have been instrumental to the wonderful success the club has enjoyed over the last four years. However, Gail advised the committee earlier this year that, due to other activities in her life, she was not going to stand for election at the June AGM for the VP role and in June would also be resigning from the Interest Groups Chair role (which is up for election next year).

As a result, the management committee has recently approved the following interim appointments:

**Melodie Scott** has been appointed to the role of Interest Groups Chairperson effective June 2, 2020 and until the role stands for election in 2021. Here is Melodie's brief bio:



*"We moved to the Port Perry area 6.5 years ago. I've been enjoying the past 6 years of retirement, keeping busy with gardening, reading, travelling and spending time with my family. Before retiring I worked at Enbridge Gas Distribution for 24 years in numerous positions, the most recent being a Sales Coordinator where I was in charge of determining service locations and coordinating the plans and services for Toronto area subdivision builders. I also had an interesting stint in a non-traditional position as a fork lift operator in the warehouse.*

*My husband Brian and I will be celebrating our 43rd anniversary this summer. We have one son and two granddaughters."*

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**Brian Davidson** has been appointed to the role of Vice President effective June 2, 2020 and until the role stands for election at this year's AGM. Brian's bio is as follows:

*"After forty years in the world of Information Technology, Brian retired from IBM in 2007 and then moved to Seagrave with his wife, Eke Van der Zee.*

*Until a few years ago he played "Oldtimer" ice hockey with his geezer friends in Pickering. Alas, overworked knees have put an end to*

*that. Now travel to far-flung places with Eke has taken over (although the COVID bug has put a bit of a damper on that). Photography is another interest which meshes well with travel.*

*Since retiring he has found himself becoming involved in various volunteering activities, some of which include the Port Perry Refugee Support Group, Hospice-Kawartha Lakes, Dying With Dignity Canada, Oak Ridges Trail Association and his local Residents Association.*

*He has been a member of Port Perry PROBUS for two years and enjoys being a part of several interest groups.*

## RECORDING SECRETARY NEEDED

The club management committee is also looking for a volunteer from the membership to take on the Recording Secretary role on the team. The primary activities of this role include:

1.) Being responsible for recording and archiving all minutes of the Management Committee meetings and General Meetings and archiving all material correspondence and material records of the Club. There is normally one management committee meeting and one general meeting each month.

2.) Serve as a signing officer of the club (there are currently five signing officers) for cheques and official documents requiring signature by club officers (normally two signatures are required on such documents).

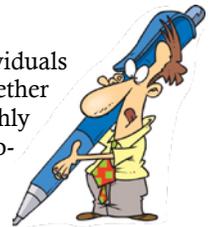
Including attending the two-hour monthly management committee meeting, the Secretary role takes roughly four hours per month of time (when normal club operations are being held).

Please note that none of the management team roles require previous board, management or external work experience, and

the diversity of backgrounds of the individuals on the team is considered a strength whether work-related or not. In addition the monthly management committee meetings, while focused on the business of the club, are also a pleasant social opportunity and the team gets along great.

The opinion of everyone on the team is valued and respected, and each participant decides the extent of the contribution they want to make at any meeting. A number of our team members travel quite a bit throughout the year, and this has presented no impediment to their role on the team nor to their contribution since other team members step in to assist.

So if you'd like to work with a wonderful group of people on the club's management committee, please contact Judy Spring at: [judith.spring@outlook.com](mailto:judith.spring@outlook.com)



## VIRTUAL SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

### ZOOM CLUB

**Remotely on computer & phone by appointment**

Join Tim and Janet Casey for a lesson just for you in order to learn how to use Zoom. Zoom is an easy virtual meeting tool that allows you to meet with groups of people, large and small. You may connect with one friend, or meet a group who bring their own beverages to the table and chat while seeing each other – a distanced get together. If you are interested, please email Janet at [janet.casey88@gmail.com](mailto:janet.casey88@gmail.com).

### TRAVEL

**Thursday May 28th – 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Join Judy Spring and other travellers via Zoom to chat about places you are hoping to travel following COVID-19. If you are interested in joining the group, please email Judy at [judith.spring@outlook.com](mailto:judith.spring@outlook.com).

### BRIDGE

**Tuesday May 26th – 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Join Judy Spring and other friends for an online game of bridge. Using Bridge Base Online, Judy will set up groups of four players. You can choose your foursome, or join a group. You can be a beginner, intermediate, or advanced player but you must know how to play. If you are interested, please email Judy at [judith.spring@outlook.com](mailto:judith.spring@outlook.com).

### PROBUS CHALLENGE

You are challenged to consider fellow PROBUS members who live alone or may be having trouble throughout this lengthy period of social distancing. This may be coping with day to day living or isolation. They may not wish to reach out for help. Give two members a friendly call to brighten their day. If you don't have their contact information, email Judy at [judith.spring@outlook.com](mailto:judith.spring@outlook.com) and the information will be provided.

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## INTERESTING POSTS FROM THE PORT PERRY PROBUS CLUB FACEBOOK GROUP

Listed below are some of the interesting recent posts by club members from our PROBUS club Facebook group that you may find useful.

**Judy Spring** posted this fascinating video of a drone hummingbird filming a large nesting swarm of butterflies. <https://fstoppers.com/documentary/drone-disguised-hummingbird-captures-incredible-footage-monarch-butterfly-swarm-480714?fbclid=IwAR1vujG5Zmexs5yx4s1TfuqRPs0sVWkekENU-UkewUm3YoeO8QTHXxbNU>

Judy also passed on the information that the Trading Post on Simcoe Street north of Port Perry is now an outlet for the Gordon Food Services fresh produce baskets of various sizes and contents.

**Steve Unwin** noted that the Stratford Festival is streaming some of its filmed plays for three weeks at a time during the season. Steve also posted that the Toronto Zoo on the Zoo's Facebook account features live keeper demonstrations and short video clips of various animals at the zoo.

**Janet Casey** advised that Strack's Smokin' BBQ in Burketon Station (about 17 minutes southeast of Port Perry) is doing take-out and it's excellent. Check out their website at <http://stracks-smokinggrill.com/our-restaurant/>. In addition, Chatterpaul's in Whitby is now offering takeout Wednesdays through Sundays. 4 -7 p.m. Curbside pick-up only.

**Mary Morrison** has reminded members that Brocks in Port Perry is open and provided her with quick and efficient service including curbside pick-up without needing any person-to-person contact. Orders can also be delivered in Port Perry. They also had a good sale on and a flexible return policy. Shop Local!

### How to Sign Up

There are also a lot of other posts on the Facebook group account that you may be interested in. And for those of you not signed up for the group, it's quite simple actually.

1. Click on the following link or enter it into your browser: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ProPP/>
2. Sign in to Facebook account if prompted or if you're not a member of Facebook, open an account.
3. Press 'join group'
4. Answer the entry question

Once you have been verified as a member, you will receive a notification on Facebook of entry to the group. You are then free to participate as much or as little as you would like, whether it be just reading posts or contributing, the choice is yours. The only rules are that posts must not be political, religious, or offensive. No fundraising except as approved by the management committee. Any issues feel free to email [judith.spring@outlook.com](mailto:judith.spring@outlook.com).



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## YOUR CLUB VOLUNTEERS

After the last two months of everything COVID, our monthly membership meetings now seem so long ago. But when we did get to enjoy them, many of our members were not aware of all the work that went on behind the scenes to set up each of those meetings.

The wonderful and resourceful House team of volunteers, led this year by Barb Sinclair, does the buying of food and treats and bakes a lot of it as well, makes gallons of coffee and tea, dresses up the tables, sets everything out, sells the Share the Wealth tickets and cleans every-

thing up after the meeting. Rod Miller leads the team of volunteers who set up and take down the many tables and chairs in the break room, lobby and Sanctuary. And Bob Ashdown, Frank Morris and Andy Stevenson handle our sound and projector requirements. Without all these great volunteers, we would not be able to put on the meetings each month.

As a treat periodically, we're going to present a favourite recipe from one of the House volunteers. Today's decadent recipe is from Barb Sinclair.

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*I discovered this no-bake recipe as I was looking through my cookbooks for something that my 3-year-old granddaughter could make with her parents as an activity – something simple, quick and maybe even a bit healthy ;) This one I found in a Cooking with Kids book, and it was the name that caught my eye. What 3-year-old wouldn't want to make Fiddle Diddles? So that's why the instructions are so explicit – apologies to the expert cooks out there who already know to set a hot pot on a hot pad! I first made it myself to make sure it tasted good, and it got thumbs-up all around. Hoping you enjoy it as much as we did - and yes, they are somewhat healthy!*

----- Barb

### FIDDLE DIDDLES

A no-bake cookie that always turns out. Chocolate-flavoured and nutty.



#### INGREDIENTS:

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|---|-----------------|
| 1. Butter or hard margarine             | ½ cup (125 ml)  |
| Granulated sugar                        | 2 cups (500 ml) |
| Milk                                    | ½ cup (125 ml)  |
| 2. Cocoa                                | 6 tbsp (100 ml) |
| Quick cooking rolled oats (not instant) | 3 cups (750 ml) |
| Medium coconut                          | ½ cup (125 ml)  |
| Chopped walnuts                         | ½ cup (125 ml)  |
| Salt                                    | pinch           |
| Vanilla flavoring                       | 1 tsp (5 ml)    |

You will need:

A large saucepan, measuring cups, measuring spoons, a mixing spoon, a hot pad and waxed paper on a cookie sheet.

#### DIRECTIONS:

1. Put the butter or margarine, sugar and milk into the saucepan. Heat on medium, stirring often, until it comes to a boil. Remove the pan to the hot pad.
2. Add all of the remaining ingredients. Stir well. Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls onto the waxed paper. Cool completely. Store in a container with a lid with waxed paper between the layers.

Makes about 40 cookies.

If you'd like the recipe for any of the treats you've enjoyed at past membership meetings, let us know which item and we'll see if we can locate it. And what's nice with these recipes is that there's no pick-up or delivery required.

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## WEBSITES TO ENJOY

Some interesting websites you may enjoy are listed in the Learning & Entertainment section of the club website at: <https://www.portperryprobus.com/learning-entertainment>

### COOKING IN HISTORY

For those who pride themselves as cooks out there, take a look at the following website, <https://rarecooking.com/about/> which talks about recipes of the 1600s -1800s and the current day attempts at those recipes. Particularly check out the posts and archives from the right side of the page. Dealing with the limited selections of meats, vegetables, fruits, spices, sugar, etc. plus no microwave nor adjustable temperature oven made cooking in those days both a mystery and challenge.

### HISTORY OF BRITAIN

This is an interesting look by means of a wide variety of articles, studies, photos, paintings and maps at many facets of the history of Britain from fairly modern times all the way back to its first peoples.

<https://www.historic-uk.com/>

### VIRTUAL FILM FESTIVAL IN SUPPORT OF COVID-19 RELIEF

(Free) May 29 – June 7

“Discover and watch films during this first ever 10-day global film festival co-curated by over 20 film festivals from across the world, May 29 - June 7. All funds raised during the festival will benefit COVID-19 relief funds. Subscribe to this channel for the latest information on film, talks and schedule. The festival will feature programming curated by the Annecy International Animation Film Festival, Berlin International Film Festival, BFI London Film Festival, Cannes Film Festival, Guadalajara International Film Festival, International Film Festival & Awards Macao (IF-FAM), Jerusalem Film Festival, Mumbai Film Festival (MAMI), Karlovy Vary International Film Festival, Locarno Film Festival, Marrakech International Film Festival, New York Film Festival, Rotterdam International Film Festival (IFFR), San Sebastian International Film Festival, Sarajevo Film Festival, Sundance Film Festival, Sydney Film Festival, Tokyo International Film Festival, Toronto International Film Festival, Tribeca Film Festival and Venice Film Festival.”

<https://www.youtube.com/WeAreOne>

### THINK YOU CAN PARK A CAR WELL?

If so, then try this online simulator to dock the Space X Dragon 2 spacecraft with the International Space Station. Hint: It helps if you read the instructions first (hit the “?” in the top left corner of the screen). This exercise is also a back seat driver’s dream – you can never have too many opinions about how to park a vehicle. And let us know if you’re successful, and if you’re not, let us know what deep space is like.

<https://iss-sim.spacex.com/>

### VIRTUAL TOURS OF FASCINATING PLACES AROUND THE WORLD

Here’s a great website listing a number of places you can tour virtually plus some with live theatre, opera and classical performances. Activities include:

- The Louvre
- Great Wall of China
- Berlin Philharmonic
- Sistine Chapel
- National Museum of Natural History
- Taj Mahal
- Palace of Versailles
- Northern Lights- Deep Dives (National Marine Sanctuary)
- Street Art
- Museum of Modern Art (New York)
- National Theatre (filmed live performances with one free play shown each week on You Tube)
- Vienna State Opera (recordings of live opera and ballet performances with a different one each day)
- Safari Live (If you’ve ever wanted to go on an African safari, here’s an online version)
- Monterey Bay Aquarium
- San Diego Zoo
- Sydney Opera House
- British Museum
- Volcanoes National (Hawaii)
- Bryce Canyon Park (Utah)

[https://www.travelzoo.com/ca/blog/20-amazing-places-you-can-visit-from-home/?utm\\_source=localdeal\\_ca&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=2872262\\_html\\_-\\_deal%3a2872262&utm\\_content=2872262&ec=0&dlinkId=2872262](https://www.travelzoo.com/ca/blog/20-amazing-places-you-can-visit-from-home/?utm_source=localdeal_ca&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2872262_html_-_deal%3a2872262&utm_content=2872262&ec=0&dlinkId=2872262)

### REMBRANDT’S NIGHT WATCH

Want to see an exceptional photograph of Rembrandt’s painting “Night Watch”, one of the artist’s most famous works and one of his larger paintings (12 ft. X 14 ft.) now in the Rijksmuseum (Amsterdam)? This photo has been done in such a way that you can zoom into it in such minute detail that you can see the strokes from the individual hairs on the brush and pieces of pigment. Keep in mind that a painting of this size is best enjoyed while viewing from quite a distance, yet the artist had to paint it just inches from the canvas and anticipate what it would look like from afar. So if you want to see the detail of all that goes into painting such a monumental piece, take a look at:

[http://hyper-resolution.org/view.html?pointer=0.689,0.557&r=0.5083,0.4285,0.1604,0.0686&i=Rijksmuseum/SK-C-5/SK-C-5\\_VIS\\_20-um\\_2019-12-21](http://hyper-resolution.org/view.html?pointer=0.689,0.557&r=0.5083,0.4285,0.1604,0.0686&i=Rijksmuseum/SK-C-5/SK-C-5_VIS_20-um_2019-12-21)

And if you want some additional background on Night Watch and Rembrandt, go to:

<https://www.rijksmuseum.nl/en/nightwatch>

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*Websites to enjoy continued .....*

## TED TALKS

If you haven't tried TED talks, you're in for a treat. They're videos of presentations that were given live at the multitude of TED talks conferences held each year throughout the world. As the non-profit TED organization describes its mission: *"TED is a global community, welcoming people from every discipline and culture who seek a deeper understanding of the world. We believe passionately in the power of ideas to change attitudes, lives and, ultimately, the world. On TED.com, we're building a clearinghouse of free knowledge from the world's most inspired thinkers — and a community of curious souls to engage with ideas and each other, both online and at TED and TEDx events around the world, all year long."*

Here's just a tiny sampling of some of the more recent TED talks:

- How the world's longest underwater tunnel was built
- The pioneering women who helped create modern computing
- The beautiful, mysterious science of how you hear
- A brief tour of the last 4 billion years (dinosaurs not included)
- The secret messages of Viking runestones
- Why pasta comes in all shapes and sizes
- Imaginative sculptures that explore how we perceive reality
- How bees can keep the peace between elephants and humans

There are thousands of TED talks, so visit the site at:  
**<https://www.ted.com/talks>**,  
take a look at their library and try one – maybe daily.

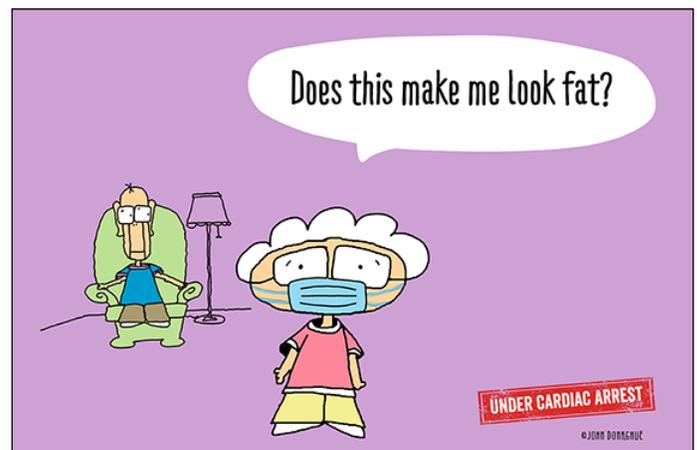


Remember when we were little and had underwear with days of the week on them?

Yeh, those would be helpful right now.



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## PROBUS INTEREST GROUPS UPDATE

Dear Members:

Let's be honest, so far 2020 has not been all that we had hoped. As I write this update for you all we are experiencing a 'Polar Vortex' and I posted a picture to FaceBook yesterday that looked like a snow globe. Just wow. I hope you have joined our new PROBUS FaceBook Group as there are suggestions and helpful information going up almost every day.

To keep us focused on what we can affect, let's talk all things Interest Groups. I am so inspired by our incredible Interest Group Co-ordinators! During the 'shelter in place' directive, our intrepid co-ordinators have shared many creative ideas for how they have engineered means for their group members to enjoyed shared interests. I continue to be amazed by the community we fostered here at PROBUS. Our Interest Group Co-ordinators are investing their time to provide us all with options for how to 'shelter in place' yet join remote scrabble games or enjoy a group chat. Please be in touch with your co-ordinators for details.

I am looking forward to seeing some daffodils this month!

Gail Johnson Morris

### Remote Group Get Togethers:

I've listed some options I've personally used with groups:

#### Zoom:

Great product - OK to about 100 attendees. Just watch Zoom as it has some issues with hacking of meetings that can be addressed if you close some preferences as the meeting host. It also relies upon internet service that is patchy where I am (King's Bay) - if it stalls, just stop your video so you can still listen in..

#### FaceBook Messenger:

You can create a group from your friend and then video call each other for free. Set up a group on messenger and then set a time to call. This is a very easy approach for small groups with folks that are on FB but not much else.

#### WhatsApp:

It's an encrypted chat feed with notifications etc. Better on phones/iPad than computer - I can't figure how to get it on my computer..

If you would like to coordinate a new remote group or shared experience, please let Gail know at **interestgroups.portperryprobus@gmail.com**. Count on Gail to help you get the word out and to engage other members. Note: In-person meet ups are on hold during the 'shelter in place' directive. Options for keeping engaged are noted next.



### 'Shelter in Place' Interest Group Updates:

**NOTE** - in the case of all Interest Groups, if you have questions or wish to join, please contact the Coordinator

#### ACTING FOR FUN

Evelyn McKenzie  
evsurfing@gmail.com • 905-985-2587

Our group is on hold right now. I wanted to let everyone know that Andrew Lloyd Webber is STREAMING FREE many of his musicals as his contribution to the COVID-19 pandemic. He's calling the series 'The Shows Must Go On' and *By Jeeves* is streaming right now. It is a series. For show times and details just Google: **Andrew Lloyd Webber**.



#### ART - PROBUS OPEN STUDIO

Margaret Adamson  
madamson905@gmail.com • 905-773-2878

This group will keep in touch with each other via emails. Hopefully, members who have been working on their own creations/works of art during the COVID shutdown, can share their new creations or art works as an attachment in joint emails. At a later date it might be possible to post them on the website.

A special thank you Anne Harland, Rita Hilker and some of the other Probus members, whose collective efforts enabled seniors in the Port Perry Seniors Club to receive protective face masks. Donations for supplies also were much appreciated. This project has been concluded for now.

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*PROBUS Interest Groups continued .....*

## BOARD GAMES

Jenny Yorgason  
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Bill Morrison  
billandmaryare@gmail.com • 905-985-2624

Board Games Group is on hold. Members are enjoying remote board games, like scrabble, on their computers. Denise Throp has been enjoying scrabble games with her sister who lives in the UK! See the **Port Perry PROBUS Face-Book** group for details on how to enjoy games on your computer or tablet.



## BOOK CLUB

Mary Arlt  
arltmary21@gmail.com • 905-982-0159

Our book club is keeping in touch via email. Everyone is doing well and we are considering a group meeting via Zoom. We will not be adding any readers to our group. However, from time to time there could be changes to our numbers and I will keep you informed. Here is a heads up on upcoming books for 2020: *The Lost Letter* by Jillian Cantor, *Born A Crime* by Trevor Noah and *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides.



## BOOKWORMS BOOK CLUB

Brenda Manns  
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Agnes Shaw  
theshaw@sympatico • 905-982-1558

Like all other gatherings, the Bookworms meetings have been suspended for the past months of isolation. Our regular meeting days are the fourth Tuesday of each month in the afternoons. The books on our list to still be discussed are: *Born a Crime* by Trevor Noah; *Becoming* by Michele Obama; *The Giver of Stars* by Jo Jo Moyes; *The Couple Next Door* by Shari Lapena; and *Recipe for a Perfect Wife* by Karma Brown. If you're interested in joining our group please contact Brenda.

## BOWLING FOR FUN

Ann Skinner  
skinntj@gmail.com and  
Pat McDougall  
patmcdougall@yahoo.com

Bowling For Fun is on the 'shelter in place' hiatus. Typically we bowl the last Thursday of every month. When we start back up and if you would like to join in the fun and enjoy social time please contact Ann by email.



## BREAKFAST CLUBS

Mary-Anne Unwin  
interestgroups.portperryprobus@gmail.com

Both the Tuesday and Thursday Breakfast Clubs are closed to new members and are currently suspended until the Provincial Government lifts the restrictions on restaurants and group gatherings. Note that even when restaurants reopen, they most likely will be obligated to reduce their capacity to 25 or 50% of normal in order to obey "social distancing" rules. Therefore, it will be a while after that before groups will be permitted. Membership lists and email addresses have been sent to everyone and I encourage members to reach out and keep in touch with each other. Since some members do not have internet or email, it would be unfair to them to set up virtual meetings. For everyone else, feel free to join the Port Perry PROBUS group on Facebook for insightful comments, humour, and community goings-on. Hang in there, someday we will be able to resume our enjoyable breakfasts together!

## BRIDGE – BEGINNERS/INTERMEDIATE

Judy Anderson  
judykins999@yahoo.ca

Our group is in a hiatus. If anyone has suggestions for online games we might join, please be in touch. When we start back up, this group will meet on a weekly basis on Tuesday afternoons. With the basics of bidding and play of the hand covered, we've moved to a shuffle and play format. This allows the group to feel comfortable with playing traditional kitchen bridge which incorporates scoring. Occasional discussions come up regarding bidding, but for the most part players have become independent. Although our group is currently full, we anticipate adding new members.



## CREATE & CHAT

Lou Ellen Clement-Hobbs  
chichi@persona.ca • 705-432-3229

This group is off and running! When we are back to meeting in person, note that there is still room to join and take pleasure in good company and yummy treats. Please contact Lou at the above email address for more information.

## CRIBBAGE

Barb Rootham  
brb.rootham@gmail.com • 905-985-9066

"The Fifteen For Two Crew" meets bi-weekly on Thursday afternoons at alternating members' homes. Cribbage can be played with 2, 3, or 4 players, so there is never a challenge of not enough players to enjoy the afternoon games. We currently have nine members, and new members are always welcome when we can meet in person again. Most of the group has an App where they play against a computer opponent. Barb reports that the computer has NO interesting stories to tell! Contact Barb for more information.

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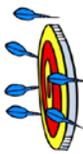
## **CURRENT EVENTS**

**Linda Schell**  
lindaschellconsulting@gmail.com  
905-242-8877

We are working at fostering remote meetings – either with FaceTime, FaceBook Messenger or with Zoom, depending upon the group members. Join us if you are interested in delving into the news of the day. We explore global, national, and community topics at each meeting. Please contact Linda if you are interested in joining our discussions about news and views.

## **FUN DARTS**

**John Leahy**  
jleahy6@gmail.com • 905-982-2695 2695 and  
**Ken Crossley**  
magentis@checkmail.ca or 705-786-1707



When the 'shelter in place' directive is lifted, the club will start getting together in person every Tuesday 2:15 - 4:30 p.m. at The Canadian Legion Branch 419 at 484 Bay St. (basement) corner of Bay and Old Simcoe St., in Port Perry. A Legion Membership is not required. Ladies are welcome. Don't worry about your skill level this is not a league, it's just for fun only. We also have a 50/50 draw. **P.S.** Please remove your hat when entering the Legion out of respect for the fallen. For information please contact John or Ken.

## **DINNER –**

### **GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER (GWCTD)**

**Carole Matthews**  
dandcm43@yahoo.ca • 905-982-2702

Note that this group is currently in a holding pattern pending lifting of the current 'shelter in place' guidelines. Please note for your future planning that this group is open and meets once a month on a Saturday evening. We send an email to the group with details of our next meeting. We expect a lot of members to attend our dinners throughout the spring and summer, and many restaurants in the area only have a limited amount of room, so when you get the notice of the dinner, please RSVP early. If we get more interest than the number of seats available, we do keep a wait list in the event of cancellations. New members are always welcome! Please contact Carole for questions.

## **DINNER – THE MUNCHKINS**

**Marg Miller**  
margandrodmler@gmail.com • 226-229-9073  
**Marilyn Hanna**  
jf.hanna@powergate.ca • 905-985-6322

The Munchkins Dinner Group typically meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m. We are on hold right now and checking the menus of all our favourite haunts!

## **EUCHRE – AFTERNOON**

**Ann Berube**  
ann.sundowner@gmail.com • 905-985-7102

This Group is on a hiatus and looks forward to being able to meet on alternate Friday afternoons, the recent norm being for a few members to be absent from time to time due to escaping our lovely winter for a few weeks and adventuring south. This doesn't stop those left behind enjoying the games, socializing and great refreshments. The group is currently full, but if you would like to be a Spare, don't hesitate to contact Ann at the email above.

## **BID EUCHRE – AFTERNOON**

**Jayne Rees**  
rees.jayne@gmail.com • 905-852-4997 or  
**Ann Berube**  
ann.sundowner@gmail.com • 905-985-7102



The Bid Euchre Group is also on hiatus. The schedule will start up when we have the nod from our government. The group plays on alternate Fridays and usually has good attendance and a lot of fun. We have lots of regular players, but we are looking for a couple of spares. If you know the game, or would like to learn it, please give either Jayne or Ann a quick call.

## **EUCHRE - THE TABLE TALKERS – AFTERNOON**

**Barb Rootham**  
brb.rootham@gmail.com • 905-985-9066  
**Susan Merriman**  
susan.j.merriman@gmail.com • 416-892-2127

Stayed tuned for when we start up after the hiatus. The group did meet monthly on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in members' homes. Please contact Barb or Susan for information.

## **EUCHRE – EVENING**

**Margaret Adamson**  
madamson905@gmail.com • 905-773-2878

These monthly evening euchre games are played at 7:00 p.m. on the Tuesday evening of our Probud General Meeting. We have started a waiting list for spares. The 2020 rotating schedule for the members to host in their homes will be revised when we are able to meet again.



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## **FOODIES!**

**Melodie Scott**

**bmgscott101@gmail.com • 905-767-1505**

Melodie hopes everyone is keeping healthy and happy. Based on what we are watching on TV, cooking and food seem to be filling a big void in peoples lives right now. Personally, she finds it been great to see some wonderful pictures and comments on our Foodies Facebook page. Melodie has been giving some thought to our group and ways to move forward with social distancing measures in place. Here are her thoughts - Zoom and Facebook Messenger have ways for people to virtually meet. I haven't used, nor do I know anything about the Facebook format (I will look into it) but I did use Zoom for the first time this week. I joined the Dukes Ukulele group in a virtual jam. I have to say it worked quite well and was lovely to actually interact with others. I have some issues due to unstable internet connections because of where we live, but for me the positives outweighed the negatives. I also joined a virtual Zumba class. Again, it was great to be part of the bigger community that is out there.

I was thinking we could set up a meeting for those of us who are interested and use the meeting to discuss ideas on how to meet virtually. I have a few ideas to share. Please email me and let me know if you are interested and some times/dates that would work for you. Look forward to hearing from fellow Foodies. I will followup with an email in the next while. In the meantime happy cooking and think about ideas on how to move forward. Melodie is looking forward to hearing from everyone in the group.

## **GARDENING – BLOOMERS!**

**Heather Hill Gibson**

**hhillgibson17@gmail.com • 905-985-9108**

The 'Bloomers!' planned trip out to Century Home and Greenhouses for our April meeting was postponed. We are active on our FaceBook group and enjoying getting our plants and flower beds cleared up for Spring. One member made a new hoop garden and will keep us posted on the results. Some members have seen some early bulbs pushing through – a great sign!



## **GENEALOGY**

**Heather Hill Gibson**

**hhillgibson17@gmail.com • 905-985-9108**

Our first meeting was cancelled with the library closed. We are eagerly waiting for when the 'shelter in place' guidelines are lifted. In the meantime, we are focusing on getting the correct full names of our ancestors and the date/location of their birth.

## **GOLF**

**Dave Matthews**

**dandcm43@yahoo.ca • 905-982-2702**

Watch this space for notice of when the game will start-up back up.

## **HIKING**

**Bill Morrison**

**billandmaryare@gmail.com • 905-985-2624**

Typically the hiking group meets twice monthly, on the first and third Fridays. Hikes usually start at 9:25 a.m.; particulars for each hike are emailed to group members a few days before the planned hike date. To join the group, or for any questions, please contact Bill. Bill emphasizes that social distancing is being adhered to on the hikes and meals have been suspended until the guidelines are lifted.

## **INVESTMENT – PORT INVESTMENT GROUP**

**Ann Skinner**

**skinntj@gmail.com**

The club is not meeting in person. Our treasurer is circulating our regular monthly updates of our portfolio holdings.

## **JAZZ**

**Coordinator Needed!**



Jazz is best enjoyed in a reflective mood. Now is the time to listen to some Miles Davis. Just Google his name and you can find some wonderful videos to enjoy.

## **LAWN BOWLING**

**Dennis Bayley**

**dennis.bayley@icloud.com • 289-989-0178**

Lawn Bowls Canada has cancelled all club activities. Let us know if anyone has set up a bowling lane in the living room!

## **LUNCH MEETUP**

**Gail Johnson Morris**

**interestgroups.portperryprobus@gmail.com**

As soon as we can get together we will fire up this lunch group. I look forward to seeing you then!



## **THE LUNCH BUNCH**

**Susan Barber**

**susan\_barber\_4@live.com • 905-854-5771**

The lunch group is on hold until we may enjoy lunch together in person.



## **MODEL BOATS**

**Coordinator Needed!**

If you are interested in models boats, you can find designs and 'how to' by using Google searches. Note that we have several members interested in building model boats. We just need a coordinator to get the group going. If you're interested in Model Boats and possibly to join the interest group, please sign up at the next in-person member's meeting.

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## MOVIE GROUP

Denise Throp  
deniset1954@gmail.com

Our in-person movie nights are on hold right now. The group has been sharing their movie lists via email. Denise is also enjoying complex jigsaw puzzles and reading new ebooks. You can still get on the distribution list to hear about all the movies on offer that PROBUS friends are likely to attend. Bargain Alert!: Join to get early notice of the excellent \$2.00 movies held at the Port Perry Library 6:30 p.m. on Thursday evenings!

## PHOTOGRAPHY

Jim Wakeford  
jrwakeford@yahoo.ca or 905-985-2030

We are navigating such an unusual time. If you have a smart phone, you might try some of the filters and the different features available. Perhaps you can do a study of the sky – with and without colour, saturation levels etc. You may just catch the photography bug!

## SINGLETONS

Denise Throp: deniset1954@gmail.com and  
Cathy Jeffrey: cjef@bell.net

We are getting creative by enjoying the various remote activities available to us from the museums and streaming services.

## THEATRE TOWN HALL

Judy L. Anderson  
ukeladyjudy@gmail.com • 905-985-4257

The Town Hall is dark. SCSMusicals has postponed *The Little Mermaid* to November with the same cast. We meet on Zoom to keep our spirits up. Judy is a member of another local group that meets by Zoom to jam and also enjoys YouTube tutorials to continue their learning process. Some great ideas for us all!

## TRAVEL - INTERNATIONAL

Judy Spring  
judith.spring@outlook.com • 905-447-4557

Stayed tuned for when bus and air travel is once again on the agenda!

## WINE TASTING I

Jim Adamson  
jim.adamson07@aol.com • 905-773-2878



Sheltering in place can mean enjoying a nice new wine. We recommend you consider a 'stay at home' tasting. There are some terrific YouTube tutorials for how to 'taste' a wine and what you might consider.

# QUARANTINE CHECKLIST



CHECK OFF A SQUARE IF YOU DID THESE IN THE LAST 24 HOURS...

<b>PUT ON PANTS</b> 	 CLEANED	<b>DIDN'T YELL AT YOUR SPOUSE</b> 	 TOOK A SHOWER	<b>GOT OUT OF BED</b> 	<b>WATCHED LESS THAN 8 HRS OF NETFLIX</b>	 WOKE UP BEFORE 10AM	 WASHED YOUR HANDS
 SENT A TEXT	<b>BRUSHED YOUR TEETH</b> 	<b>DIDN'T SPEND \$ ON AMAZON</b> 	 DIDN'T FALL ASLEEP ON THE COUCH LAST NIGHT	<b>TALKED TO ANOTHER ADULT</b> 	 KNOW WHAT DAY IT IS	<b>BRUSHED YOUR HAIR</b> 	 DIDN'T DRINK BEFORE 5 PM
<b>KEPT YOUR PET ALIVE</b> 	 WENT TO BED BEFORE MIDNIGHT	 COUNTED YOUR ROLLS OF TOILET PAPER	<b>ATE REAL FOOD</b> 	<b>STEPPED OUTSIDE</b> 	<b>DID SOMETHING CREATIVE</b> 	<b>DID ANYTHING PRODUCTIVE</b> 	<b>DRANK WATER</b> 