PROBUS CLUB OF PICKERING

Grey Matters

AUGUST 2021 Volume 8 Number 8

President
Jim Hare
jameshhare@yahoo.com

Vice President
Joe DeSimone
joedesi@hotmail.com

Past President
David Werry
dkwerry70@gmail.com

Secretary

Treasurer
John Catanho
J_catanho@hotmail.com

House
Marilyn Mendes
Mendes4650@gmail.com

Membership
Iris Forsey
irisforsey@gmail.com

Activities
Marilyn Werry
mjwerry@gmail.com

Newsletter
Sandy Smiles
pickeringprobus234@gmail.com

Social
Shirlie Van Putten
shirlievanputten@rogers.com

Speakers
Kathy Borisko
kborisko@hotmail.com

Webmaster
John Roberts
Roberts.jhr@rogers.com

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our next General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 25. Our plan is to have an in-person meeting, there will not be a Zoom meeting this month. Invitations have been sent out this past week, hopefully you will fill it out and send back a response. We can only have 100 of you attend the meeting at 10 am. Our plan is to have a 2nd meeting following at 11.30 am. Again, you will be notified which meeting you will be able to attend. It would be great if we could see you at one of these meetings.

Please check the website and the newsletter for the particulars. We will be following all the guidelines that Durham Region has mandated.

Your Management Team will be called upon to give updates, hoping that this meeting will be a sign of the times in the near future. There will be some changes to the team in a couple of months, I am so appreciative of the hard work and commitment of this wonderful group. If you have the opportunity to say thank you, please do.

Stay safe, continue to mask, when you are required to and distance when you need to. Hoping to see you and talk with you on the 25th.

All the best,

Jim Hare, President

EDITOR'S NOTE

- Our first in-person meeting will be held on August 25th. Watch for your confirmation email.
- Please read the guidelines and protocols set out by our Re-opening Committee.
- Thanks to all of those members who have shown an interest in being part of the Management Committee.
- Thanks to Marilyn Werry, our Activities Coordinator, and all of the Activity Leaders who have organized these wonderful opportunities to keep us active within our club.

Sandy Smiles, *Editor*

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATES

Joe DeSimone – Vice – President

Probus Club of Pickering - In-person Venue Guidelines and protocols.

All protocols are subject to the Federal, Provincial, Municipal and local Health authorities. These plans are to adhere to current and changing health guidelines. Rules imposed are to reduce the risk to our members and to the management team.

All members are requested to attend in accordance with our club's appropriate guidelines and protocols in a caring and respectful manner. Requirements for attendance at the venue are:

Must check in at the Registration desk.

- Only invited guests are allowed and Name badges are mandatory. This registry to be used for Covid tracing.
- Covid-19 passive questionnaire to be reviewed by guests and their answers screened.
- Hand sanitizers are available and must be used going in and upon exiting.
- Members are to bring their own lawn chairs and set up with social distancing in designated area.
- Those residing in same household are exempt from social distancing.
- Masks are not mandatory in outdoor venue but members at high medical risk are encouraged to wear them.
- Objects at podium (microphones or any apparatus) to be sanitized between use.
- No money handling at this time so no 50/50 draw.
- Refreshments are not available by the management team. Pre-wrapped cookies may be supplied.
- Presentation by a guest speaker may occur depending on their personal health concerns.
- Socializing is encouraged with appropriate behaviour to protect yourselves and your fellow members.

Management Committee Opportunities

Please note that October 27, 2021 will be our Annual meeting. Subject to the easing of Covid-19 restrictions we hope to meet in person.

At this time the management committee members will be ratified. We do have nominees for all positions. Anyone having an interest in applying as an associate-member at large, or as a helper on this committee may contact the nominating committee by September 30, 2021. The nomination committee composed of the Vice President, Joe DeSimone and the Past President, David Werry welcome you to participate in this energetic and fun group that co-ordinate the events of our Club.

Stay active and consider a supporting role in our social club.

Kathy Borisko – Speakers

We are having a guest presentation for a 20 minute session.

Marilyn Werry – Activities Co-ordinator

SPOTLIGHT ON ACTIVITIES - AUGUST 2021

Hello, Probus friends!
As you can see below, Pickering Probus has continued to be a vibrant, exciting club despite the restrictions we have all encountered. Our membership has remained strong due to our fabulous group leaders and your active participation in the various activities.

We welcome back the Gardening group, the Walking group, and the Cribbage group! Please note the new Crokinole group being offered. If you have an idea for a new group, or feel safe reopening your previous activity, please let me know. Together, we continue to make Pickering Probus the place to be!

R.O.D.E.O.
August outdoor venue being planned for maximum of 25
Contact: Debbie Cox d_c_cox@hotmail.com

GARDEN CLUB - "ZOOM" Gardening With The Birds presented by Durham Master Gardeners
Tuesday, August 17 at 6:00 p.m.
Contact: Jacqueline Mollaret mjmollaret@gmail.com

MEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB
Wednesday, August 18, 8:30 a.m. at Perkins Restaurant
Contact: David Werry dkwerry70@gmail.com

WALKING CLUB- BACK AGAIN!!! Venue and Time TBD
Thursday, August 19
Contact: Jeanette Adams jeanette.maryadams@gmail.com

KITCHEN BRIDGE – TRICKSTER
Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. with Harvey Brodhecker, Ajax Probus Club
Contact: Harvey Brodhecker 416 894-5778

GOLF
Every second Thursday 10.00 a.m. Spring Creek Golf Club
Contact: Jim Hare jameshhare@yahoo.ca

EUCHRE
Every first and third Thursday at the Legion
Thursday, September 2, from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Contact: Kathy Borisko kborisko@hotmail.com

ZOOM TRIVIA with Alan Tibbles - Session 9
Tuesday, September 21 3:00 p.m.
Contact: Marilyn Werry mjwerry@gmail.com

CRIBBAGE - BACK AGAIN! at the Legion
Thursday, September 23, from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Contact: Cathy Kwiecien ckwie@hotmail.com

CROKINOLE - NEW!!!!! at the Legion
Thursday, September 23 from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Contact: David Werry dkwerry70@gmail.com
See David's update under Activity Leaders' Updates

NOVEL IDEAS Let's move from "Zoom" to "Room"! We will enjoy our first in person meeting at Marilyn Werry's home.
Tuesday, September 28 2:00 p.m.
Contact: Marilyn Werry marilynwerry@gmail.com

RECIPE CLUB TBA
Contact: Shirley Humphries shirlmcnamara587@gmail.com

WINE CLUB TBA Stay tuned!
Contact: Bob Forsey bobforsey1244@gmail.com

Thank You!!!

After several years of organizing Bridge for our club, Dave and Irveen Powley are stepping aside. All of us are grateful for their leadership and dedication to Pickering Probus. We thank you!!!

If you are interested in leading the Bridge Club, please let either Irveen and Dave know at powleydi@gmail.com, or contact Marilyn Werry at mjwerrry@gmail.com

It is the participation of our members that makes our club so great!

ACTIVITY LEADERS' UPDATES

Debbie Cox – RODEO

Get togethers have resumed with limitations in effect. If you wish to be included in future RODEO activities, please contact me via e-mail, and I will happily add you to my list.
Debbie Cox: d_c_cox@hotmail.com

SASSY BEER BASTE
This is a great sauce for veal or chicken scaloppine, but can be used as a beef baste.

1/2 cup beer	1/2 cup chilli sauce
2 T. vegetable or olive oil	1/4 cup sugar
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce	1 clove garlic, crushed

Combine all ingredients in a saucepan and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 10 minutes, uncovered, to blend flavours.

Stay safe!

Kathy Borisko – Euchre

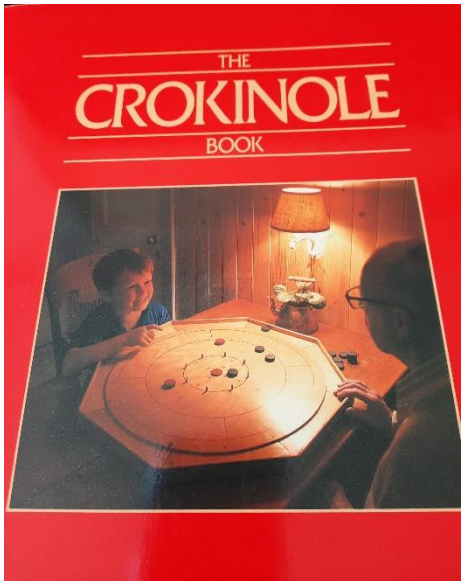
We're back at the Legion for euchre starting September 2nd, at 1:00 p.m. Just $5 each! Scheduled dates in September 2,16, 30, October 14 and November 4 and 18. Please contact Kathy Borisko at Kborisko@hotmail.com

David Werry - Crokinole

Our Cribbage Club has booked the Pickering Legion on September 23 from 1 to 4 pm. To cover the increased cost of renting that facility, I am hoping to add a second activity in that time slot, namely the game of Crokinole.

Crokinole is a board game with a long history in southern Ontario and beyond. Whether you are new to the game or have a family history with it, you may choose to come out for some fun.

If interested or if you have any questions about it, please contact me at dkwerry70@gmail.com.



OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS

Community Consultations

The City of Pickering invites you to become involved with a number of consultations including Property Standards, Beachfront Revitalizations, Waterfront Parking. Visit Let's Talk Pickering (letstalkpickering.ca) to learn how to get involved and have your say.

Community Programs



Website - http://www.pickeringprobus.ca

TRAVEL 2022 – NON PROBUS



July 10 – 18, 2022

Are you Interested in taking a gondola ride in one of Venice's canals? Join us on this eight-night Celebrity Infinity cruise where we will visit Venice, Italy; Split and Dubrovnik, Croatia; Corfu and Zakynthos, Greece; Koper, Slovenia; and Kotor, Montenegro.

We have a few staterooms still available. Prices start at $2,064 CAD per person and includes port fees and taxes; pre-paid gratuities; classic beverage package and wi-fi.

Book by August 31, 2021 and receive an Early Booking Bonus of $100 on board credit for an inside or ocean view or $200 on board credit for a veranda or concierge stateroom.

Expedia Extra – an additional $50 on board credit per stateroom.

September 6 – 19, 2022

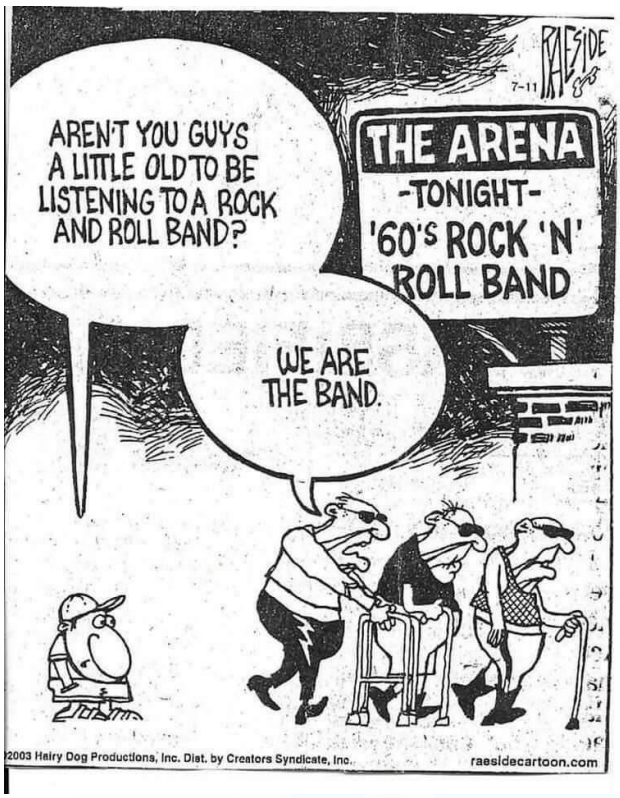
We are heading to the British Isles on a 12-night cruise on board the Emerald Princess. We have a number of staterooms reserved and the price includes prepaid gratuities, wi-fi and the premium beverage package.

Take advantage of the Expedia Cruises Exclusive Sale which includes reduced deposit and a generous on-board credit, offered by Princess and book by August 19 - 21, 2021.

Above cruises hosted by Sandy Smiles. For more information, please contact:

Sandy at 289 314-7794 or ssmiles@expediacruises.com

A LITTLE LAUGHTER





A Little Poem For Seniors, so true it hurts!

Another year has passed And we're all a little older.
Last summer felt hotter And winter seems much colder.
There was a time not long ago When life was quite a blast.
Now I fully understand About 'Living in the Past'
We used to go to weddings, Football games and lunches..
Now we go to funeral homes And after-funeral brunches.
We used to go out dining, And couldn't get our fill.
Now we ask for doggie bags, Come home and take a pill.
We used to often travel To places near and far.
Now we get sore asses From riding in the car.
We used to go to nightclubs And drink a little booze.
Now we stay home at night And watch the evening news.
That, my friend is how life is, And now my tale is told.
So, enjoy each day and live it up...
Incredible Before you're too damned old!

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Euchre	3	4
5	6	7	8 Probus Management Meeting	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 Euchre	17	18
19	20	21 Zoom Trivia	22 Probus Meeting	23 Cribbage and Crokinole	24	25
26	27	28 Novel Ideas	29	30 Euchre		

Website - http://www.pickeringprobus.ca