



PROBUS Club Of Durham West

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October 2019

PROBUS MONTHLY MEETING

October 10th 2019, 10 am

SPEAKER

Angelica Ganea, Singer, Songwriter and Author

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE **Jim Hinnecke**



It's my great honour to take on the role of club President for the next year. I look forward to serving all our members to the best of my ability with the support of our new Board of Directors.

At times we may forget that our club is part of a network of 254 active PROBUS clubs across Canada with a total membership of nearly 40,000 people. While every club exists to serve the needs of its own members, we are also united in a common purpose: to "provide Fellowship, Friendship, and Fun for men and women in their retirement and semi retirement years". I encourage you to take a moment to review the activities of PROBUS Canada by visiting its recently redesigned website at www.probus.org.

For the period 2019-2020, PROBUS Canada has expressly identified the following goals:

- Increase female board membership
- Increase Utilization of Website and Develop Relationship with Website Committee
- Continue to Develop Marketing and Recruitment
- Celebrate PROBUS Month [March 2020]
- Encourage District Meetings
- Increase Communications with Clubs
- Ensure all Directors have given tasks

These goals demonstrate the desire of PROBUS Canada to use its resources efficiently and expand its outreach nationwide.

A meeting of all the presidents of Durham Region PROBUS clubs was held September 24 in Oshawa. Virtually every issue discussed during that meeting has been reviewed by our own board. There is a lot to learn from the experiences of other clubs, and a lot to be gained by working with them. We committed to ongoing meetings approximately every quarter with the next one being in January. On October 21, I and two other board members will attend the much larger District meeting in Stouffville. I will report back to you on this, next month.

As President, I am always open to questions and suggestions from members of the club. You can reach me at "President@Durhamwestprobus.org".



PROBUS Club of Durham West



2019 – 2020 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



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“INTRODUCING THE SPEAKER “

Our speaker next month, October, is Angelica Ganea. Angelica is a singer, songwriter and author, and is a recipient of the Award of Excellence from the CanPak Chamber of Commerce, Canada. She is the author of 'Remember Who You Are: the Story Behind the Song', a book of short stories which accompanies her first original music CD. In 2015 Angelica released 'Sacred', a CD with classical favourites, followed by a Christmas album. Come along and hear Angelica talk about her musical journey and share her songs with us.

MEMBERSHIP

On August 1st we began our Membership Renewal that ended on September 30th. Our club is limited to 340 members. See us at the membership desk to inquire about any vacancies for a membership that may be available.

Remember to send any changes to your address, telephone number or e-mail to Bonnie or Geoff Cutten at gcutten0809@rogers.com or call us at 905-831-7489



Welcome to our new member Lilo Ebenreth



PROBUS Club of Durham West's ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST



You may enter up to two (2) of your favourite photographs.

The deadline is October 7th, 2019.

Prizes for the top three pictures will be awarded at the November 14th PROBUS meeting.

- ❖ Only PROBUS members in good standing may submit photos.
- ❖ Photo must be taken between October 1, 2018 and September 15, 2019
- ❖ Photo must be submitted digitally to Ian Medford at ismedford1@gmail.com
- ❖ Photographs must be in jpeg format.
- ❖ **Please give your pictures a title.**

- ❖ **The deadline for submissions is midnight – October 7th, 2019**
- ❖ Each member can submit two (2) photographs
- ❖ There are no specific categories – **your favourite picture is what we want to see.**
- ❖ A submitted photograph can be post-processed to improve quality only. You may improve focus, exposure, alignment, cropping and colour. The content of the photo cannot be altered.

Confirmation of receipt of pictures, if requested, will be sent the second week of October.

PRIZES will be --1st prize - \$75.00 2nd prize - \$50.00 3rd prize - \$25.00

Contact Shirley Gonsalves if you have any questions: 647-292-1101 or email shirley.gonsalves@rogers.com

SOCIAL REPORT

ST JACOBS VILLAGE AND MARKET

Thursday October 24th

Bus trip using the 407.

Pick up at the Walmart parking lot (NE corner of Salem and Kingston Rd) at **8:15 am** , the bus will leave at **8:30 sharp**.

Arrive at St Jacobs Village at **10:30 am** – there is lots to do in the Village - The Mennonite Story (opens at 11:00 am), Maple syrup museum, History of Electricity, Model Train Panorama, Block Three brewery - tasting and tours - check out the website www.stjacobs.com

The bus will pick us up to go to St Jacobs Markets at **12:30 pm**.

Lunch is on your own in the market area where you can also shop and/or take a horse drawn trolley ride (1.5 hour long (extra cost).

The bus leaves to head back to Ajax at **4:00pm**

This trip is fully booked.

Conveners: Deborah Barbisan 905-420-8513 and Lorna Smith 905-837-0875.

CHRISTMAS TRIP TO ALLAN GARDENS AND CASA LOMA

Monday December 2nd

The bus leaves the Ajax Walmart at **10:30 am**.

This trip is fully booked. Convener: Dale Thomas 905-723-6862.

HERONGATE September 8th



REMINDERS: There are NO REFUNDS. If you sign-up for an event and are unable to attend you may have someone go in your place by getting payment from them and notifying the Convener of the event of the change along with the name & phone number of the person replacing you.

PLEASE BRING YOUR CHEQUE BOOK as you must pay for the event at the time of sign-up since cash is not accepted.

NAME TAGS

Wearing names tags on social outings is helpful for new members and those of us who have a momentary lapse in memory.

Please use the suggestion box for feedback and ideas for social events.

Remember to bring your coffee mug.



Please be aware that many people are very allergic to scents, so please DO NOT wear perfume or aftershave to gatherings.



Fragrance Free Zone



ACTIVITES

Contact: June Booth at jdbooth52@yahoo.ca

BOOK CLUBS

THE NOVEL READERS

The Novel Readers Book Club will meet on October 2, to discuss *The Summer Before the War* by Helen Simonson. On November 6, our selection is *Talk to Me by John Kenney*. The choice for December 4 is *Educated* by Tara Westover. The Novel Readers book club usually meets on the first Wednesday of the month. We currently have full membership.

For more information please contact colleenlea@Hotmail.com or 905-686-1629.

BOARD GAMES

The Board Game Group meets at 1:30 pm on the second Monday of every month at VIVA retirement in Pickering. Please note DUE TO THANKSGIVING THE OCTOBER MEETING IS CANCELLED. Our next meeting will be November 11th.

For more information please contact Sue Hinnecke at [905-839-5508](tel:905-839-5508) or s.hinnecke@rogers.com

BOWLING

Thursday, October 24th. at 1:30 pm.

Join us for a FUN time! Novices to experts are welcome! We welcome new bowlers. This is **not** a league. Contact Bonnie each month to sign-up.

Bowling is once a month usually on the fourth Thursday afternoon.

Location: Ajax Bowling Centre, 172 Harwood Ave. South.

Cost: \$10.00 includes 2 games & shoes (\$2.00 for shoes)

\$8.00 if you have your own bowling shoes. Payment at the bowling alley.

Please contact Bonnie each month if you would like to bowl.

bcutten0809@rogers.com or 905-831-7489 for more information.

BREAKFAST CLUB

October 1st we will be meeting at Michaels. Contact Bruce & Dorothy Green at meandchester@bell.net or captain.kirby@sympatico.ca

November 5th we will be meeting at Scrambles. Contact Anna & Bruno Brunatti at abbrunatti@gmail.com

Please let the contact person and myself (Linda Robbins), at Richard.robbins@sympatico.ca , know by the Friday prior to the Breakfast date if you will be attending.

Bring your restaurants suggestions for next year.

CREATE AND CHAT

If your hobbies include knitting, crocheting, needlework, quilting, beading, colouring or something else you would like to introduce us to, and you would like to participate with a chatty group of like-minded individuals, please sign up and join us.

We meet on the third Monday of the month from 1 - 3 pm at Westney Gardens in the Arts Studio on the main floor. Westney Gardens is located at 1010 Westney Road North, Ajax (NW corner of Westney and Rossland) and provides a spacious gathering place, ample parking, as well as a cafe.

Contact: Sharon Marshall, oxford9390@gmail.com

DINNER GROUP - ORIGINAL

Contact: Bruce Green at meandchester@bell.net

DINNER IS SERVED CLUB

Contact: Fran Griffin at FranGriffinHome@gmail.com

GOLF

Contact Marcia Everitt for more information at marciaeveritt@yahoo.ca

GARDEN CLUB

Several members of the Club attended the outing to the Brickworks in Toronto. We enjoyed a walk along the trail and browsing through the shops before enjoying lunch in the on site cafe. We will be meeting at St. Paul's United Church on Monday Oct 7th at 2:00 pm to discuss our Fall plans.

Contact: Geoff Nie at geoff.nie@sympatico.ca

MARATHON BRIDGE

Contact: Julie Trebilcock at julietrebilcock@rogers.com

NATURE LOVERS

Our monthly field trips are usually the third Thursday morning of the month (dependent on when an activity is available or if it will not be in conflict with other PROBUS outings). Come and join us in loving nature!

On September 19th, three teams went on a Nature Scavenger Hunt held at Heber Down Conservation Area to find and photograph 50 items within a 2 hour time period. The winning team, with 30 of the 50 items found, were Bonnie, Ann, Ken and Gail who each received a \$15 gift card to the Urban Nature Store.

Our next outing is October 18th at Walkers Woods where I will lead a nature hike.
If you like nature and want to join our group contact me. Geoff Cutten gcutten0809@rogers.com
or 905-831-7489



NIBBLES AT NIGHT

For information about our group's activities please contact: Dru Carter, carterdru34@gmail.com

SNAPPED PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

We are an amateur photography club where all types of cameras, mobile phones and levels of photography, are welcome. We meet on the third Wednesday of the month.

Contact Lorna Smith at lsmith1@bell.net to become a member of this exciting and adventurous group.



Wednesday Walking Group

Join us each Wednesday at 10 am as we walk a trail in the area. Each week we try for a different location. Walks are generally about an hour in length. Most walks are on paved surfaces with washroom facilities. No need to commit to walking regularly. You just show up whenever you are able. To find out the weekly location you need to be on the email list. Just send me your name and email address. Then each weekend you will get one email with the next week's location. In the fall we try to do more wooded hikes before all the leaves fall. So why not join us for some exercise and leaf colour?

Bernice Pyke

To be put on the email list, just send your name and email address to Bernice Pyke at billandbernicepyke@hotmail.com

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Please fill in the form with your name and choices for the Christmas Luncheon to be held at Deerhurst on Dec 12, 2019. Bring it to the October or November PROBUS general meeting along with a cheque made payable to PROBUS Club of Durham West. The Christmas Luncheon form is the last page of this newsletter.

Additional Activity Groups and Contact Information

If you would like more information about when and where these groups meet or what they are doing for fun and learning, please contact the leader or Catherine Frost at c.frost@sympatico.ca

Brew Crew	- Patsy Leamon	palpa@sympatico.ca
Indoor Golf	- Elizabeth Long	elizabeth.long97@yahoo.ca
Pole Walking	- Eileen Nixon	eileennixon8585@gmail.com
Ukulele Strummers	- Sue Porter	s.e.porter@rogers.com
Cinema Club	- Joanne Bullen	jvarty@hotmail.com

WORDS WORTH READING BOOK CLUB

Contact: Jean Jackson at jeanej@rogers.com or 905-420-6410.

MESSAGE BOARD

AJAX LIBRARY

Social Bridge

SOCIAL BRIDGE on Thursdays at the Ajax Public Library – Main Branch, 55 Harwood Ave. South in the Rotary Room starting at ~2:30pm (A free will donation is taken for coffee and cookies.) Social bridge will be held on Thursday **October 10, October 24 and October 31**. This is social bridge so HAVE FUN.

Free Bridge Lessons

FREE BRIDGE LESSONS on Thursdays at the Ajax Public Library – Main Branch, 55 Harwood Ave. South in the Rotary Room starting at ~2:30pm (A free will donation is taken for coffee and cookies.) Lessons will be held on Thursday **October 3 (Bidding Sequences When Opener Bids a Suit - Part 1 of 3) and 17 (Bidding Sequences When Opener Bids a Suit - Part 2 of 3)**. Please note that lessons build upon each previous lesson. Although lessons are at the beginner level, some familiarity with bridge (or similar card games) is expected.

Euchre

Euchre on October 11th and 25th, in the Ajax Library Main Branch from 2:30pm to 4:30 pm. BUT come a little earlier because it can fill up quickly. Coffee and cookies are available for a small donation.

2019 / 2020 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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PROBUS Club of Durham West WEBSITE

Follow the link: durhamwestprobus.org (control and click)

Comments, articles and photographs from Social Events and Activity Groups would be appreciated. Please send to: Ada Larock at larockgrada@gmail.com

For information on other PROBUS Clubs in Canada go to <https://probus.org>

DEC 12, 2019
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
COUPON AND RESERVATION FORM
COST \$37.00 MEMBERS \$47.00 GUESTS

CONTACT NAME _____

Member or Guest

Entree: _____ **and Circle ONE: Soup or Salad**

Phone # _____

Email: _____

Additional Name:

T - Turkey
S - Salmon
V - vegetarian

Soup (Squash)
Salad Cranberry/Pecan

Entree: _____ **and Circle ONE: Soup or Salad**

Total Payment : \$.....

Make cheque payable to : Probus Club of Durham West

Related food allergies:

