

South Muskoka
Club No 119
Chartered June 12 2001



Next Meeting: When: Wednesday, July 2, 2025

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Where: Bracebridge Legion

CO-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



IT'S A GOOD SUMMER THAT STARTS WITH A PICNIC

In July and August, when the Sportsplex is required for their summer programs, traditionally, Probus South Muskoka has used July as Picnic month. And since our AGM is in August we meet in a venue that makes that meeting special too.

Picnic is an odd word and how did it find its way into our language?

It is believed that the word is from French *pique-nique* and was first used in 1750 to describe a social event at which each guest contributes a share of the food.

Sometimes we are forced to share food with ants, mosquitoes or wasps. Planned picnics seemed to always encourage rain. Not this year. Rain or shine, we will be eating delicious picnic-style fare, at the Bracebridge Legion in perfect comfort. If the day is fine, we can play some traditional outdoor, summer games or just socialize and be entertained with great music.

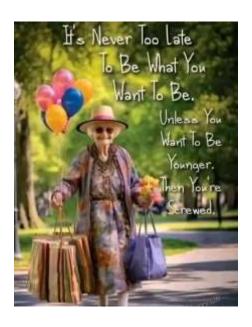
See you on July 2, at the Legion, at 10:30.

Ted & Susan



July Entertainment'2 Hearts Content'





SNEEK PEAK AT OUR SPEAKER FOR AUGUST

Wyatt Black was a participant on season 10 of the History Channel show "Alone". He and nine other contestants were dropped off in Reindeer Lake, Saskatchewan, and tasked with surviving in the wilderness for as long as possible, potentially winning \$500,000. Black ultimately finished as the runner-up, spending 64 days in the wild. Wyatt is from Bracebridge and has a strong background in outdoor skills, including hunting, fishing, and trapping. He also has experience with outdoor living, making him a well-suited participant for the show. Please join us at the AGM to hear

Wyatt's story.



Membership News

Membership Report July 2025

Thank you for your positive and enthusiastic response to renewing your Probus membership. We may be small but we are mighty!

Our first event of the year is our annual picnic Wednesday, July 2nd, at the Legion. Because it is a catered party, pre-registration is required. It should be lots of fun as usual, starting with some crazy lawn games then a gourmet lunch and entertainment. Don and Jean Hills will get us singing along with a repertoire of popular songs as they did last year.

Another regular summer event is our AGM on Wednesday, August 6. This will be at the Legion also and will begin with our annual meeting to introduce next year's executive and sign off on our last year's business. We follow this with an interesting speaker and a delicious sit-down lunch for \$50. If you want to attend only the business meeting with coffee and muffins, there is a small charge for this alone.

There's lots going on over the summer for you to enjoy—lunches, dinners, movie night and more- so come play with us!

Cheers, Petie Thickett,

Membership Chair

705-637-0606

Care Bear News



So far, June appears to have been a happy, healthy month for most of our club. No cards were requested. Keep up the great work! We look forward to similar good news next month.

We shall miss our friends, Jane and Dave Low, as they move to The Renoir in Newmarket, Ontario, and wish them all the best.

Here's wishing all a healthy summer, as it has at last officially begun, and please let me know if you hear of anyone who might appreciate get well wishes or a sympathy note.

Your Care Bear, Wendy Truscott wendytruscott@yahoo.com

Management Team



This great group of people are looking for members to join them on the management team! We could sure use some help adding a new Vice President and Social Outings Chair, why even joining as a Member-at-Large is a great way to start. We are amazing at giving out wonderful promotions once you join too!! We don't even mind if 'you been there, done that', we will let you do it again!!

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

<u>DYNAMIC DINERS</u> – We are pretty much interested in dining and socializing. We do this on the third Thursday evening of this month at a nice restaurant we usually agree on during the previous month's dinner. Often we take advantage of the gathering to celebrate St. Patrick's Day, Valentine's Day etc. It is fun, sometimes downright boisterous, and a wonderful way to nurture our Probus bonds. All are welcomed, the more, the merrier. The venue for Thursday, July 17, 2025 is at The Clubhouse Bistro,



"Never odd or even" spelled backward is still "Never odd or even."

<u>INVESTMENT CLUB</u> – A virtual meeting by Zoom Invitation on the second Monday of the month from 10:00 a.m. to noon. The Group Portfolio is the subject of discussion – what to buy, what to hold and what to sell – without money involved. You may want to visit to experience the excitement of the fluctuating market, and if intrigued, add this event to your monthly outings. Contact Joe Ursano @ joeursano@gmail.com



<u>MOVIE NIGHT</u> – Please join us for a night out at the movies on the 4th Thursday of the month. Movie night for July is cancelled as Jan and Ed will be out of town. Contact Jan and Ed @ janet.sharman@gmail.com or 705-646-1398

NEWS AND VIEWS – Members meet on the 3rd Monday of the month, 9:30 am at Nick's Restaurant. Nick's is happy to provide this venue, free of charge, the assumption being that participants have first joined for breakfast, however large or small. The next news and views will be on Monday, July 21st, 2025. Bring your ideas and have fun. Contact Barb Rigby @ b.rigby@outlook.com or 705-646-2150



Joan, John, Barb and Jan sharing 'news and views'!

<u>OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH</u> – Members meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month to have lunch at a predetermined restaurant, chosen by those in attendance the previous month. This is a very fun group, enjoying good conversation, several laughs, while tempting our taste buds at a new restaurant or one of our favourites. What happens at the table stays at the table. We will gather at Blakes Memories of Muskoka at the Quality Inn beginning at 12 noon. Contact John Vellinga @ jmvellinga@sympatico.ca or 705-637-0452.



The 'Out to Lunch Bunch' enjoying social time on the patio at The Oar Restaurant in Gravenhurst.

Theatre Information!!!!



- ➤ Theatre tickets for A Woman's Love List on July 22nd will be available for pick up at the Gravenhurst Opera House Box Office before the show. Show starts at 2:30 p.m.
- ➤ Tickets for Grease on August 12th at the King's Wharf Theatre, Penetanquishene, will be available for pick up at the AGM meeting on August 6th. Show starts at 2:00 p.m. Carpooling is recommended.

*There are no more tickets available for either of these shows.

Enjoy these snapshots of our members having fun and exercise at the Northern Escapades Mini Golf on one of the hottest days of the year!

















The Probus Club of South Muskoka

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

Bracebridge Royal Canadian Legion – 168 Muskoka Road

Doors will open at 10:00 a.m.

Social Time with Coffee, Tea and Muffins Meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Speaker: Wyatt Black 'Surviving the Wilderness'

Lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m.

Chef Glenn Kitchen's Luncheon Menu

Cream of Asparagus Soup

Pan Seared Chicken au Jus

Roasted Mini Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables

Strawberry Shortcake/Tea Biscuits

Coffee and Tea

*A vegetarian option will be available upon request

Cost is \$50 per person (including tax and gratuities)

(Cost is \$5 if just staying for the meeting)

Last Day for Sign Up is July 25, 2025

Sign-Up sheet will be available at the July general meeting. Cheques can be made out to the Probus Club of South Muskoka or you can send an etransfer to:

probusclubofsouthmuskoka7@gmail.com

Ginny's



I was born in Toronto. I am the middle child of three girls. Until I was 10 we lived in Port Credit and then moved to Guelph. It was during my turbulent teenage years I was diagnosed with schizophrenia. I attempted to take my life on 3 separate occasions, but eventually with the dedicated love of my family, finally finding a wonderful psychiatrist, learning to stay on my medication and most importantly accepting God as my

savior, I was finally able to find peace and move forward. During this time my family had moved back to Mississauga. I finished high school through correspondence and with the help of my family doctor I started a job at Trillium Hospital in Mississauga working in Health Records. I worked there for 31 years. During that time I received an award for going 8 years without missing a day of work. Quite an accomplishment for me. When my parents passed away, I moved

in with my older sister Jan and her husband Jim, and I have lived with them ever since. The three of us retired in 2000 and moved permanently to Jan and Jim's cottage on Skeleton Lake. I have volunteered and taken on the role of convenor, in the portering program at the South Muskoka Memorial Hospital for the last 15 years. I enjoy knitting and especially like to make prayer shawls for people that could use an extra hug. I have really enjoyed my time with the Probus Club of South Muskoka. Being quiet and shy, it has helped me to be more social and selling the tickets gives me a chance to say hi to everyone!

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I hope you have enjoyed this month's newsletter!

Your newsletter editor,

Jan Davidson