

## CURRENT INTEREST GROUPS:

### TO SIGN UP FOR ALL INTEREST GROUPS:

1. **Visit us in person** at the **Interest Groups Table** during General Meetings **or**
2. **Email us** by clicking on this link: [Interest Group Chair](#)

Typically there is no charge to join an Interest Group (although some may have a minimal fee to pay for the use of the venue).

You must be a member of Uxbridge PROBUS to join an Interest Group.

**If you have an idea for a new group or want to join an existing group, please contact us!**

### **AGE GETS BETTER WITH WINE: Coordinator: Anne Gavreau**

This wonderful group will meet on Wednesday, June 10 at 7:00 pm, at the home of Kim Lendvay and Geoff Carpentier. The theme for the evening is "PURPLE"...wine labels with PURPLE on them. Members are even encouraged to DRESS IN PURPLE! It should be an evening reminiscent of the "One-Eyed One-Horned Flying Purple People Eater!!!" Am I showing my age???

One thing is always certain...a great time will be had by all!

This group meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.

### **BOARD GAMES: Coordinator: Wayne Louie \*NEW\***

Board / dice / card games, we have them all (well, 168 of them). Join us every month on the 4th Wednesday from 1PM to 4PM, at the Game Juice Cafe (where "Chances Are" used to be). It was fierce competition at our inaugural session, but well worth it. It's a great way to keep the mind sharp. New players always welcome, don't be shy!

This group usually meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 1.

### **BOOK BUDDIES: Coordinator: Gerri Martin**

Book Buddies will meet on Thursday June 25th at 1:30 to discuss This Is Happiness by Niall Williams. This month's meeting will also include the opportunity for its members to put forward some recommendations for selections for next year when we reconvene in September.

This group meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at 1:30.

### **CANASTA CREW: GAMES & LESSONS: Coordinator Amber D'Aguiar**

Canasta is a fun and challenging card game played in groups of four. We typically play on the 2nd Thursday of the month - but for June, we will be playing the following day on Friday June 12th in the afternoon.

Lessons are held from 1-2pm for new players and/or for those who need practice. We continue to play from 2-4pm.

All are welcome.

This group meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

### **COURT JESTERS (PICKLEBALL): Coordinators: Alan James and Bill McMahon**

With improvement of weather the Court Jesters are emerging from hibernation and playing with gusto. Lots of rallies and close games- the rust is receding!

This group meets every Tuesday and Friday morning at 10.

### **CREATIVE WRITING AND MEMOIR: Coordinator Kathy Clulow**

Our Creative Writing and Memoir group meets the second and fourth Tuesday afternoon. We write from prompts, something as simple as 'What simple thing brings you joy?' We all write for 10 minutes, on what ever path your mind wanders. This is a safe and encouraging place to write. We have room for a few more; come and join our fun group. This group meets on the second and fourth Tuesday at 2pm.

### **GENIAL GENEALOGISTS: Coordinator: Bernie Beales**

At our May meeting, we discussed how to use Ancestry's ThruLines app to find those elusive second cousins. Using Google Search, we looked for information with Obituaries, Facebook, and local newspapers! Amazing what is there just ripe for the picking! Join us for our next meeting on June 18 as we continue to share our genealogical joys and frustrations.

This group usually meets on the third Thursday of each month from 1:30-3:30.

### **GRAPE MINDS THINK ALIKE: Coordinators Melissa Harding and Caren Narvet**

For our May get together, our group was introduced to some delightful wines from Lebanon, while enjoying great conversation over a delectable mezze platter. In June, we will be sampling wines from Spain. We do have space for a few more members!

This group meets on the third Wednesday of the month.

### **KITCHEN BRIDGE: Coordinator: Anne-Marie Sacco**

Kitchen bridge is held the first Thursday of the month and both men and women are welcome. We play socially; that is, we are not duplicate.

### **KNIT OR NOT HANDICRAFTERS: Coordinator: Wanda Laing**

The Knit or Nots meet the first and third Wednesday of the month at my house. We will continue through the summer with camaraderie and cookies. Weather permitting we will do some outdoor workshops. Our May project yielded some fabulous windchimes fashioned from seashells- bring on the ocean!

Stay tuned and watch for a sign up sheet at the meetings.

This group usually meets at 1pm on every first and third Wednesday of the month.

### **LADIES BRIDGE CLUB: Coordinators: Margaret Langlands and Caren**

**Narvet**<sup>[1]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub> We play the second Tuesday of every month, travelling home to home, playing anywhere from 1-3 tables each month.

This group meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 1:00.

### **LET'S EAT OUT: Coordinators: Gail & Chuck Heroux**

Our May Let's Eat Out saw us gathering at Corrado's for fun and friendship.

This group meets on the third Tuesday or Thursday of the month.

### **LIGHTS, SNACKS, ACTION! : Coordinators Amber D'Aguiar and Mary Freedman**

The movie group "Lights, Snacks, Action" was on hold for May - but we'll be back on track for June. The group is planning a matinee during the week, so we'll have time to chat about the movie afterwards.

New members always welcome to join.

### **LIT HAPPENS: Coordinator: Jen Thorson**

We were delighted to welcome the author of last month's selection, Feather of Ma'at, for a fascinating glimpse into a true Egyptian devotee's mind. Lisa is an Uxbridge resident who has written a trilogy around the times of Nefertiti- fascinating! June finds us reading another GTA author's book, Waxy Cones, and we are thrilled to be hosting the author, Jennifer Mercer, for more insight into her novel. How lucky are we to live in a place with so much talent?

This group meets at 1:00 on the fourth Thursday of the month.

### **LOCAL EXPLORERS: Coordinator: Susan Hillar**

The Local Explorers, in conjunction with the former Gardening Gurus and some of the WALKSers, will be visiting Hedgerow Farm this June, to take in the peonies and marvel at this curated estate. See the special write-up for details.

### **MAH JONGG: Coordinators: Mary Freedman and Amber D'Aguiar**

Mah Jongg lessons were held in May and boy was it successful. We had folks shouting MAH JONGG as they claimed their winning hands. What fun!

If you would like to join us, we play on the first Tuesday of the month starting at 1:30pm.

### **MONDAY LUNCH BUNCH: Coordinators: Betty Bignell & Joy Freemantle**

The Monday Lunch Bunch enjoyed their lunch & good conversation in May at the Twisted Fork Restaurant in Mount Albert. The group will meet next on June 29.

This group meets on the last Monday of each month.

### **REDUCING MY FOOTPRINT: Coordinator: Brian Keeling**

Join us for always-lively and informed conversation on how WE can make a difference to the health of our planet. We cover a huge range of topics, and never leave a meeting without having learned something new.

This group meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 10.

### **R.O.M.E.O. (Retired Old Men Eating Out) : Coordinator John Willcock**

This group usually meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at noon to solve the problems of the world over lunch.

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### **SMALL TOWN THEATRE: Coordinators: Steve Fryzuk & Peggy Kennedy**

Our next theatre event is planned for early July. In May we went to see Arsenic and Lace at Theatre Aurora.

Small town theatre members attend matinee performances on the weekend at theatres in the Durham and York region. We organize a lunch before the theatre event.

### **TAKE A HIKE: Coordinators: Carol Fraser & John Willcock**

This month, our hikes are scheduled for June 3 & June 17. The Goodwood/Uxbridge area has a wonderful series of trails through a variety of forests and meadows, some quite flat, some with gentle hills. We explore these forest trails near Uxbridge in the Durham and York Regions for 1 ½ to 2 hours. Join us for lively discussions, interesting views and leisurely treks! If you are interested in joining this Interest Group, send your request to Jen Thorson at [interestgroups.uxbridgeprobus@gmail.com](mailto:interestgroups.uxbridgeprobus@gmail.com).

**Please note** that the Hiking Group will be in recess in July and August. Hikes will resume in September.

The Hiking Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 9:30.

### **TOO PAR GONE (GOLF): Coordinator: Albert Fintelman**

Too Par Gone Golf is "in full swing"! (pardon my pun)

We've played at :

Spring Creek GC on May 4th & May 18th, and Golfer's Dream GC on May 11th & May 25th.

We have had 20 plus golfers out every week. We are scheduled to play every Monday morning in June. Hopefully it's a little warmer in June!

### **TWO RIGHT FEET (LATIN DANCING): Coordinator: Anne-Marie Sacco \$15 fee**

Latin Dance "Two Right Feet" is held each Monday from 3:00 to 4:00. There is a fee of \$15.00. Pairs are not necessary however more men would be an asset to this group.

### **W.A.L.K.S. (We All Like Kinetic Strolling): Coordinator: Nancy Melcher**

WALKS is enjoying the warmer weather and spring wildflowers on our weekly outings. We will soon be able to have "afters snacks" outside rather than at coffee shops. Join us every Monday morning at 9:30 to start your week with fresh air and exercise. Location TBA.