

THE PROBUS CLUB OF UXBRIDGE - July 2026

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President's Message

Welcome to summer and to our ninth year of operation! From the day the founders of our club decided there was a need for it, right up to today, the Probus Club of Uxbridge has remained true to the same mission and purpose: *"To provide Fellowship, Friendship, and Fun for all men and women in their retirement and semi-retirement years."*

I am often humbled and amazed each month as I look around and see the happy faces of people who have made this club their home. Your enjoyment is clear to see, and your participation and commitment rival, and often exceed, that of any other organization I know.

You can read more about the history of our club on our website, but over the past eight years, like everything else in life, time has moved forward and things have changed. We remember fondly those who began this journey with us and who are no longer here. At the same time, we are excited to welcome new members who continue to carry the club forward and become part of its story.

Probus is all about people. That is our purpose. We are not driven by profit or by a mission to save the world. We are committed to ensuring that each of us has opportunities to connect with others, build friendships, and be a friendly face to someone else. As I begin the second year of my presidency, I am once again humbled by how important this club is to so many people, and I am grateful for the support and encouragement you have shown to me and to our wonderful Management Team.

Summer is also a time for family, vacations, and spending time with those we care about most. Life will always bring challenges, but over the years we have learned that we can find our way through them, often with someone beside us to encourage or comfort us along the way.

I hope you have a wonderful summer filled with friendship, family, and many happy moments.

Robin Dhillon



From Your Speakers' Chair



Last month our guest speaker Tom Locke was back again visiting from British Columbia and did a wonderful job entertaining us with his Girl Group stories and their music from the 50's and 60s. He played clips and told us behind the scenes stories about the likes of the Chordettes (Lollipop), the Chiffons (He's so Fine), and the Shangra-Las (Leader of the Pack). Tom took us all down memory lane and we heard about many other groups too, including the top girl group of all time, the famous Supremes.

July 8 - Lianne Harris "Undressed - A History of Hygiene"

In this lively, visual presentation, Lianne Harris scrubs away the surface of what we might think of hygiene - soap and water - to the essential reality of survival in former less-than-sanitary conditions. From quirky personal practices to religious instruction to political intervention, to our perception of smell and its medical significance, it all comes out in the wash. Come and soak up a short history of hygiene **at the Udora Community Centre.**

For more info: <http://www.historybyharris.ca/>



August 12 - Raven Murphy "Shut Up and Listen (to Nature)"

A seasoned nature guide, and author of Shut Up and Listen, Raven invites audiences to rediscover how nature can ease stress, spark clarity, and restore perspective **at the Udora Community Centre.**

More info at <https://ravenspeaks.ca/>

From Your House Chair

Next Meeting: Wed. July 8 at 10:00 a.m. Udora Community Centre

Summer has certainly come on strong but before complaining about the heat and the humidity, when you remember that long, cold winter, this weather doesn't seem so bad after all! It was so great to see a full house for our AGM and to hear compliments about the colourful and tasty



treats and new light-up Probus sign! As I take over the House Chair role, I want to personally thank Sally for all that she has done over the past three years to the make coffee break an inviting time for all to enjoy. She will be a hard act to follow and

I look forward to continuing this role with the help of our wonderful volunteers!

On that note, the following volunteers will be helping in July:

Set Up: Morgan Baker, Fay Grove, Brian Keeling and Vicky Baker

Kitchen: Debra Lippay, Marion Martin, Mary Freedman and Judy Prince

Greeters: Anne Gauvreau, Dianna Ayton, Kathleen Ravitch and Sharon Thorpe

Cheryl Bain

SUMMER SPACE ISSUES AT UDORA HALL - PLEASE READ

As previously announced, our July and August meetings will be held at Udora Hall, as the Township uses the Arena for community programs during the summer months.

Parking at Udora Hall is limited and, in order to ensure the best possible experience for everyone attending, we are asking all members to please keep the following in mind for the July and August meetings:

Please carpool whenever possible.

If you are able to share a ride with another member, it would be greatly appreciated. Likewise, if you have extra room in your vehicle, consider offering a ride to someone nearby. If the parking lot becomes full, street parking will be required and may involve a considerable walk to the hall.

Please do not bring or invite guests to these meetings.

Due to space limitations, we must give priority seating and parking to our members during these summer meetings. We understand this may disappoint some members, and we appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

We regret having to introduce these temporary measures, but at this time we feel they are necessary to help ensure our meetings run smoothly and comfortably for everyone. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Robin Dhillon, President, Probus Club of Uxbridge



Ontario Senior Achievement Award Winner - June 22, 2026



Congratulations to our Past President, Kathy Clulow who was recognized at Queen's Park for her tireless work advocating for seniors in our community. She was one of only 18 leaders throughout Ontario to receive the 2025 Ontario Senior Achievement Award. Kathy has worked to improve the quality of life for Uxbridge and area residents through leadership and participation in not just the Probus Club of Uxbridge but also the Age Friendly Advisory Committee (Chair), the Uxbridge Seniors Club and 100 Women Who Care. A well-deserved honour!

In Memoriam - Daphne Gunten

We were saddened to hear that one of our members, Daphne Gunten, passed away on May 26, 2026. Our sincere condolences to her husband Dick who is also an Uxbridge Probus member and their family. Daphne will be missed.

Daphne's obituary can be found by clicking on the following link: [Obituary](#)



Hedgerow Farm Visits - June 15 & 23

Report by Marie McEachnie, Photos by Elaine Stevenson

On June 15 & 23, small groups of like-minded individuals made their way along Concession Road 8 in Sunderland to Hedgerow Farm to lose themselves in the peony fields. I attended the June 15 tour and what a gorgeous late spring day for a drive in the country with sunshine, blue skies and pillowy soft clouds! I knew along the way that my heart was in the right place when my car left paved road to hit gravel! A long driveway stretched ahead and led to my first sighting of the beautiful old farmhouse home of

landscape architect Neil Turnbull and his wife Carolyn. It was clear this tour would be very special! We viewed their stunning historic home which blended the old and new seamlessly. Paintings, antique artifacts, portraits and a wall of colourful handprints with the names of dear friends and family were some of the eclectic treasures to be enjoyed.

After the reception, we set out on elongated golf carts to view the extensive gardens, paths, ponds and trees that dominated the landscape with artistic grace. Every view held its own visual appeal and it was impossible not

to be moved by the sheer beauty of the setting. Our initial encounter upon arriving in the peony fields was a massive sculpture created by Geordie Lishman of a First Nation's dog guarding the property! The field was extensive and overflowing with the intoxicating scent and rainbow colours of peonies! We wandered to our hearts' content, clipping and collecting peonies to adorn our own homes and yes, it was difficult to choose! A girl can hold only so many peonies! This was a great day with friends and thanks go to our hosts Neil and Carolyn for their kind and generous offer of opening their home to our Probus group!



From Your Vice President

HELP WANTED!

Help Wanted: We are looking for three committed and skilled members to shadow three Management Team members over the next year.

Treasurer: This role involves working with the Uxbridge Probus Club finances. You will need to have some experience in working with income and expenses, keeping accurate records, and making financial reports to share. This member works closely with the Management Team and specifically the Membership Chair, Social Chair, House Chair and President.

Membership Chair: This role involves working with new and current members. You will need to be organized and have some skills with computer databases. The Membership Chair maintains our current member list, wait list, and fees in coordination with the Treasurer.

Speaker Chair: The Speaker Chair role makes contact with speakers, arranges for presentations at meetings, greets and thanks speakers and works with the Treasurer to ensure payments if required.

If any of these roles interest you and you either have previous skills or would like to learn new ones – please contact Robin Dhillon, Albert Fintelman, or Sally Kotsopoulos at our upcoming meetings in July, August or September. Feel free to speak with Don Osborne our current Treasurer, Janet Patterson, our current Membership Chair, and Zina Bolak our current Speaker Chair.

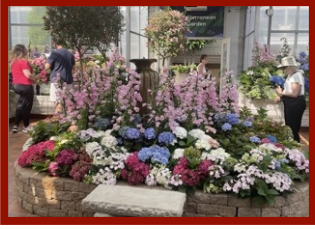


High School Reunion

Have you ever been guilty of looking at someone your own age and thinking, "Surely I can't look that old". If so, read on. I was sitting in the waiting room for my first appointment with a new dentist and noticed his DDS diploma which showed his full name. Suddenly, I remembered a tall, handsome, dark-haired boy with the same name who had been in my high school class some 40 years ago. Could this be the same guy I had that secret crush on? Upon seeing him, I quickly discarded such a notion. This balding, gray-haired man with the deeply lined face was way too old to have been my classmate. After he examined my teeth, I asked him if he had attended Park High School. "Yes!" he exclaimed with pride, "I was a Mustang!" I asked him when he graduated and when he replied 1972, I exclaimed, "You were in my class!!!" He looked at me closely. Then that ugly, old, bald, wrinkled, fat, decrepit son-of-a-gun asked me, "What did you teach?"



“Paws and Petals” Tour - Tues. June 9



Another early morning bus ride took us from Uxbridge to The Royal Botanical Gardens in Burlington in record time (thanks to the 407!). This massive attraction spans over 1,000 hectares of nature reserve, including four formal gardens, over 27 kilometres of walking trails, and more than 180,000 plants representing over 2,300 plant species. As the Gardens are spread out over many acres, we stayed close to home by visiting the indoor Mediterranean Garden (large assortment of tropicals both big and small) and the Breezeway (a mass planting of Hydrangeas of all colours) before wandering out into the Rose Gardens which were just coming into bloom. They are planted with many companion plants (perennials) which help to bring out the amazing colours Mother Nature provided. Reading the history of the Gardens is very informative and the eco-friendly approach to the growing of roses is also very interesting as roses are very disease-prone. The new rose garden was designed with a sturdy foundation of disease-resistant, disease-tolerant and cold-hardy roses. Unfortunately, Mother Nature decided to cut our trip a bit short with a brief but heavy rain – so we loaded onto the bus and left for the African Lion Safari, just a half hour away. A lovely lunch awaited us there – served quickly and efficiently – and we were well taken care of. Once finished, we had a short presentation

featuring three animals – a Tamandua (anteater cousin), a large black and white lizard (sorry, no note pad to catch the name) and an Amazon parrot “Charlie” who delighted us with a few notes of O Canada. He was on the news just a few nights ago! This was followed by a guided tour through 300 hectares highlighting seven different wildlife themes and featuring animals from across the African continent, the Australian Outback and the high plains of North America. We were able to view lions, tigers, giraffes, zebras, bison, kangaroos, white rhinos, monkeys, and more. The park is home to over 1,000 animals of more than 100 species. A quick train ride and boat tour finished off another successful Mary Morton tour!



Report by Margaret Langlands Photos by Linda Barrett & Marg Langlands



Upcoming Social Events

TO SIGN UP FOR ALL SOCIAL EVENTS:

You must be a member in good standing (or guest of a member) of Uxbridge PROBUS to attend.

First - you must sign up to reserve your spot by one of three ways:

1. **In person** at the Social Events Table during General Meetings,
2. **By e-mail** by clicking on this link: **[Social Group Chair](#)**
3. **By telephone** to Social Chair Peggy Kennedy (905)852-0373.

Next - you must pay either:

1. **By e-transfer** to **treasurer.uxbridgeprobus@gmail.com** or
2. **By cheque payable to "Probus Club of Uxbridge" at a meeting**

NO CASH PLEASE - Cheques & E-Transfers Only!



The Giving Place Lavender Farm

Mon, July 20 - Mt. Albert - A Drive Yourself Event

Cost - \$50 (Members) \$55 (Guests)

- 2 hr Farm Tour with treats
- Cut your own bouquet
- Optional Lunch (at your own expense) at Twisted Fork Restaurant (Mt. Albert)

Sign up directions in Gold Box above. See separate flyer for more details.

A DAY AT THE RACES

Wed., July 29 - Ajax Downs & Casino - A Drive Yourself Event

Cost - NO COST EVENT!!!

- Gates open at 2:30, Post Time 3:30 - Come & go as you like
- Place your own bets or try your luck in the Casino
- Optional Lunch may be arranged depending on interest

Sign up directions in Gold Box above.

See separate flyer for more details.



Cost - \$190 (Members) \$200 (Guests)

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- 9:30 Depart Walmart Parking Lot aboard luxury motor coach
 - 11:30 Arrive Lake Muskoka to board Wenonah II for 2-1/2 hr Luncheon Cruise
 - 2:30 Visit to Muskoka Discovery Centre
 - 4:30 Shop and Eat at the Mariposa Market
 - 7:00 Back in Uxbridge

**This is a self-drive event.
Charcuterie Boards are
available from Port Cheese for
one or two people.**

Cost:
Play Only - \$39 (per ticket)
Play & Charcuterie Board
For one- \$61.95
For two - \$123.15

Tuesday Sept. 22 - A Mary Morton Tour

- 8:30 Depart Walmart Parking Lot aboard luxury motor coach
- 11:00 Plated lunch in Kingston
- 1:45 Visit the Kingston Penitentiary
- 3:00 Tour of S. S. Keewatin
- 7:30 Back in Uxbridge after a brief stop at the Big Apple for baked goods

Timber Creek Mini Golf - TBA
Are We There Yet? (Scavenger Hunt) - Oct 23
St. Jacob Market - November 5

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 by clicking on this link: [Interest Group Chair](#)

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

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

If you have an idea for a new group or want to join one of the existing groups, please contact us!

AGE GETS BETTER WITH WINE: Coordinator Anne Gauvreau



On July 8, we will meet at the home of Gail and Chuck Heroux. The theme for the evening is WINES OF CANADA. We are hoping to get a representation of wines from across Canada. We also encourage everyone to come DRESSED IN RED OR IN SOMETHING THAT REPRESENTS OUR BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY OF CANADA. We are going to try something different in the food department. We will each bring an appetizer to the wine club to share. Examples could be simply a block of cheese and some crackers or a home-made dip, or something store-bought. See you there!

This group meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00.

BOARD GAMES: Coordinator Wayne Louie

Probus board games interest group has been paused until September, and will resume only if there is real interest at that time.

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

BOOK BUDDIES: Coordinator Gerri Martin

Book Buddies is on summer hiatus, and will resume in September.

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

CANASTA CREW - GAMES & LESSONS: Coordinator Amber D'Aguiar

The Canasta Crew has been playing Canasta for a few years now, and we've decided to put a twist on the game. We are still playing Canasta, but it's called Hand & Foot Canasta, which is just a variation on the original. Hand & Foot Canasta is easy to pick up, more collaborative and just as challenging. We will meet next on July 9 with lessons from 1:00 - 2:00 for new players and/or for those who need practice. We continue to play from 2:00 - 4:00. All are welcome - new or seasoned players.

This group meets on the 2 Thursday of each month.



COURT JESTERS (PICKLEBALL): Coordinators Alan James & Bill McMahon

This month, our featured pickle ball player is actually a couple; they come as a set - Rene and Margaret Blanchet. Margaret is our most reliable attendee and has deceptive energy. Just when you think you hit a winner, she will return a volley that seemed out of her reach. Margaret also is not a fan of long breaks, "Well is anyone playing?" being her common phrase. Rene with his sports background is the bona fide athlete of our group. Rene has a captivating serve that is the envy of all; unfortunately his eyesight has betrayed his athleticism and he is now a reserve player as well as chief ball boy. He can occasionally be distracted from his duties if good conversation is close at hand.



CREATIVE WRITING & MEMOIRS: Coordinator Kathy Clulow

Our Creative Writing and Memoir group is busy making memories until we resume again in September. Our first prompt just may be "Think of one experience over the summer and how did it make you feel?" Come and join us. This group meets on the second and fourth Tuesday at 2pm.

GENIAL GENEALOGISTS: Coordinator Bernie Beales

Our June meeting was very small but lots was accomplished! Did you know Ancestry has created a new, easy to use app that allows you to compare your family tree to others who have the same ancestors? You can now see how your research compares to others at the click of a button! Join us for our next meeting on July 16 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 & Caren Narvet

In June, our group explored a variety of wines from Spain. Not only were the wines delightful, but the tapas and charcuterie paired wonderfully with them. Spanish wines have some new fans in us! We were planning on taking a hiatus for July and August, but we're having so much fun that we may rethink that decision. Our group does 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 will not be offered during the summer months. See you in September.

KNIT OR NOT HANDICRAFTERS: *NEW COORDINATOR NEEDED*

The Knit or Nots will continue throughout the summer with camaraderie and cookies. Weather permitting we will do some outdoor workshops. Stay tuned and watch for a sign up sheet at the meetings. This group usually meets at 1:00 on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

LADIES' BRIDGE CLUB: Coordinators: Margaret Langlands & Caren Narvet

Our group is taking a break for the summer and will resume in September. This group meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 1:00.



LET'S EAT OUT: Coordinators Gail & Chuck Heroux

Our June gathering was casual—eighteen of us dined at Chuck's Roadhouse (no relation!) in Stouffville. The food was good, the service slow, but the conversation was lively, as usual.



LIGHTS, SNACKS, ACTION!: Coordinators Amber D'Aguiar & Mary Freedman

The movie group "Lights, Snacks, Action" was on hold for May and June, but we'll be back on track for July. 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

Before breaking for the summer, Lit Happens welcomed author Jennifer Mercer to our June meeting. We were treated to an insider's view of her debut thriller, Waxy Cones. Our next gathering will focus on sunshine, nibbles, pool toys and perhaps some fluffy summer reading picks.

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



LOCAL EXPLORERS: Coordinator Susan Hillar

On hiatus for the month of July,

MAHJONG: Coordinators Mary Freedman & Amber D'Aguiar

Mahjong (or mah-jongg) is a tile-based game of skill, strategy, and calculation that originated in China during the 19th century. The name literally translates to "sparrow" in Chinese, which was inspired by the bird-like clacking sound the tiles make when they are shuffled. Come join the fun!

This group usually meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 1:30.

MONDAY LUNCH BUNCH: Coordinators Betty Bignell & Joy Freemantle

The Monday Lunch Bunch enjoyed getting together in June at Route 48 Restaurant In Baldwin. We will meet next on July 27.

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 10:00.

ROMEO (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. Our next meeting will be July 23.

SMALL TOWN THEATRE: Coordinators Steve Fryzuk & Peggy Kennedy

This July, Small Town Theatre will be attending a special theatre outing to see A Streetcar Named Desire, by Tennessee Williams... "In the steamy streets of New Orleans, Blanche DuBois arrives seeking refuge with her sister Stella. But secrets unravel and tensions rise". Small Town Theatre members attend matinee performances on the weekend at theatres in the Durham and York Regions. Before the performance, we will gather for lunch providing everyone with an opportunity to socialize and enjoy a meal together.

TAKE A HIKE: *NEW COORDINATOR NEEDED*

The Hiking Group is on summer break for July and August. After 8 years, Carol and John are stepping down as coordinators. Anyone interested in coordinating in September is encouraged to contact Jen Thorson at interestgroups.uxbridgeprobus@gmail.com. If you would like more information regarding how the hiking group has functioned in the past, she will connect you with us in order to answer any of your questions.

The Take A Hike group meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 9:30.



TOO PAR GONE (GOLF): Coordinator Albert Fintelman

Too Par Gone Golf has played rounds at Golfer's Dream GC on June 1 and June 15 and at Spring Creek GC on June 8, June 22 and June 29. We have had approximately 20 golfers out every week. Mondays have been sunny this month and we're enjoying that!



TWO RIGHT FEET (LATIN DANCING): Coordinator Anne-Marie Sacco

Two Right Feet Latin Dancing will continue to meet during the summer if there are at least 5 people able to attend. This group is held each Monday from 3:00 to 4:00.

There is a fee of \$15.00.

W.A.L.K.S. (WE ALL LIKE KINETIC STROLLING): Coordinator Nancy Melcher

WALKS will continue to start our summer weeks off on Mondays at 9:30 **AS LONG AS** the "feels like" temps are below 28 C. We can always skip the exercise and find an air conditioned location to go directly to "Afters"! Locations TBA. Please leave your pets at home.



DO YOU SPEAK LIKE A LOCAL?

If you visit Toronto this summer, do NOT mispronounce these names or you will be mistaken for a foreigner!

Answers below.



In each case, "B" is the way we locals pronounce the names!

Which is the "local" (not necessarily the CORRECT) pronunciation?

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| 1. Toronto | a) Toe-ron-toe | b) Traw-nuh |
| 2. Etobicoke | a) Ee-toe-bi-coke | b) Eh-toe-bi-coe |
| 3. Strachan Ave. | a) Strah-chan | b) Strawn |
| 4. Spadina Ave. | a) Spa-dee-nah | b) Spa-dye-nah |
| 5. Roncesvalles | a) Ron-ses-vails | b) Ron-sez-vuhls |
| 6. Caledon | a) Cale-dawn | b) Cal-eh-d'n |
| 7. Stouffville | a) Stoff-ville | b) Stow-ville |
| 8. Bala | a) Bay-la | b) Bah-luh |
| 9. Niagara | a) Ni-ag-a-rah | b) Nye-ag-ruh |
| 10. Mississauga | a) Missy-saw-gwah | b) Miss-iss-aw-guh |
| 11. Eglinton | a) Eg-lin-ton | b) Eg-ling-ton |
| 12. Scarborough | a) Skar-bore-o | b) Skar-bra |
| 13. Queen's Quay | a) Queen's Kway | b) Queen's Key |
| 14. Wellesley | a) Well-less-ly | b) Wellz-ly |
| 15. Yonge | a) Yun-ji | b) Yung |
| 16. Bloor St. | a) Blour | b) Bluer |
| 17. Tretheway | a) Trethy-way | b) Treh-thoo-whee |
| 18. Tecumseth | a) Tek-cum-seth | b) Tek-cum-see |
| 19. Grosevenor | a) Gros-ven-or | b) Grawv-ner |
| 20. The Esplanade | a) Es-plan-aid | b) Es-plan-odd |

Share A Smile - You Know You're Canadian If...

You have switched the thermostat from Heat to A/C in the same day...and back again!

You install security lights on your house and your garage but leave both unlocked.



HAPPY CANADA DAY!

You design your kids' Hallowe'en costumes to fit over their snowsuits.

You participated in "Participation".

You measure distance in hours.

You know all four seasons: Almost Winter, Winter, Still Winter and Construction.

Someone offers you assistance in Home Depot... and they don't work there!

You understand the sentence: "Could you please pass me a serviette? I just spilled my poutine."

Someone says, "Do the job right the first time and you never have to do it again" and you reply, "Obviously you've never shovelled a driveway!"

You find it easier to drive in the winter because the potholes are packed with snow.

You correct people if they say "Zee" instead of "Zed" or spell "Colour" without the U.

You leave your new car worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and put your useless junk in the locked garage.

You know that ski-doo's, jet-skis, velcro, zippers, insulin, penicillin, zambonis, telephones, butter tarts and Superman were all Canadian inventions!



Only In Canada, You Say? Pity! - Strange Canadian Laws



Souris, PEI: It's illegal to make a snowman taller than 30 inches.

Oshawa, Ont: Tree climbing is illegal.

Nova Scotia: It is illegal to paint a wooden ladder.

Montreal, Que: Right turns on a red light are prohibited.

All of Canada: Practising witchcraft for money is against the law.

Halifax, NS: Taxi drivers must wear shirts with collars

Alberta: It is illegal to own a pet rat.

Petrolia, Ont: Whistling at night is prohibited.

Oak Bay, BC: You must keep parrots quiet.

All of Canada: It is illegal to frighten the Queen.