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General Meeting
Nov. 11, 2026
At 10 am

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Because the Town of Milton moved our meeting this month, we will be meeting on Remembrance Day. Remember to wear your poppy.
I hope you enjoy the program that has been put together for you. It takes a large number of people (both Management Committee and regular members) to pull any general meeting together. Please remember to say thank you as you interact with them on the 11th.

We are moving into a busy time of the year for all, so please read through the rest of your Pulse newsletter to see deadline dates for our Christmas Lunch, membership renewal, special events, etc. I hope you will be able to attend the Christmas Lunch this year, especially if you are new to Probus. We have set meeting attendance records all year so let's do it again in December! This event is a great opportunity to circulate around and meet new people. The organizing committee makes a special effort to ensure that new members are welcomed and made to feel part of our Probus family, so don't feel that you can't go because you don't know anyone.

Part of your annual membership fee covers the assessment our Club pays to PROBUS Canada and part of that is used to buy liability insurance. Do you know what that covers and what it does not cover? Basically, the insurance is there to cover our Club and/or responsible individuals in the event that they are sued or found liable for some injury or damage that occurs during a Probus event. It does not replace your personal insurance, auto insurance, homeowners or tenant insurance. It does not pay you for any injury or damage that occurs during a Probus event. Let me know if you have any questions.

A separate but related issue is the Travel Insurance that you can buy as a Probus member through the group insurance policy negotiated between PROBUS Canada and *belairdirect* Insurance. You might want to compare it to your regular provider prior to your next vacation. PROBUS Canada - Travel

Walter Eadie

MEETING DATE CHANGE

Please mark your calendars. The general meeting in November is on the 11th (NOT Nov 4) as our room is not available on Nov. 4.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Introducing our newest members of the Probus Club of Milton! When you see these 4 new ladies at the club meetings, or special interest groups, please give them a warm welcome.
Introducing left to right……
Rosemary Slivvinskas
Ingrid Lobovsky
Judy Chartrand
Pat Grisold



A reminder to everyone that if you have a guest that you would like to bring to a meeting please let me know so that I can send an invitation to your guest to attend a meeting.

Also, if anyone has an update in phone number, email, address or emergency contact please let me know so that I can keep our membership information up to date.

If you need any contact information for any of our members, please go to the detailed contact information, in the Members Only section of the Probus Milton website. Thank you!

Shirley Dusmet

FROM OUR PROGRAM DIRECTOR

David Bartlett will be speaking about the history of the Eaton company, the Eaton family and how Eatons supported our soldiers during WWI and WWII.

The T. Eaton Co. Limited (Eaton's) was an iconic Canadian department store chain that shaped national retail, culture and commerce for over a century. The founder, Timothy Eaton, an Irish immigrant, opened a small dry goods and haberdashery shop at 178 Yonge Street in Toronto in 1869. Eaton's broke with 19th-century retail norms by introducing a fixed-price, cash-only policy and a "good satisfactory or money refunded" guarantee. The rest is history!

Heddy Wright & Lauraine Andrews

MEMBER EXPERIENCE

Given our November General Meeting is taking place on Remembrance Day this month, the Member Experience component ties in perfectly. Members Karen & John Sencich recently returned from a visit to the Netherlands where they were researching places that Karen's father had served in during the war. They were fortunate to be able to have a meeting with the current Mayor of Deventer.

FROM OUR FELLOWSHIP DIRECTOR

Greeters:

Thank you to Richard and Susan Hooper for doing such a wonderful job last month.

Greeters for the November 11th Probus meeting will be Doug and Joanne Binner.

If you would like to be a Greeter, please sign up on the Greeter Sheet located beside the member name tags on the table at the back of the meeting room.

In Memoriam

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of our fellow Probus Club member, Anne Taylor, who passed away on October 7, 2026.

In keeping with her wishes, there will be no funeral or Celebration of Life. To Honour her memory, our club has made a donation to The North Halton Hospice in Anne Taylor's name.

We extend our sincere thoughts to all who knew her and will remember her as a member of our club since 2010. May she Rest In Peace.

If you are aware of a member who is ill, hospitalized or lost a loved one, please advise our Fellowship Director or a member of the Management Committee.

Also, if you are in need of a ride to our Monthly Meetings or one of our events, please contact me to arrange for a pick-up.

Pat Oates

DID YOU KNOW ???

The cenotaph in Victoria Park, Milton was unveiled by the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario in September 1926 so this year marks the 100th Remembrance Day for that monument.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2027

It's time to begin fee payment for membership renewal for 2027.
The annual membership fee remains at $50 per person.

Payment should be made by December 31st, 2026, with the very last opportunity to pay at the **February** meeting or it will be considered you no longer wish to rejoin.

Since we are now at capacity and have a waiting list for members who want to join, please let Membership Director Shirley Dusmet know if you are NOT planning on renewing your membership for 2027.

How to Pay – remember to note on your cheque or email transfer (preferred) "Membership 2027".

By E-transfer - to miltonprobustreasurer@gmail.com

By cheque – mail to The Probus Club of Milton, PO Box 40007, Derry Heights Post Office, 6951 Derry Road, Milton, Ont. L9T 7W4

By cheque - at the November General Meeting on the 11th
- or at the December Christmas Lunch December 2nd
- Cheques must be made payable to "The Probus Club of Milton"

FROM OUR SPECIAL EVENTS DIRECTOR

The **Christmas Show of Elvis** Wonderful World of Christmas Legacy Tour. Step into a beloved Christmas recording from Joyful Rocking Holiday favourites. Christmas music Truly Unforgettable.
Sunday, Dec 20 2026 at 7:30 pm
Cost $65 pp
Payment by e-transfer to
(miltonprobustreasurer@gmail.com)
First Ontario Art Center—Milton
Cut off time for tickets is November 6





We had seven people attend the Milton Historical Society's Ghost Walk. The Historical Society had little lanterns for us to carry while touring places like the old jail (now the town hall), the Mill Pond and the old post office (formerly known as The Eighth Note). The last stop was their museum on Main Street. It was great to learn some of our town's history.

Coming up November 6 is the Georgetown Little Theatre. Sign up for this is now closed.

Remember the cutoff date for our Christmas Luncheon is November 21.
The Luncheon is on December 2 at Granite Ridge Golf Club.



On October 21, 24 Probus members visited the Amazon Fulfillment Centre in Brampton for a tour of their systems for receiving and processing. It was amazing to see how many robots assist at the facility, the extensive conveyor belt system and the amount of work they did. The cube-shaped robots lift from beneath the tall mobile inventory pods that hold numerous small items in individual slots, then follow a floor QR code system to take them to the next station. Hundred's of them without bumping into each other. Amazon delivers 2 million packages per day.



Vicky McGonigle and Brian Idenden

Dear All,

We hope you are able to join us for this year's Probus Club of Milton Christmas Luncheon. To help us get into the Christmas Spirit, we will be having a Fun Competition for the Best Christmas tie / socks and fascinators. As before, we will also have Live Music, Dancing and Lucky Draws for a wide variety of prizes. We look forward to celebrating with you!!! Please find the details below:



The Probus Club of Milton Christmas Luncheon

Wednesday, December 2, 2026 from 11:00 am – 3:00 p.m.
At The Granite Ridge Golf Course, Dublin Line, Milton

Appetizer Options (choose 1)

Butternut Squash Soup
House Salad (Balsamic, Mustard and Honey Dressing)

Entrée Options (choose 1)

Roast Chicken Supreme with Mushroom Sauce (not Lactose free)
Grilled Salmon with Beurre Blanc Sauce
Fillet of Beef Tenderloin with Peppercorn Sauce
(Served with Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables)

Dessert

Dessert, Coffee and Tea Included

There will be Live Music, Dancing and Lucky Draws for Prizes, as well as

a Fun Competition for the Best Christmas tie / socks and fascinators.

Cost: $65 for Probus Members, $90 for Guests

(Please note: A Guest is defined as a significant other / spouse / partner.)

Payment by e-transfer (*miltonprobustreasurer@gmail.com*)

or by Cheque made payable to: ***"The Probus Club of Milton"***

Both your Appetizer and Entrée choices, as well as any Dietary Restrictions,

Must be included with payment either in the e-transfer notes

or on the bottom or back of the cheque.

(If paying for more than 1 Person please specify, Person A – Soup and Salmon, Person B – Salad and Beef)

November 21, 2026 (Payment / Cancellation / Refund Deadline)



SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Jokers — 1st Friday of the Month @ 1 pm









There was only one venue for October.

Jokers October the 2nd was held at the home of Carole and Brian Budworth. There were three tables, consisting of 12 players. They played three games and Carole and Tom Jones won all three! A lively conversation followed the games. Everyone enjoyed dessert, Sex in a Pan, as well as tea and coffee.

Jean Robinson

Cycling Club—2 Saturdays a Month @ 10 am



The cycling Group has had a number of fun rides and will start up again in the Spring. If interest, contact Mary Clarke.

Mary Clarke

Wed. Euchre—2nd Wed. of the Month @ 1:30 pm



The Euchre group met on October 14th at the home of Vicky McGonigle.

With 10 players in attendance, we played with one table of four and another with six and no table rotation occurred.

We had a lot of fun and laughter but did not have a winner for the afternoon.

Our next games will be held on November 11th at the home of Shirley Dusmet.

New players are welcome…experience is not required.

Contact Barbara Shein if interested…

Barbara Shein

Canasta—4th Friday of the Month @ 1 pm



The October Canasta games were held in Pat Oates lovely party room. Thanks Pat for hosting and all the lovely snacks, and delicious desserts. Everyone went home stuffed. An enjoyable afternoon of playing canasta was had by all. Pat Oates and Anna Marie Jones were both two game winners. November games will be played at the Budworth's.

AnnaMarie Jones

Friday Bid Euchre—2nd Fri. of the Month @ 1 pm





Dan and Linda Reid hosted the October Friday Bid Euchre games.

The top three winners were Linda Reid with 181, Corinne Turnbull with 163 and Zina Yaworski with 161.

Thanks Linda and Dan for the snacks and beverages during the games. Once the games were finished, we enjoyed the warm apple dump cake whose aroma lingered throughout the house.

Joe Yaworski

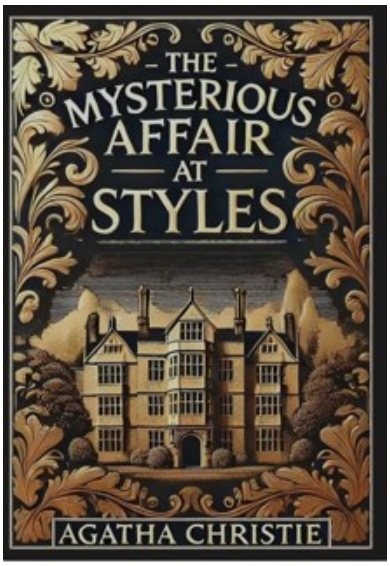
Bridge Club—4th Thurs. of the Month @ 1:00 pm



Larry Anderson was our bridge highlight. He with another player (Wendy) bid and made a small slam to start our afternoon bridge. Ginny from the Escarpment Probus came to make 8 enjoying a challenging bridge afternoon. Eleanor supplied treats. Our November game will be at Joanne's home.

Ruth Parkinson

Spinecrackers (book club) - 2nd Thurs. @ 1:30 pm





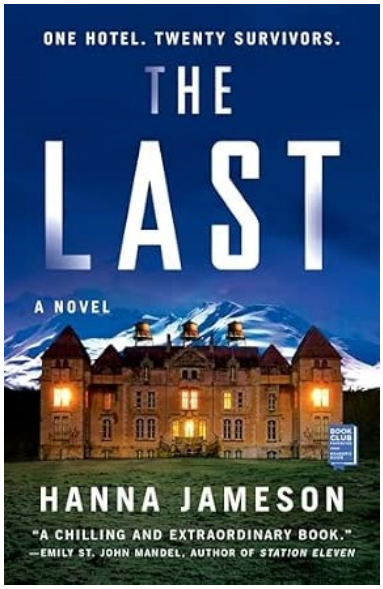
As often the case with this group, our discussions ranged from health issues (knee operations etc.), upcoming holidays, to downsizing and decluttering a home. Many thanks to Lynn and Kathryn for hosting Seats and Treats this month.

This is Agatha Christie's first Hercule Poirot novel. In the story, the now famous detective, speculated over the list of suspects and, of course, is successful solving an elaborately planned scheme to murder an heiress.

Despite the rating, many in our group will not bother to read another Christie book. They felt it had too many characters, too many suspects and no real clues to solve the murder by the reader. However, we do appreciate the ideas, characters and vocabulary of the author.

Nancy Lynn

Pageturners (book club) - 4th Thurs. @ 1:00 pm



Average Rating: 2.8/5

The Page Turners met on October 22 nd, hosted by Patti Best to discuss The Last by Hanna Jameson.

Set in a remote Swiss hotel following a nuclear apocalypse, the story follows a group of stranded guests struggling to survive while grappling with a mysterious murder.

The premise was intriguing although some members found the execution disappointing, with unlikeable characters, numerous plot holes and unresolved storylines. Despite its shortcomings, the book prompted some thought-provoking discussion about human behaviour in a crisis, the breakdown of society, and its unsettling parallels to today's political climate. While opinions on The Last varied, it certainly was a book that gave us plenty to talk about.

JoAnne Clement

Bits & Bites—3rd Thursday of the Month @ 5 pm





Peter and Silvia Guttinger welcomed 14 members into their home for an enjoyable October evening of Bits and Bites. Everyone enjoyed a delicious assortment of fresh, cheesy and savoury appetizers, followed by some tasty desserts served by Silvia.

Gathered comfortably around the living room, conversation flowed freely, with no shortage of stories, laughter and catching up with friends. It was a wonderful evening of friendship and a lovely opportunity to get to know some of our newer members a little better. A big thank you to Peter and Silvia for hosting such a delightful evening!



Bits & Bites—Second Location





Gwen Holroyd hosted our second October Bits and Bites evening at the Murphys' home, welcoming 16 members for a delightful night of food, friendship and fun.

Members brought along a delicious variety of appetizers to share, and Gwen treated everyone to some fabulous desserts. With plenty of tasty treats to enjoy, there was no shortage of great conversation and laughter throughout the evening.

It was another wonderful opportunity to catch up with friends, share a few stories and enjoy the camaraderie that makes Bits and Bites so special. A big thank you to Gwen for organizing a lovely evening!

Marlene Murphy





Wee Jokers—3rd Friday of the Month @ 1:00 pm





Elizabeth Dixon was not only our host for October's Wee Jokers, but she also took home the honour of being our three-game winner! Congratulations, Elizabeth!

It was a fun afternoon of cards, laughter and friendly competition. A special thank-you to Jean Robinson for rounding out our three tables and making the afternoon complete.

After the games, we enjoyed visiting with one another over a lovely assortment of snacks and delicious goodies. Another wonderful afternoon of Wee Jokers!

Marlene Murphy

Wednesday Bid Euchre—4th Wed. of the Month @ 1 pm



After some discussion about the Milton Mayoral race being mentioned on an American late night TV show, we got down to some not too-serious card playing!
Thank you to Diane Mitchell for welcoming us to her home, while Donna hosted. Diane enjoyed her day, getting a moon & taking top score of 221. Donna was not too far behind at 217 and Myra got 180.
Our next Wed bid euchre game will be on Nov 25th at 1 PM at Diane's home. We are still looking for a new coordinator for this group.

Donna Elliott & John Stubbington



The Gourmet Group

On the 3rd of October we hosted the second dinner at our place. Silvia put the menu and recipes together for the evening.

The main dish, appetizer and desserts were split up between Barbara & Orest and Pat M. & Vironica.

We had a lot of fun and the food was delicious.

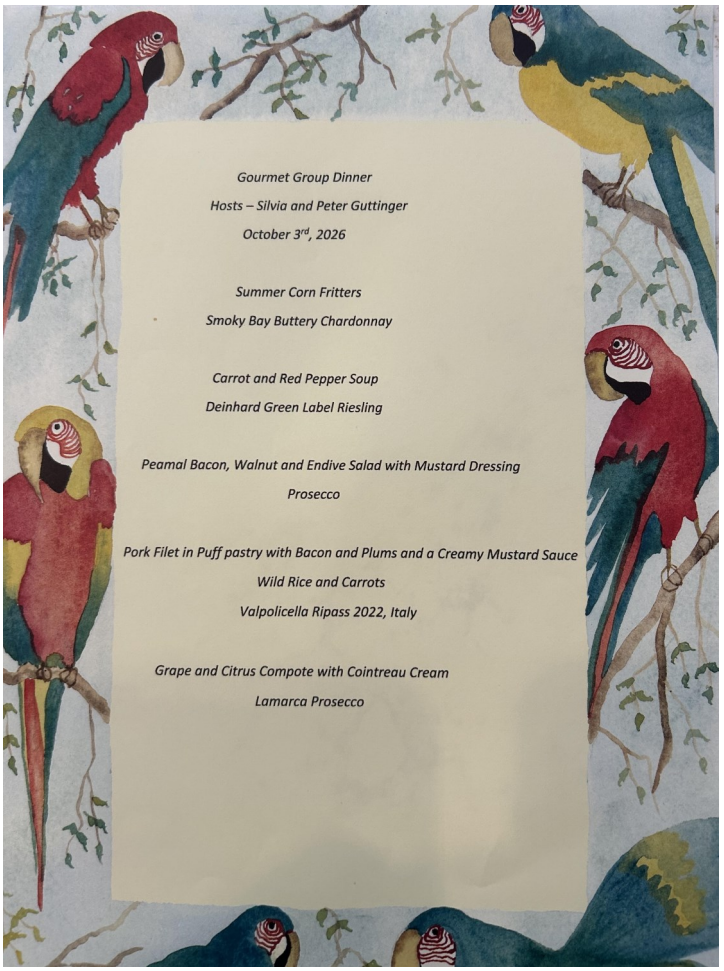
In the Toronto Star was an interesting Article:

"The Last Supper" are dinner parties dead! We would like to say no.

We need more participants for next year!

You don't have to be a gourmet chef, just to be able to read and follow recipes and you will have a lot of fun. Cheers!

Peter Guttinger













The Gourmet Group—Second Location



The Gourmet Dining Group met at the home of Richard and Susan Hooper on October 23 rd.

In attendance were Tom and Shirley Dusmet and Orest and Barbara Shein.

The dishes and wine pairings were perfect for a nice Fall meal. The group enjoyed Sugar and Nut Glazed Brie, Squash and Pear soup, Green Apple and Pomegranate Salad with a main course of Steak with Pan Jus and Celery Root Gratin. Shirley put her skills as a pastry chef to the test with her beautiful desert of swans with pumpkin filling. It was an enjoyable evening with great food and good company.





Susan Hooper

Walking Group—every Mon. of the Month @ 9:30 am



This month, our group took advantage of the wonderful fall colours. We walked amongst the changing trees and took advantage of points where we could see the Escarpment. All of us feel very fortunate to have walking trails such as Kelso Summit, Rattlesnake Point and the Indian Trail just a short drive away.



If you are interested in joining the Walking Group, please contact Peter Guttinger. He sends out an email each Sunday afternoon with the details of where and when we will be walking, and where to meet if you are hoping to car pool.



We would love for you to join us.

Wendy Mistruzzi



Grape Expectations—4th Tues. of the Month @ 7 pm



October's wine event, held on October 27 was hosted by Jurgen and Carole Behn and Tom and Anna Marie Jones. The theme of the evening was wines from 100% Canadian wineries and each wine 100% single varietal. A selection of 6 wine varietals ranging from Aligoté to Shiraz from Niagara wineries were sampled and rated. Everyone was pleasantly surprised with the quality and pricing of these wines.



Nibbles and delicious desserts, selected to complement the wine theme were enjoyed by all.

All in all, a 100% great effort by our hosts.

Jose Bernardino





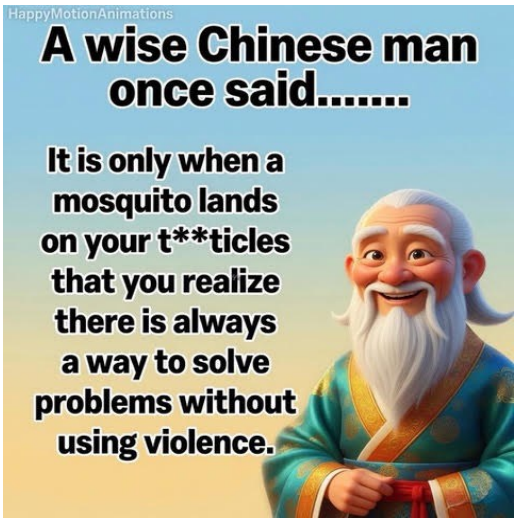
Denise's Funnies

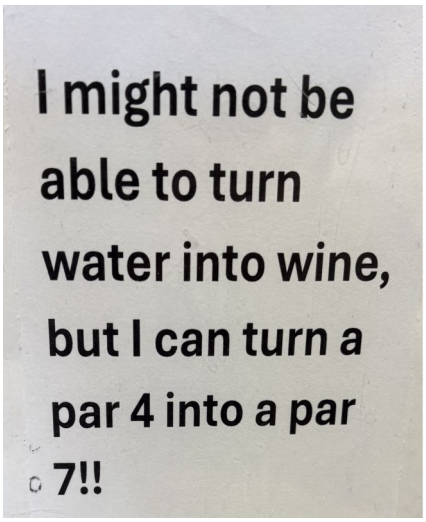


















Probus Club of Milton was the recipient of a Grant from the Town of Milton to purchase a new laptop

NOVEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	**2** 9:30 am **Walking Group** Email Notification Peter Guttinger	**3**	**4**	**5**	**6** 1 pm **Jokers Venue 1 & Venue 2** Jean Robinson - V1 Joe & Zina Yaworski - V2	**7**
8	**9** 9:30 am **Walking Group** Email Notification Peter Guttinger	**10** 1:30 pm **Jester Jokers** Bill Turnbull	**11** 10 am **Probus Monthly Meeting** **Remembrance Day** **1:30 pm Euchre** Barbara Shein	**12** 1:30 pm **Book Club - Spinecrackers** Nancy Lynn	**13** 1 pm **Friday Bid Euchre** Joe & Zina Yaworski	**14**
15 1:30 pm **Management Meeting, Mon. 16th**	**16** 9:30 am **Walking Group** Email Notification Peter Guttinger	**17**	**18**	**19** 5 pm **Bits & Bites** Marlene Murphy & Anne Eadie	**20** 1 pm **Wee Jokers** Marlene Murphy	**21**
22	**23** 9:30 am **Walking Group** Email Notification Peter Guttinger	**24** 7 pm **Grape Expectations** Jose Bernardino	**25** 1 pm **Wednesday Bid Euchre** Donna Elliott & John Stubbington	**26** 1 pm **Bridge** Ruth Parkinson **Pageturners** Joanne Clement	**27** 1 pm **Canasta** Anna Marie Jones	**28**
29	**30** 9:30 am **Walking Group** Email Notification Peter Guttinger					