



PROBUS CLUB OF WOODSTOCK-OXFORD

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Next Club Meeting – Tuesday November 12

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Join Us For Our Next Meeting!

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 12, at the Woodstock Legion, 642 Dundas Street. Plan to join us at 9:30am !

Free Coffee will be provided to everyone at the break !!!.

We had a great turnout for the October Meeting.



A Message from President Arie Markvoort

Greetings from your President!

November, a month of remembering. One of my memories as a child was when we visited the Canadian cemetery close to my hometown of Holten in the Netherlands. It made a lasting impression on me seeing all those graves, especially the young age of most of them.

When I now see demonstrations and people yelling, "We want freedom", I wonder what freedom they are looking for? I am thankful for the freedoms I have as a Canadian and when we grumble about our circumstances, we should look at how we compare to most of the world.



Enjoy the month of November and raking of leaves, if you have any. And if not, you can help me remove mine!

Please sign up for our Christmas lunch on Tuesday!

President Arie

Membership News from Ken Shrubsall

The club is pleased to welcome new member Wayne Currah
- sponsored by John Macdonald.

The roster now stands at 88 members, however 18 members
remain with dues outstanding for 2024/2025!

Please bring a cheque to the November meeting for
\$60 payable to Probus Woodstock-Oxford
or

Drop off or mail to Ken at 192 Abbott Pl, Woodstock, ON N4S 8J7
if you are unable to attend the November meeting.

November Birthdays

Happy Birthday wishes go to:

Doug Neal, Richard Orton and Jerry Sokalski

Our Speakers

Our November keynote speaker in consideration of Remembrance Day will be Scott Gilles, local historian, former museum curator of Norwich Museum & Archives and Ingersoll Cheese & Agricultural Museum.

Scott's presentation "All the Eyes of Canada Are Upon Us!" will recount the story of Major Edward Cuthbert Norsworthy who inspired his small band of soldiers to hold the line and stem the onslaught of horrors fraught by the German hordes during the opening night of the Second Battle of Ypres.



Our WAI for November will be new member Frank Holman.

Member News

It's with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of Dr. Wayne Campbell who passed away on Saturday October 12.

Wayne joined Probus back in July of 2015 and did his WAI in May of 2016

His obit is at <https://www.brockandvisser.com/obituary/Wayne-Campbell>

We hold his wife Sheila and two living children (Allison and Ian) (Shelley predeceased Wayne) in our thoughts and prayers.

Special Events from Rob Bryant

The plan for the Christmas Social is for Tuesday December 10th after the general meeting.

Plans are that we will convene at the Legion for 11:30am for a short period and have our meal at 12:00pm.

I will have a sign-up sheet available for the November meeting. Cost will be \$25.00 per person, and I will be accepting only cash please.

Contact Person: Rob Bryant. Use Cell 519-494-3621.



The Lighter Side of Life



One day a Newfie who has been stranded on a desert island for over ten years sees speck on the horizon. "It's certainly not a ship", he thinks to himself. As the speck gets closer and closer he begins to rule out the possibilities of a small boat, then even a raft.

Suddenly, emerging from the surf comes a drop-dead gorgeous blonde woman wearing a wet suit and scuba gear. She approaches the stunned guy and says to him, "Tell me, how long has it been since you've had a cigarette?" "Ten years," replies the stunned Newfie. With that she reaches over and unzips a waterproof pocket on her left sleeve and pulls out a pack of cigarettes. He takes one, lights it, takes a long drag and says, "Man, oh man! Is that good!!"

"And how long has it been since you've had a sip of Screech?" she asks him. Trembling, the Newfie replies, "Ten years." She reaches over, unzips her right sleeve, pulls out a flask and hands it to him. He opens the flask, takes a long swig and says, "WOW, that's absolutely fantastic!"

At this point she starts slowly unzipping the long zipper that runs down the front of her wet suit, looks at the man seductively and asks, "And how long has it been since you've played around?"

With tears in his eyes, the Newfie falls to his knees and sobs, "Oh good Lord! Don't tell me you've got golf clubs in there too?"

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A man received the following text from his neighbor:

I am so sorry Bob. I've been riddled with guilt and I have to confess. I have been helping myself to your wife, day and night when you're not around. I don'tt get it at home, but that's no excuse. I can no longer live with the guilt and I hope you will accept my sincerest apology with my promise that it won't ever happen again. Bob in complete shock, didn't know what to do.

A few moments later, a second text came in: Ah, spell check! I meant "wi-fi"