

# Beaver Valley Probus Club

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## President's Message – John Berrington

The June meeting will be the last until September 27<sup>th</sup> as we take our customary summer break. However, most if not all our seasonal outdoor activities, which are now in full swing despite the sometimes uncooperative weather, as well as many indoor activities, will continue uninterrupted. And, following on from the recent outing to the BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Hindu Temple, the Lake Muskoka cruise, our Field Day at Tomahawk and the annual Golf Event at Shelburne, we still have The Melville Boys at Kings Wharf Theatre to look forward to in July. BVP members have every opportunity to enjoy an active and varied summer at home! Now is a good time to show our appreciation to all the Activity Coordinators, Social Convenors and other volunteers without whose efforts none of this would be possible. Thank you all!

Please note, abridged versions of the newsletter will be published in July and August. Please make sure you read them to keep abreast of activities.

Have a great summer!

**Probus Rendezvous 2011** in Vancouver from September 13 – 15, 2011.  
For more information go to:  
[www.probusrendezvous.com](http://www.probusrendezvous.com) or take a link from our own web-site [www.beavervalleyprobus.com](http://www.beavervalleyprobus.com)  
Tour packages and special flights are now available.

## Support Group – Carol Hethrington

I would like to sincerely thank all of our volunteers who re-signed up to continue helping with this important group. And welcome to our new members – we not only need your input but also your

knowledge of our community. As usual we rely on ALL Probus members to notify our monthly contacts when a member needs encouragement to get through a difficult period. Please don't hesitate to call our monthly contacts or the Management Team.

June 2011 contact **Anne Marie Lawrie**

July 2011 contact **Barb Thompson & Ken Brown**

*It is with much sadness that we report the passing of **Vicky Blackman**. Vicky was one of our founding members and made a significant contribution to the life of the club. Together with husband Terry she led the Bridge group for many years until she retired from the position last year due to ill health. She will be remembered fondly by all members as our "50/50 lady". Our sincere condolences go to Terry and family.*



## Speakers – Peter Armsrong

Our June Speaker is Linda Davis, President and CEO of the General and Marine Hospital in Collingwood.

Title of her speech is **“Future direction of the Hospital and Healthcare”**.

## SOCIAL – Stella Zahradnik & Vicki Kellar

### Muskoka Boat Tour – Vicki Kellar

26 of our Members cruised part of Muskoka Lake on June 8<sup>th</sup> on the Wenonah II in wonderful warm weather. The early arrivals toured the Farmer's Market across from the Muskoka Wharf and after the cruise the Muskoka Boat & Heritage Centre proved to be a very enjoyable experience. A Good Time!

Check out the web site for additional pictures at [www.beavervalleyprobus.com](http://www.beavervalleyprobus.com).



Enjoying Lunch



...and the Cruise



Muskoka Boat & Heritage Centre



Wenonah Cruise

**Annual Field Day results (Bocce & Golf).**

Under cloudy skies, with a cool steady breeze, the **9th Beaver Valley Probus Bocce Championship** was decided over three games. The top team made 33 Points, the second team 32 points and two teams tied for third with 30 points, requiring a throw off. And the winners were:

1st Place Captain - Craig Wright, Cathy Seidle, Peter Roberts, Tom Patterson

2nd Place Captain - Murray Lamont, Joan Roberts, Pat Hartlen, Ron Hartlen

3rd Place Captain - Terry White, Meryl White, Lynn Corrigan, John Corrigan



Winning Team

Congratulations to the winners and to all the players who made it such a fun outing. The Championship Cup is being engraved and will formally be presented at the June Meeting.

**Golf**

Closest to the Pin	ladies - Rena Gould men - Bob Muir
Closest to the Rope	ladies - Wendy Hamilton men -Ward Fowler (by draw)
Lucky Draw winner	Maurice Pepper

**Annual Golf Event - Bob Smithson and Stella Zaradnik**

*Everyone welcome.* Join us for golf at the Shelburne Golf Club on Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. The event includes 18 holes of golf, a power cart, coffee and muffins for breakfast, prizes and lunch after the round. *Let us know your approximate handicap* and we will make up *the mixed foursomes* for the best ball format. *Our shot-gun start is scheduled for 9:00am* and the *breakfast goodies will be available at 8:00.* All of this for \$61.00. Deadline for entering and payment was June 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have not paid yet deliver or mail your cheque to Stella Zahradnik.

**THEATRE EVENT - THE MELVILLE BOYS,**

July 20<sup>th</sup> 2 p.m. Matinee

King's Wharf Theatre, Penetanguishene

For details go to [www.beavervalleyprobus.com](http://www.beavervalleyprobus.com) or [http://www.draytonentertainment.com/season\\_productions/2011\\_themelvilleboys\\_kwt/](http://www.draytonentertainment.com/season_productions/2011_themelvilleboys_kwt/)

Stratford – Tue. Oct 4 2011 “THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR” at the Festival Theatre, 2:00 pm \$97.00 includes theatre, bus & lunch. Twenty-four seats are available. Members, who have previously signed up for this, please confirm with cheque in hand at the back of the room. Extra seats will still be available; therefore those interested please check with Stella at the back of the room at the June meeting.

**Memphis (the Musical Not the City!) ☺**

The Social Committee is arranging for a bus trip to see ‘Memphis’, the Tony Award Winning Best Musical of 2010.

We will be attending the 2 pm matinee performance on **Wed. Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> 2011.**

For more information check the Theatre section of the Web-Site at [www.beavervalleyprobus.com](http://www.beavervalleyprobus.com).

## ACTIVITY GROUP REPORTS.

### Activities Convenor – Viv Alper

*"Please be advised that all events and activities of the Beaver Valley Probus Club are organized for the benefit and enjoyment of its Members. Individuals who participate do so at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety".*

### Canasta – Seija Wolf & Ingrid Quickert

Canasta is played throughout the year at member's homes twice a month, the first Wed. at 7pm & the third Mon. at 1 pm.

### Bridge – Joan Liddiard

Welcome to those who signed to play bridge. At the moment there are 20 registered. To make this event a reality we need at least 30 - 40 registered. Please contact Joan Liddiard if you are a bridge player and would like to join. The cost is \$2.00 per person and the bridge will begin the first Wednesday after Thanksgiving in October 2011.

### Casual Dining – Elaine McMurray & Janet Leigh

Probus Casual Dining will meet on July 14th. It will be a true potluck picnic at the Pavilion, near the beach at Memorial Park in Meaford. Swimming and swinging are optional. We'll meet at 6:00 p.m.

### Computer – Seija Wolf & Brian Richmond

On summer hiatus during July and August.

### Dining About Town - Bruce & Isobel Gardiner

July 13 will be our last Dine Around for the summer and no better place to have it than at Lora Bay. Drinks on the Terrace then into the dining room overlooking the 18th fairway and the lake. Come join us.

### Easy Cycling – Janet Leigh, Ingrid Quickert and Elsbeth Wright

We have enjoyed five outings this spring around Meaford, Thornbury, Blue Mountains and Collingwood. New members are always welcome. Thanks to those who have volunteered to lead.

We cycle at 10 a.m. on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month.

### Garden Group – John & Carol Hethrington

#### Organic Farm Tour, June 23<sup>rd</sup> & Daylilies July 21<sup>st</sup>

At this point, we have 18 people signed up for our carpool, on Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> to "Marvelous Edibles Organic Farm" south off Hwy 26 from Woodford on Grey Rd 18, followed by lunch (\$15 plus dessert) at the Walter's Falls Inn. There is lots of room for you to add your name to the list; just give us a call. We will be emailing final information shortly. And don't forget the St. George's Anglican Church plant sale (wonderful plant material from Master Gardener Ken Phipps) on the morning of June 25<sup>th</sup>.

On Thursday July 21<sup>st</sup> we will be taking a bus south to Nottawasaga Daylilies, just west of Avening off the Airport Rd. for a tour and talk by the owners. Plant material will be for sale and there will be lots of room on the bus. We will then have lunch in Creemore, followed by a tour of local gardens. It is important that you let us know ASAP if you plan to join us on the 21<sup>st</sup>, since the total cost per person (bus, tour & lunch) will depend upon how many of you sign up. We hope you will join us for what should be a marvellous day!

### Hiking – Couses, Heaths, Robinsons & Scotts

Well folks, our first two months of hiking are coming to an end on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. **Remember, we will not be hiking during July and August!** Look for an update to the Fall hiking season in the August Newsletter or on the Probus web-site. Enjoy a happy and safe summer.

### Meditation Group – Lorraine Lowe

Our Monday morning Meditation Group will conclude after the June 27 meeting. Lorraine plans to retreat to her island home on the other shore of the bay for July and August for an extended peaceful time with nature, blue skies and blue water. We wish you all a restorative and healing summer holiday. You may want to explore the internet websites listed under "mindfulness meditation." A recommend safe website has been set up by Rinpoche Sakyong Mipham: [www.shambhalasun.com](http://www.shambhalasun.com) Group members, please note, we'll see you AFTER Labour Day, for the first meeting of the fall season on Monday, September 12, at 9:00 am at Lorraine's house.

### **Scrabble Group – Jennifer Baker**

All was ready for May Scrabble at Wayne's house, the tea, coffee, cheese, crackers and chocolate cookies.

Then as we organized ourselves to play, we realized we only had one board for 12 people.

So a phone call was made and a neighbour saved the day.

June scrabble was hosted by Bruce & Janet Leigh.

We are arranging July scrabble to be held in Bayview Park.

### **Singles' Fare – Gloria Thompson**

There were some creative mains for the vegetarian theme and the vegetable assignment. Our final gathering is being hosted at Sally Tuck's property "in the hills" for the BBQ. The date is June 26th at 6p.m. We take a break now until September and enjoy the summer.

### **Stitch & Bitch - Sheila Churchill**

The group has decided that effective July we will meet on the THIRD Monday of the month, rather than the first one as we do now. And yes, we will keep on stitching (and bitching) through the summer!

### **Target Shooting – Al & Sharon Black**

The weather forecast called for rain and overcast skies, but 34 shooters were determined to come out and have some fun and win a prize at the annual Collingwood Rod & Gun Club (CR&GC) "Balloon Shoot".

Some of the gun club's best shooters were competing but so were Paul Green, George Wolf, Peter Zahradnik and Al Black from BV Probus. Stella Zahradnik came out to cheer us on. Most of us from Probus were part of the top 12 shooters that went on to compete in the finals. The event included a rotisserie chicken lunch and fun was had by all.

On June 18th the CR&GC will be hosting a .22 rifle shoot and anyone from Probus can attend. For details about the competition click here [http://www.collingwoodrodandgunclub.ca/arcade\\_rifle\\_shoot.htm](http://www.collingwoodrodandgunclub.ca/arcade_rifle_shoot.htm)

### **Travel- Joan Liddiard**

More people have shown an interest in the Jan 10/2012 Galapagos and Ecuador program. The land portion is in the highlands of Ecuador which has a delightfully temperate climate. The quality and price of the trip can't be beat. For info call Gloria or Joan. Adrienne Corti is escorting a tour Feb. 24 to 12 Mar. 2012 to Uganda entailing Safari and Gorilla Trekking. There is also a tour Sept. 17 to Oct. 03, 2012 to Sardinia and the Northern Lakes (Italy-think Geo Peppard). For info call Adrienne.

### **Water Colours, Oils & Acrylics – Nancy Jackson & Mary Lou Morgan**

Thanks for all the enthusiasm and participation. We are off for the summer.

See everyone on Tuesday September 13 for the fall session at the Marsh Street Centre.

Gone painting

### **Woodcarving – Russell Bray**

Woodcarving group continues to meet every Monday at the Errinrunc Nursing home.

### **General Meeting – Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

1 – 1:30 pm	Fellowship Coffee & juice Tickets for sale
1:30 pm	O Canada President's Opening Remarks Club & Community Announcements
2:00 pm	Coffee & Juice Tickets for sale
2:15 pm	Speaker – <b>Linda Davis</b>
3:15 pm	Closing remarks