

# Probus Perth Social Events Report March 2025



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**We're a busy flock this month!! Read on and signup!!**

## Booking a Probus Event?



Send an email to the Social Events Team Member identified in this report for event(s) in which you wish you confirm your attendance. Your payment will then be verified to the team by our financial overseers, Graeme and Tony. **Please note the event(s) for which you are paying in the space provided on the eTransfer transaction. Payment may be made by eTransfer or cheque only.**

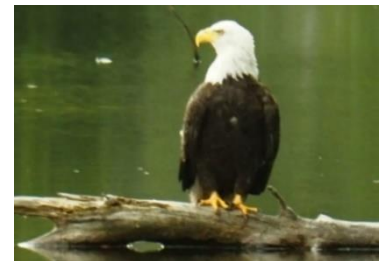
eTransfer to [finance@probusperth.ca](mailto:finance@probusperth.ca)

Cheques to: *The Probus Club of Perth* at a meeting OR  
by mail to: Box 20131, Shoppers Drug Mart  
Perth, ON K7H 3M6

## Keep an eye out for upcoming events for our Probian members!!

Each month your Social Events Team books a lunch following our first Wednesday of the month meeting. In addition, we try to offer another excursion in our greater community.

**We welcome your suggestions and input.** Please email your input to [read2read@outlook.com](mailto:read2read@outlook.com).



## Lunch Following our Probus Perth Meeting Michael's Table Wednesday, April 2, 2025

Sign-up began at our March meeting. There are only 10 spaces remaining for the April 2 lunch. Please contact Sue at [auntieotterdale@hotmail.com](mailto:auntieotterdale@hotmail.com) if you wish to make a reservation.



## Upcoming events.....

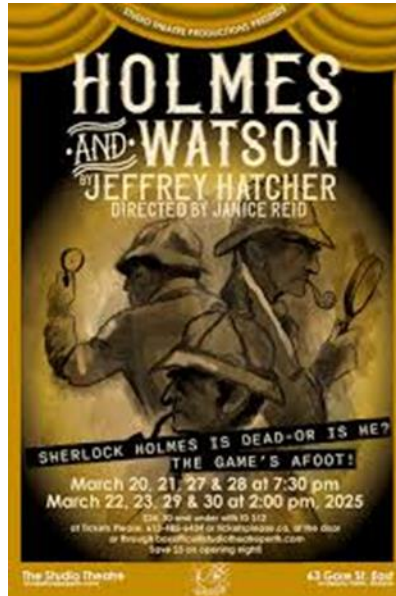


**Dinner at  
Mex & Co  
55 Gore Street East  
at 5 pm**

*A warm and comfortable  
Mexican venue to be  
enjoyed!*

**To join us contact Gail at  
[read2read@outlook.com](mailto:read2read@outlook.com)  
by March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**

**Dinner and a Play  
Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup>**



**Studio Theatre  
Holmes and Watson  
at 7:30 pm  
\$19.00**

*A thrilling blend of intrigue,  
humor, and the signature  
brain-teasing deductions  
we've come to expect from  
the world's greatest consulting  
detective.*

**Etransfer  
[finance@probusperth.ca](mailto:finance@probusperth.ca)**



## Wheelers Pancake House

**Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30 am**

Join your Probus friends for a traditional **Canadian maple lunch** at Wheelers Pancake House. You may enjoy a wander through the forest and/or the museum before or afterwards.

Email Gail at [read2read@outlook.com](mailto:read2read@outlook.com) by **March 31<sup>st</sup>** to confirm your reservation.



**A Combined Event... A Probus dinner .... and you book the concert through TicketsPlease at \$45 to support the MRI campaign!!!**



## Maximilian Restaurant

**4:45 pm  
Enjoy dinner before  
the concert with  
your Probus  
friends!**

Contact Sue at  
[auntieotterdale@hotmail.com](mailto:auntieotterdale@hotmail.com)  
by **April 15.**

**Rotary**  
of Smiths Falls

Presents a Special Evening with  
Mary Frances Leahy

Friday April 25th 2025 at  
Perth & District Collegiate Institute

A Rotary Community Event to Support the  
PSFDH Foundation's MRI Campaign



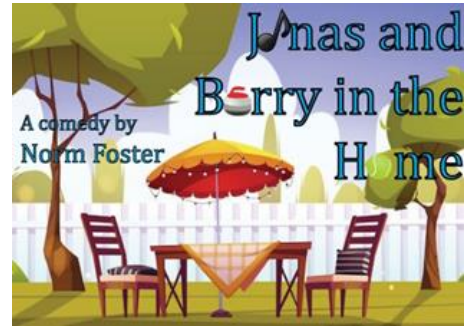




**Station Theatre**  
63 Victoria Ave,  
Smiths Falls  
7:15 pm

**Dinner & Theatre**  
Thursday, May 1, 2025

**My Place Restaurant**  
2 Main Street West  
Smiths Falls  
5 pm



Two Retirees search for Friendship, Love, Sex and Elusive Happiness in an Assisted Living Home.

Contact Linda at [bl.walker@sympatico.ca](mailto:bl.walker@sympatico.ca) if you would like to attend. Tickets are **\$21** if paid to [finance@probusperth.ca](mailto:finance@probusperth.ca) by **Monday, April 21st**. This event is filling quickly!

**Celebrating Canadian!! Join us on Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> in Almonte!**



Our adventure:

- 10:00-30 Arrive at Hummingbird Chocolate, 476 Ottawa Street, with parking on site. This Canadian company has won over 100 awards for their chocolate products. Hot chocolate and a treat will be available.
- 11:00 Tour of 45 -60 minutes. Cost of \$7.50 pp.  
We'll receive samples of their bars and 10% off purchases
- 1:00 Lunch is booked at Barley Mow, 79 Little Bridge Street, with parking on site  
We invite you to join us on the Little Bridge Walk, a pleasant short walk along the river, from the restaurant.
- 3:00 We will arrive at Vodkow Dairy Distillery, 34 Industrial Drive, with parking on site. This Canadian company is a maker of vodka using a sugar rich milk mixture called permeate. The cost of this tour is \$8.00 pp.



Combining Canadian history, beauty, and businesses!  
Contact Linda by May 18<sup>th</sup> at [bl.walker@sympatico.ca](mailto:bl.walker@sympatico.ca) to register and eTransfer \$15.50 to [finance@probusperth.ca](mailto:finance@probusperth.ca), remembering to record Almonte Tour in the information box. Consider carpooling.



## **Probus Perth's "Away Trip" for 2025**

### **Celebrating our 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Irish Heritage in Peterborough**

Peterborough is the centre of Irish events this summer as it is the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Irish immigration that brought more than 2000 Irish settlers to the area on nine ships under the direction of Peter Robinson and the British government. The first week of August is Irish week with many planned events. The 4th Line Theatre is also presenting **Wild Irish Geese** a new play written by Meghan Murphy about this very significant event. Previews are **July 29 and July 30** with the play running through the month of August. To order tickets (they will probably sell out quickly) and for more info check these websites: <https://nineships1825.com> and <https://4thlinetheatre.on.ca> .

We are proposing a 2-day stay in Peterborough, attending the play on the first day. Also including a boat cruise along the canal and through the lift lock. We will visit the new and historically significant Canadian Canoe Museum. Many more activities and a hotel stay will be outlined in our next communication.



#### **Wild Irish Geese**

Written by Megan Murphy & Directed by Ken Blockwell  
July 29-August 30

**Wild Irish Geese** is the story of the Irish settlers and their journey to the Peterborough region. Peter Robinson was the architect of an 1820s emigration plan which saw thousands of Irish families come to Canada to escape the brutal poverty which they were facing in Ireland. Eventually over 2 000 impoverished Irish settled in Scotts Plains, later renamed Peterborough and began their lives anew. These new Canadians planted deep roots in the Peterborough area.

**A quick response is needed to participate in the purchase of preview tickets which are moving quickly!! The July 29<sup>th</sup> show is open at this point!! We will buy a group of 10 tickets at \$38.80 for those who respond to Gail asap at [read2read@outlook.com](mailto:read2read@outlook.com) and complete their eTransfer to [finance@probusperth.ca](mailto:finance@probusperth.ca) by March 17<sup>th</sup>. As a single booking allows multiple tickets to be ordered for a fee of**

#### **Discover the unbelievable beauty in this remote region of the Kawarthas.**

The popular sightseeing cruise departs from the Peterborough Marina, next to the Holiday Inn. You will be entertained by the Captain's colourful commentary on the history of Peterborough and the Trent Severn Waterway. The tour takes us across Little Lake, past the Peterborough Centennial Fountain and into the City of Peterborough portion of the 118-year-old lock system, the first traditional flood lock raises us 12 feet, to the highlight of our trip. Where we go up and over the Peterborough Liftlock which is the world's highest hydraulic Liftlock which lifts 65 feet or 19.8m above the city!

\$33 including HST will be paid onsite but seats must be reserved. This will be booked if you request this when responding to Gail at [read2read@outlook.com](mailto:read2read@outlook.com).





## Picture Corner

Dinner at the Vault Restaurant and "There Goes the Bride" at Station Theatre were enjoyed by friends of Probus Perth on February 20<sup>th</sup> in Smiths Falls.





## Upcoming events in Our community:



Mar 14/15 Station Theatre March Movie Weekend presents **Wicked** at 7 pm. Tickets \$12 at the door only.

Mar 16@7:30pm Blue Skies in the Community presents **Suzie Vinnick** is in concert at St. Paul's United Church. Tickets are \$30 at [www.ticketsplease.ca](http://www.ticketsplease.ca)

Mar 19 Canadian Geographic presents author & historian Meghan J. Ward's documentary film **Wildflowers** at 7 pm at 50 Susse Drive. Free registration @ <https://donate.rcgs.org>

Mar 21@5pm Blues at The Cove Series presents **The JW Jones Band** with a buffet dinner. Charity support. Contact The Cove at [info@coveinn.com](mailto:info@coveinn.com) Cost is \$95.

Mar 21@7:30pm Kingston Spire presents a **Tribute to Grease**, the music of the 50s and 60s era and will include the music of Grease. Selling quickly. Tickets at \$50.83 plus booking. <http://www.kingstongrand.ca/events/tickets/tribute-to-grease>

Mar 23@2pm Music at MERA presents **Seventh Town** at the MERA schoolhouse, McDonald's Corners. Tickets are \$30 at [www.ticketsplease.ca](http://www.ticketsplease.ca) .

Apr 4@2, 7pm Studio Theatre presents **Shepherds** at Film Club Friday. A Canadian-French drama directed by Sophie Deraspe. Tickets \$12 at the door or 6 for \$60 pkg.

Apr 11@7pm Perth and Smiths Falls District Hospital presents **Pink & Powerful**. Wear pink & enjoy great music at The Civitan Club. Tickets \$50  
<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E920147&id=30>

May 14@6:30 Studio Theatre presents **Red Dirt Skinners** \$37.50 at All Events Perth



**Don't miss Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> as Probud  
Perth celebrates our last meeting of the year  
with an interesting speaker and another  
lovely luncheon!!  
Details will be shared at our April 2<sup>nd</sup>  
meeting with the opportunity to sign up for  
this popular event!!**





## **For your consideration.....**

### **Lifelong Online Learning Program Lectures**

Carleton University, Ottawa, and McMaster University, Hamilton, have some interesting online courses available. You do not have to be a university graduate. Some are a couple of hours, some a couple of weeks, some free, others have a fee.

To access Carleton - [Carleton.ca/lifelong](http://Carleton.ca/lifelong)  
Browse- Series and Workshops On Line Series  
You can join the mailing list under Browser

To access McMaster - [info@alumic.org](mailto:info@alumic.org)  
Scroll to ALC/McMaster University Alumni Webinars.

McMaster also has healthy living for optimal aging information that they send out.  
To access - [alerts@mcmasteroptimalaging.org](mailto:alerts@mcmasteroptimalaging.org)

### **More Online Learning at Google [microlearnontario.ca](http://microlearnontario.ca)**

Consider this recommended portal for over 2500 micro-courses available from various educational institutions across Ontario. They are intended for people who have new responsibilities and need to learn related skills, for those wanting to beef up their resume, or for those just seeking a general interest course. You can tailor a search to a narrow scope or browse the list. There is a fee for most courses which can be verified by sending a question to the sponsoring institution.



The Perth Probus Club meets at the  
Royal Canadian Legion Hall, 26 Beckwith Street, Perth.  
On the first Wednesday of the month, September through June.  
President: Mary Kilgour  
Further information on the club and contact details for the other  
members of the Management Team can be found at:  
[www.probusperth.ca/board.htm](http://www.probusperth.ca/board.htm)  
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