



# PROBUS News.....

## PROBUS Club of Bradford

Volume 101, Published September , 2019

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*From the Desk of Dave McMillan*



Welcome PROBUS members to another new year for the Bradford PROBUS Club. With the start of the new year there have been some changes in the Executive Committee (as noted on the side panel). The Membership Chair is moving from Deb to Patricia and they have some interesting details for you.

Thanks to Deb and Patricia, here is some general information about our club's membership. As you may know, we started with 26 members and over the past nine years have grown to 150 members. We have about 2/3 women and 1/3 men. For those of you that have been in the club for a while, you may have noticed our General Meetings are a lot more crowded. That means, more people for you to get to know. On average there are about 92 members at our General Meetings. Of course, the attendance is influenced by snowbirds and cottagers. Our June and December meetings have the highest attendance. We like to track the attendance trends because it helps us decide when are the best months to hold major events!

I hope to see everyone at our next meeting, October 8th, as we enter into the autumn season.

*"Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower." – Albert Camus*



### INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- September Meeting Info..... 2
- Our Members are Busy..... 2-3
- What's Coming ..... 4-5
- Photo Gallery ..... 6-7

### 2019/20 Executive Committee:

President: *Dave McMillan*

Vice President: *Bob Watt*

Secretaries:

*Eleanor Watt and Cheryl Blair*

Treasurer: *Lorna Foti*

Social Chair: *Amy Wright*

Communication Chair:

*Deborah Liukaitis*

Technical Chair:

*Pete Liukaitis*

Speakers' Chair:

*Philip Junop*

Members Chair:

*Patricia Dion*

Major Events:

*Brenda Andrews and Peggy Michaud*

Members at Large:

*Dale Tasker and Pat Mohren*

Past President: *Dave Martin*

### BRADFORD PROBUS CLUBS

Use the link below to contact an organizer to join.

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| <b>Badminton</b>     | Lindsay B.  |
| <b>Bid Euchre</b>    | Deborah L.  |
| <b>Book</b>          | Cheryl B.   |
| <b>Bridge</b>        | Bob E.      |
| <b>Dinner Club</b>   | Dale T.     |
| <b>Genealogy</b>     | Marianne B. |
| <b>Knitting</b>      | Linda A.    |
| <b>Walking/Hikes</b> | Bev F.      |
| <b>Photography</b>   | Robert A.   |



**BOOK CLUB**

## HIGHLIGHTS from the SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING...

The meeting opened with club President, Dave McMillan's welcome of guests and the introduction of the new Executive and Support Team for 2019/20.

Birthday wishes were extended to 14 people celebrating September birthdays.

\$83.00 was awarded to the lucky winner of the 50/50 draw.

A call-out for members to volunteer to participate in providing snacks for the next years meetings.

Members can email: [bradfordprobus@gmail.com](mailto:bradfordprobus@gmail.com) to volunteer for a time slot.



### Guest Speaker—Dave Phillips, Senior Climatologist for Environment Canada

Dave Phillips is a senior climatologist for Environment Canada, a spokesperson for the Meteorological Society of Canada and a published author. He has an impressive background in weather and meteorology and public service for which he received the Order of Canada.

Dave entertained us with several examples of the 35,000 weather trivia stories he has catalogued and also explained why Canadians (*as chronic weather junkies*) are so obsessed about the weather.

Dave delivered an excellent presentation that was both insightful and entertaining. He absolutely confirmed to the membership that future weather forecasts will be "Warmer, Wetter and Wilder".



*"What is changing is not just the climate, it's the weather. Climate change is impacting the weather."*

*"If we called it 'atmospheric terrorism', we'd have it nailed."*

Dave Phillips

**See you at the October 8th Meeting!**



## Future Speakers...



### OCTOBER

#### Daniel Alonso

Daniel will be exploring how popular music has been shaped by Canada. Hear the sounds of Leonard Cohen, Joni Mitchell, Neil Young and many more great Canadian musicians.



### NOVEMBER

#### Welcome back Ted Barris

Ted is an award winning journalist and broadcaster. He regularly writes in the national media (National Post, Air Force Magazine, Zoomer among many) and has hosted numerous CBC radio network programs and shows on TV Ontario. "Rush to Danger" is Ted's 19th non-fiction book.



## Our Members are busy...

### FALL COLOURS TOUR ON THE LADY MUSKOKA

#### Rated the #1 Tour in Bracebridge Muskoka!

Meander down the Muskoka River from Bracebridge to Lake Muskoka and view Millionaire's Row, cottages and stunning scenery while enjoying the Lady Muskoka's famous on-board lunch. Limit 30 people.

When: October 10 From noon to 2:45 pm Where: 300 Ecclestone Drive, Bracebridge

**THIS EVENT IS FULL**

For those attending who want more information see this link: <https://www.ladymuskoka.com/>



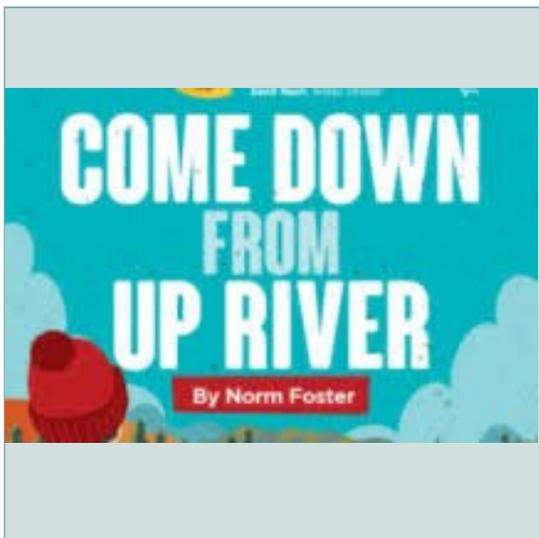
### GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER!

When: October 19 Starting at 4:00 pm

A fun, social event where you will start at one PROBUS member's place for appetizers; on to another for a meal and finally ending at another destination for desserts and more socializing.

**Instructions for the participants will be handed out at the October 8th PROBUS meeting.**

For more information click on this link <https://bradfordprobus.weebly.com/events.html>



### *THEATRE ORANGEVILLE (a Norm Foster Production)*

When: October 30th starts at 2:00 pm (matinee)

Cost: \$33.00 per person **EVENT IS CLOSED!**

Shaver Bennett has lived a rather solitary life as a logger in the woods of northern New Brunswick. One day he arrives at the doorstep of the daughter of his estranged sister, whom he hasn't seen in 20 years. The niece, Bonnie Doyle and her wife Liv Arsenault welcome him into their lives in this sweetly moving tale. Set in Saint John, New Brunswick, **Come Down From Up River** explores family and forgiveness with a healthy dose of laughter sprinkled with tears.



### *A Hilarious Comedy!*

*A RICHMOND HILL THEATRE PRESENTATION*

When: November 26th starts at 8:00 pm

Cost: \$50.00 per person **EVENT IS CLOSED!**



### *BLUE CHRISTMAS*

When: November 29th Starts at 8:00 pm

Where: Newmarket Theatre

Cost: \$41.80/person **EVENT IS CLOSED!**

Featuring Collingwood's champion Elvis impersonator, **Gino Monopoli** and Rudy and the Angels.

### *BARRA MACNEILS*

When: December 4th Starts at 8:00 pm

Where: Richmond Hill Theatre

Cost: \$50.00/person **EVENT IS CLOSED!**

Hailing from Cape Breton Island, the Barra MacNeils have spent over 25 years as one of the greatest live concert acts in the Celtic world.

With strong Celtic roots, this diverse and talented family continues to wow audiences around the world with their captivating vocals and extraordinary musicianship.

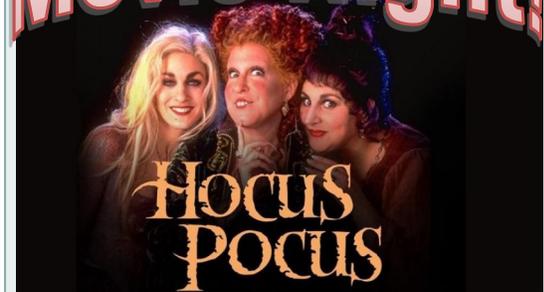
Spend an evening as they celebrate the season with their distinctive brand of Celtic flavour.



For more information click on this link <https://bradfordprobus.weebly.com/events.html>

# PROBUS Members still time—SEE WHAT'S COMING..

## Movie Night!



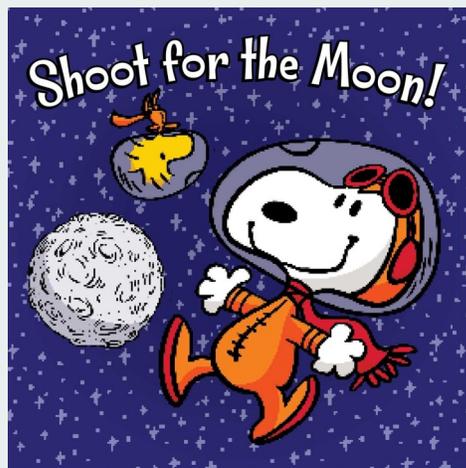
When: October 28th starts at 4:00 pm

Where: St. John's Presbyterian Church

Cost: \$10.00/person **Payment is due October 8th**

A Halloween kick-off movie featuring "Hocus Pocus" starring Bette Midler and Sarah Jessica Parker" second show— "Saturday Night Fever" with John Travolta and Karen Lynn Gorney.

Pizza, popcorn and water supplied (or bring your own snack and non-acholic beverage).



## BID EUCHRE NIGHT!

When: November 23 starts at 7:00 pm

At: Bond Head United Church

Cost: \$10.00 per person **Payment is due November 12th**

40 people maximum (with a reserve list) **CHECK TO SEE IF THE LIST IS FULL**

Bring an appetizer/treat and your preferred non-alcoholic drink (coffee and tea supplied).



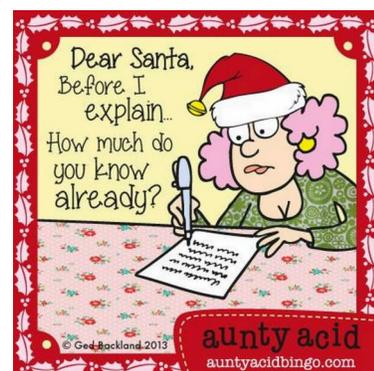
## 2019 PROBUS CHRISTMAS!

When: December 10th Starts at 3:30 pm

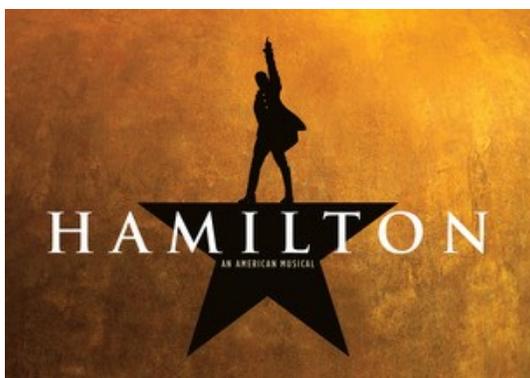
Where: The Club at Bond Head

Cost: \$40.00/person; \$50.00/guest **(Payment Due Nov 12)**

**JOIN THE FUN!** Spread Christmas cheer with fantastic food and friends. Includes happy hour (cash bar), turkey dinner and any other surprises Santa has in his bag.



## LOOK FOR...



## IN 2020!

**Details to come!**

# PHOTO GALLERY

## August in Peterborough

- Turtle Conservation Centre
- Peterborough Canoe Museum
- Lift Locks and Boat Tour

Beautiful scenery on the boat; educational turtle centre and fascinating history at the canoe museum. A great day!



## September

### ROMEO

#### Breakfast!

At: Hot Stacks in Cookstown

A good turn out guys!



## September

### RODEO Lunch

At: Boston Pizza in Bradford

Girls just wanna have fun!



For more information click on this link <https://bradfordprobus.weebly.com>

# CAR RALLY!

Wendy thought she had a leg up



The BOOBY PRIZE winners.



The Winners!

Team PROBUSTERS



A fun day for all!



PIZZA!



I decided to make sure my Husband woke up with a Big Smile on his face this morning. Now I can't have Sharpies in the house anymore.

A wife, being the romantic sort, sent her husband a text: "If you are sleeping, send me your dreams. If you are laughing, send me your smile. If you are eating, send me a bite. If you are drinking send me a sip. If you are crying, send me your tears. I love you!" The husband, typically non-romantic, replied: "I am on the toilet. Please advise."

IF I CAN MAKE ONE PERSON LAUGH LONG ENOUGH TO FORGET THEIR PROBLEMS THEN MY DAY WAS NOT WASTED.

For more information click on this link <https://bradfordprobus.weebly.com>