



The PROBUS Reporter

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The PROBUS Club of Alliston

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President's Message

June – the sixth month of the year! There are so many reasons to love June. It's one of the most wonderful and popular times of the year to get married, but it's also a time to celebrate the summer solstice on June 21st, the beginning of summer!! If you were born on or before June 20th, you are a Gemini – passionate, adaptable and smart. After June 20th, you are a Cancer – loyal with great emotional depth. June “bugs” as you are called, are probably hopeless romantics!

June is also famous for tennis lovers – the Wimbledon tournament runs in June – and this year, FIFA is here for soccer lovers. But, most important of all is Father's Day, the 21st of June, a time to celebrate and honour our fathers and fatherhood, the influence of fathers in society. It's a day for ALL dads to put their feet up, relax, and do nothing!

Whatever you do, take a moment to reflect on the year so far, as it's halfway gone already.

As we grow older, here are some thoughts to ponder –

“I'm at the stage where my back goes out more than I do” (Phyllis Diller)

“I'm so old my blood type has been discontinued” (Bill Dane)

“I don't plan to grow old gracefully. I plan to have face-lifts until my ears meet” (Rita Rudner)

Claire Albright

President, PROBUS Club of Alliston

May 2026 PROBUS Meeting

New Members



Lori Locke, Yvonne Nunnaro, Joanne Ryan

10-Year Pin



Sharon Walton

May 2026 PROBUS Meeting

Show & Tell Speaker - Joan Fellows

How a Newfoundland Cookbook has ties to Beeton

Joan introduced us to Kate Aitken, born in Beeton, in 1891. Kate achieved fame and success as an entrepreneur, author, cook, beauty and women's lifestyle expert, and radio and television personality. One of her books, Kate Aitken's Canadian Cookbook, was also Joan's Mother's favourite cookbook. Joan inherited her Mom's tattered and worn copy after she passed, and has treasured it for many years. She always wondered who Kate Aitken was.



It was only recently that Joan learned that Kate was from nearby Beeton. It is unknown how Joan's Mom, who used the cookbook in a tiny, remote railway village in Newfoundland, accessible only by train, came to have one of Kate's first edition cookbooks, published in 1945. They didn't know each other, but created something that had quite a special place in the heart, and kitchen of the other.

Main Speaker – Diana Trepkov

How Forensic Art Solves Mysteries and Inspires Hope

Diana is a forensic artist who has worked with police in Canada as well as internationally using her sketching and drawing talent to recreate faces to help solve missing and recovered bodies. She showed us how she used her talents to recreate and help successfully identify members of the missing Franklin Arctic expedition whose ships were discovered a few years ago. The audience was totally engrossed, and this could be seen by all the questions that came her way.



Lunch at Boston Pizza



Photos submitted by Bev Hughes. For more click [here](#)

Stratford Trip



Photos taken by Eugene McEleney. For more click [here](#)

Upcoming **PROBUS** Meetings

Our meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month
at 10:00 AM in the Nottawasaga Inn.

Next Meeting: June 9

Lunch: Halibut House

Main Speakers

Jun 9	Dr. Amy Barron	Agatha Christie & Archeology
July 14	Lianne Harris	Mongolia: The Earth Shakers
Sept 8	Steve Chapelle	An Overview on Artificial Intelligence
Oct 13	Mark Rector	OH CANADA: Our Home & Inventive Land
Nov 10	Peter Monahan	Good Chaps: Men of New Tecumseth who died in WWII

Show & Tell Speakers

June 9	Gerry Ross	50 years of Dentistry
July 14	Joan Fellows	In Search of the Nottawasaga River
Oct 13	Joan Fellows	TBD

Events



Honda's Canadian Manufacturing Facilities

We take pride in building the Honda CR-V and the Honda Civic.

PROBUS Club of Alliston visit to Line 1, Honda Manufacturing Plant, Alliston

WHEN: June 11, 2026 - 9:00 a.m. (arrive 8:45)

WHAT: Two tours of 20 people each

SIGN UP: **FULL!** If you have signed up, here are the details you need.

WHERE: 4700 Industrial Parkway, Alliston, ON
Visitor Parking, Line 1, Go to Entrance under glass arch to sign-in

COST: FREE. Government Issued ID required to sign-in
Closed toe shoes must be worn



Come aboard Mateys for the **Peterborough Lift Lock Boat Cruise & "Peterborough Musicfest"** on July 15 & 16, 2026



Come for an overnight stay to the lovely town of Peterborough. Bring a picnic dinner and listen to "Music in the Park" on a beautiful summer's eve. As Canada's longest-running free outdoor concert series, Peterborough Musicfest offers diverse, family-friendly live music in a scenic waterfront setting, with performers ranging from pop to classic rock.

Stay overnight at the Holiday Inn, Peterborough, enjoy their breakfast the next morning, then discover the unbelievable beauty in this remote region of the Kawarthas.

Cruise departs from the Peterborough Marina, next to the Holiday Inn near Del Crary Park. 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, the world's highest hydraulic Liftlock which lifts 65 feet or 19.8 metres above the city!

MUSIC: Del Crary Park, 100 George St. N., Peterborough
8:00 pm, bring a chair, a blanket, a picnic or eat first.

CRUISE: Leave at 10:00 am, Return at 12:30 pm, Tickets on arrival at Dock
92 George St. Peterborough (7 min. walk from hotel)

COST: \$30/person - Boat Cruise Only (lunch after on own)

DRIVE: On your own (make a day of it!)

HOTEL: Holiday Inn, Peterborough, book on own (or other hotel)

SIGN UP: **Deadline e-transfer or completed cheque \$30/person by June meeting.**



Golf Tournament & Dinner



2026 PROBUS Golf Tournament and Dinner

Tuesday August 11th 2026

Bear Creek Golf Club

8545 Simcoe County 56, Utopia, ON L0M 1T0

GOLF

Play 9 or 18 holes

You can sign up as a single or a couple (we will organize foursomes)

Or sign up as a team of 4

FORMAT

Scramble – designed to be a fun outing

DINNER

For Golfers and all PROBUS club members

SCHEDULE

1:00 pm	18-hole golfers tee off
2:30 pm	9-hole golfers tee off
5:00 pm	Social time for all attendees
6:00 pm	Dinner

COST

Dinner only	\$60
9 holes + dinner	\$130
18 holes + dinner	\$160

Deadline for registering is the July 14th PROBUS meeting

**Please bring completed cheque and form to PROBUS meeting
or register online & e-transfer**

Click [here](#) for more information and registration form

Events



The PROBUS Club of
Alliston will be attending
**RETURN TO
GRACE**



King's Wharf Theatre

DATE: Tuesday, August 18, 2025

TIME: 2:00 PM – Matinee

TICKETS: Reserve Now! on web or
at meeting.

\$57/ticket \$114/couple
cheque or e-Transfer to
probuscluballiston@gmail.com

LUNCH: Lunch is optional - on own

IDEAS: **Captain Ken's Diner**
705-549-869, 70 Main St
Pier 21
705-355-1957, 106 Main St
Flynn's Public House
705-355-4782, 96 Main St
...and many others

COST: PAY own lunch, tax & tip

Whether you're a lifelong fan or new to the legacy of the King of Rock 'n Roll, Return to Grace is an exhilarating theatrical experience that celebrates the enduring spirit of one of the greatest icons of our time.

From humble beginnings in Memphis to Las Vegas triumphs, Elvis Presley revolutionized popular music, and embodied the freedom, turbulence, and excitement of his era. Join us as internationally renowned, award-winning tribute performer Matt Cage, along with a stage full of incredibly accomplished musicians and breathtaking dancers, embrace these iconic songs that remain as relevant today as when they first hit the top of the charts.

Featuring a jukebox of standards including "Love Me Tender," "Hound Dog," "Suspicious Minds," "Heartbreak Hotel," and many more, you won't want to miss this high-energy musical revue that salutes one of the most adored entertainers of all time.

**Deadline to pay for tickets
June 9th meeting.**

**Tickets handed out at July meeting
1 person per party to collect**

Events



PROBUS Club of Alliston
Holland Marsh Private Winery Tour & Wine Tasting
 18270 Keele St, Newmarket, ON L3Y 4V9
 Tuesday, September 29, 2026
 2:30 pm



Sip, swirl, and stroll your way through our boutique winery! Go behind the scenes with a guided vineyard and cellar tour, then settle in for a curated tasting of our handcrafted wines. It's relaxed, flavourful, and just the right amount of fancy. Cheers to that!

Follow one of our Wine Professionals through our beautiful grounds, vineyard and production to fully understand the soil and growing conditions, wine-making process and our approach to fine wine. Following the tour, guests will be hosted in our Private Tasting Room for a guided tasting of 5 curated wines based on your group's preferences. In addition to savouring our hand-crafted wines, guests will be served premium charcuterie boards which include meats, cheeses and our famous wine-jellies which are all locally sourced. Cheers!

INCLUDES:

- "Private Tour"
- Tasting - Flight of 5 hand crafted wines, curated to your group's preference. (2 Red, 2 White, 1 Rose)
- Charcuterie boards with 3 artisanal cheeses, 3 cured meats, wine jellies, Belgian dark chocolate, olives and crackers (1 board for every 3 guests).
- 1 Hour private rental of our Tasting Room after your tour.

**Please Register June or July,
 Meeting or Web (& e-transfer).
 \$57 due by September Meeting.**



PROBUS Club of Alliston
Fall Leaves Drive & Lunch at Mono Cliffs Inn
 367006 Mono Centre Rd, Mono, ON L9W 5W9
 Wednesday, October 7, 2026
 Meet/Mingle 12:00 pm, Lunch 12:30 pm



Welcome to the historic Mono Cliffs Inn, a charming destination located in the picturesque hamlet of Mono Centre. We are a welcoming community-focused restaurant, with a lively and authentic pub, a versatile space for intimate celebrations, and a charming wine cellar, that serves as a small private dining room.

Our dedicated team is passionate about delivering exceptional service and creating a warm, inviting atmosphere, ensuring every visit is a memorable experience.

\$74/person, including tax, tip, 3 Course served Luncheon and Coffee and Tea self-serve set-up. Soft drinks or alcoholic drinks extra.

Menu:

Appetizer:

Butternut Squash & Apple Soup

Garnished with Toasted Pumpkin Seeds

or

Classic Caesar Salad

Romaine Hearts, Garlic-Lemon Dressing, Toasted Croutons, Grated Parmesan Reggiano

Choice of Entrée:

Lemon-Pepper Cod

Panko Crusted Cod Filet, Fingerling Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables

or

House Made Gnocchi

Roasted Wild Mushrooms, Grape Tomatoes, Leeks, Tomato Sauce

or

Oven Roasted Chicken Supreme

Chicken Jus, Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables

Choice of Dessert:

Bread & Butter Pudding

Warm Butterscotch Sauce

or

Vanilla Ice Cream



**Please sign up June or July Meeting
 or Web (& e-transfer).
 \$74 & menu choices due by
 September Meeting.**

2025/2026 Management Committee

President	Claire Albright
Vice President	Allyn Willard
Past President	Gerry Ross
Secretary	Jo-Anne Hunt
Treasurer	Ruby Thomas
Membership Coordinator	Mary Willard
AV Team	Allyn Willard, Peter Krol, Ron Wise
Communications/Webmaster	Mary Willard
Events & Excursions	Wendy Masters, Mary Willard, Joan Fellows, Jill Winter
Special Events (Golf)	Eugene McEleney
Luncheons	Midge Faccioli, Bev Hughes
Meeting Coordinator	Dave Randell
Membership	Mary Willard, Sheila Garriock
Photographer	Bev Hughes
PROBUS Reporter	Allyn Willard
Share the Wealth	Diane Haynes, Barb Murney
Show & Tell	Roy Snipe
Speakers Committee	Shirley Irvine, Catherine Robbin, Gerry Ross
Sunshine and Clouds	Sue Waterman

If you have moved or changed your email or phone number, please notify Mary Willard at probuscluballiston@gmail.com so that we can keep our records up to date.

If you have pictures or stories you would like to share with your friends at PROBUS, please email to Allyn Willard at: allynwillard@rogers.com