



Beaver Valley Probus Club

The Grapevine for June 2017

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Current Activities

by Convener Kathie O'Malley

(Details)

Backroads Cycling
Book Club one
Book club two
Book club three
Book club four
Birding
Canoeing and Kayaking
Casual Dining
Cooking Together
Cue Sports
Digital Photography
Dining around town
Dining with Flair
Euchre
Euchre 2
Hiking
Marsh Street painters
Nordic Pole Walking
Pottery
Recreational Cycling
Scrabble
Singles Gourmet
Ski Legends
Snowshoeing
Stitch & Bitch Crafts
Support Group
Travel
Wood Carving

Activity groups are self sustained.
Participate – Volunteer
But above all - have fun and enjoy

"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".

President's Message

John Dick



After our June meeting our Probus Club will take a break until September 26th. Although we don't have general meetings during the summer, many of our activity groups including cycling, birding, canoeing, hiking and pole walking, to name a few, are very busy during the "warm" months plus we have the June Golf Tournament, July Picnic and Bocce tournament and September Mini-Putt Tournament. If you haven't signed up for these activities, and wish to do so, please contact the activity coordinator running the event, to be included.

The Management Team and I hope that everyone has a great summer and we look forward to seeing you at the summer events and, if not, then at the next general meeting in September.

Annual Probus Picnic

Our annual picnic and bocce tournament will be held on Tuesday July 11 at Rice's Pond located on 10th line, fire no. 416266.

Directions: 1. Via County Rd 13 south from Thornbury, turn left onto 10th Line (signs for Redwing), destination on the right.

2. Via Grey Rd 2 south from Thornbury, turn right onto Sideroad 21, turn left onto 10th Line, destination on the right.

3. From Ravenna head west on Grey Rd 119 toward 10th Line turn right onto 10th Line, destination will be on the left.

Bocce participants are to assemble at 2:30 for a 3:00pm start. Dinner will begin at 5:30 and will be catered by Ted DeCorso. The buffet style menu features coleslaw, garden salad, BBQ chicken, pesto sauce and BBQ sauce, **OR** Italian sausage, sautéed onions, buns, condiments, followed by assorted finger desserts and strawberries. Beverages are not included so please bring your own. Be sure to bring a lawn chair – there are some picnic tables available but you may want to bring your own table. The cost is \$23 per person for members, guests are welcome at \$28. Tickets will still available at our June meeting. Cut off date is July 4th **Tickets are needed for your meal. CHEQUES ONLY PLEASE. THE FIRE NO. IS 416266.**

Summer Plans

There are no Grapevine issues or Probus meetings in July or August.

Bocce @ "The Picnic" July 11th, 2017

Team Registration will be finalized and interested individuals added at the June 27th Probus meeting.

Players should arrive at 2:30pm for a 3:00pm game start.

Team Captains please "check in", when all your players have arrived. You will be given your field assignment for the 3 games, then go to your first field for the 3:00pm start.

The referee will tell you the colour of the balls you will use and start when all 4 teams are in place and have heard the court rules.

The treasured BV Probus Bocce Cup and prize presentation will follow the last game and any necessary tie breakers. We are planning for lovely sunny day with great court conditions. Enjoy and have a great picnic!

Ken Kelley and Peter Zahradnik

Activity Group Updates

TRAVEL: We had a wonderful 2 weeks in Ireland, with 14 days of sun! Wow!

Upcoming trip plans are:

1. October 6, 2017 River cruise and hotel programme, Nice to Paris
2. May 4, 2018 A repeat of the Ireland trip
3. May 22, 2018 River cruise, Amsterdam to Budapest
4. September 21, 2018 River cruise, Amsterdam to Budapest
5. September, 2018 Bike and land programme in Croatia
6. October 23, 2018 River cruise, Budapest to Amsterdam

Please contact Doug Fry (705)293-0930 dfry@cruiseshipcenters.com for river cruises and Croatia, and Gloria for Ireland.

Gloria Thompson

HIKING GROUP: We've had some wonderful hikes so far this spring, and are looking forward to more as we move into summer. Our next outing will be on June 21. This is a challenging loop at Blue Mountain which includes a relatively 'easy' climb up the escarpment and the option of a Gondola ride down the hill. We can often help with transportation to the hiking locations, so if that is a concern for you, please let us know rather than missing out.

Cynthia Sampson

STITCH AND BITCH: In May we enjoyed a trip to the Spinrite Yarn Factory Tent Sale in Listowel, Ontario to buy some materials for future projects. Weather was nice and the drive was delightful, thanks to our driver Sylvia Ridgley. Other trip participants were Betty Murray, Margaret Morgan and Seija Wolf. After exhausting ourselves among the aisles and aisles of yarns we rushed to a nearby restaurant called "Crabby Joe's" for a nice meal. On the way back we stopped at the Lavender Shop to do some more browsing and shopping. All in all it was a very successful day. See the pictures on the web-site.

Seija Wolf

BACK ROADS CYCLING: Thirteen members were in attendance for the first ride of the season. We enjoyed great weather and camaraderie!

Terry White

Our Speaker on June 27



Kelly Borg – Executive Director of Hospice Georgian Triangle

Kelly Borg's own hospice journey began in 2006 with her Mother's admission to the Pilgrims Hospice in Canterbury, UK. Kelly is Executive Director of Hospice Georgian Triangle, a now ten bed residential hospice with a growing community program. Prior to Hospice Georgian Triangle, Kelly was Director of Hospice Services at Matthews House Hospice in Alliston, where she was instrumental in the opening of their four bed residence. Married to a Canadian for 11 years, Kelly and her husband Vic moved to Canada in 2010. She is a qualified Psychodynamic Counsellor, has run her own consultancy, and has over 20 years' IT experience working within the Lloyd's of London insurance market.

Fifth Annual Mini-Putt and Lunch

This is a brief announcement for the fifth annual Mini Putt & Lunch September 12, 11:00 a.m. at The Georgian Bay Hotel and Conference Centre.

In the past it has been a popular event and the weather gods have been kind. Putting will commence at 11.00 a.m., followed by lunch and prizes, \$33.00 all inclusive. There will be a cash bar.

Sign up sheets will be available at the back of the meeting room.

CHEQUES ONLY are accepted, payable to Beaver Valley Probus. Please remember your CHEQUE BOOK as the June meeting is the last meeting before the summer break.

Harvey Wormald

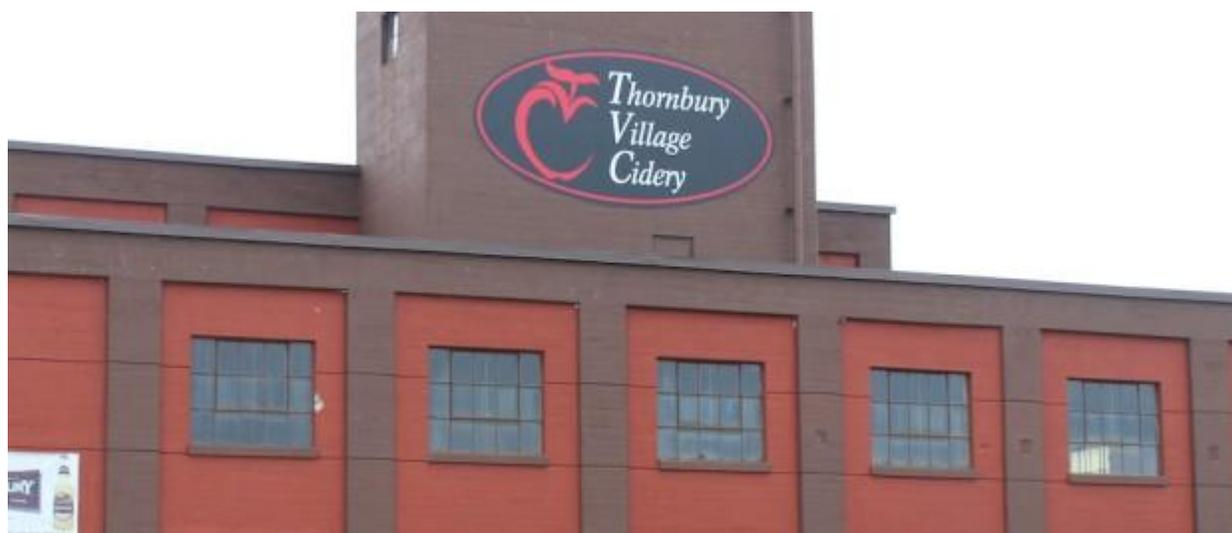
Probus Annual Golf Tournament

Just a reminder for the Probus Golf Tournament June 19, 2017 at Shelburne. Coffee and snacks at 8:30 am.

See you there.

Garry Lamont

Tour and Taste at the Thornbury Village Cidery



Our local Thornbury Village Cidery has recently expanded, and with the addition of craft beer, now has a tasting room for its cider, beer and wine. To help us get to know it better, a Tour and Tasting has been arranged for Tues. July 25th at 3PM.

The cost for the Tour is \$5 and a Flight of 4 Ciders, 4 wines, or 4 beer samples will be an additional \$10, which you can pay at the Cidery that day. Sign-up is at the June meeting, at the Membership table, or by contacting Vicki Kellar.

• The Master Gardener's Corner

- *Things to do in your garden each month taken from the Ontario Master Gardener Calendar by John Hethrington, Past President, Master Gardeners of Ontario. For more information, or your copy of the 11" x 17" calendar of the full year's tips for a \$1 contribution to Master Gardeners, call 519-599-5846.*

• JUNE GARDEN TIPS

- The last frost should be over. Get the annuals planted now. Add a little fertilizer and water well.
- Fertilize perennials, roses, shrubs and vegetables according to package instructions. Pull back the mulch (that should be there). Dig the fertilizer in lightly around each plant and replace the mulch.
- Start cutting your lawn higher and leave cuttings on the lawn as "green" fertilizer.
- Prune spring blooming shrubs and trees (lilac, forsythia) after they have flowered.
- Prune evergreens and hedges now, not later in the summer.
- Finish removing all daffodil and tulip flower stems. Leave leaves to mature and feed the bulb for next year. Add a little bone meal around bulb clumps to promote bulb growth for next year.
- Stake or cage tomato plants, dahlias, gladioli, peony plants, etc.
- Thin vegetable seedlings and plant successive crops. (Plant a second crop as the first is maturing e.g. lettuce, spinach, radishes.)
- Seed flowering cabbage/kale into garden rows for later transplanting.
- Plant seeds of fast growing flowers such as cosmos, marigold, calendula, etc.
- If desired, move houseplants outside to protected areas.
- Deadhead faded blooms on plants such as petunia, rose, verbena, etc. This will promote continuous blooms and bushy plants throughout the second half of the summer season.
- Weed and water garden beds as needed.
- Add mulch to suppress weed growth and hold in moisture.
- Cut back by a third, late bloomers such as mums and asters. This will make them bushier and give them a mounded shape for the fall.
- Turn compost regularly and check moisture level.
- Take cuttings of perennials, shrubs, roses, etc. for rooting.
- **Watch for local Plant Sales like the huge one at St. George's Anglican Church in Clarksburg on Saturday June 24 2017. It starts at 8 am. Come early for the best selection of a wide varieties of perennials, shrubs and large tomato plants at really reasonable prices. Master Gardeners will be on site to answer horticultural questions.**

- **John Hethrington**

Book and DVD Exchange

The June meeting will be your last chance to exchange books and DVDs before the summer holidays. Please make sure that your books and DVDs are in good condition and are current.

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Opportunities for you!

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Do you know of a member who needs encouragement to get through a difficult period?

Please do not hesitate to call **Joan Hutton** who is the contact for June or any one of the Management team.

The July contact is Barb Thompson and in August Viv Alper.

Carol Hethrington, coordinator

The Last Word

Submitted by Past President Joanne Vivona

Tread softly, because you tread on my dreams.

W.B. Yeats