



## THE PROBUS STORY

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## PROBUS CLUB OF AJAX

The “PROBUS” acronym originally represented Professional and Business retirees. Today, PROBUS Clubs welcome all men and women, who are retired or semi-retired.

A volunteer-based, global organization, PROBUS plays a vital role in stimulating thought, interest and participation in activities at a time in life when it is easy to become complacent, bored and lonely.

There are more than 4,000 PROBUS clubs world-wide with over 255 active clubs in Canada and more than 38,500 members.

Approximately 6,000 members are in Ontario District 2, which includes Ajax. District 2 is the largest in Canada with 33 Clubs.

Each PROBUS Club is autonomous but is coordinated through PROBUS Canada.



Thank you to the  
Ajax Partnership Fund  
for their support.

Retirement gives us the opportunity to reinvent ourselves and do the things that we may not have had time for when we were working!

We encourage healthy minds and bodies and socializing with other retirees in the community.

With a large, dedicated, leadership team, the PROBUS Club of Ajax provides many opportunities to socialize through various meetings, programs and social events, as well as day trips and tours.

We also offer interest groups including a book club, bridge, cribbage, euchre, golf (in season), restaurant outings, a walking club and more.

Members and guests meet on the first Wednesday of the month at the Ajax Community Centre. The meetings begin at 10:00 am and end by noon. After a short business meeting, we break for coffee and socializing, followed by interesting and entertaining keynote speakers on a variety of topics.

After the meetings, all attendees are invited to join us for lunch at the Portly Piper Pub.

### PROBUS Club of Ajax Receives the 2022 Ajax Seniors Support Award



*Accepting the award on behalf of the Club:  
l-r: President, Jane Wilson; Social Events Chair,  
Shirlie Van Putten; Communications Chair,  
Barb Squires, & Membership Chair, Tom Rosebush*

The Town of Ajax Seniors Support Award was given to our Club in recognition of “being a staple of the Town, and improving quality of life for seniors within our community.”

The PROBUS Club of Ajax was the first to be established in the Durham region and we are now in our 26<sup>th</sup> year with close to 200 members.

To join our Club or find out more, email us at [ajaxprobus@gmail.com](mailto:ajaxprobus@gmail.com) or visit our website: [www.ajaxprobus.com](http://www.ajaxprobus.com)



Left: July 2022 - Westben Theatre  
 March 2022 - Niagara Trip  
 2022 Christmas Lunch

Centre: Walking Club

Right: 2023 General Meeting  
 Trip to Memphis, Nashville  
 & Graceland



## RECENT & FUTURE ACTIVITIES

### SOCIALS:

- ▶ Annual Christmas Lunch
- ▶ BBQs and Picnics
- ▶ Lake Ontario Cruise, Dinner & Dance
- ▶ St. Patrick's Day Kitchen Party
- ▶ Open House
- ▶ Monthly Breakfasts, Lunches & Dinners



### DAY TRIPS & TOURS:

- ▶ Theatre outings including Famous Players, Princess of Wales, Royal Alex, Stratford Festival & Herongate Barn
- ▶ Louise Penny & The Three Pines Tour
- ▶ David Dunlap Observatory
- ▶ Niagara Power Plant & Winery Tour
- ▶ Royal Botanical Gardens
- ▶ 3 to 5-day tours in Canada and the US
- ▶ Trips to Italy, Portugal, Spain & more



### SPEAKERS:

- ▶ Neil Crone - "I'm Not a Real Person but I Play One on TV"
- ▶ Ted Barris - "Battle of the Atlantic"
- ▶ Eve Smeltzer - "Counting Sheep"
- ▶ Barbara Dickson - "Bomb Girls: From Aprons to Ammo"
- ▶ Dr. Ken Shonk - "Humour & Wellness"

