



PROBUS Club of Cambridge Newsletter



December 21, 2023

We held our 3rd PROBUS Christmas Gala at the Galt Country Club on December 8th. It was a wonderful chance for old and new friends to mingle and enjoy each other's company.

The tables were festively decorated with centre pieces made by Pat Ramcharitar and Cynthia, his daughter. Cynthia also designed them.

Prior to our meal, Ivan Robinson, one of our centenarian members, delivered a thought-provoking grace. Thank you to Ivan. We all enjoyed a fine Christmas dinner, and the service was pleasant and efficient. Our thanks go to the staff of the Galt Country Club.

Toes were tapping as live music was presented by the Paul Mitchell Ensemble before, during and after the meal. The individual talents of each of these fine musicians were well displayed and the superb vocalist, Nicole Faye, was well received by the audience. It was very enjoyable entertainment.



Ray welcoming everyone



Ivan led us in grace

We had two great door prizes. Thanks to Dan Clements, we had two tickets for a Leaf game. They were won by Stan Jones. Thanks to the Galt Country Club, we had a certificate for four greens fees with carts and these went to Wayne Taylor. I am sure both these prizes are much appreciated.

Congratulations and a huge thank you go to Norm Steele and his Activities Committee members for organizing and running a most enjoyable celebration.

I would like to thank our club members for their continued support.

At this time, I wish all of you and your families a happy, healthy holiday season.

. . . Ray Miske, President



Norm, Activities Committee was Master of Ceremony

Christmas Gala

What a great way to enjoy the fellowship and celebrate the season. The room was almost at capacity.





We had 17 tables which had been organized to accommodate as much as possible requests for sharing tables.



Prior to and during lunch our musical guests provided background music. After lunch the Paul Mitchell Ensemble - Nicole Faye (singer), Paul Mitchell (trumpet), Robert Fekete (piano), Matthew Lima (bass), Mike Rajna (drummer) entertained us.

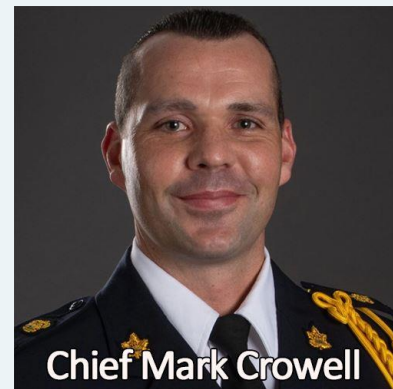


**Waterloo Regional Police Chief, Mark Crowell
will be our guest for our January 2024
meeting**

Tom LeBrun will conduct an interview with Chief Mark Crowell as he has done with special guests in the past.

Tom would like your input on questions we would like to ask Chief Mark Crowell.

Please send your suggested questions to tom.lebrun7@gmail.com before January 17th.



Next Month's Vignette

Vignette presentations are a long-standing tradition in PROBUS that are an important part of enabling us to get to know something about our new members and broadening our network of PROBUS colleagues.

Mike Atkinson will share his background and past experiences with us when he presents his vignette at our next meeting.



Mike Atkinson

. . . Mike Jeans, Vignette Chair

Activities Being Planned for 2024:

Beer Tasting, tastings with explanations, interspersed with snacks, February

Butterfly Museum, lunch with talk and then free tour time, March

Cambridge Community Players, lunch/tour/meet director and play, April 7

Mohawk Raceway, with dinner, May

Toronto Blue Jays vs Baltimore Orioles bus trip and optional dinner, June 6

Dunnville Grand River Cruise, with lunch, Blazing Fiddles and river cruise, July

Golf Tournament at Puslinch Lake Golf Course, August 21

Warren Stauch Bus Tour, September

Hamilton Theatre, with lunch, tour, talk and matinee, October

Billiards Tournament at Chicago Billiards, November 15

Christmas Gala at Galt Country Club, December 6

Ongoing Activities:

Computer Club, 2nd Tuesday each month on Zoom Sept to June

[Billiards Club](#), 3rd Friday monthly year round Chicago Billiards at the delta

[Trivia Contest](#), 3rd Wednesday each month on Zoom Sept to June

[Bridge Club](#), Tuesday every 2 weeks Sept to June

[Visit here for more information about all Activities](#)

2023 PROBUS Canada Photo Contest

PROBUS Canada told us that they received many great photos for the photo contest. The prize was \$100 plus bragging rights. They intend to use this photo in advertising to showcase the fun of belonging to a PROBUS club.

Duncan Bristow of Collingwood PROBUS Mountainview was the winner.

This photo shows seniors enjoying a crisp winter day full of sunshine snowshoeing up a slight incline. The picture is full of colourful coats, trees, snow and shadows. Duncan said it was taken on the Bruce Trail near Collingwood.



In Memoriam

Chuck Whittaker passed away on Tuesday December 5, 2023, at Freeport Health Center in his 90th year.

Chuck led an active and engaged life. He was a member of our PROBUS Club, the Galt Curling Club and served on the board at Trinity Anglican Church.

[Obituary information is available here.](#)



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