

AURORA YORK CENTRAL



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SUMMER MUSINGS

Hello All: Welcome to August.

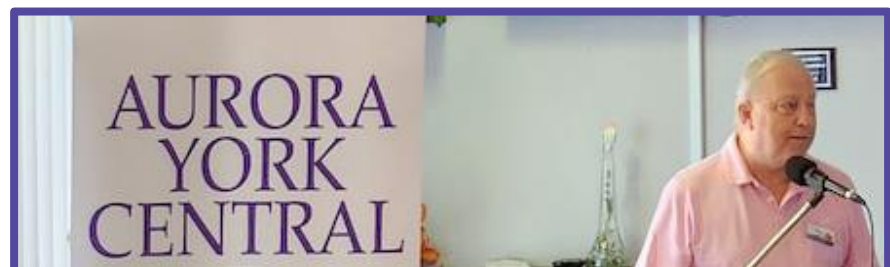
I hope everyone is enjoying the summer. This has to be one of the hottest on record. The BBQs, golf games, and ladies' lunches have been a great success this year. Thanks to the volunteers who organized these events.

This November 22, 2025, will mark the club's 30th anniversary and inaugural meeting. The executive will plan a special event to celebrate. I have a list of all the club's founding members. I'm not sure how many are still with us, but I will try to find out.

We look forward to a full fall agenda with many new speakers already booked, monthly dinners, bridge club, euchre club, book club, ladies' lunches, and more. Dues come due this September, and there will be no changes in fees. A notice will go out to you shortly.

I look forward to seeing you all at our September 10th general meeting. Enjoy the balance of the summer.

Cheers,
Garry



DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS

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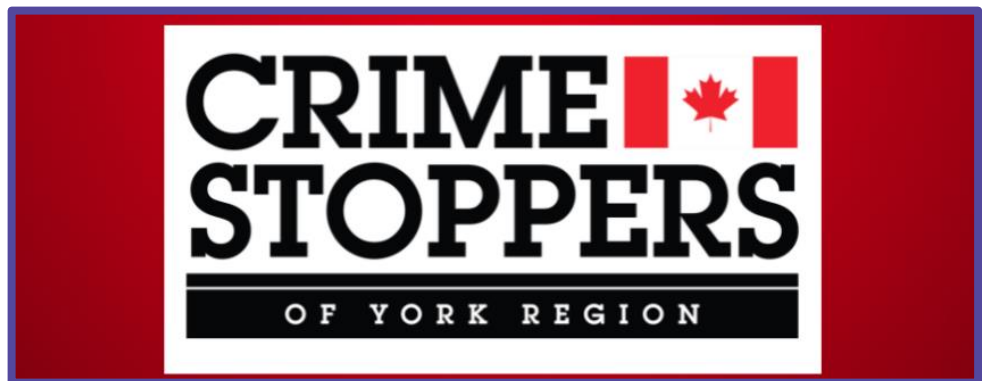
HAPPENING IN SEPTEMBER

GENERAL MEETING

10 am WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION,
105 INDUSTRIAL PARKWAY NORTH, AURORA

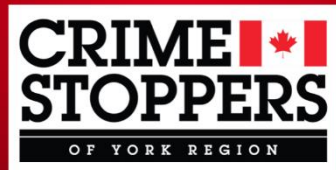
SEPTEMBER SPEAKER



Leo Ralph, Detective John Nechay and Detective Constable Steve Alexander – Crime Stoppers of York Region

Our own member, Leo Ralph sits on the board of Crime Stoppers of York Region and has arranged for York Region Police Officers, Detective John Nechay and Detective Constable Steve Alexander, to tell us of the invaluable aid Crime Stoppers of York Region is to local policing efforts.

Our presenters each have 20 plus years of police experience with but not limited to: auto cargo unit, intelligence covert unit, hold up squad, criminal investigation bureau property and persons crime, cybercrime, and business intelligence and data analytics.



INFORMATION SESSION

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2025
11:00AM-12:00PM

PRESENTED BY:
DET. JOHN NECHAY
DC STEVE ALEXANDER

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN:

- ✓ HISTORY & BACKGROUND OF CRIME STOPPERS
- ✓ HOW CRIME STOPPERS WORKS
- ✓ HOW TO SUBMIT TIPS ANONYMOUSLY
- ✓ COMMUNITY INITIATIVES AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS



PRIZES & GIVEAWAYS TO ALL ATTENDEES



PLANNED PROGRAMMES

EVENTS & OUTINGS

GENERAL MEETING

10 am Wednesday,
SEPTEMBER 10th

Royal Canadian Legion
105 Industrial Parkway N,
Aurora

Meetings start at 10 am, however we invite you to arrive about 9:30 to socialize and catch up with other members. *Coffee is available.*

Book Club

August 21 @ 10:00
am - 12:00 pm

Chartwell Hollandview Trail 200 John West Way,
Aurora

Golf Day Number Four

August 25 @ 9:00
am - 12:00 pm

Westview Golf Club 1563
Vandorf Road, Aurora

“Ladies Who Lunch”

September 2 @ 12 pm

Joia on Main
(Newmarket)
497 Timothy Street

Dining Out

September 17 @ 6pm
Crow's Nest Restaurant
(Newmarket)
115 Prospect Street

HAPPENING IN SEPTEMBER



The annual membership fees are due on September 1, 2025 for the fiscal year September 1, 2025 to August 31, 2026.

Your renewal fee is now \$75 and can be paid as follows:

1. Cheque payable to “Probus Club of Aurora” and mailed to P.O. Box 28504, Unit 151-14800 Yonge Street, Aurora, ON, L4G 6S6, OR
2. Bring your cheque with you to your first 2025/2026 General Meeting being held on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, OR
3. Electronic Payment via e-transfer directly to our Treasurer, Marie Wallace, at emmw1953@gmail.com.

Note that if you are a new member joining, there is also a \$20 fee for your name badge, charged only once.

Welcome back everyone!

We look forward to seeing you!

VP Membership

Sharon Welsh

GOOD TO KNOW STUFF

TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE

Aurora York Central PROBUS is a social group of individuals interested in the welfare of all club members. Should you require transportation to and from our events, please let me know and we will try to arrange the assistance you require.

[Vern Cunningham](#)

HOW ABOUT THIS?

PROBUS is international with 255,580 members in 4,149 clubs spread throughout the following 16 countries:

Argentina
Australia
Belgium
Canada
Chile
Cyprus
France
Germany
Holland
India
Ireland
Japan
Malaysia
Mexico
New Zealand
South Africa
Spain
Sweden
United Kingdom
Zimbabwe

Australia has 1,415 clubs with 113,00 members.

Chile has 1 club with 30 members.

Canada has 256 clubs with 40,060 members.

June 11 – Annual General Meeting Report



Mother Nature smiled upon us with perfect weather for our Annual General Meeting and barbecue. Patty McLaughlin with her keyboardist Donny Wood and lead guitarist Brian Colborne entertained us with a wonderful selection of tunes.

The meeting was short and sweet, our executive team members each gave an accounting of the year's accomplishments and a hint of things to come. Volunteers Anna, Book Club, Mary Lee, Social Bridge, Sharon, Euchre, Judy, Theatre Lovers and Wayne, Nine & Dine Golf were recognized for organizing and managing their special interest groups.

Moe Bagan too was recognized for his monthly contribution of TimBits to our morning coffee.



Election of our management team was a forgone conclusion as the current team members signed on for another term. That said, it is the right of any interested member to attend executive meetings to observe the leadership team in action and are most welcome to put their name forward for a position on the team.

We concluded with something hot off the grill, cold salads topped off with a selection of tasty sweets.

June 11 marks the end of our fiscal year, be safe, enjoy your summer and we'll see you in September.

GOOD TO KNOW STUFF

MEMBERS OF OUR CLUB WHO HAVE BEEN HONoured

AURORA CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

1983

Les Oliver

1984

Lowell McLenny

1989

Dick Illingworth

2005

Bud Gilbert

2010

Gord Barnes

2021

Brian North

2014

Beverley Wood

2020

Tom Connor

2024

Vern Cunningham

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

2022

Rosalyn Gonsalves



Social Committee News



Tuesday, September 2nd at 12 noon

Joia on Main (Newmarket)

497 Timothy Street, Newmarket

Please note that "Ladies Who Lunch" will resume again in June 2026.

"Au revoir" until next year!! It's been fun!

September Dining Out

Wednesday, September 17th at 6p.m.

Crow's Nest Restaurant

115 Prospect Street, Newmarket

Theatre Lovers Group



CALLING ALL THEATRE LOVERS

It's that time again to start thinking about the 2025-26 Theatre season. Thanks so much for everyone's support last season when we attended four wonderful matinee productions by Theatre Aurora and enjoyed a social time afterwards at dinner.

This year I'd like to suggest we venture outside of Aurora for the first outing of the season on **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 AT 2 PM** to the Curtain Club Theatre of Richmond Hill on Newkirk Road. The rest of the year I plan to continue supporting **THEATRE AURORA** presentations.

Unlike Theatre Aurora where I pay for tickets when I pick them up, the Curtain Club requires payment at the time of booking. So, I'll need to collect \$24 from everyone who would like to join the group on September 21. The other difference is the tickets are for open seating, no reserved or numbered seats, so it's important to arrive when the doors open 45 minutes before the curtain rises. But, the changes are worth the effort as the Curtain Club puts on really wonderful shows!

So, here are the **DETAILS** for our **SUNDAY** September 21 matinee. The Curtain Club only shows matinees on Sunday.

....**ROSE AND WALSH** is a romantic comedy by Neil Simon. " At a beautiful beach house, Rose, a celebrated but near penniless author, receives nightly visits from Walsh, the love of her life. Now Walsh must go away forever, but not before securing Rose's financial future with an extraordinary proposal that promises to change everything."

....I plan to buy the tickets by **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3** so will need payment by that date. I can accept e-transfers (dickensj06@yahoo.ca) or cash (contact me at 647-921-3734 to arrange delivery).

....Dinner after the matinee will be at Symposium Cafe in Aurora.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or comments. I look forward to another fun Probus activity for all you theatre lovers in the Club.

Thank you, Judy Dickens

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR CLUB

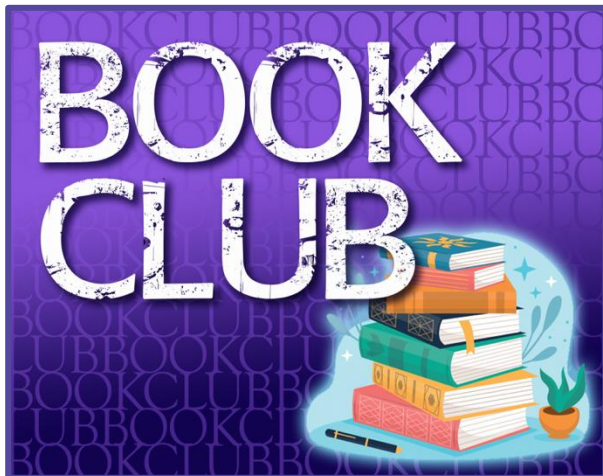


Coffee & Conversation

September 12th - 9.30am to 11.30am - Coffee and Conversation at Bunchberry, 185 Wellington St. E. and Industrial Parkway South, Aurora. Just drop in! All are welcome!

There is no need to sign-up, just show up and join in the conversation with new and not so new members. We look forward to seeing you there!

Join us the second Friday of every month!



Bucket List Book Club

The next meeting is Thursday, August 21st at Chartwell Hollandview Trail, 200 John West Way, from 10 am to Noon.

“The Quiet American” by Graham Greene, Alden Pyle, an idealistic young American, is sent to Vietnam to promote democracy amidst the intrigue and violence of the French war with the Vietminh.

His friend Fowler, a cynical foreign correspondent, looks on but soon finds it difficult to remain simply an observer. Fowler’s mistress, a beautiful native girl, creates a catalyst for jealousy and competition between the men and a

cultural clash resulting in bloodshed and deep misgivings. Written in 1955 prior to the Vietnam conflict, The Quiet American foreshadows the events leading up to the war. Questions surrounding the moral ambiguity of the involvement of the United States in foreign countries are as relevant today as they were fifty years ago.

For more information contact Anna Pilato queenladyap@gmail.com or 416-564-6116

[BOOK CLUB LINK](#)

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR CLUB



Social Bridge Club

Summer 2025

Probus Bridge Players,

I trust that all of you are enjoying this glorious summer. As we begin to think about fall, we will plan to start playing bridge again on Tuesday October 7th at 9:30 am in the Jazz Pub at Chartwell Hollandview Trail, 200 John West Way.

Happy thoughts until we gather again,

Mary Lee



Euchre Club

There will be no Euchre games over the summer, yet we look forward to resuming play Thursday, September 11 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm in the lower level at Chartwell Hollandview Trail, 200 John West Way.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer.

Thank you, Sharon Welsh



Golf Day Number Four

Nine & Dine

Our fourth Golf Day will be played at Westview Golf Club.

Start time: 9:00 am or later.

Greens Fee: \$45.00 per person

Power Cart: \$15.00 per golfer for those that care to ride

Prices are plus tax

If you would like to play please contact Wayne Scott through the website [LINK](#).

For updates and further details please check our group page . [Nine & Dine – Golf Day](#)

GOOD TO KNOW STUFF

Membership in PROBUS brings a world of opportunity and resources to your door. To find out more about this international organization you belong to, check out the links below.

PROBUS CANADA

www.probuscanada.ca

PROBUS GLOBAL

www.probusglobal.org

Suppose you were planning a trip abroad and wanted to know more about a possible destination, chances are you could find a local PROBUS club you could contact to gather more information. How you ask?

FIND A PROBUS CLUB

probusglobal.org/Clubs

WHAT'S SPECIAL IN JULY & AUGUST



To our members who have a birthday in July & August!

JULY

TIM HILL	03
CAROL HILL	14
DENNIS HOLLINGSHEAD	05
GARRY SLEEP	10
MARIA WITTENBOLS	12
DAVID BRISLEY	25
MARGARET LINDA DAVIS	07

AUGUST

JUDY DICKENS	02
CLIFF WHITE	08
DORIS INGRAVALLE	12
JANE PAGEL	13
MARIE WALLACE	15



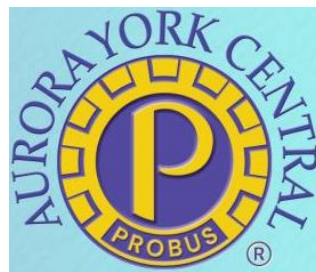
Stay Connected, check our club website for the latest events and news.

www.aurorayorkcentralprobus.ca

Should you wish to get in touch with any executive member

<https://aurorayorkcentralprobus.ca/contact-3/>

THAT'S IT FOLKS. UNTIL NEXT TIME,
LIVE, LAUGH, LOVE AND ENJOY LIFE.



PLEASE TAKE NOTE

There's a good chance you may be in photographs taken at any of our club meetings or events.
Your picture and name could appear in our newsletter or on our website.

If you do not wish to be in said publications, please take measures to not be in the camera's field of view.