Bolton Probus Club

30 years of
Fellowship
Friendship
And Fun





We begin this celebration, by acknowledging that the land on which we gather today, is part of the Treaty Lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. For thousands of years, Indigenous peoples inhabited and cared for this precious land, and we are dedicated to follow in the example set by our ancestors, and care both for the people of our community and the environment on which we are dependent. We honour and respect Indigenous heritage and the long-lasting history of the land and strive to collectively protect the land, water, plants and animals that have inhabited Caledon for all people and for generations yet to come.

This territory is within the lands protected by the “Dish with One Spoon” treaty, which embodies the practices of hospitality, sharing, and mutual respect and aligns with our goals as Probus members.


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Bolton Probus was founded in May 1996 for Fellowship, Friendship, and Fun







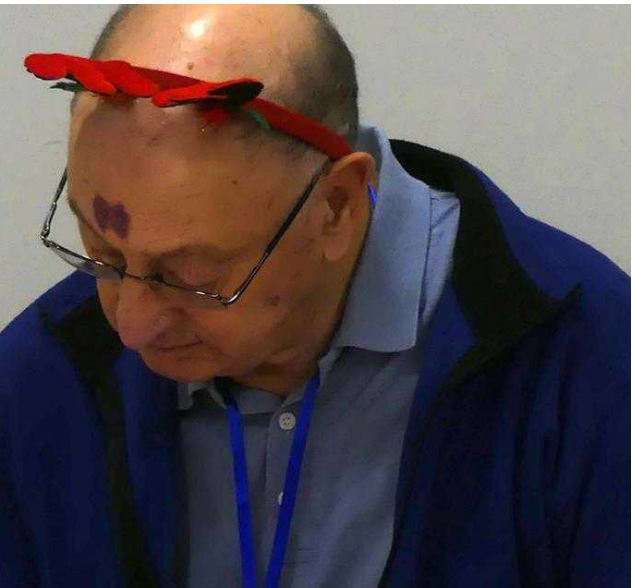



This Years Board : Graham, Laura, Deb, Ian, Larry, Ron , Grace and Fionna











- A few of Past Board Members:
- Bob Williams, Tony Smith, John Palmer, Tina Daalderop, Evelene Chapman, Trevor Hawkes, Micky Gravenish , Bob Smith,(Leggett & Smith Pharmacy) ,Betty Clark, Jane Karpenko, Ross Gillanders, Judy Temple, Pat Puchniak, David Watkins, Allan Maw, Patricia Lawrence, Ross Farrelly, Don Collins, Grace Rice, Sandy Forester , Dorothy Mazeau



Did You make a new friend?

or

learn something about a member?

Who spoke to someone new?

Was married in 1996	Whose birthday is on the 30th	Who joined Probus in 1996	Who lives at number 30 J.T.(Joanne Tanti)	Whose telephone number has a 3 and a 0 CW(Cynthia Wilson)
Has read more than 30 books in 2025 FF	Has a 30-year-old child or grandchild	Has visited more than 30 countries GF/FF	Has more than 30 pairs of shoes	Who has owned more than 30 cars Larry/O'D
Moved house in 1996	Who did not live in Caledon in 1996	Free!	Has brought a guest to Probus.	Has attended more than 30 Probus meetings.
Has more than 30 DVDs	Is a member of a Probus book club	Can remember what car they drove in 1996	Has had 30 or more pets or animals	Joined Probus before the year 2000.
Who has served on the Probus executive.	Who has organized a Probus outing or trip.	Has more than 30 tools in their toolbox	Has been a member of more than one Probus club.	Has given a Probus presentation



Mr. Chuck Heroux
Director
Ontario
District #2



Mr. Doug Maskell
Caledon ward 3
Councillor



Why Probus?

Research shows that people over 55 who stay socially and mentally active live longer. Studies link social connection to lower risk of death, better brain health, and improved wellbeing. Activities like joining clubs, volunteering, and building friendships can reduce mortality risk by as much as 40% and help slow aging.

That's why staying connected through groups like Probus is so important.

Strong social connections help people live longer and healthier lives

“it’s the best thing England ever exported.”



- Get Connected, Stay Connected.
- Fellowship, Friendship, and Fun
- For retired and semi-retired people
- We are a volunteer-based, non-profit, non-political, non-sectarian fellowship organization with over 4,000 clubs worldwide, some 250 being Canadian clubs made up of over 35,000 members. Our clubs are all about encouraging healthy minds and bodies and socializing with other retirees in the community.

- Meeting new people, making new friends, discovering new interests are just some of the advantages of being a Probus member.

The first non-sectarian Probus club specifically for active retirees was formed in 1966 by the Rotary Club of Caterham England to allow retired professionals to continue to meet together for fellowship.

In 1974, Probus expanded into New Zealand and by 1976 the idea had spread to Australia. The first Probus club for seniors in North America was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Galt in Cambridge, Ontario, Canada in 1987. Although Probus membership has its greatest concentrations in Great Britain, Australia and New Zealand, clubs today exist in all parts of the world, including the U.S., Belgium, India, South Africa and several other countries in Africa and Asia

Growth in Canada (since 1987) under the leadership of John Morris, has since successfully developed 244 clubs across Canada from Saint John's Newfoundland to Victoria, British Columbia, with a membership of over 36,000.

Bolton Probus was chartered on May 9th 1996.



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“Founders Panel”

Carl Henry Ingebertson played a role in its creation

Carl Henry Ingebertson

Founder, Builder, and Champion of Probus in Ontario

Carl Henry Ingebertson stands as one of the most influential figures in the development of Probus in Ontario, and his legacy is woven directly into the history of the **Bolton Probus Club**, now celebrating its 30th anniversary.

A long-time **Rotarian in Brampton**, Carl first encountered the Probus movement during a trip to Ireland. Inspired by its spirit of fellowship, learning, and community connection, he returned to Canada determined to bring the concept home. His enthusiasm proved contagious. Under his leadership and persuasion, the **Rotary Club of Brampton sponsored the very first Probus Club of Brampton**, where Carl served as the **founding President**.

Carl's vision didn't stop there. He became a driving force behind the expansion of Probus across the region:

- He **assisted in forming the Women's Probus Club of Brampton**
- He played a key role in establishing **Probus Mississauga Centre**
- **And most importantly for this celebration, he was instrumental in the creation and early development of the Probus Club of Bolton**

As the Bolton Probus Club marks its 30th anniversary, it does so standing firmly on the foundation Carl built — a foundation of community, curiosity, and connection. His work ensured that thousands of retirees across Ontario would have a place to belong, to learn, and to thrive.

Today, we honour Carl Henry Ingebertson — founder, leader, and friend — whose vision continues to enrich lives three decades on.

Another founder was:
Dr. Robert (Bob) Williams





The Caledon Seniors Centre (Rotary Place)

Opened in November 1995 and was the first Meeting Place

Now that our youth is long since passed,

Life is less urgent, not so fast

We've time to sit and think at last,

How best to serve our lives.

Life does not end at sixty-five,

We aim to show we're still alive,

We'll prove that we've not lost our drive

Or our will to serve.

Join us at PROBUS, meet with your friends.

Relax and be happy as Nature intends,

With such good companions your life-style extends,

PROBUS - the Club for you.

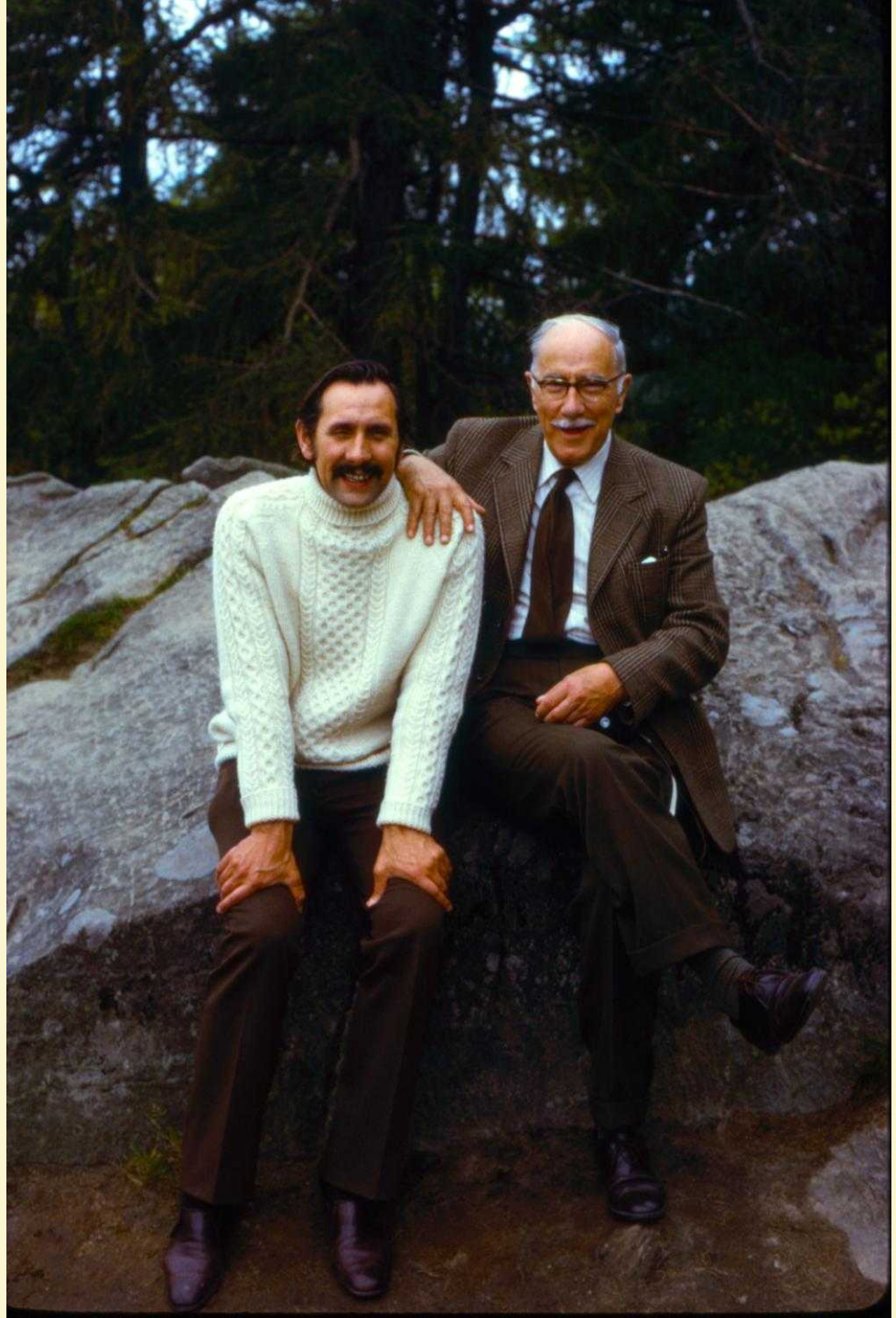
Join us at PROBUS, the time will speed by,

Revive your ambitions and reach for the sky,

You may not succeed but at least you can try,

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After a few years The Club moved to its present location...



Who does this remind you off?

We are now in the second generation of membership in Probus...





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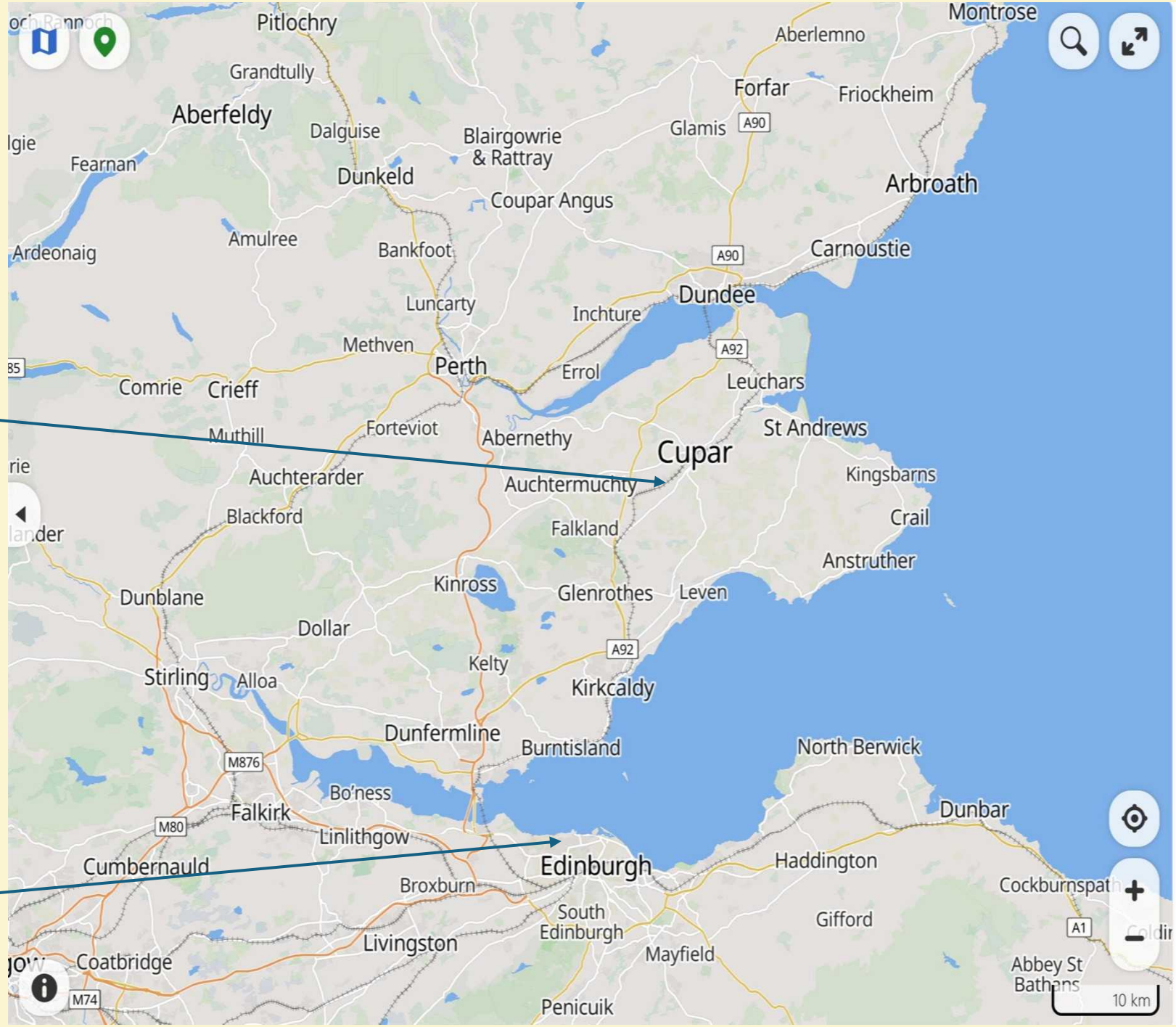


Probus opened up new social connections and meaningful relationships for Mr. Smith after his relocation to a small community in Scotland.

“We held an enrollment meeting on Thursday 29th October 1970 when 42 members were created Founders.”

An hour away…

EDINBURGH BLACKHALL PROBUS Club. Chartered 1985



FORTINOS
Your Supermarket with a heart!

Caledon Public Library

MarsCanada

GIANT TIGER



Nathan Hiller

Many people helped make today a memorable event, (too many to mention)
Fortinos: Donated the cake and supplied the sandwiches (Larry O'Donnell)
Home Depot: Donated The beautiful Pansies in Probus colours (Ron Morrison/ Andree Ann)
Caledon Public Library supplied the materials and equipment for **Nathan Hiller** to put his 30th logo on your keepsake gift
Mars Canada: Donated the Candy Treats (Gloria Antonini)
Giant Tiger: donated all the cookies for the coffee time
Your management committee and many volunteers have worked very hard to create a fun day.



Our cake will now be cut by Tony Smith and Eliesa Jacobsen

And you are invited to join us for refreshments