



Probud Club of Ottawa-Rideau Valley
April 6, 2011 (10 a.m.)
Tomkins Hall, St. James Anglican Church
1188 Bridge Street, Manotick, Ontario, K4M 1A4

A Meeting of Minds

Climbing your family tree – 2011 style

Speaker: Dr. John D. Reid

Researching family history has changed. The principles are the same, but technology has revolutionized the methods. Dr. Reid's talk will illustrate these evolving techniques, from indexed censuses and other databases to digitized newspapers and DNA. Born in Norfolk, England, Dr. Reid came to Canada in 1966 after obtaining his BSc degree. A 31-year career with Canada's Meteorological Service followed, including weather forecasting, atmospheric research, management and policy roles. Along the way he obtained MSc and PhD degrees. He retired as the Service's Director of Policy and International Affairs while serving as president of the Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society. Following retirement he stepped up his interest in family and local history as a writer, speaker and blogger (www.anglo-celtic-connections.blogspot.com) He served as president of the British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa and was chair of the City of Ottawa Arts, Heritage and Culture Advisory Committee.

Refreshments available from 9.30 a.m. Don't forget your name tags!
Lunch venue following the April meeting: Mill Tavern, Main Street, Manotick

Coffee volunteers: Volunteers are needed to prepare and serve coffee at meetings. Call Fanny Afshar at 613-596-6679 or e-mail her at secretary@probudorv.org

May 4 guest speaker: John Green, Search and Rescue expert.

Striders and Gliders: Brian Sawyer has scheduled a walk in the area of Manotick's Long Island Locks Wednesday, April 20. Participants should meet at the Manotick Library at 9.30 a.m. for car pooling. Brian will send e-mail notification 1-2 days beforehand.

Special events: The April monthly meeting will be your last chance to register for the Spring Fling at the Italo-Canadian Club, 1174 Italia Lane (just north of Hwy. 401), in Kingston on Tuesday, May 17. Cost is \$30, payable by cheque to Probud. Final details, including car pooling, will be given at the May meeting. More information at <http://www.probudorv.org/SpringFling2011Communique.pdf>

Recorded talk: Check the Past Speakers page on the Probud website and click on the February 2, 2011, link to see an mp4 movie (audio and slides) of Dr. Peter Fowler's recent talk (presented by kind permission of Dr. Fowler). You may need to download Quick Time (it's free) or another compatible movie player. Don't forget to turn on the sound. The clip may take several minutes to download. If you have problems, contact webmaster@probudorv.org

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