



Probus Club of Ottawa-Rideau Valley
A Meeting of Minds

September 7, 2011 (10 a.m.)

Tomkins Hall, St. James Anglican Church

1188 Bridge Street, Manotick, Ontario, K4M 1A4

Website: www.probusorv.org

The Mayerthorpe Story

Speaker: Robert Knuckle

Robert Knuckle was born and raised in Windsor, Ontario. He received his BA degree from the University of Windsor in 1957 and Master's degree in education from the University of Toronto in 1968. He began writing full time in 1992. Prior to that, he was an English and Latin teacher and a secondary school vice-principal with the Hamilton Board of Education. He is an award-winning author of nine books and two booklets. Most of them are about true crime and/or tales of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. He has also written for television, radio, cinema, and has had five of his stage plays produced at major venues in Ontario. Robert will be talking about his latest book, *The Mayerthorpe Story*, which deals with the ambush and murder of four RCMP officers in Alberta in 2005. His book is the only one available in print on this subject.

Refreshments available from 9.30 a.m. Don't forget your name tags!

Lunch venue following the September meeting: La Piazza, Manotick (an air-conditioned room has been booked).

Coffee volunteers: Anyone willing to sign up for one meeting should call Fanny Afshar at 613-596-6679 or e-mail her at secretary@probusorv.org

October guest speaker: Mike Taylor on The Many Uses of Nuclear Energy in Canada.

Striders and Gliders: The next Probus walk will be around the locks and Nicholls Island on Wednesday, September 21. Meet at 9 a.m. at Manotick Library for car pooling, or 9.10 a.m. at the parking lot at the north end of Long Island. Organizer Brian Sawyer will send an e-mail reminder 2-3 days before the walk. He also canoes most Thursday mornings for about two hours, leaving from his home on South River Drive at 9.30 a.m. If you would like to join him, call 613-692-6300.

Special events: A BBQ at Baxter Conservation Centre is planned for Thursday, September 8 (see the second page of this newsletter) and a visit to Beechwood Cemetery will take place on Tuesday, September 13 at 1.30 p.m. (more details available at the meeting to arrange carpooling).

Changing your mailing or e-mail address? Call Jeff at 613-692-6273 with the details to ensure continued delivery of this newsletter.

Know a Probus member who is ill? Call Kathy Pitcher (613-822-8739). She will send a card.

Probus Fall BBQ

**Thursday, September 8, 2011, at 12 noon
(rain date: Friday September 9, 2011)
Baxter Conservation Area, Kars**

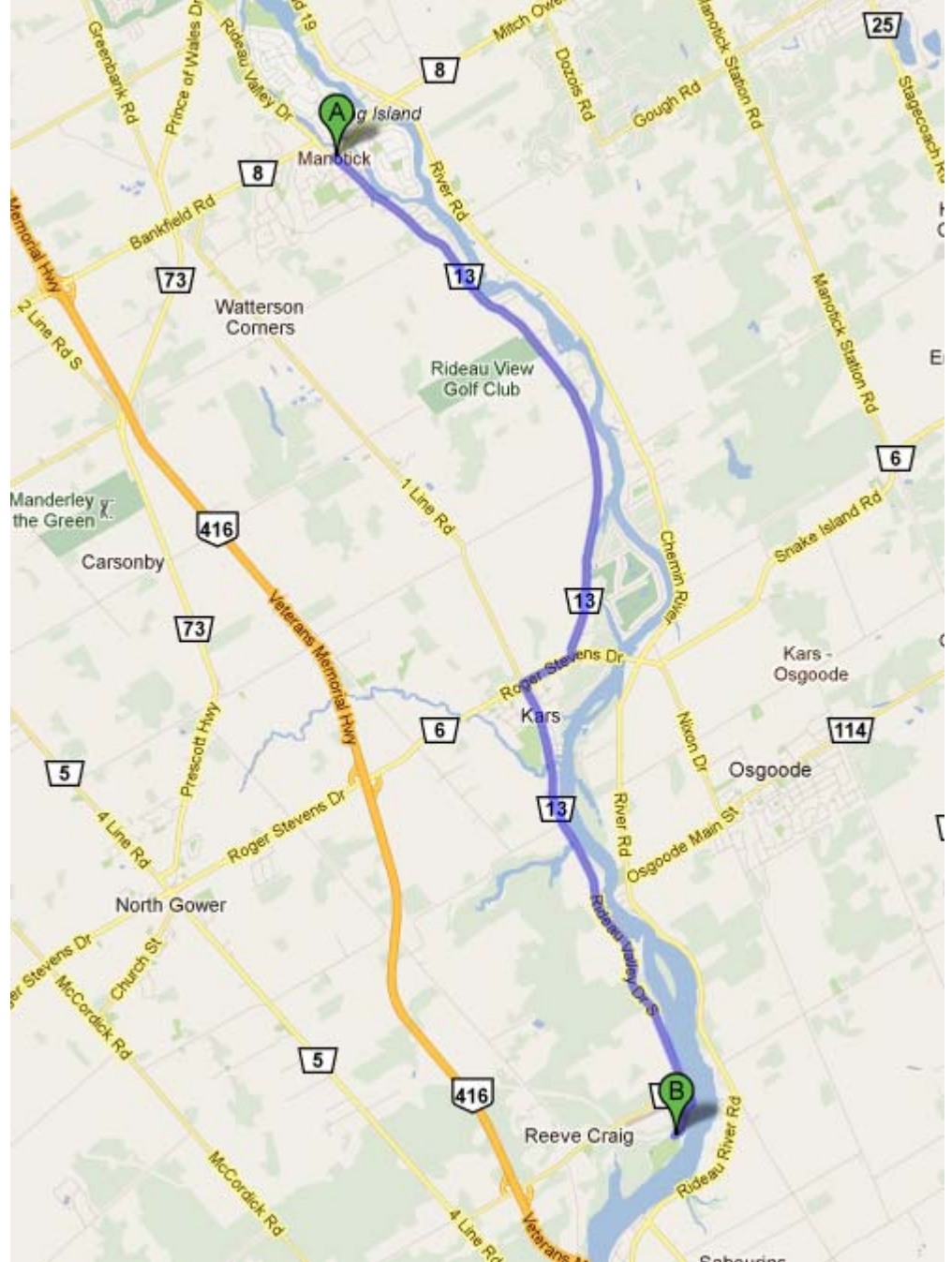
Come and join us at the Probus Fall BBQ at the Baxter Conservation Area. The Probus management committee will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, coffee, and condiments, and asks only that you contribute a salad, an appetizer, or a dessert. As it costs approximately \$5 per vehicle to park at the Conservation Area, we suggest members carpool and meet at the Manotick Library or the Kars RA Centre at 11.30 a.m. Please bring your own non-alcoholic beverage, and lawn chairs. To give us some idea of numbers, let Fanny know if you plan to attend and want to bring guests; what dish you plan to provide (salad, appetizer or dessert); and whether you need to carpool and from where. Her phone number is 613-596-6679 and her email address is secretary@probusorv.org Family and friends are welcome at the BBQ but we need a head count so that we can accommodate everyone. We also need some BBQing expertise. If you can help please let Fanny know when you sign up and be prepared to arrive early in order to fire up the BBQs. The intrepid among you should bring walking shoes to enjoy the Baxter trails, and swimming gear. In the event of inclement or uncertain weather please check the Probus website probus@orv.com after 9.30 a.m. on the day, or phone Fanny at 613-596-6679 or Ben at 613-692-9966 to find out if the event is going ahead.

For directions to the Conservation Area, see map below.

**Baxter
Conservation
Area, Carter
Road, Kars**
(about 16 km
south of
Manotick)

From Manotick

**1. Head
southeast on
Manotick Main
St/Rideau
Valley Drive.**



2. Turn right onto Roger Stevens Dr/Regional Road 6.

3. Take the 2nd left onto Rideau Valley Dr S/Regional Road 13 through Kars.

4. After 6.3 km, turn left onto Carter Road. Destination will be on the left.