

## **PROBUS Blue Mountain Paddling Group**



**The Paddling Group's first paddle of the year will be held  
at Collingwood Harbour**

**April 24th at 10:00 am.**

This should be a very easy paddle around the Collingwood Harbour. We will limber up those old muscles that have been dormant for the past few months. We will also help new paddlers. We will paddle around the Harbour and perhaps venture out into open water depending on wind conditions. It is a chance to meet your fellow paddlers and don't forget you can bring partners/spouses/friends as long as they sign the Probus Waiver which is located on the Probus Web site. Life jackets are mandatory as they are on all of our paddles. You should also have a "throw line" and whistle. Water will still be cold and the shore is a bit rocky so we advise water shoes. We will meet at the town launch site located at the bottom of Birch Street. Just turn off 1st Street onto Birch, drive past the Beaver & Bulldog and follow it down to the water's edge where we will meet. You should be there by 10:00 am. We will work together to get all of the boats into the water so don't worry about carrying it. The town launch dock probably won't be operative, but we can easily carry the boats to the beach on the right hand side of the parking lot. After the paddle we will load up the boats and head to one of the local restaurants. Please let Dave know if you need transport, to arrange a pick up. Also, if you don't have a kayak or canoe let Dave know, and he can either pair you up with someone or help you get a rental. If transporting your boat is a problem, let Dave know and he will arrange to pick you up. Contact David if you are paddling and if you are staying for lunch.

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